

Akron Intergroup Council Meeting – January 8, 2023

This in-person meeting at Paradise Club was opened at 12:00 pm by Chairman Mike B. with I Am Responsible and Serenity prayer Did a group check for quorum -Roll call was taken. A quorum was present with 41 groups with registered reps, one group without a registered rep.

Groups in Attendance, (40 groups, 3 with unregistered reps) Akron General, Akron Men’s Big Book Study, Afternoon Alkies, Barberton Sunday 12 & 12, Brunswick Monday Night Mens, ,Come Let’s Talk it Over, Crossroads , Dry People’s Wednesday Night, East Akron, Fairlawn, , Faith and Hope, , Falls Discussion, Golden Slippers, Goodrich Group, Hobos in the Park, Hudson Terex, Kenmore Big Book Study, Kenmore Group, , King’s School Group, Ladies Big Book Study, Loyal Oak Big Book, Mens’ Closed St. Eugenes, Morning Meditation, North Hill Mens Discussion, Northampton, One Day at a Time, Primary Purpose Group, Progress not perfection, Road to Recovery, Sons of Ebby, Spiritual Solutions, Sunday Nite 12 & 12, Sunday Night in Paradise, Tallmadge Heritage AA Group, Three Legacies, Thursday Night Men’s Non Smoking, Towers Discussion, Turning Point, Tuesday Women’s Big Book, Westside Big Book Study

Secretary’s Report: Nikki M. – Present

The reading of December’s Secretary’s Report was waived. Accepted with no correction.

Accepted unanimously with no corrections.

Treasurer’s Report: Ed B.- Present

IG TREASURER’S REPORT-Jan 5 2023 Operating Accounts

\$ 173,322.10

Reserve Accounts

\$ 68,189.12

8025Founders’ Day

\$ 31,854.11

INCOME

Office Sales	\$ 10,928.19	Nov '22	\$ 184,950.93	Jan-Nov '22
Group Donations	\$ 9,217.88	Nov '22	\$ 65,317.47	Jan-Nov '22
Individual Donations	\$ 4,748.76	Nov '22	\$ 20,675.32	Jan-Nov '22
Founders’ Day	\$ (2,666.18)	Nov '22	\$ 169,119.52	Jan- Nov '22
Golf Outing	\$ (3,395.00)	Nov '22	\$ 7,773.00	Jan-Nov '22
Other	\$ 7,907.10	Nov '22	\$ 1,064.75	Jan- Nov '22

Total Income

\$ 18,835.29	Nov '22	\$ 448,900.99	Jan-Nov '22
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Cost of Goods Sold (Sales Costs)

\$ 6,683.10	Nov '22	\$ 114,121.68	Jan-Nov '22
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Gross Surplus

\$ 12,152.19	Nov '22	\$ 334,779.31	Jan-Nov '22
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EXPENSES

Personnel/Office	\$ 19,461.05	Nov'22	\$ 190,346.50	Jan-Nov '22
Program/Committee/Social	\$ (532.66)	Nov'22	\$ 2,132.94	Jan-Nov '22
Other	\$ 1,115.00	Nov'22	\$ 22,016.00	Jan-Nov '22

Total Expenses

\$ 20,043.39	Nov '22	\$ 214,495.44	Jan-Nov '22
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Net Surplus

\$ (7,891.20)	Nov '22	\$ 120,283.87	Jan-Nov '22
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Group Donations-Jan-Nov '22

\$ 64,703.47

Customer Balance Summary (Dec 30 '22)

\$ 1,446.93

Q- Where is the prudent reserve reflected on here? What is the number we should have for 2023 and where are we?

- A- It is about \$60,00 and we will not know until next month
- B- Q- is the \$112,000 what we have
- C- A- We have about \$60,000
- D- Q- we are still figuring out FD- until we see how that shakes out we will not know what we need
- E- A- we are about \$30,000 short but we used that to keep the office running during the pandemic
- F- Q- can we get a report to have that amount on the next report

The motion was made to accept the treasurer's report, it was seconded. **The report was accepted as written by a unanimous vote.**

Chairman's Report: Michael B.- Present-

Met with group services chair and committee to help with structure.
 Received grievance in regards to newsletter and have made several calls to both parties to provoke a solution or resolution.
 Received phone calls in regards to a possible issue with volunteers at the office.
 Encouraged treasurer to create a plan to resolve the prudent reserve deficit.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: No new business

AED- talked about getting one in the office- Zol- found refurbished save \$900 3 yr factory guarantee- business kit comes with AED Zol Plus, one set of stat pads, one set of 10 lithium batteries- (these will have a cost after about every 2 years, need to replace gel and enough power- reoccurring cost \$85 every 2 years, the stat pads are about \$85 a set or we can get \$185 a set and tell you if CPR is not deep enough compression, face mask with one way valve- need prescription to get it, wall hanger with alarm, sticker notifying where it is total \$1,038 with everything except the pads and batteries not refurbished new \$1,939 in stock

Q- is the alarm battery or wired

A- 2 double AA

B- Q- does it chirp when low

C- A- we have to do as a monthly check I can do that

D- Q- 3 yr. warranty on refurbished what on new?

E- A- 5

F- Q- on new still need battery pack and pads?

G- A- I am recommending 2nd set of batteries in case we need new ons, and also recommending the smart stat pads, also forgot Greg and Cheryl want to be trained and I think that will be good- Kim will not charge her training fee but red cross charges \$25 per pers or \$414 for training

H- Q- can we buy rechargeable batteries

I- Q- are there any liabilities involved?

J- A- no, covered by good Samaritan law, even as a business we are not required to provide training

Motion to accept proposal and set aside \$2,600 to do it,

New or refurbished?

For New

Q- what is recommendation?

A- I would get refurbished it is less and comes with 3 yr. warranty

B- Q- what would the total price be refurbished

C- Refurbished- \$1,749

D- Like to Amend motion to \$2,000

E- Amend motion to get refurbished, to get all accessories and training not to exceed \$2,600 for refurbished- Chris's recommendations

F- Q- what happens when warranty is out

G- A- we just replace everything and do maintenance, reoccurring cost will be depending on what type of pads purchased,

H- Q- does if anything expires?

I- A- just the pads

J- Q- after the warranty we just don't get it fix for free, we are on our own?

K- Q- I want to also include the reoccurring cost in motion

L- A- we do not need to because it is under \$1000

M- Motion is do we do it, then whether we buy refurbished

N- 2 for new- all others for refurbished

O- The whole refurbished package- all yes

Answering Service: – Jim B- Present-

The Answering Service answered 18 calls in December. 17 calls were for meeting information. 1 call was for a female Twelve Step Call. A message was left with that individual but she did not return our call.

Submitted by Jim

Group Services: – Greg C.- Present –

Had first meeting 2nd Sat. of Dec.- now every 2nd Sat. of month IGO at 10 am- there is a flier mailed out and something in IG News

We had a good meeting talked for about 3 hours- Came up with fliers with Greg and, introduced self- and asked for help as a representative, one of the guys has a lot of tech experience and another made a spreadsheet per county- and we can all access it and we has certain highlights for what is all good and meetings that do not exist- this has been a busy month, Hoping in the next 4-5 months it will all be worked out

Joyce- anyone who wants to restart a meeting St. Vincent's info was turned in to inter group

P- When we update our info like secretary etc. does that go to you?

Q- A- we are trying to work out the mechanics, Greg has that info and can access my spreadsheet

R- Q- it also goes to archives

S- A- we have a lot of people that have not updated and do not have updated info with disconnected numbers

T- A- 290 groups get info and for counsel no one from Holmes or Wayne come here

U- A- I am trying

V- Q- if your group was not listed or your rep was not listed- you need to contact intergroup and let Greg know and update your info- if you are not listed you do not necessarily get a vote- there was a glitch that Greg was trying to fix so some of the groups that came were not yet listed

12 Step Fund Drive: Shane W. – Present-

No meeting at the end of month because of holidays

Sent a letter in Dec. asking people to continue to contribute at a high level- No meeting in Jan- but Feb 11, 10 am

About \$1,100 less than 2021

Almost \$100,000 for 2022 from groups and individuals which is good to almost meet 2021 since 2021 was a record year

Read report

Corrections: Anthony B. Present –

CORRECTIONS MEETING 12/17/22 Present: Anthony B., Bill McH, Rick (new), Joyce B., Lasalle, Peggy (new), John C., Jerry C., Stacia

Anthony: Michael B. stepped down from Corrections. Jerry C. to fill Michael B.'s position as Summit County Coordinator. 2-week approval time for ORIANA House. Jim H. to help at Summit Jail.

Joyce: Ladies Jail Meetings, Summit County, no new report.

Bill Mc: Treasury report submitted to group. All members have copy of report. Bill Mc and Ellen searching for Summit Jail form for approval/background check.

Lasalle: RCC Women's Facility has meetings every week. Starting in January, 2023, Lasalle and Peggy alternating every week.

Peggy: New at Corrections and will assist Lasalle at RCC. Stacia: Has Vance S. phone number to contact for ORIANA, new to Corrections and looking for a place to do service work.

Ellen: Stated the importance of showing up at our facilities. Rick: First time at Corrections. He has Bill Mc phone number to contact for helping at Medina County Jail or CATS.

John C.: CASC; No women's meetings for 2 years. Jerry C.: New Summit County Coordinator. Looking for ways and means to get contacts and approval at Summit County Jail.

Q- I turned in my paper and driver's license for Summit County Jail-not heard anything back

A- They haven't had a meeting over the past month, the holidays, SCJ is it's own entity, Jerry can probably make a call and get it going, they are having issues with contraband and other internal issues,

New Year's Eve Dance: Anthony B- Present

We just had it, the event started on time and we had great food and want to thank all the groups for baskets, we had some issues with basket raffles, and people wanting more time to dance, maybe we should have started food earlier, if you have suggestions drop them into my box at IG

Q- how many attended

A- We sold 177 tickets, we had issues with online orders and in office because we were only supposed to sell 175, \$4,325 in ticket sales, \$1,862 from baskets and raffles, expenditures tried to keep it at minimum - \$3,350 for catering, \$500 for St. Sebastian and cops \$800, we also had a budget for \$3,900- didn't touch the budget and have an excess of \$2,037 to put into prudent reserve, they missed Javier to DJ and photo booth but it was \$1,800, we had props to pull out

B- Q- if anyone would like to make a change can they show up at meeting?

C- A- of course

D- Q- I was there I had a good time, girl had a good time, food was good, baskets were epic, and I won glasses

E- Q- I had a sponsee say it was a little too nice

Treatment Facilities: Melissa C- Present-

Treatment Committee Report

Committee met on Tuesday January 3rd at 6pm at intergroup office

Chairman Report: We had 12 emails from AA members requesting an interest in the treatment committee and as the emails came in I contacted each one inviting them to our meeting and 1 was able to attend.

Some of our committee members donated items to a basket that was raffled off at the New Year's Eve dance.

Summit County Report: Our committee will be reaching out to Mark S. at IBH because he had reached out to our committee for help but did not attend our committee meeting as previously discussed. We

also will be reaching out to our summa St. Thomas detox facility coordinator to see what changes there are due to the recent move. Both facility meetings at Orianna are still going well but could always use more volunteers, one men's meeting and one women's meeting at the coffee house. North Coast meeting still going well with rotating speakers and with a possibility of a woman's home group going in together.

Portage County Report: I am the new Recovery Works Detox facility coordinator and will be coordinating between the facility and the AA members who would like to go in to carry the AA message! The time slot is at 6pm but the days of the week may vary depending on staff availability at the facility.

Our committee still is in need of county coordinators for Medina, Wayne, and Holmes.

Our committee also is still in need of facility coordinators.

All our positions and responsibilities are well defined in our treatment committee manual which also states our purpose as a committee and policy and guidelines we follow.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday January 31st 6pm at office

Q- I am the coordinator with IBH- I spoke with Mark0 they are interested in an AA meeting- they do not want it to be an open meeting- maybe just myself and one other person

Office Committee: – Melissa C- Present-

he board will finish the office employees evaluations then to be reviewed with them individually.

Literature Committee: Dave H- Present

Brought up this pamphlet the Devil and AA from Chicago- we voted to sell this in the office- we need to approve it through you guys because it is not conference approved, I don't care if we need to I brought it to you- inventory, needs to be done by Jan. 7th and Cheryl will has it done it just needs input

Q- was this done before we approved literature by conference

A- Yes

B- Q- we have a section at intergroup to put it in preconference approved

Intergroup Picnic: Dave H- Present

No report.

Public Info/CPC: Doug M-Present-

Mailed more letter to schools in Medina County- we are going to try and meet tomorrow and do courts in Medina County and work though the other counties

Founders' Day: Woody- Present

In home stretch for FD- next meeting tomorrow at 7 pm, first meeting with Akron U will be first Monday in Feb., 6 pm at Akron U- Is your fellowship indescribably wonderful, is it your fellowship or you

Q- who do I see about chairing a meeting or being on a panel?

A- Get ahold of me

Q- are your meetings always on Monday?

A- Yes

Archives: Chris B. –Present-

The 2023 Archive tour season officially kicked off with a group of 4 that were visiting from Mexico. In 2022 we had a total of 950 visitors tour the Archives. Of those visitors 121 were from Area 54. There were 87 visitors from the remainder of Ohio. There were 650 visitors from the rest of the United States, with 49 of 50 states being represented. Rounding out the list is 92 visitors from the international community.

On January 14th Summa is hosting an open house at the New Behavioral Science building located a 55 arch street on the City Hospital campus. The event will be 11-3 on Saturday the 14th. All are invited. Parking is free, refreshments, tours and information on how to reserve class rooms for mtgs will be provided. Gene, our assistant archivist, will be participating in the ribbon cutting ceremony.

We are looking for individuals interested in learning our Akron story & the story of the first 100 AA members. We would like to develop a list of tour guides. This would allow us to better meet visitors requests for tours. If interested see myself or any member of the archives committee or leave a message in the archives mail box.

The next Archives committee business meeting will be held February 1st at 12 noon at the IGO.

Q- will they continue St. Thomas calling it Ignatius Hall?

A- They are trying to get rid of it

B- Q- I just meant the name

C- A- If you had a meeting at St. Thomas before they have several classrooms at 45 Arch St., you can get that info from 11-3 next Sat.

D- Q- there is both a meditation space and detox and classrooms or will the meditation space be with the Sister Ignatius space?

E- A- I don't know

Intergroup News: Shannon S. – Present-

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Date: 01/04/23

Committee: IG News

Committee Chairperson: Shannon Stanley

Report for the January Board meeting

Editing meeting 12/17 @9am. Editing went smoothly. The meeting was well attended, but still looking for additional help with formatting and submissions.

Continued conversation on adding features.

Next meeting Sat 01/21 9am.

Q- someone brought the Grapevine wanted to bring something to Akron

A- I heard it was Literature committee so it wasn't brought back up

Intergroup Anniversary: Kim H. – Present-
2023 ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE REPORT, Jan 5, 2023

Chair: Kim Haskins

Notes: Next committee report TBD, announcing hopefully by Sun 1/7/24. Stay tuned for upcoming announcements, and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Kim

Information Tech: Bill B. – Not Present-

No report

General Service: Heather F.–Not present

No report, no Area Assembly for the month of December.

Good and welfare: -

Motion to adjourn- seconded and passed unanimously

The Council meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted:
Nikki M., Board Secretary