

# **IGR Meeting November 12, 2024**

Call to Order @ 7:07pm Open with Serenity Prayer

Motion to accept meeting minutes from Oct. Motion passed

Readings: Preamble - Rob Declaration of Unity - Matt 11th Tradition - Peggy

Announcements: Flyers in the back for NYE Dance

# **IGR Celebrants:**

Nick 3yrs Mariah 5yrs Kevin 28yrs

# **Board Member Celebrants:**

N/A

New roll call sheet passed in addition to 12 Step Call List

#### **Chair Report: Dave A.**

Attended Area Convention. Sat in for the election process & sat in at an intergroup round table discussion. Sat in for a finance & structure meeting. Spoke to Alex, new alternate delegate, & discussed Share-A-Day & it is in the works for Spring (March or April) looking for volunteers to get involved. If interested, speak with Dave.

Amends made regarding unity vote & tabling it, was not the appropriate route to take.

Blaise stepped down as activities chair.

Corrections, unity, & activities are vacant - these are elected positions. Website will also be vacant & this is **not** an elected position.

# **Floor opened for Questions**

Chris - stated there were a lot of people asking him to step up for corrections. Drawing attention to the fact that IGR's are not the only individuals able to step into the elected positions, these positions are

open to any A.A. member. If your group is large enough then there should be a group member on each committee.

Dave A. - brought up finances & what we do when there is a "surplus" of money. There is a surplus of money when there is a lack of volunteers or assistance carrying out duties.

Jess - clarified that for vacant positions it is suggested a minimum 2 years of sobriety.

#### Vice-Chair: Shawn

Attending a surplus of meetings in the area to get the "vibe" of our intergroup & assist in what is needed.

# **Floor opened for Questions**

no questions.

# **Treasurer: Christine S.**

Profit & loss is on the back table. Everything that was submitted October to November 11. All bills have been paid & everything is completely current.

Looking into purchasing a POS for the office & a credit card machine. Have done some research into the Clover system.

# Secretary: Allie D.

| District 39: Russell | Nomination process took place & attended EPGSA. There were 15 voting members in attendance.   |
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| District 40: Erin    | 11 voting members in attendance at EPGSA. Thanksgiving & Christmas alca-thons taking place. St. Elizabeth church in Swoyersville. Every even hour on the hour starting at 8am-8pm. Workshop Sat. 11/16 12-4pm @ St. Stevens on the 12 Spiritual Principles. |
| District 49:         | Absent  |
| District 52:         | Chris - GSR gave report. He was the only voting member at Area conference. Attempting to educate groups to increase participation.  |
| District 53: Joe     | 9 GSRs at Area Conference. District vote took place & Joe is the new DCM & Debbie is the alt.   |
| District 59:         | Absent  |
| District 62: Joe     | Alca-thon taking place over the holidays.   |

<sup>\*</sup>motion to accept Chair person & vice chair reports\*

<sup>\*</sup>Motion passed\*

<sup>\*</sup>motion to accept treasurers report\*

<sup>\*</sup>motion passed\*

#### **Activities:**

Vacant.

Halloween dance report: we voted on giving \$1,200 towards supporting the dance. Costs included: Dj cost \$400, venue cost \$200, catering was done instead of the typical potluck style cost was \$300, additional ~\$300 spent on supplies, games, prizes, misc. 50/50 was \$254 winning pot was \$127. Raffle tickets & door tickets were accidentally combined which was a total of \$1,210. Total brought in was \$1,337. Pizza was needed at the cost of \$150 due to a shortage of food early on in the evening which was deducted prior to the total of \$1,337 being calculated.

#### **Archives: Barry M.**

Box came in with old flyers from previous Soberstocks back to 1991. Still looking for the first ever Soberstock flyer.

Inform groups there is an archive at the office including a display & it is great to inform newcomers of the history. Working with the incoming chair, Austin.

# **Central Office: Charlie**

Thank you Louis who donated decorations to the store. Made up a list of groups in our geographic location which were broken down into districts by the secretary.

Discussed the twelve-step list and how outdated it is. Contacted individuals on the list who have relocated outside of the area or state so this is working on being updated more thoroughly.

IGR packets have been updated. On the *First Saturday of the month from 12-2pm at the office* come on down and assist with creating the packets & giving them to anyone who needs them.

Working with the website committee to get our twelve step list online for individuals to sign up.

Amazon account set-up for Intergroup.

Missed an order of pamphlets from General Service so we did reorder with no loss in cost.

Plain language Big Books ordered & available at \$11 a piece at the store.

Contacted comcast & updated our internet & upgraded our phone line & removed the television package that was on there.

Meeting booklet, is this something we would like to do or would we like to do something else? Requested a vote on the matter.

# **Floor opened for Questions**

How do we update changes to the meeting list?

Charlie response: email central office email, nepaigoffice@gmail.com, that is listed on the website for any changes needed or give Charlie a call.

There are a lot of meeting changes on a regular basis. How do we keep people up to date until a new meeting list is printed?

Charlie response: There is a QR code that will bring you to a current meeting list that gets updated immediately. There is also a date on the front of the meeting list so you are aware of how current the version you have been given is.

What is the cost?

Meeting lists will be given for free. If it seems to be costing too much to create down the line it is something we will revisit.

Chris had a suggestion, to have a cycle of when meeting lists are going to be printed, ex. every 6 months.

## **Hot Line: PJ**

No missed calls that didn't receive contact or a call back.

#### Website: Samantha

New forms being added to the website such as the 12 step call list.

Jail commitment calendar to be added to the website so people know when the jail commitments are.

Institutions contact information has been updated including gps locations for the commitments.

## **Corrections: Rich E.**

Attended Area 59's Area Day.

Attended Website meetings for assistance in getting out information regarding corrections.

Would like to coordinate with the corrections chairs of each district so they can all work together. Looking to make things simpler to get the information out.

Creating a binder for the next trusted servant for corrections.

# **Floor opened for Questions**

Chris stated this month marked one year he had the commitment at Wayne county. Need women from 5:30-6:30 for the women's corrections commitment at Wayne county.

#### **Institutions: Phil**

New commitment this month, Resurrection House in Great Bend. ¾ meetings a row were missed at Pyramid. If you can't make it just shoot Phil a text and/or call the facility. Institutions may ask us to stop coming if we cannot be counted on to show up.

Contact for Avenues has been updated: Ian (215) 303-2592. Commitment cards for December are updated.

Marworth specifically asked that an entire group receive the commitment for the whole month so they are asking it not to be split up so they know who to contact.

#### **Floor opened for Questions**

Chris stated back in October there was an institution that asked us not to return & the following month when he took the commitment for Wayne county jail 4 people did not show up that month. What he would attempt to tell people is that he has had that commitment for 6 years only because he made that commitment a priority for him.

Shawn stated that his mantra when getting a commitment is getting commitments he knew he could fill so if someone else at the group couldn't take it he knew he could.

## **Public Information: Mary**

Getting started looking at the public information, information. She has four binders and is seeking help from a committee. There is a large area to cover and is willing to work around other peoples schedules for assistance on the committee.

#### Floor opened for Questions

Cindy asked can these be put in drug & alcohol facilities & probation offices.

Mary response: yes, & if you let me know places that are important to you they will be prioritized.

# **Unity: Joe**

Went to Area Day & the Area Conference.

Hopefully someone will step up into his position.

#### Newsletter Bob P.

Has articles pouring in.

The December issue is focused on gratitude. There may be people around the holidays who are not feeling grateful.

## **Bridging the Gap: Shawn**

Shawn will be stepping down & Bailey will be stepping in.

Bridging the Gap is a national program not only for our area or put on by NEPAIG.

Easiest way to input information is to do it online.

Bridging the Gap introduces people straight out of rehab to get them in contact with someone actively in A.A. for assistance.

#### **Floor Opened for Questions**

Chris stated that his group asked him to get involved in public information so he went to the past treasurer for District 52 to get racks & went to two events and he handed out flyers. When he had the jail commitment he went to probation to hand out flyers and information for those about to be released. Wayne County received the Bridging the Gap pamphlets from General Services.

Shawn informed that the Bridging the Gap flyers come all to NEPAIG eventually if it is someone in our area. Brought up not having a colored printer to assist in providing the literature for pre-release forms, jail forms, and volunteer forms in different colors.

#### Secretary Report: Allie D.

Sign in sheet has each meeting separated by districts.

Going to be punctual about writing up and posting meeting minutes since there are groups with business meetings following the IGR meeting & it would be helpful to look at.

#### **Old Business:**

Unity is vacant, anyone interested in standing? No one stood. Still vacant.

<sup>\*</sup>motion to accept committee reports\*

Glenn stood for corrections. There was a second. No oppositions. Glenn is now the chair for corrections.

Website is vacant. No one stood.

## **New Business:**

Activities is vacant.

Unity is vacant. Unity goes to different districts and their meetings, go to workshops. In this position you let people know that NEPAIG is here to assist in anything that the groups or districts may need help with regarding carrying out the message.

Jess had stood for unity but is no longer able to fulfill the position.

- \*\*Jess made a motion that any comments made during questions be saved for new business.\*\*
- \*\*Motion made and passed.\*\* none opposed
- \*\*Motion to keep meeting booklets as is and proceed with them being made\*\*
- \*\*motion made and passed\*\* none opposed.
- \*\*Motion that the just for today is removed from the meeting booklet\*\*
- \*\*all those in favor 6. all those opposed 25. 4 abstained.\*\*
- \*\*Motion does not pass & Just For Today stays in the meeting booklets\*\*
- \*\*Motion to remove references to other twelve step programs\*\*
- \*\*all those in favor 4. all those opposed 28. 3 abstained.\*\*
- \*\*Motion does not pass references to other 12 step programs stays\*\*
- \*\*Motion to add sign in for twelve step call sheet & calendar for corrections commitments to the website\*\*
- \*\*Motion unanimously passes\*\*

Jeremiah to make coffee for next month.

Motion to close.

Close with The Serenity Prayer.