

## NORTHERN DELAWARE INTERGROUP MINUTES

**DATE: November 6, 2024**

**Call to order:** 7:00 PM

**Preamble was read aloud**

**Responsibility Pledge:** I am responsible...when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help. I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that, I am responsible.

**New Group Reps:** Maureen, covering for Living in the Solution

Mary, representing Baylor Women's Correctional

Joe B., covering for Dawn Patrol

Bonnie, new rep for Main Street Big Book

Bob, interested in joining CPCPI

Jason, new rep for Monday Night Big Book at St. Matthew's

**Attendance :** See Sign in Sheets - reached quorum with 48 attending

**Anniversaries:** Jason, Nov. 2: 22 months

Tim, Oct. 16: 3 years (and Oct 27: 54th birthday)

Carly L., Oct. 11: 5 years

**Minutes from previous meeting:** Motion to Accept- Seconded- Accepted. None opposed.

**Chair:** George M. - since the last meeting, we are still in pursuit of more people to join CPCPI and Newsletter committees.

George attended the Area 12 convention in Dewey; it was a huge success, great speakers, well attended, and great food. Recommends everyone attend, if possible, in the future.

The Steering Committee is compiling 2025 budgets- they will be available at the next Intergroup meeting.

**Vice-Chair :** Dave O.- Forming ad hoc committee for hiring a new office coordinator. He will keep us updated. We have received 6 resumes so far.

**Treasurer Report:** Gene M.- We are continuing to stay generally in line with past expenses and income. We are still working on the new QuickBooks setup.

\*\* Gene attached the group contributions for 2024 - please bring this back to your Homegroup treasurer to confirm accuracy for our records.

We are about 1.4 months below prudent reserve and operating at about \$6,800 in expenses per month.

**Intergroup Office Report:** Ena-

- AA Info and 12th Step: 27 ● AI Anon: 0 ● Alateen: 0
- Member/Misc.: 98 ● Visitors: 77 ● literature: 28 ● Total calls / Contacts: 230

**Home Answering:** Ena for Patti-

Stated that 38 calls had been received:

- 26 calls - Meeting information.

- 6 calls - 12 Step calls.
- 1 calls - Spanish speaking meeting information.
- 5 calls - Misc. office information.

**Area 12 Liaison:** Michael C.- Please put your name and your Homegroup's name and number on contributions so they can credit it to the right group/person. Dec. 7 is the next area assembly, see [DelawareAA.org](http://DelawareAA.org) for all the dates of upcoming events. NE regional forum will be Dec. 5-7 in Providence, RI.

**Bridging the Gap:** Stas W. - It's been quiet, but we have created new packets and made 3 calls to facilities in the area to get together and share about the program. Stas is also meeting up with PA's Bridging the Gap representative so we can coordinate and brainstorm.

\*\* We need many more volunteers, please sign up at the Intergroup meeting.

**Corrections Commitments:** no rep present, but Mary shared that Baylor Women's has 20 females on the list right now (available to bring in meetings) and a few more are trying to join.

**CPC/PI:** Ken not present, but Bob would like to join CPCPI and offer all his connections.

**Finance:** George M. – Still looking for finance chair.

\*\* aIf anyone has a background in bookkeeping, accounting, finance, etc., we really need help with this committee, please spread the word and let us know.

**Institutional Commitments:** Tim W.- Reiterates that we say the responsibility pledge at the beginning of this meeting, and we need to remember the pledge when we sign up for commitments. If we sign up, we show up. Please be mindful when you take a commitment - we never want to miss the opportunity to reach out the hand of AA to a fellow alcoholic. It also makes the group as a whole look bad if we repeatedly miss commitments. Big thank you to the groups that keep their commitments and show up every week.

We have heard from people about issues taking meetings into Hope House. If you ever go to a commitment and experience notable disrespect, or if you get turned away when you show up to bring the meeting, please let us know so we can handle it appropriately. Several reps shared that they have been turned away from Hope House.

\*\*Guadenzia requests that, moving forward, please keep meeting topics to Steps 1, 2, and/or 3. Also, there will now be childcare for the clients so that the children are not interrupting the meetings.

**Literature:** Fara D.- October Intergroup: \$41.00 in sales, plus \$5 in donations.

Unity's 2nd Annual Speaker Jam: \$102 in sales.

Fall Breakfast: \$159.25 in sales, plus \$4.75 donation.

OctSOBERfest: \$217.50 in sales, plus \$7.50 donation.

Area 12 Convention: \$301.60 in sales, plus \$1.40 donation.

Upcoming events where literature table will be present: District 5 Conference on November 16 and Longtimer's Speaker Event on November 29.

We have purchased many Plain Language Big Books. If you would like to buy one, submit your order to Literature or the main office; include your name, phone number, and the number of books you want. No paying ahead, must pay when you pick up the book.

\*\* Please fill out the google form to request the Literature Table at your events.

**Newsletter:** Anne Marie - Just started with October's newsletter, currently working on November's.

\*\* Please share your stories so they can be included in the newsletter! One paragraph or one page, it does not have to be long or involved. Email your story to [mainoffice@ndiaa.org](mailto:mainoffice@ndiaa.org) to be included in the newsletter.

**Special Events:** no rep present, no report.

**Unity:** Anthony B.- not much new, still continuing to email the cheat sheet to all reps. Make sure you turn in your new rep form to Ena to be added to the mailing list. Please see Anthony or Carly for new rep orientation.

We have created and submitted our 2025 budget, and it's half of last year's. We are refocusing on outreach instead of events, so we will prioritize reaching out to non-represented Homegroups to inform them about intergroup so they can make an educated decision about joining or not.

**Website Chair:** Laura - no report

**Old Business:** Budgets - we have a list of budgets collected at Steering Committee; we will compile them to present at the next intergroup meeting.

**New Business:** Juan, representing DEYPAA (DE Young People in AA), shared that they recently had elections, but still have positions available: Program Chair (search for speakers, create schedule) and Intergroup Liaison. If interested, please join DEYPAA's next business meeting on Nov. 24th at 5pm at Limestone Presbyterian Church.

Reminder that the Thanksgiving Alcahthon will be held on Thanksgiving Day (November 28th) at Limestone Presbyterian Church. There will be 6 meetings, one every even hour starting at 10:00 AM (10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00) Side dishes are welcome, and they need volunteers to help set up and clean up.

**Group Concerns:** None presented.

**Group Announcement:** None mentioned.

**Motion to Close: Serenity Prayer / The Lord's Prayer 7:33 P.M.**

**Tim W. gave out commitments.**