

## NH INTERGROUP MINUTES – December 2, 2012

### ATTENDEES (in alphabetical order by first name – Officers are listed with their first and last names)

Amy – Tuesday Derry rep  
Bill G. – Monday Bedford rep, Multi-media chair  
Bill P – Thursday Bow 5:30 rep, Region 6 alternate  
Debi Granfield – Secretary  
Dee Pingleton – Chair, R6 Rep/WSBC Delegate  
Diane L. – Rotating Manchester 5:15 rep  
Diane Plourde – Monday Manchester rep, R6 rep, WSBC Delegate  
Eileen R T – Event flyer chair, Thursday am Derry  
Jill Meier – Vice chair, R6 rep, WSBC del, Concord 1pm rep  
Kelley W. - Mailing coordinator, Designated Downloader, PI chair  
Laurie T – alternate Derry Saturday am rep  
Mary M. – Retreat chair, Saturday am Franklin rep  
Naisa Chase – Belmont pm rep, Answering service chair, Region 6 rep  
Nancy Sullivan – Treasurer  
Pam T. – Region 6 alternate rep  
Peggie M – Twelfth Step Within chair, Alt Saturday Derry

**OPENING** Dee opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. Each person introduced themselves by giving their name, service position or what group they represent. Debi read The Twelve Steps and Diane read The Twelve Traditions. Pam read Concept 9.

### Reports

**Secretary:** November minutes were accepted with one correction. We read Concept 8 in November.

### **We went on to Committee Reports to wait for Nancy's arrival.**

**Mailing coordinator:** Kelley discussed how best to make the transition from snail mail to e-mail or to on-line access for info. It appears that some meetings are not getting mailings so it seems the mailing might be going to the wrong person. Several ideas were discussed and it was decided that we would get the list from World Service and call to confirm the information. At the same time we would get e-mail addresses for the contacts. Kelley and Debi will work on this. They will contact the person listed on the meeting list and find out if the meeting still exists, ask who should get the mailing and find out who gets the mailing or e-mail.

**Retreat chair:** Mary let us know that 22 people are registered. There is a balance of \$896.48 in the retreat fund therefore, all 4 people seeking scholarships will be able to get them. The venue for the next retreat was discussed. Mary had information about a place in Pittsfield that was less expensive but it did have the issue of not being handicapped accessible. Decision has to be made in time for Mary to give the answer about next year to Greenfield at this year's retreat. Since our meeting is before the retreat, we will discuss this again in January and make a decision then.

**Website chair:** Jill brought up the discussion about what should be stored on the website. It was decided to keep everything for the current year and two years prior, with January being the starting point. All agreed. This includes minutes and committee reports.

**Treasurer:** Treasurer's report was accepted as submitted. The 7<sup>th</sup> tradition, set up to cover additional rent, was passed around. Nancy explained the situation that she straightened out with the IRS. To keep our non-profit status, we have to file online e-postcard Form 990-N, and we had not filed for 3 years. If we fail to submit it for 3 consecutive years, we will automatically lose our tax-exempt status. This needs to be in the Treasurer's job description. Nancy filed the 2011 form and she went over the information for 2009 and 2010 with agent and he said it was complete per her discussion with him. If we lose our tax-exempt status, we would have to submit a 12 page application, pay a \$400 fine and do 3 years of back tax submission using the long form. Debi suggested we do this as part of the budget process so it will not be forgotten and Nancy said she would check to see if she can file other than in May.

**Motion:** Pam moved to approve the budget. Peggie seconded. Several issues with the budget were discussed.  
1. Why was the treasurer's budget line item over budget but next year's budget was for a lower amount? Nancy said it was because she had to order checks and the amount of copying was expensive. At the last Meeting we decided to decrease the amount of copying.

2. If we go somewhere else for our meetings will we have to increase the rent line item? Nancy mentioned that we have money in the rent line item.

3. Why is the telephone bill rising? Nancy explained that we had a \$700 credit and now that we have used that up, the amount is increasing. The question came up if we are getting the best deal possible so Nancy will check on that.

The budget was approved with 12 votes, none opposed, no abstentions.

**Unity Day:** Lisa D. would like to coordinate NHI's participation. The date is unknown but most agreed it might be the last Saturday of February.

**Motion:** Peggie moved that NHI be involved in 2013 Unity Day. Pam seconded and all approved. It was mentioned that we will need a speaker. All this information will be communicated with Lisa D.

**Meeting venue:** The Comfort Inn was checked out and it is \$50 a month, the same as NHTI. A The room was big enough, there is an elevator to the room and the restroom is on the first floor but it was easily accessible. There was a question about parking, whether it would be easier there. The NHTI room is not secure and we can be moved around. Several things were mentioned about how Room 317 where we met today was closer to the elevator and the restrooms. One person mentioned she was interested in going for the less expensive place to have be sure to have money for all the other things we do to spread the message. It would seem the rate for NHTI will be the same for next year, \$50 each meeting.

**Motion:** Bill made a motion, seconded by Amy that we stay in room 317 if available to us and if not available on a regular basis that we go to the Centennial as a permanent meeting place, at \$100 a month.

**Jill entered a motion** to split the current motion on the floor into two motions. Eileen RT seconded. 10 were in favor of the split, 1 opposed and 1 abstention.

**Motion:** Mary M moved to extend the meeting by 10 minutes and Pam seconded it. 13 votes in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

**Motion 1:** Stay in this room if available to us. 12 voted yes, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

**Motion 2:** If we cannot secure room 317 on a regular basis, go to the Centennial as the permanent meeting place at \$100 a month. 0 in favor, 4 abstentions and 9 opposed. The motion did not pass.

We will decide what to do if this room is not available. It was also discussed that we could make sure they unlock the door that would be closest to the elevator.

**Motion:** Mary moved to close the meeting and Diane L. seconded.

**CLOSING** Dee closed the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Debi Granfield, Secretary.