

**Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Paul S. At 6:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE:

Groups Present: Bettendorf, Camden Serenity, Central Discussion, Courage to Change, DeWitt, Freedom Group, Henry County Group, House Group, Marquette, Milan Hillcrest, New Beginnings, Primary Purpose, Three Legacies and West End.

Officers Present: Chair-Paul S., Secretary-Monique M., Treasurer-Park P.

Chairs Present: Newsletter Al B., District 9 Liaison Bill M., District 90 Liaison Randy C., Office Manager- Lisa W, Web Guy-Randy C., Telephone Gail S.

Treasurer's Report: Income was \$2,616.11 with the breakdown as follows: Contributions 1,001.53,, Events \$0,, Sales \$1,608.35, Other Vender \$6.00, Bank Dividends \$.23.

Expenses totaled \$2,946.09, with the following breakdown: General expenses \$2,361.89, Events \$0.00, Literature purchased \$584.20,

Total Income minus expense= \$329.98 for the month.

Total in the bank accounts = \$7,119.29 with the following breakdown:
Checking \$5,692.65, Savings (prudent reserve) \$1,126.64, Events \$300.00
In love and service, Park P.

Events Chair: I have formed a committee to go on a fact finding mission to gather other Intergroup's experience on how they use events to raise funds. You will have a report at the next meeting! Thank you Lisa to getting me the contact information of the Intergroup's!

Nothing new to report on the Anniversary. It is still April 14, 2018.

In love and service, Vicki F

Newsletter Chair: The newsletter was sent September 25, 3:45 pm.

Office Manager's Report: Hello from the Intergroup Office,

Things are going well for the most part, though a chip order was damaged in the mail and most of the chips were not received. I have put in a claim with the USPS online and the Des Moines Post Office. I did get a check today for \$100 though our claim was for \$220.88 (no reason given), so I am planning to appeal that decision.

Anyone looking for service work should contact me in the afternoons to find out how you can help Intergroup.

Please contact the office by the 15th of the preceding month to get birthdays or events into the newsletter. Cost for flyers is \$ 7 per page.

Call counts for September were 5 12-step, 79 information, 1 Alanon and 40 visitors.

In love and service, Lisa W.

District 9: Hi from District 9

The Fall Conference is 10/13,14 & 15 at Sioux City. District 9 will be hosting the 2018 Fall Conference at the River Center. We have a committee and anyone wanting to volunteer please come to the next meeting on 11/5 at 200 pm.

Any group needing help for anything contact District 9 and we can help.

The Treatment Chair wants to update the Bridging the Gap list so contact Sarah to carry the message. Also volunteers to lead the 800 pm meeting at Country Oaks on Sunday and Tuesday. 6 months sobriety and working with a sponsor is required.

CPC & PI will have a meeting on 10/21 at 1000 am at the Intergroup office to discuss workshop on 11/18 at Bettendorf Library at noon. You can help and learn contact Mark and Ben.

On 11/5 the District will be asking for help to take care of the Hospitals room for the 2018 Fall Conference. 12 step work is all kinds of service and ways to carry the message to drunks.

Love and Service, Bill

District 90: Hello Everyone, the Corrections Chair, Craig K. shared an event he attended at the Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center, (aka. Kewanee Prison) The Event, A Day With Dad, was the first of it's kind in Illinois where Male Inmates were able to interact with their children with actual contact. Usually they must be behind a glass or table. The inmates made and painted various carnival type games and there were about 30 children involved. 7 AA volunteers attended and one of the stories was an inmate walking around with a child in his hands and another glued to his leg which I personally found very touching. I think this shows a great example of working the principles in all our affairs, not just AA. Dist. 90 elections Nov. 7th and if you are interested and want more info you can check out the flyer on the website or in the Intergroup Office. which is a great opportunity for service work.

That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service Randy C.

Webmaster: Hello Everyone, we had 1258 users which make 13 months in a row with over 1000 users and have had a gain of about 25 users every month since April. The ILTUE Meeting list was the most visited followed by all of the IA Meeting s lists. On Sat. Sept. 2nd and Fri. the 29th we had a couple of spikes with about 30 more users. The Sat. Sept. 2nd was probably due to Labor Day Weekend however I have no idea why the 29th spiked. I mention this because it shows that more people were looking for AA on the Holiday weekend so planning an event on that weekend next year would probably be well attended and needed. I also looked back at the 4th of July and Memorial Day, however, the spikes were the day after each of those Holidays. None the less, Holidays do show an increase in interest and having any Holiday Event would probably be well received. The last little piece of statistical data I want to share is that 7pm has always been our busiest time of the day which may mean that an 8pm meeting has a good chance of success. The Data is what it is and the rest is just my opinion and food for thought.

That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service Randy C.

GROUP REPORTS:

Bettendorf: Attendance continues to be steady.

At our last business meeting we voted to make some changes to the way get room openers and chair people. We hope that this will alleviate some confusion we have been having about opening the room and finding chair people.

Love and Service

-MJ

Central Discussion: Central hasn't had a business meeting since last month, but things are going well at our meetings. Sunday nights at 7:00 pm are packed with newcomers and we read through the stories in the back of the book. Friday nights are also filled with newcomers and it is a speaker meeting with two members sharing their experience, strength and hope!

In love and service, Marc S.

Courage to Change: Hello everyone. Courage To Change is now timing everyone that shares. Our group is becoming a very large group, and in order to hear everyone that wants to share, we have a 5 minute limit. We look forward to seeing everyone there. Remember, we are a closed meeting that meets at 6:30 pm on Tuesday.

In love and service, Nosa

Dewitt Group: Hi from DeWitt Group

The DeWitt is doing good carry the message to drunks. Enjoying the Aa and Al-anon community Blandine, Bettendorf and Marquette's picnics were a lot of fun and fellowship.
Love and Service, Bill

Henry County: Attendance is doing well. Finances are doing very good. Attendance at the anniversary picnic was a little down, possibly because of the heat. Still having speaker meeting the third Saturday of every month. Potluck supper 6:00 pm, speaker at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gene

House Group: Well from what i can see attendance has picked up a lot in the last several weeks with Some newcomers and some oldsters that have not been participating for a while. Our picnic was well attended and we had a lot of fun. Our next potluck will be a chili cook off on sat 10-14-17 Food will be at 5:30 and Bill C from Valley will be speaking at 7 pm. Come on out and enjoy some chili at House group! In the spirit of service, Marty M.

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, the Primary Purpose Big Book Study Meeting on Saturday's at 2pm is has had low attendance this last month as well as the Monday Speaker Meeting and the Wednesday Night Meeting. I know several Stutsman Lodge Clients have started working but it looks like we may have lost the Out-Patient members since they have completed their required hours. All we can do is welcome them back if they ever do come back... There will be another BB run on Sat. Oct. 14 at noon. As always, we are looking for Speakers, Sponsors and rides...

That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service Randy C.

Milan Hillcrest: Meetings going well. Tuesday evening meetings up around 15+.The group's picnic went well considering others having picnic on same day. Our next business meeting Oct 10 at 6:15 pm. Speaker meeting potluck at 7:00 pm October 15.

Three Legacies: Greetings all!

Three Legacies attendance has been good and steady. We will be holding our business meeting October 19th. Our elections will be held during this meeting. I look forward to having more to report at our next intergroup meeting!

In love and service,
Christina G

Old Business: None

New Business: None

NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING WILL BE HELD ON November 6, 2017, 6:00 PM AT THE INTERGROUP OFFICE.