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Central Office or Intergroup? Per the A.A. Guidelines from G.S.O., Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

What Is a Central Office or Intergroup

"A central office or intergroup is an A.A. service office that involves partnership among groups in a community – just as A.A. groups themselves are partnerships of individuals. A central/intergroup office is established to carry out certain functions common to all the groups – functions which are best handled by a centralized office – and it is usually maintained, supervised, and supported by these groups in their general interest. It exists to aid the groups in their common purpose of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

Questions

- Does your group believe that NEPAIG's Bylaws should be based on the suggested guidelines from G.S.O.? Note: all suggested guidelines per G.S.O. are not included on this paper for a full description of the guidelines please see the additional form or go to <u>www.aa.org</u>. YES – 15 ABSTAINED – 3 COMMENTS: "KEEP SUPPLYING PAPER INFORMATION"
- 2. What more can NEPAIG do to help home groups carry the message? ABSTAINED – 5 COMMENTS – "EDUCATE GROUPS ON THE PURPOSE OF NEPAIG" X5 "KEEP MEETINGS AS CLOSE TO FORMAT AS POSSIBLE" "UTILIZE THE TEMPORARY CONTACT PAMPHLETS FOR BRIDGING THE GAP & PRE-RELEASE FOR CORRECTIONS" "THIS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOMEGROUP"
- Does NEPAIG emphasize the purpose of participation in service? YES - 13 NO - 4 ABSTAINED - 1

4. Is NEPAIG explaining the responsibility & commitment of service positions in intergroup?
YES - 4
NO - 4
ABSTAINED - 5
COMMENTS: "IGR'S NEED TO BE EDUCATED REGARDING THE RESPONSIBILTY OF ALL THE NEPA SERVICE POSITIONS" "THE BOARD NEEDS TO BE EDUCATED TO EDUCATE" "NEW IGR PACKETS FOR INCOMING MEMBERS"

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Functions of a Central Office/Intergroup

"The following suggestions outline the basic services a central office/intergroup might offer:

- 1) A.A. Inquires.
- 2) Office Facilities
 - 3) Meeting Lists and Other Literature –
 - 4) Information Exchange –
 - 5) Local Committees on Public Information (P.I.) and Cooperation with the Professional Community (C.P.C.) in cooperation with district and area P.I. and C.P.C. committees –
 - 6) A.A. in Correctional and Treatment Facilities –
 - 7) Local A.A. Events –
 - 8) A.A. Bulletin or Newsletter –
 - 9) Accessibilities -

Questions

 Please list which functions your group believes NEPAIG is successfully fulfilling. ABSTAINED – 3 COMMENTS: "ALL OF THE ABOVE" X4 "1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9" X3 "1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8" "6, 7, 8" "WEBSITE, LITERATURE – MEETING LISTS, INSTITUTION SPEAKERS" "WE NEED TO EDUCATE IGR'S AS TO WHAT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE & HELP THEM BRING THIS TO THEIR GROUP." "INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVES NEED TO BE MORE AWARE OF WHAT OUR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE" "IMPORTANCE OF SREVICE"

 Please list which functions your group believes NEPAIG can improve on & how. ABSTAINED – 5 COMMENTS: "KNOWLEDGE OF HOMEGROUPS IN OUR AREA" "KNOWLEDGE TO THE HOME GROUPS" "INTERGROUP COMMITTEES COULD VISIT AREA GROUPS AND EXPLAIN WHAT INTERGROUPS PURPOSE IS & THE NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS" "GET INVOLVED" X2 "IT IS IMPORTANT FOR IGR'S TO FULFILL THEIR POSITION BY BRINGGING BACK INFORMATION TO THEIR HOME GROUP" "ONE THROUGH 5 & #9" "2 & 5" "2 & 4" "2, 4, & 6" Do we provide local committees/communities with literature to carry the AA message? YES – 13

NO – 2 ABSTAINED – 3 COMMENTS: "NEED MORE INFO"

Are there areas we are neglecting? (Please name them) "PAROLE OFFICE SCRANTON" X2 "INSTITUTIONS OR CORRECTION FACILITIES THAT CANNOT AFFORD" ABSTAINED – 11 "NONE" X3 "DISTRICT 52"

4. Do we reach out to involve every group in our geographical area and how effective are we with communication with those groups?

YES – 5 NO – 9 ABSTAINED – 4 COMMENTS: "COMMUNICATION TO THE HOME GROUPS NEEDS TO BE BETTER" "THERE ARE IDEAS & PLANS BUT LACK OF ACTION" "CAN SOMEONE FROM INTERGROUP COME TO OUR BUSINESS MEETING TO GIVE US INFO" "NEEDS IMPROVEMENT" X3

- 5. How effectively is NEPAIG facilitating collaboration between the Districts? ABSTAINED – 9 UNSURE – 6 COMMENTS: "DISTRICT 52 HAS BEEN DARK FOR YEARS & NO NOTIABLE CONCERN IS EXPRESSED" "DISTRICTS SHOULD REQUIRE AN ALTERNATE DCM TO ATTEND INTERGROUP MEETINGS" "DISTRICTS SHOULD BE DEALT WITH BY GENERAL SERVICE"
- 6. Are IGR's successfully fulfilling their service positions? (Appearing at monthly meetings, bringing back information to their groups, clearly stating their groups conscience, informed of the traditions) YES - 11 NO - 4 ABSTAINED - 3 COMMENTS: "NEEDS IMPROVING" X5 "BUT NEED EDUCATING" X3
- 7. Are service packets provided to IGRs? YES - 11 NO - 4 ABSTAINED - 3 COMMENTS: "NOT AT THE TIME OF THIS INVENTORY"
- 8. Are groups successfully fulfilling service commitments provided through NEPAIG? YES – 9 NO – 6 ABSTAINED – 3 COMMENTS: "WE'RE TRYING" "IMPROVEMENT NEEDED" X2

If not, how can this be improved?

"PROBATION PERIOD AFTER MISSING A COMMITMENT" "CREATE AWARENESS & ACCOUNTABILITY" "BETTER REPORTS AT BUSINESS MEETINGS" "

 9. Are we experiencing a high turnover in our board members? YES - 6 NO - 5 ABSTAINED - 7

Facing Financial Responsibility

Per the A.A. Guidelines from G.S.O., Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163 Is NEPAIG using funds donated by groups appropriately & effectively? (Please explain) YES – 9 NO – 6 ABSTAINED – 3 COMMENTS: "SINCE THE LAST ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS THERE SEEMS TO BE MORE TRANSPARENCY" "EACH COMMITTEE SHOULD HAVE ITS OWN BUDGET" "WE DON'T BELIEVE THERE IS A MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN ITEMIZED LIST AVAILABLE" "IGR HAS A CONCERNING AMOUNT OF MONEY NOT BEING SPENT" "SUGGEST TREASURER PROVIDES AN ADDITIONAL LINE FOR LITERATURE BOUGHT EACH MONTH FOR 7TH TRADITION TRANSPARENCY"

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2. Is your group participating in the Seventh Tradition of NEPAIG? If not, why? YES - 15 NO - 1 ABSTAINED - 2 COMMENTS: "NO, IG HAS A LOT OF MONEY WITH NO PLAN TO DISPERSE IT" "DONATIONS WERE NOT CLEARLY ACCOUNTED FOR, NOT INCLUDED IN TREASURER REPORT, FINANCES ARE NOT ALWAYS CLEAR"

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- Are we choosing our NEPAIG representatives with care & consideration? YES - 7 NO - 7 ABSTAINED - 4 COMMENTS: "WE FILL POSITIONS QUICKLY" "WE'RE ALWAYS DESPERATE TO FILL POSITIONS"
- 2. When a position becomes vacant are we holding fair elections with reasonable notice? YES - 9 NO - 6 ABSTAINED - 3 COMMENTS: "HAVEN'T HAD THE LUXURY OF CHOOSING" "WE'RE USUALLY JUST INFORMED THAT SOMEONE IS FILLING A POSITION" "HAVEN'T SEEN A FLYER GETTING THE WORD OUT NOW FOR THIS

YEAR'S ELECTION"

- 3. Does NEPAIG carry out the spirit of rotation? YES - 12 NO - 2 ABSTAINED - 4 COMMENTS: "ROTATE OUT NOT TO ANOTHER CHAIR & PASS ON YOUR EXPERIENCE"
- 4. Is NEPAIG representing A.A. as a whole? YES - 14 NO - 2 ABSTAINED - 2 COMMENTS: "GET BYLAWS IN LINE WITH AA TRADITIONS & FOLLOW THEM"

Further Questions, Concerns, Etc.

"PLEASE TRY NOT TO CHANGE BIG BOOK. WHAT HAS HAPPENED – READING BEFORE AA MEETING, CLOSING – LORDS PRAYER OR SERENITY PRAYER"

"THERE WAS AN INCIDENT THAT CAME UP DURING OUR GROUP CONSCIENCE THAT WAS CONCERNING. A BOARD MEMBER ATTEMPTED TO BRING LITERATURE TO AN EVENT FOR PROBATION/PAROLE & IT WAS DENIED. BASED ON OUR EXPERIENCE WITH LOCAL JAILS WE KNOW HOW HARD IT IS TO GET LITERATURE SOME AA'S NEED AT TIMES. OUR GROUP AGREED THAT OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO HELP THE NEWCOMERS WHO NEED OUR HELP THE MOST & THEREFORE WE ARE NOT – FULFILLING OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE."

"WE HAD BETTER COMMUNICATION WHEN WE CALLED PEOPLE AND HAD HANDOUTS AND FLYERS THAN WITH THE TECHNOLOGY ON THE CELL PHONES. A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T FOLLOW THAT STUFF."