

Unity Intergroup Minutes September 9, 2018

Present at the meeting; Cathy G, Paula R, Betty C, Cecelia, Renee K., Lou L, Sheila L, Teresa G, Amy R, Karen LB, Jean K, Nancy K, Margie A, Jill S, Kendra S, Annette P-R, Howard, Paul B, Pat W, Eileen M, Lucinda R, Corey H, Present on the phone: Bob, Elizabeth, Michelle M

Welcome & introductions. Cathy, introduces us to the new phone system, stay close to the microphone. If you are on the phone and wish to speak, press *6 to unmute yourself, *6 to mute yourself again.

Tradition 9 read by Margie.

Secretary Report, Margie motioned to pass, Jill 2nd.

Intergroup Business:

-Betty, Intergroup moved into a smaller storage unit near Sumner library.

-Betty, changing our phone from Verizon to a new system, we will have a generic email address, significant savings, it will go from \$35 to \$10 a month.

-Nancy, Service opportunity: check voice mail on a daily basis. Sheila D will take over as hotline coordinator.

-Cathy, Groups should keep getting literature from Dawn, want to keep paring down. We are not going to buy any AA literature because you can get it in St. Louis Park. Dawn can order it for you or you can order it yourself. If you are ordering for an event, talk to Dawn. If you are ordering for your group, you can order it yourself or talk to Dawn.

Phone system: Howard & Annette, People on the phone said the quality is good. Microphones are not that sensitive but pretty good. Set up should go pretty quickly. Some people came early to help setup. Get the word out to your groups about this new system: Call in 515-604-9700, access code 896976# If you have any feedback about this system, contact Cathy G. Can load an app to use the computer so you don't have to pay extra for a conference call. Instructions will be on the website and go out in an email on Constant Contact.

Newsletter: Jill, Going well, no definite deadline, get your articles in anytime close to the first of the month. Oct. Eden Prairie Sat 9 am, Nov. Shakopee Tues. 7 pm, Dec. Rochester Mon night HOW. Submit articles to expressionsofunity2018@gmail.com by the first of the month.

Treasurer's Report: Betty, We did not make donations to World Service, Region 4, or the Library in the past two years, so we made back payments. Jean made a motion to pass the minutes, Annette P-R 2nd.

Region 4: Annette P-R, Fall Assembly in Rapid City Oct 12 & 13, we will have two people attending. All the region chairs from around the world will be in Minneapolis in Fall 2019 and will attend our event if we have one. The Region 4 will have an Assembly in Minneapolis in Fall 2019 and would also attend an event if we have one. If you would like to participate in planning an event for our intergroup, there is a sign up sheet. We also need a chair for this potential Fall 2019 event.

Professional Outreach: Cathy & Lou, We will have a booth on Sept 20th at the Minnesota Association for Marriage and Family Therapists. We have two people signed up to volunteer throughout the day even

though we've only paid for one person due to a glitch in their system. We can pay extra at the event if needed.

OA Events: Operation Recovery Sept 20th at the MCTC, one table, any 12 step group can have literature. They wanted brochures, Margie said we can go OA.org and downline and print your own brochures, and Cathy also said to ask Dawn to order them.

Quick Steps: Pat, Minneapolis Sept 15 & 29, 8 people registered. Mankato Oct 6 & 20, 10 people registered. Looking for 5th step listeners between Sept. 15th and 29th, could be done on the phone. Call Pat W. 612-804-4563.

Recovery Roadmap: Nov 3, cut off registration at 70 people, Cyndy L WS Trustee, an established workshop from World Service, she will be flying in from Missouri to facilitate this workshop.

Buffalo Retreat: April 5-7, 2019, we have chairs.

Website: Cathy, our template is not good. Alex will get a new template that does what we want it to do.

Body Image Workshop: Jan 26th, Meg will facilitate, working on a location

Closing: People on the phone said overall they heard fairly well, the only difficulties were when people weren't close enough to the microphone. Howard, wired microphone are much more sensitive but \$1,000 more.