

## Greater Ann Arbor Area Intergroup Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2023

<b>In attendance:</b>	Pauline (Online Communications)	Jessi (AA Sunday 7pm)
Marcy (Co-chair)	Cecilia (Co-chair)	Peg (Treasurer)
Kristi (Jackson Thursday/Interim Secretary)	Mary (Tecumseh Monday and Adrian Saturday)	

The meeting was opened with Serenity Prayer, Introductions

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

- February Meeting Minutes: Motion by Pauline, Second by Marcy, Approved

### TREASURER'S / FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- February Treasury Report: Motion by Marcy, Second by Mary, Approved

LITERATURE REPORT – No report; direction of this area part of 2023 goals

### ONLINE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT (Website, Constant Contact, Facebook)

- **Need Facebook Admin** - Pauline to assist
- NEWSLETTER: 1<sup>ST</sup> quarter newsletter is ready to go
- CONSTANT CONTACT:
  - Pauline working on getting the account transferred/updated. She will have the monthly fee charged to her credit card and will submit for reimbursement.
  - Registration for Spring Workshop is open; reminder email with info/link will be sent out 2 weeks prior to workshop
- FACEBOOK:
  - 217 likers; 234 followers
  - There is \$3500 in the IG budget for Facebook advertising
  - \$1000 will be used for a Facebook ad campaign prior to spring workshop to promote workshop and meetings in general
- WEBSITE:
  - Has been updated with info about the Spring Workshop with link to the event's page with pdf flyer to download and/or to share electronically with live link to register for the event.
  - Minutes and reports have all been updated as well.

### PUBLIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE

- **Need Public Outreach Chair/Co-Chairs** – In the meantime, Shay and Jessi will be working with Marcy.
- **Spring Workshop:**
  - IG Reps strongly urged to share the workshop flyer with group members – in chat for online meetings; print version for in-person meetings
  - Panel – Marcy is putting together a panel of OAs to lead workshop.
- **Medical Professionals** – Cecilia shared that Cleveland Area IG compiles OA info packets for members to take to their own doctor. May be something to consider for our areas.

SERVICE LIST COMMITTEE – No report

### BYLAWS AND POLICY & PROCEDURE COMMITTEE REPORT

- Cecilia proposed acceptance of the changes to Co-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer that were discussed at the February meeting; Seconded by Mary; Approved
- Intergroup Service Structure/Organizational Chart was explained by Cecilia. This visual tool will be added to our Policies and Procedures
- Intergroup Rep description was reviewed. This will be moved into Policies and Procedures at some point.
- Updated Calendar (Dates for Workshop, Retreat and Agenda Planning Meetings added)

## REGION / WORLD SERVICE

- March 10-12 Region 5 Spring Assembly report – Cecilia
  - Updates clarifying the reporting structure and responsibilities of the Secretary and Digital Content Coordinator positions were approved.
  - Chair was given the authority to form an ad hoc committee as needed. R5 felt the need to do this when planning needed done for the R5 Convention but there was no committee and the Chair could not create an ad hoc committee to get the process moving.
  - WSO determined that Regional Trustees do not need to reside in the region; we updated our bylaws to reflect this.
  - When a person is both a IG WSO Delegate and a Trustee-Liaison, the expenses are first covered the IG and then supplemented by Region if need be.
  - IG Support – Much is being done to improve support to and among intergroups.
  - Special group is being formed to look into the process of collecting online contributions. This is especially needed for virtual and phone groups.

## OFFICERS REPORT

- Kristi is acting as interim secretary through June elections.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Spring Workshop: Abstinence and Serenity in Tough Times - April 15, 4 to 6 pm via zoom
  - If you are willing to give service as a panel member, breakout room leader, zoom security, or general support, contact Marcy at [dr\\_marcy@hotmail.com](mailto:dr_marcy@hotmail.com)

## NEW BUSINESS

- Staffing – Co-chair and Secretary positions will be voted on in June. Nominations will be accepted in May.
- Encouraging greater interest, participation in intergroup and committees - early summer brainstorming/idea gathering will be held. Details coming soon.
- Summer Sponsorship Workshop: in person; Saturday, August 12, noon to 3 pm

## IG REP SUMMARY

- **Spring Workshop: Abstinence and Serenity in Tough Times - April 15, 4 to 6 pm** via Zoom
  - [Click here for Flyer](#) to email and/or print for your home group
  - [Click here to Register](#) for the workshop
  - It's easy to get to the information -- just visit [a2oa.org](http://a2oa.org)!
  - This year we're doubling our efforts to draw from the local meetings for volunteers to provide service as panel members, breakout room chairs, Zoom security and general support. Don't be shy -- get involved by [emailing Marcy](#).
- **Save the Date: Summer Sponsorship Workshop: in person, Saturday, August 12, from noon to 3**
- Our website will be updated soon with changes to Chair, Secretary and Treasurer Guidelines which were voted on during the meeting. Elections are in June -- service is slimming, get involved now!
- Is my group getting enough information and support from Intergroup? What more would be helpful? [Email us by clicking here](#).
- [Check out our newsletters](#) -- we're looking for articles to share your experience, strength and hope. You pick the topic, the length and we will be happy to help with graphics. [Email onlinecommunications@a2oa.org](mailto:Emailonlinecommunications@a2oa.org)
- The Tecumseh 5:00 p.m. on Monday meeting (a small but mighty group) is looking for a speaker for their anniversary meeting on May 2, 2023. [Email Mary](#)

## CLOSED with Serenity Prayer

The next IG meeting will be Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.