

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes – July 1, 2024

Virtual Meeting called to order by Chair, Al B. at 6:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Attendance: Officers/Chairs/Liaisons present:

Chair/Al B., Secretary/Ruby G., Office Manager/ Katie R. Telephone Chair/Desiree K., Newsletter/Julie B., Events/ Amber J., District 9 Liaison/Amber J., District 90 Liaison/Adam A., Webmaster: Randy C.

Groups present: Big Book Study, Blandine, , Courage to Change, Geneseo Group, Henry County Group, Last Chance, , New Beginnings, and West End.

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the June minutes as published.

Officers' Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

Checking balance forwarded: \$4,651.18

Total Income: \$1,581.10

Total expenses: \$2,645.48

Income minus expenses: **\$1,064.38**

Checking ending balance: \$3,586.80

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the treasurer's report.

Telephone Chair:

I am always looking for fill ins for the phones. I have the phones covered for when Katie is gone.

Love and service, Desiree

Newsletter:

Hello hello! I've been very busy (like everyone else) and haven't had much motivation the past several months to add the Tradition of the Month page or even to find other ways to make the newsletter more interesting or inviting. This is still a goal, though, just has been paused.

I do want to encourage you to flip through the newsletter each month: review the minutes, make sure your flyers were added, see what the districts are doing. 😊

Here's a fun fact: we have 11 hard copy/mail subscriptions. Of those 11, 6 are AA groups (5 are individuals). A reminder that subscriptions by mail are \$16/year, \$8 to put a flyer in the newsletter. That's all! Yours in service, Julie B.

Office Manager Report:

Hello from Intergroup,

Things are going well here at the Intergroup Office. Metronet has advised we will have install done by July 23rd. I will cancel Mediacom. Quick books is running great for now.

11 12-step, 33 information, and 30 visitors.

The next business meeting will be held on Monday, August 5th 2024 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom.

In love and service, Katie R

Events:

I reached out to a speaker for the event and he is available to come to our event and speak in April 2025. I will stay in touch with him as we continue planning the event. I was given contact information for someone who wants to help plan the golf event, but got no response. I need contact information for another individual who has planned the event before so I can reach out. I have reached out to the event center to let them know that I am the point of contact. I will be reaching out to those who have volunteered to be on a sub-committee to find a time that we could all meet to discuss further planning of the event.

District 9: Present, they meet next Sunday.

District 90: Present, no report provided.

Webmaster:

Hello Everyone, we had 3,005 users total but 1,297 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is about 100 less than our current average of 1400, but this happens during the summer months. The Meeting Guide is still the most visited page, followed by the Events Page, and the Virtual Meetings Page is still third. We received approval for the Newcomers Page from AAWS, I should have it live by the end of the week. It was suggested at the District 90 Meeting to have some sort of Calendar for reoccurring events like Group Anniversaries, the Intergroup Event, Annual Picnics, etc. The intent is to have a Calendar to help plan events on days that do not have anything else. I am looking at some of the Free Calendar Apps available for our website, I will let you know when I come up with a solution. The unexplainable spike was early this month, on the 5th, it's usually around the 20th, the rest of the month was fairly consistent. Keep checking the Events Page for any type of Group Announcements. Finally, starting next Month I have been forced to work 2nd Shift, 2p-10. I asked Desire to open the ZOOM ROOM since she used to chair the 8n8AA meetings and is familiar with Hosting. I will still be sending a WEB Report and maybe Katie or someone can read it in my place. Last year this shift change lasted for 3 months so it will be the same this year.

That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service Randy C.

Group reports:

Big Book Study: Big Book Study meets every Tuesday at 6:30pm at Asbury Methodist Church in Bettendorf. The format is a Big Book Discussion, or half Big Book discussion/ half Speaker meeting. BBS home group members share their story on their anniversary. The Big Book Study meeting is a hybrid meeting, in-person and virtual. See Meeting Guide on aaquadcities.org for meeting link.

In Love and Service, Kristin C

Blandine: Present, no report provided.

Courage to Change: Present. No report provided.

Geneseo Group: Present, no report provided.

Henry County Group: Present, no report provided.

Last Chance:

Speaker Chris B., and Potluck meeting on July 19th at 5:30 pm. We will be providing Walking Tacos as the main dish.

New Beginnings:

Hello Everyone, the Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm. Wednesday at 8pm, and Saturday at 2pm is the Primary Purpose Big Book Study. If you are available, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope, they could really use the outside influence. Also, I found out today that I will be absent for next few months due to a change in my work schedule, I will try and find a Member of the Group to fill in Randy C.

West End: Present, no report provided.

Old business:

Metronet will be by complete July 23rd. will cancel Mediacom

Passed on credit card machine

New business:

July 15th send in your requests regarding by-laws

7th Tradition – Checks can be mailed to the office or donations can be made online via PayPal to illowaintergroup@yahoo.com.

All reports need to be emailed to the secretary as soon as possible if they are to be included in the Intergroup minutes.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

The next business meeting will be held on **August 5th, at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom.