Akron Intergroup Council Meeting – February 5, 2022

This hybrid Zoom/in-person meeting at Paradise Club was opened at 12:00 pm by Chairman Mike B. Did a group check for quorum then opened with the responsibility statement and Serenity Prayer. Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Groups in Attendance: Akron General, Akron Men’s Big Book Study, Carry This Message, Coffee Donuts and Discussion, Cornerstone Candlelight, Dry Peoples Wednesday Night, East Akron, Faith & Hope, Fairlawn, Golden Link, Goodrich Group, Kenmore Group, King School Group #1, Ladies Big Book Study, , North Hill Men’s Big Book, North Hill Men’s Discussion, Northampton, Primary Purpose, Saturday Night Lost and Found, St. Anthony’s Womens Group, Sunday Night 12 and 12, Sons of EbbyThe Turning Point, Thursday Night Freedom, Thursday Night Men’s Nonsmoking, hursday Closed Womens Towers Discussion, West Side Big Book

Chairman’s Report: Michael B.- Present

No report.

Secretary’s Report: Nikki M. – Present

The reading of the January’s Secretary’s Report was waived –
Motion was made to accept
Seconded
Accepted by a unanimous vote

Treasurer’s Report: Tim Q.- Present

Motion was made to accept December’s Report
Seconded
Accepted by a unanimous vote

After reviewing the numbers for December we finished 6100$ in the negative for the month, which puts us at 39,000$ in the negative for the year. That is twenty thousand dollars better than the previous year. Our donations were 98,000$ Which is almost 40k more then I've ever have seen. Mistake, the donations are 25k more than I have ever seen.

Q- Is the prudent reserve usually at $300,000?
   A- It is a calculation, one year of actual office expenses and 5% of Founder’s Day expenses, it was a little lower this year because of 2020- but it will go up this year about $204,000, we have about $160,000 in liquid funds, so we will spend that but we still need to continue with donations

Q- Bill- I Zoomed Cleveland Committee and they have about twice as many groups as we have and they brought in $88,000, and $98,000

Motion was made to accept January’s Report
Seconded
Accepted by a unanimous vote
**Old Business:** Jim B. Proposed amendment in bylaws to give archivist as the committee chairperson of the Archivist Committee after 26 years of continuous years of service a voting representation in Akron

Mike- That was not brought through the appropriate channels so it fizzled out- it will need to be resubmitted

**New Business:** No new business.

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**Ad Hoc Committee-** Jeff C.- Present

Ad HOC Bylaws Committee

**MINUTES**

JANUARY 15, 2022

Michael B, Jeff C, Joyce B, Aaron K, Beth F, David H and Hugh M were in attendance.

**New Business:**
- none

**Old Business**
The following goals were adopted:
- create a Code of Regulations that is compliant with state and federal law
- add protections for board members through an indemnification clause

The following goal is in progress:
- flesh out the “removal or cause” clause, and add a grievance procedure.
  - Discussion continues about the best way to solve the problem. The goal of having an intermediary layer was discussed so that if there is a problem, there will be an opportunity to get the parties together to talk before it gets to the level of trying to oust someone.

Once we have a recommended solution, it will go to the Executive Board for discussion and approval, and then it will be sent out to the Intergroup Council. After there has been time to discuss it at the home group level, Intergroup Council will vote on it.

**IF YOU WANT TO BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION, PLEASE ATTEND OUR NEXT MEETING.**

**NEXT MEETING is Feb. 19th, 11 am**

**Answering Service:** – Bill M- Present-

Total Calls: 50
Meetings: 18
Founders’ Day: 2
12 Step Calls Office: 2
Mary - young lady from Cle., I have talked to her 3 times since

**Group Services: **Dusty S. – Present –

Nothing to report for Group Services.

Dusty - Just to bring it up again, we are discussing a summer series in the area next to Intergroup- we were going to determine group interest but there wasn’t much interest so let me know if there is

**12 Step Fund Drive: **Joyce B. – Present-

We are up 13% but as Tim said that doesn’t mean we stop giving, if you made a pledge in Oct., you can send that in. We are having a meeting Feb. 19th, I will be there at 9 am, we are also going to do the Poker Run, I talked to Dee and we discussed a lot of things for met to look at and she is involved a lot in people doing Poker Runs, but we are going to have a meeting at 10 am Sat at IG

**Corrections: **Anthony B. -Present -

Corrections things are going well looking for more people interested in being part of the committee going to be sending out a flyer for that and we are starting to talk about doing are corrections work shop and we are always looking for more men and women that want to take meeting into facilities our committee meetings are always 3rd Saturday every month at 9am we are also in discussions about moving the meeting back to 10am

Anthony- Summit County isn’t letting any additional in
Oriana is looking for more, we have some men we are always looking for women
We are going to be having a workshop for it but it has been tabled
We are also looking for more involvement in the committee- may be sending out a flyer, we used to have like 20 people but now like 5, all our meetings are 3rd Sat at 9 am, but we are talking about it being at 10 am- we think it might help with attendance

**New Year’s Eve Dance: **Anthony B- Present

New Year’s Eve dance no report.

**Treatment Facilities: **Melissa C- Present-

**Treatment Committee Report**

We met Tuesday, February 1st at 6 PM

- Chairman report: Met with the community outreach manager of BrightView they are requesting some AA pamphlets for the lobby. Spoke with North Coast behavioral health and they are requesting some Big Books for clients library on site.
- Committee voted to provide both facilities with this literature from our existing inventory.
- Committee also voted on conference approved literature only.
- Portage County: Root house is back to in person meetings and is loving the literature that was provided.
- Wayne, Holmes and Medina County no report.
- Summit County: Ramar is still shut down due to covid.

New Business: Committee voted on a flier to go out asking for help from the Melissa- Is anyone here representing Medina, Wayne, or Holmes? Those are the counties we are having trouble reaching.

**Office Committee:** – Melissa C- Present-

Met with both office workers individually and reviewed the yearly evaluations provided by the office committee.
Next meeting to be determined.

Joyce- Did we receive an evaluation for the office workers?
Melissa- There are no bylaws for that and we sent it out to some people

**Literature Committee:** Dave H- Present

next meeting 3/5/2022, 9:00a m at the IG Office.

Ordering book covers for Big Books and 12 and 12s for Founders Day
We plan on cutting back on literature

Shipping from office has been a topic we have been discussing- we are talking about shipping costs for people ordering outside the office- also talking about an increase in prices- talked to Greg, we will probably buy literature that we will sell for less than we bought it for- so we need to adjust those prices

Q- When I go to a restaurant in Barberton, I get 2 receipts, one shows if I pay cash and the other shows if I pay with credit card, are you thinking about doing something like that?
A- We have and it has been in discussion and we want to make an informed decision
Q- Are you looking into what other Intergroups are charging for literature?
A- No, but we will now

**Intergroup Picnic:** Dave H- Present

nothing new. Flyer to go out in March to begin April meetings.

**Public Info/CPC:** Doug M- Not Present-

No report.

**Founders’ Day:** Matt H- Not Present
Mary reported for Matt-

Mary- Play Auditions are 2-4 every Sunday need about 4 more people; Next FD meet at 6 and then the committee at 7

Q- I am getting emails, people are asking if there are any mandates at the University
   A- So far, no mandates, but we will probably find out more tomorrow, but if there are mandates, we will comply

Joyce- Wanted to say the play is also 630-830 on Wednesday at the Church on Albright and Canton rd.

**Archives:** Chris B. – Present

Last Meeting 2/2/22 @ 1200 Hrs IGO

The tours at the archives have been steady and have slowly increased as the number of future tours being scheduled have increased

The remodeling of the rear hallway displays has begun. We are hopeful that we’ll be completed for FD.

The scanning and digitizing of our collection continues to take place. This is a slow and continually expanding project.

The Archives Committee would like to thank Greg for getting the 2 new computers installed, set-up, and standardized, We’d also like to thank Hugh for his generous donation of one of these computers. These replace a computer with a bad motherboard and another antiquated one. This new set-up has the same operating systems on all 3 archives computers.

If interested in volunteering at the archives, we meet every Wednesday from 10-4ish at the IGO. Our next Archives Committee business meeting is 5/4/22 at 1200 hours @ IGO.

**Intergroup News:** Jack B – Not Present-

**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT**

Date: 2/3/22

Committee: IGNews

Committee Chairperson: Jack Beegle

Report for the Board meeting the month of: February
   1) Nothing to report

Next Meeting:

**Intergroup Anniversary:** Jack Beegle – Not Present-

**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT**

Date: 2/3/22
Committee: Anniversary

Committee Chairperson: Jack Beegle

Report for the Board meeting the month of: February
1) Flyer is out, tickets are ready to be sold
2) Guy’s Party Center 4/24/22 Noon to 3pm
3) $25 dollars (Food,Fun,Fellowship)

We are ready to sell Tickets and start promoting.

Next Meeting:

**Information Tech: Hugh M – Present-**

January 2022 IT Committee Report Tuesday, January 11

**Attendance:**
Greg K., Gerry W., Tim M. Ed B., Peter McH., Dan D., and Hugh McD were present

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Founder’s Day:**
A cookie banner was added to the registration software which is currently being tested. The banner and the privacy policy work in conjunction to make the registration software compliant with applicable law. registration software testing requires placing multiple registrations so that reporting and other features can be tested.

Cash registers for Founder’s Day are being tested and pricing for literature and other items will be updated once the new price list is available from the publisher.

We are receiving new credit card readers from the credit card company which will work using swipe, chip, and tap to pay.

Registration for Founder’s Day 2022 opens March 1, 2022.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
2 computers in the archives are outdated and recently began malfunctioning. One member of IT committee is donating a new Hp computer, and an additional computer is being purchased.

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IT Committee usually meets on the second Tuesday of the month, all are welcome to attend. Our next meeting is **Tuesday 2/8/2022 – 6:00 pm** at the Aron Area Intergroup Office located at 775 N Main Akron Ohio 44310. The dates can also be found on Akronaa.org under the “News and Events” button from the main page. {https://akronaa.org/events}

I can be reached at hughdmcdaniel@gmail.com. Feel free to join us!
**General Service:** Heather F– Not present

No report

Bill- Feb. 20th, GSR Workshop out of the Brunswick Recovery Club and on Zoom, 2pm I belived, area54.org for all details

**Good and welfare:**

Tim- Northampton usually does donation dinner, we will be doing a donation dinner, sloppy Joes, tater tots, meeting at 7, start serving at quarter to 6,

Thank everyone here those before us and here- I have 40 yrs. Continuous sobriety

King school will be hybrid and starting back in person in March- any support, help will be appreciated

Hugh- Peninsula meets Wednesday at 7pm not 8pm and we will have decaf, starting Wednesday on Step 1

Melissa- Women’s 12 step workshop Friday St. Luke 7-9- Friday celebrate 14 yrs.
Jim- Kenmore groups 70th anniversary June 18th
Joyce- celebrated 41 yrs. Groundhog Day
Mike- celebrated 13 years
Bill- it has been unbelievable for the groups that have been helping plow and shovel at intergroup- Barberton Monday night, journey to progress, and from sterling, people in office have been shoveling, and Ed, everyone really picked up and helped with Service work- we want to thank for the individuals helping
Bill- nominating committee starts April IG Counsel meeting giving heads up that the nominations start in April vice chair, treasurer, trustee for Joyce, and 3 members at large, Hugh Jeff and another one, have a meeting this Thursday if you want to see about serving

Motion to adjourn- seconded and passed unanimously

The Council meeting was adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer

Respectfully submitted:
Nikki M., Board Secretary