

Unity Intergroup Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2021

ATTENDEES: Lori K, Sheila L, Amanda A, Annette P-R, Betty C, Kathryn M, Katherine B, Kendra, Allison, Eileen, Maryann W, Debbie N, Nikki, Tamra A, Bob S

UIG TRUSTED SERVANTS: IG Chair- Lori K, IG Vice Chair - Sheila L, Secretary - Amanda A, IG Treasurer – Annette P-R; Region 4 Representatives - Cathy G, Bob S, Amanda A; WSBC Delegates - Amy D, Bob S; By Laws Chair - Jill S; Quick Steps Co-Chairs – Cecilia, Pat C; Public Info Co-Chairs - Betty C, Cathy G; Hot Line Responder - Bob S; Literature Coordinator - Betty C; Newsletter Editor - Jill S; Print Coordinator - N/A at this time; Web Content Manager - Cathy G; Zoom Meeting Manager – Bob S

1. Welcome: Lori opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and introductions.
2. Tradition 8: Allison read and pitched on Tradition 8.
3. Guest Speaker: Katherine B shared her story for 15 minutes.
4. Secretary's Report: Amanda presented the minutes of the July meeting. After the review, a motion was made by Kendra to pass the July minutes, it was seconded by Eileen and the motion was passed.
5. Treasurer's Report: Annette P-R presented the July expenses. After the review, a motion was made by Sheila to pass the expense report, it was seconded by Maryann and the motion was passed.
6. Newsletter: Monthly articles will correlate with the month, i.e. September is the 9th month so articles can focus on the 9th step, 9th tradition, 9th principle. To submit articles or information to be included in the newsletter send them to expressionsofunity2021@gmail.com. Reps can also encourage members at their meetings to click on the link and read the Newsletter. All articles need to be submitted by the 27th of the prior month, i.e. September articles are due on August 27th. Meetings volunteering for future monthly newsletter articles – September: Tuesday OA in Action Wayzata; October: Minneapolis Monday morning; November: TBD
7. World Service Convention (Orlando) – August 26-28, 2021 – Canceled

Upcoming events:

- Community Conversations – August 15, 2021 5pm-6pm CST
- Celebrate Sponsorship – August 21, 2021 9:30am-2pm (hybrid event)
- Improving Relationships with the Twelve Traditions – October 16-17, 2021 9am-12pm (via Zoom)
- Quick Steps Workshop – September 18 & October 2, 2021 (via Zoom)
- Region 4 Fall Assembly – October 1-2, 2021 (via Zoom)
- Buffalo Retreat – April 8-10, 2022
- Region 4 Convention (Omaha) – July 15-17, 2022

- 2022 MN State Convention – Currently there is no chair/co-chair for this event. ***Reps please bring this to your groups to see if there is willingness to serve on a convention committee in any capacity***

Reminder: We do have a list of people, available on request, who may be interested in volunteering to help with an upcoming program.

7. Announcements:

- Lori announced an upcoming meeting marathon that needs volunteers. If interested in this service opportunity please reach out to Lori K.
- Maryann announced that the Sunday night OA HOW meeting is looking for a new location to hold their meeting when they return to in person. Please call Maryann at 612-384-7828 with any leads to available churches or other locations.

8. Intergroup Biz:

- How are the meetings doing? The group discussed meetings that have decided to remain virtual at this time as well as some that have transitioned back to face to face.
- Copyright information – Shelia provided information received so far regarding meetings being able to display literature on the screen during the meeting. Further information and clarification will be coming soon from our Trustee.
- Nominating Committee Discussion –IG is looking for a committee to proactively work together to compile nominations for the open positions that will be voted on next year. Elections will be in January 2022. Please bring information to your meetings regarding the committee and encourage members to attend IG to extend their opportunities for service.
- Discussion on Meeting List Working Session – Betty is continuing to try to make contact with the meeting held in Austin, MN.
- Brainstorming/Working Session – How to help/serve our meetings: (this will be tabled due to the rise in Covid cases)
 - Social events – get to know each other from other meetings. i.e. Ride Recovery event, Nature walk, coffee **This will be the discussion topic for next month's brainstorming session**
 - Do meetings need – lists of available sponsors? Recovering members to speak at their meeting? Help getting a successful hybrid meeting set up?
 - How do we get members more involved? Challenge fellows to attend different meetings within Intergroup? Challenge fellows to attend Intergroup?

9. Closing: A motioned was made by Betty to end the meeting, it was seconded by Kendra. Closed with the Serenity Prayer.