

## NDIAA STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Date: April 28, 2026**

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

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

**Attendance:** (14) David O., Patsy M., Carly B., Joe O., Patti R., Steve B., Missy S., Stan F., Suzanne M., Doug R., Laura D., Amy M., Tim W., Jody S...Guest: Denise B.

**Anniversaries:** Suzanne M: 22 yrs on April 25

**Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Reviewed, motion to accept: Accepted – none opposed.

**Chair:** Joe O.- Denise B. is here to tell us about an upcoming talent show.

Denise: She is here representing Districts 6 and 7 as DCM. The talent show will be held at Lum's Pond on Sunday, Aug. 30 (ends at sunset, start time TBD) at Pavilion 1. 100-120 capacity at the pavilion. She is looking for one or two speakers to share their story, spotlighting their service story. She requests Intergroup's support, perhaps utilizing the Special Events committee. There are also several GSR's already involved. Amy and Missy (Special Events) expressed interest in supporting the event.

Missy asks if Denise has cleared the usage of a speaker system. Denise confirms she has.

Touching base on the Service Information event brought up at the last Steering Meeting. Suggested name of event is "Service Extravaganza," and the theme will be a carnival, with games, photo booths, etc. We are fairly well decided on holding this event in September, and probably at Limestone Presbyterian. Please email the office if you have any ideas.

We have updated the website storage; it's an extra \$1,400 for the remaining three year period. 140 GBs extra (now have total 170 GBs) plus security package (at a 50% discount).

Maintenance came in to service the heater and AC as part of the existing contract we have. They are recommending AC coil cleaning, condenser cleaning, and AC unit cleaning for \$285.

**Vice Chair:** David O.- No major reports to share. The issue with the website will be discussed more later in the meeting.

**Treasurer Report:** Steve B.- Please see Financial Summary and Report. We are still slightly above our target prudent reserve

**Intergroup Office Report:** Patsy M.

AA Info/12 Step Calls: 15      Alanon/Alateen: 00      Member Misc.: 106  
Visitors: 83      Literature: 20      Total calls/Contacts: 224

SEPIAA has great handout packets for beginners; samples are on the table. These are new literature options we are interested in pursuing. Price examples: \$175 for 500 empty packets. \$400 for 250 Meeting in a Pockets. Patti and Ena will provide more detailed pricing next month.

**Home answering:** Patti R.

Calls: 25

Type: AA Meeting Info.: 18      12-Step: 3      Spanish Speaking: 00      Office: 4

## Committee Reports:

**Area 12 Liaison:** No rep present, no report.

**Bridging the Gap:** Suzanne M.- Please see drafted letter to correctional facilities. Motion to accept the letter and intake form as presented. Seconded- none opposed. Suzanne will move forward with finalizing and sending letter.

**Corrections Commitments:** No rep present, no report.

**CPC/PI:** No rep present, no report.

**Finance:** Stan F.- working on the tax return for 2025. He reviewed the tax return from 2024. Stan has discussed with Gene and the accountant who files our return. The major issue last year was that QuickBooks did not match the finances as reported on the tax return. The inventory value was the largest discrepancy (nearly \$10k adjustment necessary in QuickBooks vs. the value of literature we actually had).

Stan suggests making the necessary adjustments in QuickBooks, then getting updated finances sent over to the tax accountant. It will affect our tax returns because of the large discrepancies.

Steve B.: on our financial statements for Intergroup, he reports the income and expenses as they show in the bank accounts. However, his inherited starting balance was off because the numbers were not transferred correctly to QuickBooks last year. This means that the ending balance on the financial statements is not the actual number in the bank account. Part of his concern was the costs on the website. Was there any way to save the website without spending an extra \$1,400? He brings this up out of concern for our financial health going forward for the rest of the year.

Laura D. point of information: the gap between 30 GBs (what our website actually had available) and 132GBs (how much storage we were using) was too big to fix by deleting documents. We would have had to completely start over to get the storage down to the GBs available.

Joe O. says that it would be worth doing a more detailed budget after Stan straightens out the QuickBooks numbers. Once we have real numbers to work with, we can focus on the details of our budget.

What Stan wants to figure out with QuickBooks relates to how literature expense and income is reported. The discrepancy seems to stem from inconsistent reporting categories. Stan will meet with Ena and Patsy to discuss the entry system so he can better understand and manage QB.

Motion for Stan to make the necessary updates; seconded, none opposed.

Tax return due date is May 15, Stan feels we are on track.

Stan proposes we do a more in depth look at financials quarterly. Perhaps do a quarterly budget instead of annually.

**Institutional Commitments:** Tim W.- no major issues this month, except one instance where our AA went to Meadow Wood outpatient instead of inpatient. Tim will update the commitment description to clarify the correct address. He also found out that Holly Dixon no longer works there, and she was our main contact.

**Literature:** No rep present, no report.

**Newsletter:** No rep present, no report.

**Special Events:** Missy S.- Game Night May 9th. Free event at Limestone Presbyterian.

Missy needs to correct the math on our income from the most recent bingo (we made almost double what we thought we'd made). We would like to give the church \$150 instead of \$100 since we made such profit.

June Founders' Day Picnic on Sunday, June 7th at Lum's Pond. We will have a signup sheet at the Intergroup meeting on Wednesday. Bring the sign up back to your homegroup for people to sign up (i.e. set up, grilling, cleanup, etc.) Will need seed money to start, probably \$800 for now. Note from Patsy - big thanks to Amy and Missy for a successful Spring Breakfast. Earned over \$600 from 50/50.

Going forward, Special Events would like to spend a little more on prizes since all the Bingos so far have been profitable and successful. Joe suggests that if we're making that much money with the current level of prizes, why spend more? TBD.

Blue Rocks event is in the works.

**Unity Chair:** Doug R.- Committee met last month to plan for the rest of the year. They have been going to "dark" groups, groups that don't have an Intergroup Rep, to try and find out why they don't participate. Some say they just don't want to. Doug wants to coordinate with Special Events and DEYPAA to put on a Speaker Jam. He is trying to find a good time frame so that we don't overlap other groups' or committees' events. Doug would rather focus on bringing more groups into the fold versus focusing on putting on events.

Question from Joe O.: has Unity visited Spanish speaking meetings? We only have one Spanish-speaking Rep coming in to the office for literature. Could we visit and let them know the office has Spanish literature and can support if possible? Doug says we have not, but will look into this. Missy suggests Doug talk to Denise from District 6 and 7 about supporting the talent show.

Doug is working on restructuring Unity to visit groups more often and grow the committee/cast a wider net. Joe suggests creating a flyer for Intergroup.

**Web Chair:** Laura D.- description of the website issue: Laura has been the Website Chair for 6 years and has worked with WordPress for years prior to that. Laura made changes to the website about 5 years ago. Recently, when this storage issue started, she had logged in to work on the website and got an error message that there was not enough storage. She started deleting as much as she could, but there simply were not enough items to delete to free up the necessary space. We discussed in Steering, had Mary (IT pro) visit us, and worked strenuously to free up as much space as possible. There was no way to free up 100 GBs without completely deleting the website and starting over.

This weekend, now that we have bought additional storage, she is able to start updating the website again. There is a fair backlog, so she will continue working on the updates.

**Old Business:** discussed throughout committee reports above, mainly regarding the website.

**New Business:** Joe O. question to chairpeople: How many people are on your committees? How many do you want? How can Steering help you achieve this goal?

Stan F. says the committee summary flyer Ena and Patsy created was fantastic. He will share it with his meetings, too.

**Serenity Prayer/Close: 8:25**