

Akron Intergroup Council Meeting – March 1, 2020

This meeting was opened at 1:00 pm by Chairman Nick B. with the responsibility statement, Serenity Prayer and the reading of the Twelve Traditions. Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Groups in Attendance: (35) A New Freedom, Akron General, Alkies Lunch Bunch, B&W Saturday Nite, Dry Peoples Wednesday Night, East Akron, Faith & Hope, Fresh Start, Hudson Terex PM, Kenmore Group, Kids at Heart, King School, Ladies Big Book Study, Mid- Day Serenity, North Hill Men's Group, Northampton, P.P.G., North Hills Men's Group, Rebos, Serenity Through Recovery, Seville Monday 12 Steps Up, Silver Lake Involvement, Sober Men and Women United, Spiritual Solutions, Steps and Beyond, Sunday Night 12 & 12, Sunday Women's Big Book, The Broadway Group, The Turning Point, Thursday Night Freedom, Thursday Night Men's Non-smoking, Towers Discussion, Wadsworth Women's Study, We are Hope, Your Beginners Group

Secretary's Report: Karen K. –Two motions were made to waive the reading of the February secretary's report. Report was accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: Tim Q. –

Budget report in line. Donations are up for the year. A gentleman came in the other day with a \$2500 donation. Motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. Report was accepted as written.

Executive Board Report: Nick B. – No report

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Founders' Day: Jeff C.

Registration opens today, March 1st. Registration is \$30 this year. Opening went smoothly.

Archives: Jim B.-

There's a new volunteer who has joined us doing scanning with John D. and Gene M. His name is Chris Bryan and he seems to enjoy the work. The Grapevine donation to the committees is finished.

The display boards in the south hallway have started to be resurfaced and I can do two at a time in four hours. Everything is running along smoothly so far.

General Service: Val D. – Not present

Intergroup News: Judy K. –

– The newsletter was mailed out on time. We had a problem with the email version, but that problem is solved. One of the IT guys wrote a program to send the emails. Our topic for April is H.O.W. Honest, Open-mindedness, and Willingness. The deadline date is March 13,2020. We welcome any participation from committees.

Our next meeting will be March 21, 2020 at 9:00 AM for proofing

Offered subscription forms to council members. Shared pricing for 1 and 2 years.

Information Tech: Judy K.

This month the IT guys worked on updating the system again. We updated the office computers so that they are on Windows 10. A new program was written for the IGNews emailing. The Founders' Day system is up and running and testing was done to make sure that we are ready for March 1, 2020 registration.

Next meeting will be March 10, 2020.

Intergroup Anniversary: Laura N.

April 19th 10:30-3 at Guy's Party Center. Tickets are \$15.00

Public Info/CPC: Laura N. – No report

New Year's Eve Dance: Jesse J. – Not present. Nick B. reported:
Profit of \$329.25. Have not yet reserved for next year.

Office Committee: Charles S.

Discussing creating new form for office staff review.

Annual review done and both staff members excelled. Stated Greg and Cheryl are invaluable in keeping the intergroup going. Discussed looking at new drinking water filtration system. \$68 annual fee/maintenance, otherwise system is a gift. Committee discussed also remodeling counter and cabinets in conference room.

Answering Service: Dan F. –

The answering service had 28 calls for meetings and 92 calls for other reasons. There was one for Founder's Day. There were 3 12 Step calls - male.

One needed a translator.

12 Step Fund Drive: Jessie J. – Not present. Nick B. reported:
Currently 31% over from last year. Donations are still coming in

Treatment Facilities: Jerry C. –

1. At their request, Chair and Co-Chair attended a meeting with Administrators at North Coast Behavioral Healthcare in Northfield Ohio, Summit County. This is a state Psychiatric hospital which operates under Mental Health and Addiction Services of Ohio. It is made up of 10 residential buildings and has 258 male and female patients.

There are currently five, 1-hour A.A. meetings onsite.

Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Wed. 3:00 p.m.

Sat. 10:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 2:15 p.m.

Both administrators and patients are eager to have a stronger A.A. presence at the facilities including evening meetings. Currently, this is all handled by 1 recovering employee who desperately needs our help. The Director reached out to the Cleveland Intergroup Office for help and did not receive a response as the Cleveland Office does not have an operating Treatment Comte.

For anyone wishing to help the NCBH will handle an FBI background check. Volunteers would not be rejected for general offences on record. They also require a 90- minute training class to familiarize the potential volunteer with the facility and its regulations.

Someone wishing to assist us with this type of service work please reach out to our Treatment Cmte. through the Intergroup Office phone number 330-253-8181.

2. The Treatment Cmte. will have an information table set up at the First Annual Spring 12 Step Round Up which is sponsored by Carry This Message group. Saturday March 14th 10a.m. to 5p.m. 2445 S. Arlington Road Akron. Speakers, Lunch \$5. All are welcome, free coffee, donuts, cookies. For more info Contact Treatment Chairman Jerry C. at 330-962-1724

3. On Friday May 1st we are hosting a luncheon meeting for Administrators of treatment facilities in our 5- county area. It will be held at Serenitie Restaurant in Medina. This will serve as a meet and greet and include a presentation on A.A., Treatment Cmte work and the Grapevine.

4. R.A.M.A.R. meeting on Monday at 6:30 p.m. could use some support. Please consider helping them out.

5. We continue to solicit used Grapevine magazines from our fellowship. If you do not subscribe, please consider doing so. We take these into the treatment facilities. Please bring your magazines to the office and give to Greg or Cheryl.

6. Our next Treatment Cmte meeting will be Wednesday, March 25th at 7:00p.m. at the Akron Intergroup Office. Everyone welcome.

Group Services: Lynette J. – Not present No report

Intergroup Picnic: Lynette J. – Not present – no report

Literature Committee: Vance S. – Not present. Nick B. reported:
No report other than the Founder's Day pin is on hold (Coming from China)

Corrections: Michael B. –

Corrections committee met Feb 15th. at the Intergroup office. Discussed the Corrections Committee Workshop.

March 7th at noon

Starting to get more interested volunteers for Oriana House.

Next Meeting is March 21 At 10am

Good and welfare:

Judy – shared for Val: Mini Conference in March (Last weekend) At Hilton in Westlake.

Learn a lot about the Big Picture of AA.

Jim B: Gene M could use prayers

Jerry: Roundup March 1, Group Carry the Message. Will have multiple speakers. Saturday March 14th 10a.m. to 5p.m. 2445 S. Arlington Road Akron. Lunch \$5. All are welcome, free coffee, donuts, cookies. For more info Contact Treatment Chairman Jerry C. at 330-962-1724

Marty S. North Akron Meeting is having their 8th annual banquet April 25th. Doors open at 6.

Multiple members shared anniversaries:
Karen K. 27 years on Feb. 8th
? Celebrated 40 years (did not state name)
Jeff C. 26 years on Feb. 15th

The Council meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Karen K., Board Secretary