

## Unity Intergroup Meeting Minutes - August 11, 2018

Trusted Servants: Chair: Cathy G., Vice Chair: Betty C., Secretary: Corey H., Treasurer: Paula R.  
Representatives Attending: Teresa G., Renee K., Eileen M., Maggie S., Lynn H., Dianne M. Annette K., Mary T., Karen LB., Jean K., Paul B., Nancy K., Annette PR., Jill S., Kendra

1. Welcome: Welcome and Serenity Prayer. Cathy G. stated that people were still coming to the Intergroup meeting from the Body Image Workshop, so new business would be discussed later to give people time to arrive
2. Traditions: Concept and Tradition 8 were read by Paula R.
3. Vice Chair: Cathy G. stated that Betty C. was interested in becoming Vice Chair, so the Intergroup would be voting on this later during the meeting.
4. Secretary's Report: Jill S. was acting secretary for Corey H. The July minutes were not printed for the meeting, so they will be approved at the September meeting instead.
5. Treasurer's Report: Betty C. stated that she is now using Quick Books Online to do the Intergroup's bookkeeping. The records will be saved in the Cloud and up to five approved people can work on them if needed in the future. Betty C. also stated that the impression was given at the last meeting that the budget for this fiscal year was very tight. So tight that there wouldn't be any money for a new phone system. After World Service, Region 4, the Sumner Library and other yearly bills were paid, there was actually enough cash to pay for a new phone system.
6. New Phone System: Howard W. and Annette PR. were on the committee to investigate the purchase of a new Wi Fi enabled phone system. Annette PR presented a written proposal to the meeting, and Howard W. showed some of the equipment that they recommended purchasing. The equipment would be similar to that used at the Tuesday night online meeting. Howard W. showed how the equipment would be set up for the meeting and discussed how it would be an improvement over previous phone systems for those calling in and those at the meeting. There was a discussion about past call-in use, especially for out-state representatives, and about the cost of the equipment. Also, a list of representatives at the meeting stated that they would be willing to learn how to set up the equipment and become part of a schedule to set up the equipment for future meetings. Jill S. made a motion to purchase the new system, Paul R. seconded this and the motion passed.
7. Newsletter: The following meetings have agreed to write articles for the Newsletter. September – Anoka, Monday 7pm. October – Eden Prairie, Saturday 9am. November – Shakopee, Tuesday 7pm. December – Rochester, Monday night HOW. Groups should have their articles submitted by the third Saturday before the month assigned but late articles are always welcome. Please continue to send articles or information for the newsletter to [expressionsofunity2018@gmail.com](mailto:expressionsofunity2018@gmail.com). Representatives can also encourage members at their meetings to click on the link and read the Newsletter.
8. Newcomer Meeting: Rebecca W. and Sasha K. are cochairs the Newcomer Meeting. They have decided to change the meeting to hopefully make it more accessible and inviting. The OA preamble, the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions and one speaker's story will be the format, along with open discussion and

questions to follow. The Newcomer Meeting is held at the Sumner Library on the third Saturday of each month from 1 – 2 pm at the Sumner Library in Minneapolis.

9. Election of New Vice Chair: Nancy C. nominated Betty C. for the position of Vice Chair. Kendra seconded this. By paper ballot, Betty C. was elected Vice Chair.

10. Region 4: Teresa G. was nominated and elected to become the acting Region 4 representative. because other representatives were unable to attend the next assembly. She will attend the Region 4 Fall Assembly in Rapid City on October 12 and 13, along with Annette PR and Roxanne P.

11. OA Quick Steps: There will be a Quick Steps Workshop on September 15 and 29 at Living Spirit Methodist Church in Minneapolis from 9am to 12:30pm and another on October 6 and 20 at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Mankato from 12:30 to 4:30pm. Kendra asked about additional money for supplies to be used during the Quick Steps Workshops.

12. Public Information: The Intergroup will have a booth at the Minnesota Association for Marriage and Family Therapists event on September 20th. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Margie A.

13. Literature: Dawn S. stated that she will be selling the new OA 12x12 books for \$14.50 at the September meeting for those who are interested in purchasing them for their meetings. Old workbooks and 12x12 books are now half price.

14. Upcoming Workshop: The Region 4 Trustee Cyndy L. will be the speaker at a workshop on November 3. More details to come.

15. Adjournment and Serenity Prayer: