

Ocean & Bay Intergroup (virtual)

Intergroup Meeting Minutes

July 6th, 2021/Distributed August 3rd, 2021

Called to Order.

- Diane called the meeting to order with the Serenity Prayer at 6:30 pm.
- Attendees: Diane, Sandy, Lisa, Nancy, Kara. Maggie, Liz, Jeanne
- Liz read the 12 Steps of OA and the Kara read Tradition of the Month and the Concept of Service of the month.
- 7th Tradition can be made on Venmo or PayPal.

Board Reports

Chairperson: (Diane)

- Diane updated us on the phone service position. There is a person interested in doing the job. John is temporarily filling this position. She also updated that IG was held in the new room, in person. Yay! And we are also hybrid.

Vice Chair: (John)

- No report.

Recording Secretary: (Lisa)

- Lisa submitted the minutes for July.
- Minutes will be reviewed and voted on next month.

Treasurer's Report: (Sandy)

- Sandy submitted the treasurers report.
- Sandy did get the application for insurance completed and Diane will sign it tonight. It is anticipated that by next month we will have a price quote.
- Treasurer's report will be reviewed and voted on next month.
- Donations are down again this month, but we are still in good financial shape. Please encourage people to make donations.
- Kara added that donations are down across the region not just our intergroup.
- Diane returned the check for Kent County Hospital. We owe them a donation. Sandy and Diane will figure that out.
- Motions pending:
 - proposed motion: to set aside \$3000 to the PIPO budget to be spent in a manner TBD. (tabled)

Region 6 Representatives: (Nancy, Diane)

- Nancy reported that R6 has \$10,000 allotted for groups to use for PIPO. which can be used for upgrading the website. There is an application process that is due August 6th.
- Also, we did get money previously for our library project which was stalled because of COVID. This project has not been closed yet as far as money used etc. There will be a subcommittee meeting of those involved in this project before next month to figure this out.

World Service: (Kara)

- Kara is serving on the literature committee. She is working on a new project. There is no date set as of yet for when the literature that was voted on and approved at the World Service Business Conference in April will be published. Kara will keep us posted.
- Kara's term is ending so we need to think about someone who would like to take on this service.
- Kara still has the voucher from Southwest. She will contact them to see if it can be transferred to another person. We do not know as of yet whether the next conference will be in person, hybrid or zoom.
- Qualifications for World Service Rep.
 - **Qualifications:** Each intergroup or service board is allowed one delegate for up to the first fifteen affiliated registered groups, and an additional delegate for each additional block of fifteen groups, or any fraction thereof. Qualifications for selection of world service delegates/alternates shall be set by each intergroup, region (in the case of region delegates), or service board provided that each delegate/alternate shall have at least one year of current abstinence and at least two years of service beyond the group level. (Permission for any exception in qualifications for valid reasons, if deemed credible by the trustees, may be received by application to the World Service Office.)

Committee Reports

Literature: (Jay)

- Diane will reach out to Jay and John about getting the cabinet moved. Diane has access to the old room for two weeks. It needs to be done by then.
- As of right now we will not order literature until the cabinet is moved and we evaluate what is needed for the cabinet and for PIPO.
- Please put out to groups that as of next month we will be starting back up with literature sales before the IG meeting.
- **Communications:** (Samantha) newsletter: (Brian) webmaster
- Sema is interested in helping us with the newsletter, but Samantha has not been able to connect with her.
- We need to send Brian the links to the newsletters and the meeting list needs to be updated and sent also.

Events: (Diane)

- Diane is still looking for a co-chair.
- There is a flyer for Intergroup Renewal Training (used to be called IGOR) this is for anyone who is interested in revitalizing their intergroup.
- Newcomers Workshop (on agenda)
- National recovery month is coming up in September. We need to start thinking about "Rally 4 Recovery"
- Coloring book is on hold.

PI/PO Committee: (Nancy/Jeanne)

- Last met on June 5th. Next Meeting on July 24th.
- Leslie is in the process of reaching out to Alice who has done work on updating the OA Website
- One of the members in the health field is reaching out to doctor's offices with OA literature.
- Nancy is going to reach out to the National Assn of Social Workers.
- Planning an outreach to the Dept. of Corrections including the women's section
- One member is going to contact Star and The Meadows which are both recovery programs in N. Kingstown.
- 4 members are going to reach out to Colleges and Universities
- One of the members wrote and reviewed with the committee a strategy for a 3-year timeline
- Planning to look into radio and Public Service Announcements.

12th Step Within:

- No report.

Ways and Means: (Jay)

- No report.

Bylaws: (Jay)

- No report.

Unfinished Business:

- Selling journals on the website.
- Hybrid meetings: Diane has put some calls out there to verify that some of the meetings that were on hold will be going back or not. It is important to know because it may change our voting numbers for R6. She is working on a new list of meetings: who is hybrid, who is face to face etc.

New Business:

- On Aquidneck Island there is an effort to secure a clubhouse that will support 12-step groups. It will be called the Newport County "You are not Alone" (YANA). This is a non-profit whose whole purpose is to provide a meeting space. Jeanne will keep us updated.

Adjournment:

- Sandy made a motion to close the meeting, the meeting was ended with the *OA Promise* at 7:20p

Respectfully submitted by Lisa K.