

Unity Intergroup Meeting Minutes , February 2017

*SUN: Saint Louis Park(Cathi J, Beth K, Jackie T),
MON: Chippewa Falls(Roxanne P, Carrie C), Robbinsdale(Julie K, Amanda A),
TUE: Minneapolis(Jane Z, Lu, Anne B), Wayzata(Carolyn S, Cheryl R),
WED: Crystal(Annette P), Saint Paul(Judy M),
THUR: Chippewa Falls(Carrie C, Roxanne P),
FRI: Saint Paul(Kathryn E, Chris K),
SAT: Golden Valley(Betty C), Roseville(Chris K), Circle Pines(Paul B), *New Member(Chris K),
UIG TRUSTED SERVANTS: Buffalo Retreat Co-Chair: (Colette S), Bylaws Chair: (Bob S), IG Secretary (temp volunteer): (Rebecca W), IG Treasurer: (Suzanne J), Literature Coordinator: (Dawn S), Newcomer Meeting Co-Coordinator: (Chris K, Sasha K), Professional Outreach Chair: (Cathi J), Public Information Chair: (Margie A), Region 4 Officer: (Annette P, Bob S), Region 4 Representative: (Cathi J, Roxanne P, Dawn S, Sasha K, Paul B), Region 4 Representative (Alternate): (Margie A), Registrar: (Cheryl R), Sponsorship Workshop Co-Chair: (Margie A), Twelve Step Within Chair: (Carolyn S), Web Coordinator: (Beth K), WSBC Delegate: (Roxanne P, Bob S), WSBC Delegate (Alternate): (Suzanne J),*

1. Call to Order: Welcome and Serenity Prayer.

2. Chair Remarks: Suzanne J, Read Concept 2

3. Vice Chair Remarks: Dawn S. read Tradition 2. New Intergroup representatives were welcomed and asked to meet with Dawn S. after the Intergroup meeting to receive the Intergroup Representative Handbook.

4. Secretary's Report: Rebecca W. presented the minutes for the January meeting. After the review, a motion was made by Cheryl R. to pass the January minutes with no amends, it was seconded by Margie A., and the motion passed. Any new representatives were asked to sign up for Talking Points in the Registrars purple binder while it circulated through the meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report: Suzanne J. presented the Income and Expense Report for January and the Budget vs. Actual - July to January 2017 Report. July 2017 will be the beginning of the new budget cycle. She stated that committees should start thinking about how much they might need for the upcoming budget cycle, stressing that budgets will probably need to be smaller than last cycle. Suzanne reminded everyone to make sure their groups are sending in their 7th tradition contributions as Unity Intergroup is a little below budget in that category over last year. The Audit is almost done and our taxes should be filed on time. Annette P. made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, Ann L. seconded it and the motion passed.

6. Newsletter Responsibility: No one was voted in as the Newsletter editor. For now Rebecca W. will learn the newsletter process until a new newsletter chair is elected. March: Chippewa Falls, Monday 6:30pm meeting. April: Roseville, Saturday 8am meeting. May: Anoka Monday 7pm. June: Minneapolis, Monday 7:15. Groups should have their articles submitted by the third Saturday before the month assigned. Please continue to send articles or information for the newsletter to expressionsofunity@gmail.com. Representatives can also encourage members at their meetings to click on the link and read the Newsletter.

7. Newcomer Meeting Responsibility: March: Minneapolis, Monday 10am. April: Sunday OA HOW 7pm. May: Saturday am OAHOW. Note: The Newcomer Meeting is at Sumner Library on the third Saturday of the month from 12:45 – 2:15 pm.

8. Old Business: There was no old business outside of committee reports

9. Meet and Greet: No meet and greet

10. New Business: Annette P. reviewed WSO agenda questionnaire in place of any other new business

For the following committees and events, no reports are expected unless noted.

11. State Convention: Chair position open.

12. Bylaws Committee: Bob reported that there is a proposed bylaw change to update the Intergroup's definition of a *group* to make it the same as the definition used by Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. The proposed bylaw change needs to be put on the Intergroup's website for review. Please read the Bylaw change proposal on the website. The change will be voted on at the March or April Intergroup meeting.

13. Professional Outreach: Cathi J. reported that her committee presented to the Professional Hennepin County Employees. Upcoming events: HCMC social workers, the Minnesota Dental Association and the YMCA

14. OA Quick Steps: no report

15. Public Information: Margie A. reported that the Healthy Life Expo on February 4 and 5 at the Minneapolis Convention Center was a success. We were able to put 1000 flyers in free giveaway bags at the convention. 8-10 Volunteers will also be needed for the Women's Expo Saturday March 18 9-5 at the Mpls Convention Center. Lance from Anoka Monday 7 pm volunteered his group to staff the Longevity Expo on Saturday, April 8 in Maple Grove. Contact Margie to volunteer, 30 days

abstinence required.

16. Registrar: Cheryl R. reported that the Saturday Monticello HOW meeting is moving to Wednesday evenings at 6:30 but staying in the same location.

17. Sponsorship: The Crossroads meeting is hosting the Sponsorship Workshop. Margie A. brought flyers for representatives to take back to their meetings. The workshop is being held on February 18th from 1-3:30 at Prospect Park Methodist Church. The address is 22 Orlin Ave, Minneapolis, 55414. She reported that the committee could use A Vision For You volunteer for the sponsorship panel.

18. Treatment Center Outreach: This remains an open position.

19. 12th Step Within: Carolyn S. reported on some ideas she has for the committee including ½ day retreats, workshops and a talk by a Doctor about the addictive nature of food and its effects on the brain. It was suggested that she submit a question to OA about how to follow the traditions and host a non-member of OA as a speaker.

20. Big Book Study: The new chair of the Big Book study is Randee E. 651-329-4632 emundson.randee@gmail.com. The committee is still looking for volunteers. The Big Book Study will be held on May 19, 20 and 21.

21. Buffalo Retreat: Debbie N. and Collette S. are looking for OA in Action, Traditional OA and OA HOW volunteers to host meetings throughout the weekend. Scholarships are still available. There is also a price for program only, including food but no room. If you're interested please contact Debbie at 651-235-6951. The Buffalo Retreat will be held on March 31 to April 2 in 2017.

22. Region 4 and World Service: Annette walked everyone through the potential Agenda items for World Service. The group reviewed each item with some discussion and voted for the items they felt deserved further discussion.

23. Literature: Dawn S. reported that she did an inventory of the Literature and discovered that we have plenty. She encouraged committees to spend down the existing inventory and not purchase on their own if at all possible. Contact Dawn if your committee needs literature for your events.

24. Email and Event: Howard W. agreed to cover this for now until someone is interested in taking the position.

25. Hot Line: no report

26. Print & Web: Shiloh S. is doing a great job on the printing!

27. Web: Beth K. was nominated for chair of the website committee. Nomination by Carolyn S and seconded by Jane Z. She was elected unanimously. Beth K. reported that the new website will hopefully be up and running in March with the existing website content. A new logo has been commissioned by a graphic artist so we will have the technically appropriate format for all our logo needs going forward on the new website.

28. Teleconference: Cal N. nominated himself for this position, and he was voted in as the Teleconference Coordinator.

29. Social Media: no report

28. Adjournment and Serenity Prayer: Annette P. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Beth K. seconded and motion passed.