



## IGR Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2022

### Call to Order: 7:05 p.m.

Serenity Prayer

Preamble: Jason

Tradition #9 - Long Form - Todd

Declaration of Unity - Jean

### Board Member Reports

#### Chairperson: Tate

- ! Emails received last month:
  - o Two meetings that came up as questionable if open:
    - IGY6
      - ! Open but front door is locked - must enter in the back in the basement
    - Will update on the other meeting, info not available at this time.
  - o Several questions about going to meetings:
    - Is there a form to become a member, do you need a sponsor first, etc.
- ! Phone call from NY Phone Number - Husband's father was released from extended care for alcoholism, was over in Parsons. We were able to get him connected to go to meetings.
- ! Signed the lease for the office last Tuesday; 5-year lease for \$825 per month - this is the third lease we have signed.

#### Vice-Chairperson: Tate

- ! Currently vacant

#### Secretary: James

- ! Updated Format for the meeting minutes
- ! Added Groups that had been lingering for some time on the last sheet - please continue to add if your group is not listed and I will ensure that it gets added
- ! Minutes from the August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting were accepted by the Board and should be uploaded to the website

## Treasurer: Frank

- ! Checkbook balance – updated to make the accounting more visible:
  - Updated to break down the account balance
  - Tried to address the conversation we had last month and make changes, but this still may need some explanation to your individual groups.
  - Available checkbook balance: \$4,827.20 – this is what is available to spend
- ! Computers were purchased along with a protection plan
  - Victor will come down again, setup QuickBooks, get them online, and complete the transition
  - Hope to have them fully setup with the next month
- ! Comments –
  - Eynon group mailed a check on July 5, 2022, and it was yet to be cashed as of last Tuesday
    - Frank will investigate this – he strives to get the donations accounted for each week.
    - Frank invited gentleman to connect with him after the meeting and grab his contact information.
  - Kevin – What is the Pink Can Balance?
    - Frank provided a detailed explanation of the pink can and how it provides various literature (i.e., Big Books, 12 and 12) for those who are incarcerated.
  - What was the final total on the computer purchase?
    - Frank - \$1,697.45 – two computers and 1 year worth of protection to come out and supply Geek Squad Services. Frank plans to renew the plan in 1 year for an additional \$199.
  - Kevin – Why is the balance the same as the Available Pink Can Balance?
    - Frank – it's the same number in two locations.
  - Kevin – What is the available spending balance in the Intergroup Checking Account?
    - Frank – explained the location on the sheet

## Liaison Reports:

- ! **District 39** – None
- ! **District 40** – None
- ! **District 49** – Chris
  - Unity Breakfast, September 24<sup>th</sup> – Last call for Tickets, September 17<sup>th</sup> – see me after the meeting for tickets
  - Workshop: October 22<sup>nd</sup> – “What Service Can Give to Your Sobriety, and Why Should I Care?”
    - Saint John Bosco, Conyngham
- ! **District 52** – Bill
  - Sign-up sheet for contact information for anyone in the district. Third Sunday of this month they will meet online and in-person, info will be distributed to the groups between now and the meeting date.
- ! **District 53** – Joe
  - Workshop on Sponsorship – Tate and Annie spoke, Mariah attended, approximately 50 people attended in all, was inspirational for both sponsors and sponsees, thanks to intergroup for their attendance, another workshop is in the works, date TBA.
- ! **District 59**: None
- ! **District 62**: None

## Committees:

**Activities - Christine:**

- ! October 28<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Dance – Friday Night – 7pm – Midnight - \$15 for adults, \$8 for children, typically we do a covered dish or desert by donation – donations would be appreciated, pizza will be provided. If interested in selling tickets, please see Christine after the meeting. We have decorations that we used last year. Committee Meeting will be this Friday to help organize the event – please see Christine after the meeting
- ! Jean – How many tickets are you selling, is there a limit?
  - o Never been a concern in the past, typically not as well attended as other A.A. events (i.e., H to H Dance, Soberstock).
  - o Tate believes the limit is 120 people.
- ! Tom – will there be tickets at the door?
  - o Christine: Unsure yet. It's difficult to plan how much food is needed, donations, etc., if we sell tickets at the door.
- ! What is the cut-off for tickets?
  - o October 20, 2022.
- ! Christine: Call 570-332-3063 – if you have questions or if you need tickets.

**Archives:** Barry: Absent – No Report

**Central Office:** Jah:

- ! Meeting list some are printed in each page instead of front and back, no information is missing, the layout just appears different.
- ! Still looking for someone to take my place ASAP.
- ! Saturday before the IGR meeting, we need help – please pass on to your groups.
  - o Saturday before the second Tuesday of the month.
  - o Next Month, October 8<sup>th</sup> we need assistance at the Intergroup store to prep for the Intergroup meeting.

**Hotline:** Annie:

- ! Only two dozen confirmed for the 12-step caller list, would like to continue to expand, please take this back to your groups.
- ! Still looking for some back-ups with some flexibility to provide back-up for those who cannot make their scheduled shifts for the hotline.
- ! Any questions or feedback?
  - o Do you need more Men or Women?
    - Annie: Looking for anyone who is capable and stable enough to take a call from someone who is looking for help, suggested sobriety requirement is 1-year to be on the list
- ! Annie: We get a ton of calls in the Poconos, could use support in that area

**Corrections:** Absent. Tate:

- ! Bob, Waymart - We are placing an order for Waymart – they will be delivered soon.
- ! The corrections chair is now open, we will discuss further in new business
- ! Bob confirmed Tate had the Bellefonte screening address for literature delivery– Tate confirmed we had it.

**Institutions:** Phil:

- ! Men's meeting at Pyramid Healthcare is now at 7:30 p.m.
- ! Two New Contacts for commitments:
  - o Huntington Creek: Carl
  - o Avenues Recovery: JJ

**Public Information:** Mariah:

- ! Attempting to get materials out for community events
- ! Flyers out to District 49 and District 52
  - o District 52 is doing a Recovery Themed Health Fair, we were able to get some materials, flyers, and tabletop displays out for these public events
- ! Continuing to make the meeting list cards available
- ! If any community events in your area, health fairs, police stations, libraries, counseling offices, please see me.

**Newsletter:** Tate: This position is vacant.

**Website:** Samantha:

- ! Updating all the meetings that we receive information/changes.
- ! Any suggestions?
  - o Front page of NEPA IG website doesn't list the meeting time and location on the front page of the website, may be helpful for new IGRs

**Unity:** Dave:

- ! Attended District 39 Workshop on August 27<sup>th</sup> at Nay Aug Park
- ! Several of us from the board/committees will get together and attend groups that are not being represented at Intergroup
- ! Chris: Unity Picnic prior to this month, I will attempt to attend
- ! A lot of work goes into these positions, if you have any suggestions, please let me know on how I can better bring the area together

**Bridging the Gap:** Gloria:

- ! Certain areas south of Mountain Top (i.e., Tamaqua, McAdoo) need help as well as the Scranton area, looking for males to assist in these areas. Any additional people willing to assist in Bridging the Gap in these areas would be welcomed.
- ! We are getting into all the treatment centers, when you do get someone who is interested, get as much information as possible, volunteers would be helpful. Gloria will be rotating out so this position will be available.

**Old Business:** Tate: None

**New Business:** Tate:

- ! September: Much of the board rotates out the end of this year. Next month is October, which is typically election time. Open positions include:
  - o Vice-Chair
  - o Bridging the Gap
  - o Corrections
  - o Newsletter

- Central Office
- ! Please bring this information back to your group.
- ! Annie put together a brief synopsis of each position and what the positions entail. If you need further information, please don't hesitate to reach out to Annie.
- ! Greg: Commend the committee for the level of detail provided on the meeting minutes.
- ! Jean - Where are the descriptions for the open positions?
  - Annie: They are on the back, a one page and a little packet - let me know if you have any questions.

**Closing:** 7:55 p.m.