

Akron Intergroup Council Meeting – June 2, 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 39 groups with registered reps, 1 group without a registered rep.

Groups in Attendance, (39 groups, 1 with unregistered reps), AA By the Book, Akron General, Afternoon Alkies, Akron Men's Big Book Study, Barberton Sunday 12 & 12, Broad Highway, Brunswick Monday Night Mens, Carry This Message!, , East Akron, Faith and Hope, , Garden of Hope, Goodrich Group, Goodyear, Hobos in the Park, Hope Group, , Kent Friday Night, Ladies Big Book Study, Learning to Live, Morning Meditation, Mens' Closed Closed St. Eugenes, North Hill Mens Discussion, One Day at a Time, Primary Purpose, Progress not perfection, Saturday Night Lost & Found Department, Serenity Big Book Study, Sunday Nite 12 & 12, Sunday Night in Paradise, Tallmadge Heritage AA Group, Temple Square, Thursday Closed Womens, Thursday Night Freedom, Thursday Night Men's Non Smoking, , The Turning Point, Tuesday Womens Big Book,, Waters Park, Westside Big Book Study, YANA

Secretary's Report: Nikki M. – Present

The reading of May's Secretary's Report was waived.

Accepted unanimously without corrections.

The requested corrections were made to the April report but please note if there are typos in the groups' reports, those reports are from the committees, I don't generally make changes. If your name is not on the sign in sheet, contact IG to get registered or your group doesn't have a vote

Treasurer's Report: Ed B.- Present

*Read from printed report provided to groups

Q- Were you able to put anything back into prudent reserve

A- We did that, I think. Back in March, it doesn't show on the report but it is at \$148,000* (Didn't hear the total number)

Q-What is Nordonia on pg. (?)

A- Glitch in the printing

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-

GSR quit, asked John K. to step up- we voted on the board and it was unanimous- he will take over the position to the vote and he is running

Old Business: Gene- Tabled the proposal on Wreaths- since then a group paid for one wreath, a collection was taken for another so it was taken care of there will be a reading of AA number 3 at the gravesite (in the fliers)- is there a way to get a synopsis of the other 2 buried there just so there is a little history- they have the name and the title of the story and page number from first editions

New Business:

No New Business

Answering Service: – Jim B- Present

14 for meetings

Other calls came to volunteers in office

Group Services: – Greg C.- Present –

Uneventful, Portage County is all updated, SC maybe 121 left, Medina around 30, Wayne maybe 10, getting together with a guy in treatment- going to copy what they are doing with a QR code to scan and get info for groups to update July 8 next meeting

It is easy, I want to have this updated for September, when it rolls over, like we need help to get people updated, like Brunswick all need updated-

Q- I have been going through the Zoom meetings- does anyone know anything about Brown Baggers?

Q- Yes, they meet on (?) and (?)

Q- Okay I couldn't get on, what about Mogadore

Q- they are no longer Zoom

Q- What about North Hill or Sunday (?)

Q-If they are update on the computer but not on the book will that get updated for the next time

A- Yes, and it says that it has been updated

12 Step Fund Drive: Shane W. – Present-

*Read report

Next meeting June 26 at 6 pm at IG

Contingency Committee- Shane- Present

Didn't meet in in May- working on the same things, short term planning, mid-term planning and long term planning. Short- if we have a fire how to get everyone out and get everything out in that first week, quickly recover phones and hard drives etc.

Midterm- if building burns or lose building, where would we go in the meantime

Long-term- looking at 3-5 yrs. Do we still want to be in the same building, what are needs if we group, rent etc.

Next meeting rescheduled probably after 4th of July

IT Committee: Bill- Present

No meeting in June- Next meeting 7-13 at IG Office- all training for FD volunteers has been completed

Corrections: Anthony B. Present –

Discussed Orange can last month, need help, need more people to volunteer, if interested in corrections, we can get you into Oriana in 2 weeks, we lost Portage County

Motion Made- sw group and they wanted to make a motion to donate some of the orange can money to area corrections and NY corrections

Seconded

Q- Aren't the orange can corrections for the area,

A- there are 15 Oriana corrections and there are Portage (they don't need anything he is there at the meeting) then there are Wayne and Holmes

Q- I think the money put in the can was assumed that it was for our area, I think maybe moving forward we can send money to other areas but they put it in thinking it would go to our area

Q- It is \$6,000

A- Yes, the problem is 3 people getting literature out, and we are collection more than we are using. We are not having enough people going in

Q- I was in corrections when those orange cans were created, that was when we only had printed literature, but now with online, people can go to online meetings, maybe it is time to put away jail can and tell the groups we have technology now, let's find another place to put it

A- I have discussed not having a budget, before it was \$200 a month and we couldn't keep money in the can and now we don't have people going in, my problem with the digital age are they going to watch a movie or an AA meeting, I think it is bad we are out of (?) County

A- I think we should know what is the exact language on the can and does it specifically say it is for lit in our area, I think it is better for us to be doing something with the money than nothing

A- I think we keep the money in our area, give you the opportunity for all the institution that this committee is supposed to be suppling literature to. Maybe we could send grapevine to them through the mail. I think before we send to NY, find out where we stand and how many places we serve

A- other people mentioned Grapevines too, we have discussed

Q- Not a budget, and we are talking about \$6,000? Today motion made half the people don't know where this is coming from, let's add a money amount to it

Q- We know St. Thomas is shut down, why not donate some of that money to them as well

A- it isn't corrections, so it has to be for literature for corrections

Q- I think if we want to say the money needs to stay here and that is what our groups are voting, then we need to take ownership of that, take it back to our groups, and get involved in corrections? If we want it to stay there, then we need to take ownership of it and help corrections instead of pawning it off onto correction when they have 3 people helping

Q- Do they have electronics and can get the big book online like I do on my phone

A- most of them have tablets

Q- I know for sure that the jails do not have tablets or phones, what about serving those area, along with the groups helping in corrections

A- I have Medina County, Power Street, and Men's CBCF that are getting literature-these are the only meetings that are being taken in

Motion to table- seconded

Motion to table until the need is assessed and where the need is

Chair- are you okay with holding on the motion- Yes

Table motion- Seconded- unanimous

New Year's Eve Dance: Anthony B- Present

No report didn't present that there wasn't a report.

Treatment Facilities: Melissa C- Present-

Treatment Committee Report
Met on 5/30/23 at 6pm
11 people present

Summit County Report: IBH both meetings for the women and men going well and we are always looking for volunteers to go in, women from 1245 to 145 men from 2 until 3 on Sundays only.

North Coast meeting on Tuesdays still going well with rotating speakers.
We have a new facility coordinator for the ADM detox

Portage County Report: Pamphlets and meeting schedules were dropped off at TH2 as requested

PARC house for women now has a meeting on Thursdays at 6pm and still has a need for women to come in any other day during the week at 6pm

Recovery Works Detox meetings going well. We have Mon./Thurs./Sun.at 6pm covered currently and are still looking to fill Tues./Fri.at 6pm committee voted to provide them with pamphlets.

Medina County Report: CATS meetings for men going well and looking for more men to rotate in.

Wayne/Holmes County Report: The salvation army in wooster is interested in having AA meetings and will be in touch at a later date.

Next committee meeting will be 6/27/23 at 6pm

Q- what is going on at Sanitarium Rd

A- it is not treatment

Office Committee: – Melissa C- Present-

Office Report

The people's park next door to the office contacted Greg to let us know they will not have any alcohol available during FD and they will let us know on Monday if they will have food trucks. If they do not get food trucks then we will be grilling hot dogs!

During FD the office will be open from 9am to 5pm on Sat.

Carry This Message group planted flowers in front of the office for their pre founders day tradition and the office added a sign next to the flowers with our group's info.

Q- What is going on with the heart thing?

Q- Greg and Cheryl are going to be getting training, Kim was going to do it but she has not been available

Q- I suggested (?)

Nominations Committee- Nikki Present

I reached out to most of the nominees and asked the other committee members to reach out to the ones they had nominated to verify requirements of time sober, Akron Area Homegroup, and that they can commit to making the meetings. 2 people needed to sign their forms, which they did. One person did not have a working number and the person noted to nominate that person said they did not so it was discarded. One person was not able to make the time commitment. We had 6 or 7 people running for chair and not enough people for each position or to even have an election as there were just enough people to fulfill the required spots. I was able to ask a few people if they were willing to run for another position to make sure each spot was covered and we could vote between candidates. They were willing and weren't specifically worried about being the chair but wanted to be part of the board.

Q- Are we meeting on the 4th?

A- Yes, it is on the calendar

Q- I would like to up the meeting to the weekend before?

Motion- seconded

Q- I know this has been brought up before

Q- Are we going to get a list of the nominees?

Q- The date is on the form, that is what I called and told the candidates, they agreed to that, so I don't know if I can be there

Q- There is 30 days before

Q- I withdraw my motion

Literature Committee: Dave H- Present

no meeting. Inventory due for completion by 7/31 per Bylaws. I will keep communication with Office to assure this is completed. Next meeting 8/26 at 8:30 @ IG Office.

Intergroup Picnic: Dave H- Present

First planning meeting held 5/20. Preliminary conversation to improve on last year's event. Would like to see other committee's represent. Next meeting to be held 6/7 at 5:35 at the IG Office.

Public Info/CPC: Doug M-Present-

Didn't meet last month. June 23, 11 am on Friday is the meeting correction

Founders' Day: Woody- Present

We are ready to host this weekend- Akron U sent out the signage they are going to use and the dos and don'ts at the meetings- we are probably going to post it all over campus so people have an idea of what not to bring and also asking for a place to put stuff so you don't have to do all the way back. Online registration went well and outsold last year's package plans. We keep getting the same questions, so we need to fix our registrations. Meeting June 5th, 7 pm- we are definitely up, revenue is up. It looks like we are going to be good for the stadium.

Archives: Chris B. -Present-

We are getting ready for FD- the east wall was painted and the items have been reframes, we have a few tours for this week.

Q- do you need volunteers

A- yes, if you are available any time Sat, we have the bus coming through, we could use some bodies

Intergroup News: Mike V. – Present-

This weekend we will have some subscriptions, \$9 by mail email \$3, etc. Table outside cafeteria- are will be there Fri. and Sat 10-2, June 24th at 9 am is the next meeting

Q- how many chairs do you need-

A- 4-6 people there each time

Intergroup Anniversary: Kim H. –Not Present-

-No report for the month of June.- wasn't presented

General Service: - John K- Present

Looking to move GSO office to Cleveland Akron Area- because rent is so high in NY- looking to start a grapevine app- \$2.99 for the app \$500,000 to get it up and running, no dustcover on the new 4th edition, some states are not allowing people from the outside to sponsor people on the inside- looking to make too young for AA into a video instead of a pamphlet- making a new BB for Dummies- simplified- they are editing the stories for review for the 5th edition- AA Instagram is being discussed for 2024 and looking for International for Phoenix, Indianapolis, New Orleans

Q- they are going to make an AA for Dummies?

A- Yes, an abbreviated edition

Q- 2025 non AA participation?

A- not sure what that means but I will find out

Good and welfare: -

Jim- grapevine app- hoping to have kick off the end of Sept- looking to have area in Akron to do that, might use Stan Hywet-

Events- waters park Euchre Tournament- where is it-Wedgewood- you have to contact them

Ed- 76 yrs. on earth and 20 yrs.

Laura- 27 yrs.

Russ- Dave M. in prayers- wife passed

Gene- May 30- 26 yrs.

Michelle- 11 yrs.

Chris- continued prayers for granddaughter- had spinal meningitis and Strep B

Rachel – PP is having a welcome home meeting having a lead, doors open at 6, food at 7 – community vineyard church

Nikki-

Jim- Kenmore group 71 anniversary 24th Sat doors at 6,

Paradise Club play preview 7 pm and 4 pm at Springfield Church

Thursday Greenlawn Cemetery- reading of AA number 3

Paul- 12 yrs.

Cory- 2 yrs.

Patty- 1 yr.

Mike- Shoulder surgery

Motion to adjourn- seconded and passed unanimously

The Council meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted:
Nikki M., Board Secretary