

**GREATER ANN ARBOR AREA INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 17, 2024**

OFFICERS

- Co-Chair – Marcy Epstein, dr_marcy@hotmail.com
- Co-Chair – Cecilia Sinc, cecilia.sinc@gmail.com
- Treasurer – Margaret (Peg) Huffaker, mahuff@hotmail.com
- Secretary – Kristi Blair, ksblair817@gmail.com
- Region 5 Rep – Cecilia Sinc, cecilia.sinc@gmail.com
- Online Communications Chair – Pauline Glaza, pauline.glaza@enhancedpublications.com

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, Concept of OA Service #6 and the Intergroup Mission Statement.

INTRODUCTIONS

- Attendees shared the meetings they represent and/or currently attend.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- May meeting minutes were linked to agenda.
- No questions/concerns.
- Motion Jill. Second by Margi. Approved.

TREASURER'S / FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- Treasury report was linked to agenda.
- Motion by Jennifer. Second by Martha. Approved.

REGION / WORLD SERVICE

- World Service Business Conference Report was attached to agenda. Two areas highlighted by Cecilia were:
 - Effort to be made to avoid holidays when scheduling conferences.
 - World Service and Region to coordinate conference schedules to alternate years of in-person and virtual conferences so that WS is in-person the year that Region is virtual and vice versa.

BYLAWS

- The proposed change to the bylaws was unanimously passed. Article V, Section 1 to read:
"The intergroup shall meet at a frequency (monthly, quarterly, etc.), time, place and manner (in person or virtual) designated by a simple majority of the voting members."

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- Discussion regarding frequency of intergroup meetings resulted in a proposal to change from 10 meetings per year to bi-monthly (6 per year: Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept and Nov). Motion by Cecilia. Second by Margi. Unanimously passed.
- Discussion regarding possible change to day of week for intergroup meetings resulted in decision to keep the meeting on Monday from 8 to 9.
- It is important that we periodically revisit these decisions to monitor impact to intergroup and OA as a whole.
- Next areas of bylaws to be updated by Cecilia and Peg are Finance Committee Guidelines, Online Communications and Public Outreach.

OFFICER and POSITION NOMINATIONS/VOTING

- Co-Chair: There is currently no one willing to assume this 2-year service position to be vacated when Marcy ends her second term. Discussion regarding the importance of filling the position as soon as possible in order to provide for consistency and ease of transitions as other officers' terms end and new folks onboard. Members asked to spread the word at all OA meetings and to contact Cecilia at Cecilia.sinc@gmail.com with names and contact info of willing nominees.

- Peg was unanimously approved for second term as IG Treasurer. Thanks, Peg, for your service!
- Marcy was unanimously approved as Region 5 Rep to shadow Cecilia during the remainder of her term and to assume the role in the Spring of 2025. Grateful for your willingness to serve in this capacity, Marcy!
- Marcy was also unanimously approved to act as the co-signer (with Peg) on the IG bank accounts.

ONLINE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT - Website, Constant Contact, Facebook

- Next step is for Jill to connect with Pauline. Update at July meeting.

PUBLIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE

- No report. Looking at possible next steps: Public Info events; August workshop/retreat.

OA SERVICE LIST COMMITTEE

- Next step: Cecilia and Jessi will put together a plan to manage and update the list of sponsors, speakers and those willing to take phone calls. Update at July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS - GOAL SETTING

- All meetings asked to submit ideas for a specific goal for Intergroup to focus on from July to September. Ideas will be discussed and voted on at the July meeting. IG focus goal ideas may be submitted to Cecilia at Cecilia.sinc@gmail.com between now and the next IG meeting and/or reported on during Group Rep sharing at the July meeting. Please brainstorm at all meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

- Peg and Lynn are working on using Venmo as means of “passing the basket” for 7th Tradition donations. Glitch with Green Geeks still needs to be sorted out.

ON THE RADAR:

- Service Survey – Possibility of doing an email survey listing specific areas of service need, allowing recipients to sign up. Follow-up phone call will be made to interested/willing OAs.
- Calling of group reps to remind of July IG meeting.

CLOSING: Cecilia closed the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 15, from 8 to 9 pm. Look for the agenda and Zoom link in an email the week prior.