

IGR Meeting August 13, 2024

Call to Order @ 7:05p
Open with Serenity
Readings:
Preamble - Allie
Declaration of Unity - Katrina
8th Tradition - Joey

Announcements:

Christopher - GSO envelopes are on the back table to encourage sending money to GSO.

IGR Celebrants:

John 15yrs Garrett 4yrs Gordon 45yrs Paul 2yrs Ryan 2yrs Brett 4yrs

Tristan 3yrs

Board Member Celebrants:

Rich 31yrs

Motion made to accept last month's meeting minutes, second, all in favor

Chair Report: Annie H.

Attended District 53 Meeting - Met PI Committee Chair for Area 59.

Bylaw review is complete - see notes/copy of bylaws reviewed. Copies of the Bi-laws with notes containing information on where improvements need to be made are available for those interested. Soberstock - Saturday, August 24th, 11:00a - 7:00p @ Pennbrook Picnic Grove, Factoryville A sign-up sheet is circulating for home groups to account for what they are willing to donate. The flier has been updated and there will be a dunk tank.

Registered for EPGSA, November 2024 - GSR voting year. There is a sign-up sheet for those who would like an IGR board member to come to their homegroup to educate members on the different committee's. Or the AA clubhouse in Dallas said we could have a Saturday or Sunday any time. Russell said he can get the Church where his District meets in Scranton.

Vice-Chair: Dave A.

YPAA & PENNSCYPAA may have a carload coming to Soberstock. Spoke with Charlie about the meeting list, garbage stickers, and teamwork to bring awareness to dark meetings for the upcoming elections. District 40 is holding Share A Day, October 12th at Misericordia. Working with other board members to increase the effectiveness of NEPAIG.

Treasurer: Christine S.

The current report reflects the bills that have been paid. The current balance is not on the report because Charlie was not working the store prior to the meeting which left Christine to man the store.

Secretary: Jackie F.

July meeting minutes were submitted, posted on the website and copies are available in the back.

District 39:	There will be a Labor Day Meeting Marathon Located at the Hall
District 40:	The 1st Friday of September will be nominations. Area day will be held October 12th from 9:00a - 2:00p at Misericordia. Possibility of a Labor Day Alcathon with meetings being held every even hour from 8:00a - 8:00p at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.
District 49:	No report
District 52:	Absent
District 53:	The Gift of Forgiveness Workshop Saturday, August, 17 10:00a - 2:00p Meshoppen United Methodist Church 128 Church St. Meshoppen
District 59:	Absent
District 62:	Trying to get GSR reps to bring area representation to EPGSA

Activities:

Soberstock - Saturday, August 24th, 11:00a - 7:00p @ Pennbrook Picnic Grove, Factoryville Complimentary water, hotdogs, and hamburgers. There will be raffle baskets, softball tournament, live music, a dunk tank, and a sobriety countdown. \$25.00 per carload.

Christopher asked why it is \$25 per carload and is IGR willing to help those who can't afford to attend? The cost is to cover expenses. There were many solutions offered for those who can't afford to attend: give those folks a ride, IGR would not charge them, and several members offered to cover the cost for those folks.

Dee questioned why the food money is coming from the 7th tradition funds? This falls under serving alcoholics by providing fun and fellowship.

Archives: Barry M.

Absent

Central Office:

Absent

Hot Line:

PJ provided the report: There are two openings for a transfer person - Wednesday and Thursday. he line needs to be transferred 4 x's per day. Volunteers need to have some technology experience.

Institutions: Phil C.

If we don't get more participation for Serenity Mountain we may need to cancel one of the commitments. Aware of the issue with people being unable to access the building for Geisinger Moosic. A message has been left at the facility, awaiting a return call.

Corrections: Rich E.

Attended bylaw review meetings at the Central Office. Worked on district list of correctional facilities with contacts and phone numbers. Google technology is still in process. Spoke with district committee members and asked them to the committee meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at the main office. A flier was made for the corrections committee meeting announcing the time and place for the upcoming year. Books were distributed to Wayne , Luzerne, and Wyoming counties. Susquehanna County jail placed an order that will be filled. Attended district 53 meeting and handed out committee meeting flyers and was privileged to address the GSR's about what we do and provide to AA members who are incarcerated! I also spoke with the Corrections Chair of the district and a recovery treatment coordinator that does H&I.

Public Information:

Vacant

Newsletter Bob P.

The newsletter has changed, Bob's contribution is on the front page, there is an article on the 7th Tradition, and there is a column called A & A written by Allie and Ashley,

Unity: Joe

Attended the bylaw review meetings where a discussion was had about forming a finance committee. Met with Area 53 Public Information Rep, Deb S. Attended Annie's celebration at the Halfway group where he was asked to speak by Rachel.

Bridging the Gap: Shawn

I have reviewed the inventory notes and agree that the BTG material lacks professionalism. However, Area 59's BTG will not be used as that would create additional work. I reached out to Area 59's chair to request their digital artwork. I plan to modify those to include NEPAIG services, information, website, email, hotline, etc. I will also contact a print service to get a quote for professional printing. A budget will be submitted for BTG. The BTG chair will be up for election in October.

Old Business:

Any new motions? Any previous motions being taken off the table?

Mike from the Eynon Group opened a discussion about information being posted on the intergroup website and how we are going to move forward with the idea of having a vote before non AA approved information is posted. Currently, there is some information posted on the website that is questionable.

Allie - made a motion to have non AA approved information brought to the monthly IGR meeting for a vote before it is posted to the website.

Mike seconded the motion

39 voting members in attendance 33 voted for the motion 3 voted against the motion 3 abstained from voting

New Business:

There is a registration form to be filled out with IGR reps and alternate information. There is a QR code on each table that will take you to the form. This is being done to ensure we comply with the bylaws. Dee brought awareness to the fact that Homegroups could be more supportive of IGR. According to the inventory, changes need to be made. What steps will each member of the board take to implement those changes? There will be an open house at Central Office tomorrow, 8/14 5:00p - 7:00p Joe - His group has concern about there being a \$9000.00 balance in the bank account. There was a discussion about forming a finance committee.

Coffee commitment will be filled by Jeremiah.

Motion to close @ 8:37p Close with The Responsibility Statement