

Akron Intergroup Council Meeting – June 27, 2021

This hybrid Zoom/in-person meeting at Paradise Club was opened at 12:00 pm by Chairman Dan F. with the responsibility statement, Serenity Prayer, and the reading of the Twelve Traditions. Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Groups in Attendance: (27) *A New Freedom, *Carry This Message! *Dry Peoples Wednesday, *East Akron, *Fairlawn, *Faith & Hope, *Golden Link, * Goodrich, *Kenmore, *King School Group #1, *Ladies Big Book Study, *Medina 12 step, *Medina Tuesday Night, *Mid-Day Serenity, *Mogodore, *Northampton, *North Hill Men's, *One Day at a Time, *PPG, *Progress not Perfection, *Saturday Lost and Found, *Serenity through Recovery, *Sons of Ebby, *Steps & Beyond, *Sunday in Paradise, *Sunday Nite Twelve and Twelve, *Westside Big Book Study

Secretary's Report: Karen K. – The reading of the May Secretary's Reports was waived – **The report was accepted as written by a unanimous vote.**

Treasurer's Report: Tim Q. –

For month of May, we are \$2,121 in the black. It was the first month of the year we did not lose money. We still need to raise awareness due to our prudent reserve being \$62,000 short.

The report was accepted as written by a unanimous vote.

Executive Board Report: Dan F.: (Began reading from a prepared statement)

“My first FD weekend, 24 years ago, I was amazed! 8-10,000 people together and no one was arguing, fighting, yelling-it was beautiful!

This past FD weekend, I have been told the speakers were some of the best ever! As chairman I was extremely busy helping to raise money for IG, which I am sure you guys know has been running on our Prudent Reserves!

Home Groups have been stepping up big time to help financially!

I would like you all to pay attention carefully and I will do my best to inform you of what has been happening.

You all know about FD; you all know about a watch party that a home group created for some much-needed fellowship. This got bigger as people from out of town were calling the IG office asking about the weekend and saying they were coming to Akron even though FD was virtual again this year.

The chairman of the committee acted without the committee's approval”

Dan F. stopped reading the statement as many in the membership raised their hands to object to the board's actions of removing the FD committee for cause.

What followed was a lengthy discussion wherein numerous council members stated their objections to the actions of the Board. In part, objections included that the Board was acting beyond their scope and that actions of some members of the committee did not constitute removal for cause. There were calls for unity. Ultimately, board members rescinded the motion for removal for cause.

Motion was made by John D. to set up an Ad Hoc committee to discuss the issues. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Old Business: None

Nominating Committee: Joyce B.

Introduction of new Board member nominees:

Chair: Michael B (unopposed)

Secretary: Nikki M. (unopposed)

Trustee: David H. (unopposed)

Member-at-Large: Anthony B., Melissa C., Ed H., Doug M., Kathy S., John T

Area 54 Rep: Heather F., Melissa L.

The following reports submitted at the Board meeting were not read.

***Founders' Day:** Jeff C. –

Final numbers: 6,154 registered; \$27,800 (Gross) in donations. FD committee meeting will be held on 6/28 and final, net numbers will be available then.

***Archives:** Jim B. – Location – Intergroup Office.

Scanning is still progressing and being added electronically with Meta-Data to the data bank.

Panel V has been completed. Only W (Home Groups) is left to be decided on.

Items from Gail L. recently have been used to build a Detroit International frame which will be installed next week in the International Room.

Touring is continuing on a regular basis. Hawaii tour was done on 6/23, and 2 scheduled groups for 6/24.

***General Service:** Val D. – not present.

***Intergroup News:** Jack B. –

IG News Committee will have a booth at this year's Picnic in August. Have volunteers ready.

Committee will finalize items for booth at the next meeting on July 17th.

***Intergroup Anniversary:** Jack B. –

Guy's Party Center is booked for next year.

***New Year's Eve Dance:** Paul M. –

Paul has been checking out numerous venues. He could use help if anyone knows of any place.

***Information Tech:** Hugh M. –

No Report

***Answering Service:** Bill M. –

Total Calls: 98

Meetings: 20

Founders' Day: 15

Men 12- Step: 1
Women 12- Step: 0

***Public Info/CPC:** Michael B.- No report

***12 Step Fund Drive:** Michael B. –

Trustees have met weekly with groups + volunteers to continue groups participation in fundraising activities. Watch Party brings in 6+ thousand dollars. Thanks to North Akron Group, Trusted Servants, North Hampton, Primary Purpose Group, Sons of Ebby, and many more! We will continue to work with Groups. Intergroup Poker Run Aug 22
First annual Akron Intergroup Round Up November 12.

Next Committee Meeting July 17th at 9am at intergroup office.

***Group Services:** Dusty S. – No report

***Intergroup Picnic:** Joyce B. –

Date: August 15th, 2021, noon

Theme: United we stand

We need groups to donate baskets. Many volunteer positions will be available and listed on the flyer. Will have microphone so people can make announcements throughout the picnic.

Create your own tie-dye t-shirts while supplies last (or bring your own). Shirts will be available for \$5 or donations.

200 hot dogs provided. Bring your own favorite picnic food. Board members – please bring a large, covered dish or a \$5-\$10 door prize to give away.

There will be a corn hole tournament. It will cost \$2 to compete. A \$50 prize will be awarded to each team member.

Raffle baskets available - \$10 for 15 tickets, \$5 for 6 tickets, or \$1 for 1 ticket.

Next meeting on July 17th at 9am at intergroup office.

***Office Committee:** Charles S. – No report

***Treatment Facilities:** Jerry C. – not present – Report read by Charles S.

1. We are currently seeking both men and women A.A. volunteers that would like to help start meetings in 4 different retirement home facilities within Summit County. According to A.A.W.S. Guidelines, these types of institutions fall under Treatment Committee service work. If you are interested in helping us with these service requests, please contact the Treatment Committee through the Intergroup Office by phone or email treatment@akronaa.org
2. IBH - Is currently seeking men and women who have been vaccinated and willing to follow Covid restriction guidelines to help facilitate meetings on premises. Please contact our Treatment Committee through the Intergroup Office.
3. Our Chairman, Jerry C., set up and operated an information tent for our Treatment Committee at the Founder's Day watch party on Sat. June 12th at Firestone Park. This created several useful contacts for us in our area.

4. Jerry C. operated another information table for us in Ellet at The Hope Festival which focuses on Alcohol/Addiction information for our area.
5. We continue to seek Grapevine magazines for use in the area Treatment facilities. Please consider subscribing to print copy and bringing your used magazines to the Office once per year.
6. Our next Treatment Committee meeting will be Wed. July 28th at 7:30 p.m.

***Group Services:** Dusty Samples. –

We audited the zoom meeting list found on akronaa.org, a total of twenty meetings came off the list due to no one showing up or having out- dated login information. This is part of the continued effort to have the most up to date information listed on our website. Please email info@akronaa.org or call the office if anything changes about the status of your meeting.

It was tasked for group services to create and administrate the Akron intergroup Facebook page. We gathered the various GSO guidelines on anonymity and will be discussing how to go about this at the next committee meeting. It is August 21st, 9am at the intergroup office.

***Literature Committee:** Vance S. –

Met Wed. Started reading “When Love is not Enough” (Has a lot of AA history) Literature display table at Watch party. Sale of AA memorabilia. Will bring display to picnic. Per Joyce, Homegroup donated water to sell – brought in more than \$700.

***Corrections:** Michael B. –

Corrections Committee met June 19t at the Intergroup office. Still in need of men & women volunteers for Orienna House. Medina County reps in attendance.

Next Meeting: July 17th at 9am Intergroup office.

Good and welfare: - deferred.

The Council meeting was adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer at 1:40

Respectfully submitted:

Karen K., Board Secretary

*Reading of reports deferred. Documentation per reports given at Board meeting on 6/25/21.