

NH INTERGROUP MINUTES –March 2, 2014

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

Barbara G. – Retreat Chair
Bill G. – Monday Bedford rep, Multi-media chair
Bill Partridge – Region 6 rep, WSBC delegate, Thurs Bow rep.
Ways & Means
Debi Granfield – Secretary
Effie – Monday Nashua noon rep
Elaine Tostevin – Treasurer, Saturday morning Amherst rep
Jean & Allan W. – Tuesday Lebanon rep
Jill Meier – Chair, R6 rep, WSBC delegate, Webmaster

Judy G. – Monday Concord rep, Region 6 rep
Nancy S. – Alt rep Tuesday Derry
Nathan – Back to Basics Chair
Peter L. – Monday and Tuesday Nashua rep
Ron – Monday Manchester rep and Wednesday Bedford alternate

Visitor:
Dee P.

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 workshop would you be interested in? Bill P. read The Twelve Steps and Judy read The Twelve Traditions. Nancy S. read Concept 10.

Secretary: The February minutes were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer: The February treasurer's report was accepted as submitted. Elaine mentioned that there is a discrepancy between the checkbook and the allocations in three main funds but she and Nancy worked specifically on reviewing the retreat fund. Elaine asked that some interested people meet with her after next month's meeting to see how money is allocated for the retreat and how it is reflected in the checkbook. Nathan, Effie and Nancy S. agreed to meet with Elaine in April. She also asked for 2 volunteers to audit several months of expenses. Bill P and Judy G volunteered.

Nancy reported that she received word from the IRS that our non-profit status has been reinstated. She has filed the 2013 taxes and the 2012 submission is in process. To make sure this step is not missed in the future it has been agreed to place it on the April agenda.

Open: Two positions are open:
Vice Chair
Parliamentarian

Elections will be held in June. In May more will be discussed and you can nominate yourself or others for positions.

Old Business:

1. Telephone service: Jill will contact Naisa to find out where the change in telephone service stands.
2. Unity Day: It took place on February 22, 2014 and Jill and Peter shared their impressions. Jill said it was great to see the breadth of our fellowship and how the traditions all have unity in them. Peter said that he heard sharing about OA that he had never heard before and it inspired him to participate in as many events as possible.
3. Region 6 Convention : October 24-26. We will be selling raffle tickets that offer opportunities to win convention costs or audio recordings. The winners will be chosen at the Fall Assembly. Jill will check to see where to send them but in any case she will take them to Assembly on September 15th.

4. WSBC Agenda: Next month we will discuss the proposed agenda which usually has some housekeeping items as well as some more significant proposed changes. Jill will send out the motions before the April meeting so that we can review them before the meeting.
5. Distribution list: Everyone needs access to the list of people interested in Intergroup business, so if we have a single e-mail address people can use, they can send messages to the list and the chair and secretary can keep it up to date. Anonymity is also respected. By maintaining the list on the server, people on committees can communicate and reports and important information can be easily sent out by various people. Debi will send the most recent e-mail distribution list to Jill for placement on the server.

In addition, there is a new mailing list for anyone interested in receiving information of interest to OA members in the NH area. If you wish to have information sent to you, please send your e-mail address to oanhchair@oanewhampshire.org Please share this tip at your meetings so that people will be able to receive important OA information. Remember the access information for the restricted (business) area of our website is noted on the committee report under website.

6. Policies and Procedures update: Jill will work to streamline the process and send relevant information before the meeting.

New Business:

- Strategic Plan: Jill mentioned that she had an example of an Intergroup's Strategic Plan process from the Cape Cod Intergroup. They had a kick off meeting with a survey sent to the members. The results were used to figure out where to go from there. Jill asked if we should use what we have already put together or if the group wishes to develop something else. It was mentioned that we have been having difficulty getting a group to host a Back to Basics or Sharathon so that should be addressed before sharing more words and thoughts.
- Please go back to your meetings and ask if they are interested in sponsoring a workshop or Back to Basics. If you know of another facility, that would also work. It does not have to just be your meeting place. Nathan mentioned that the Back to Basics chair sets up and organizes everything, the group just has to set up the place and show up on that day. Back to Basics workshops are usually held on Sunday afternoon and a Sharathon is usually on a Saturday. There was also a suggestion of having your meeting run a workshop for one week instead of using your regular format.
- Ways & Means: Bill P. mentioned that we need covers for large print books for the Convention in October. If you are interested in adding to the inventory please contact Bill P.

Motion: Allan made a motion to close the meeting. The motion was seconded.

CLOSING Jill closed the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Debi Granfield, Secretary