

NH INTERGROUP MINUTES –January 5, 2014

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

Bill G. – Monday Bedford rep, Multi-media chair	Jill Meier – Chair, R6 rep, WSBC delegate, Webmaster
Bill Partridge – Region 6 rep, WSBC delegate, Thurs Bow rep	Nancy S. – Alt rep Tuesday Derry
Debi Granfield – Secretary	Nathan – Back to Basics Chair
Dorothy Martin – Monday Hillsboro rep, Region 6 rep	Peter L. – Monday and Tuesday Nashua rep
Elaine Tostevin – Treasurer, Saturday morning Amherst rep	Ron – Monday Manchester rep and Wednesday Bedford alternate

Visitor:

Effie S
Diane L.

OPENING Jill opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. Each person introduced themselves by giving their name, service position, and what group they represent. Each rep answered the question, “What is important that Intergroup could do for you?” Diane L. read The Twelve Steps and Bill P. read The Twelve Traditions. Debi read Concept 8.

Secretary: The December minutes were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer: The December Treasurer reports were accepted as submitted. Elaine noted three items: First, the new insurance policy is \$65 more than previously quoted. Second, the post office box charge is not the same as noted in the budget. Third, the quantity of Promises and Meeting lists printed should be less as we are doing it electronically.

Open: Three positions are open:

Vice Chair
Parliamentarian
Retreat chair

Motion: Elaine moved and Bill P seconded that we refund the prudent reserve for the cost of submitting the IRS information. The vote was unanimous. \$411 will be put in the prudent reserve to bring it back to \$3,000.

Update on the IRS situation: Nancy said that she has filed an appeal with another branch but that they will update us by January 17th and it may not be resolved until April 4th. The IRS issue should be put on a future agenda for discussion but it was confirmed for the group that systems are in place to keep this from happening in the future.

New Business:

1. The number of reports to bring to the meeting: It was decided that there would be 12 committee reports, minutes and Treasurer’s report and 15 Promises and meeting lists. The by-laws and policies and procedures for the Rep’s books will be printed, copied and supplied at NHI’s expense.
2. Telephone service: Two issues were highlighted regarding the telephone service: the ability to get messages and the cost. Ring Central was explored as a possibility. The main positive was that messages could be sent to e-mail making it easier to get the messages and to distribute the messages to volunteers. There is a conference bridge that a committee could use to meet but it is not toll free. Elaine mentioned that she will need to know how to do the pre-paid credit card and will need to review the proposal. There was a motion, an amendment and in the end the motion

was tabled until February to allow more time to find out more information in writing from Ring Central and to find out whether we can end our current service without a charge. Bill P. brought up the fact that we are spending a lot of money to field 60 calls a year. Are there other options such as forwarding the calls to trac phones? The suggestion was made to do research to see how other Intergroups handle this issue.

3. Retreat: There was discussion on how to address the need for a retreat chair given that next year's retreat needs to be planned now and a deposit paid to hold the dates. Jill said that she would put the call out for a retreat chair.
4. Region 6 reps: there was some confusion about how many are allowed to vote at Assembly and how many can receive reimbursement for expenses. Last Assembly we sent 5 reps because there was a technical difficulty to handle at the last minute. According to Region 6 we are allowed 1 rep per 10 meetings so that means we can have 4 reps, not 5.
5. WSBC Questionnaire: February is our chance to discuss what we will recommend to go on the World Service agenda in May. Jill will send out info so that we can review the items before the next meeting.
6. Distribution list: there will be a list for people attending NHI and for people interested in Intergoup. The big question is how to keep it updated.
7. Policies and Procedures: Jill will ask who is interested in working on them because they need to be updated.
8. Ways & Means: new inventory is needed. Inventory is decreasing and Bill P. is looking for who has patterns for book covers. Someone sent an e-mail and Bill P. is looking for who sent it. Maybe we need some other items, not just book covers.
9. Strategic plan: will be discussed in the future.

Motion: Bill G. made a motion to close the meeting.

CLOSING Jill closed the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Debi Granfield, Secretary