

UNITY INTERGROUP MINUTES JULY 11, 2020

ATTENDING ON ZOOM or Phone: Kirsten, Marque, Kendra, Howard, Sheila, Debbie, Sue, Betty, Jaime, Nancy, Rebecca, Rebecca S., Eileen, Linda

1. Welcome: Serenity Prayer and Introductions, New reps!
2. Step 7: Kirsten pitched on Step 7.
3. June Meeting Minutes: presented the minutes of the June meeting. After the review, Betty made a motion to pass the June minutes as amended, it was seconded by Kendra, voted on and the motion was passed.

-Additional missed names: Amy D, Debbie, and Lori, were added to the list of participants for the June meeting.

-Howard summarized a correction he is requesting: Meg Region IV trustee would like to re-write the by laws, Howard stated there is a by laws committee and that would not be appropriate.

-Howard would also like a more detailed account of the Big Book Study in June minutes.

4. Financials: Sheila gave the financials report. \$1,271 in receipts were brought-\$960 from the 7th tradition, \$296 Big Book study, \$15.00 from the 12th Step Within. Expenses \$190 in June-biggest expense was \$250 for website work-google analytics, \$161 refund on mailbox (credit). Total Financials: \$15,000 prudent reserve, \$28,486.01 total cash operating account. Howard motioned to approve the Treasurer's report, Rebecca S. seconded it and the motion was passed.
5. Intergroup Biz:
 - a. We still have one Region IV Rep Position-Still Open-Kendra pitched on it.
 - b. The August UIG meeting will be done on Zoom.
 - c. Sheila updated on the Survey Monkey tool committee to get feedback on what types of events and workshops people are looking for within our Intergroup.
 - d. Howard updated on the by-laws. Nancy, Debbie, Jill, Marque, Howard will be meeting this week to review the by-laws. Updates that have been done will be added on the website. Will discuss requirements for Officers. (Current requirement of 3 times attending a meeting) Will look at term limits (currently 2 terms or 2 years). Meg will work cooperatively with that committee when updates are made.

6. Newsletter: Cathy G. is Unity IG newsletter editor-Send articles to expressionsofunity2020@gmail.com! Articles are due the 27th of each month. Thanks for all those who submitted articles to the July issue.
 - a. NOTE: August's topic is "How to stay abstinent while traveling or vacationing". Any and all Members are welcomed to submit an article.
 - b. UPCOMING TOPICS:
 - i. September-"Sharing Positive Recovery Experiences"
 - ii. October-"How does service help your recovery"
 - iii. November-"Share one of your favorite lines from OA recovery literature, and why it inspires you."

7. Upcoming Events:
 - a. **OA Recovery and Reconnect Picnic and Bike Ride** - July 18
 - i. No registration or fees to be a part of this event. All are welcome. Flier available.. Will be social distancing.

8. Carrying the Message:
 - a. Upcoming Quick Steps Program has been planned for August 8th and August 22nd. Please see flier.
 - b. Big Book Study report: 9 countries represented via Zoom. It was 2 full Saturdays. Minimal costs. 42 scholarships. 310 people paid full price of \$16. (\$8 for 1 day.) Brought in thousands of revenue.
 - c. Be on the lookout for news about the Buffalo retreat. There is a new contact person at the Retreat center.

9. Howard presented on the option of audio recording for transparency and clarity for the Intergroups meeting to be captured. Can upload to our site along with minutes. Files would be manageable size. Howard made a motion that starting in August we would audio record our Intergroup meetings and offer on the website. There was discussion about how long to keep recordings accessible. The motion passed.

10. Closing: Marque led closing with the Serenity Prayer.