

**GREATER ANN ARBOR AREA INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 21, 2025**

<b>In attendance: 6</b>	
Marcy (Co-Chair; AA Fri)	Victoria (100 pounders)
Peg H. (Treasurer; AA Sun, Mon, Wed)	Vicki P. (AA Sun)
Kristi (Secretary; Jackson Mon, Thurs, Sat)	Miriam (AA/Ypsi Sat Newcomer)

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, Concepts of OA Service 7 and 8, and the Intergroup Mission Statement.

**INTRODUCTIONS** - The six attendees shared updates on the meetings they represent and/or currently attend and what is being done to encourage meeting attendance and service. Ideas include:

- personally inviting someone to attend a meeting; offering a ride to in person meeting
- posting meeting info flyer on Alano Club and other public access boards (Alano Club flyer posting has resulted in 1-2 inquiry phone calls per week.)
- having one meeting per area designated as the newcomer meeting helps provide consistency and increased attendance
- designating person to call newcomer each week for first month
- creating group text and/or email group to keep in touch during week
- awarding “coins” for scale and non-scale victories
- using hybrid model to allow for calling in to in person meetings
- rotating meeting level service positions – key keeper or zoom opener, leader, set up for in person meeting, newcomer contact person, group treasurer, intergroup rep

**SECRETARY’S REPORT**

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

**TREASURER’S / FINANCE REPORT**

- Treasury report was linked to agenda.
- No questions/concerns.
- Motion by Kristi. Second by Vicki. Approved.

**INTERGROUP**

- Discussion regarding lack of participation at Intergroup level. Possible reasons: lack of understanding of what IG is; fear of unknown; hesitancy to take that step; not wanting to make commitment
- Discussion regarding hosting monthly Zoom meetings alternating between business meetings (Jan,Mar,May, Jul,Sep,Nov) and community building meetings (Feb,Apr,Jun,Aug,Oct,Dec) to provide consistency with meeting the third Monday each month, and to give people a chance to get to better know each other. Idea to use the 2025 October and December meetings as an introduction to this plan, with implementation involving a different region/meeting (Ann Arbor/Ypsi; Jackson; East Lansing; Brighton/Howell; Maumee/Toledo; Virtual) to “host” each of the six community building meetings in 2026. Marcy, Vicki and Victoria will draft a simple meeting format for the leaders of the community building meetings to use. They will share at September meeting for input. *Regions/meetings will be asked to sign up to host a month for 2026.*
- Urgent Service Position Needs: Intergroup Co-Chair and Region 5 Rep. Please contact Marcy for more info at dr\_marcy@hotmail.com.

**REGION / WORLD SERVICE** – No report

**INREACH / OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

- Spring Retreat/Workshop, "The Roots of Our Recovery," was held on Sunday, June 9 at the Michigan Friends Center in Chelsea MI. Twenty-four attendees enjoyed a day of recovery and fellowship. Cost for rent, food, supplies was \$488.51. Seventh tradition offerings (suggested donation of \$10/person) totaled \$240, and the raffle

brought in \$155. (All items were donated.) Thank you to Marcy and her team, to the speakers and group leaders, and to all who were a part of this truly wonderful day! Click [here](#) for feedback and take-aways.

- Facebook Update: Unanimous approval of \$75 monthly stipend for Facebook Admin. Marcy will research and put together a job description to share at September meeting with plan to add them to the other position descriptions in our by-laws.
- Fall Virtual Workshop November 2025 – Committee is forming with two willing participants. Looking for a chair or co-chairs for this event. Help available. Please contact Marcy for more info at dr\_marcy@hotmail.com.

### **PROGRESS REPORT on GOALS**

- Updated Service List posted on a2oa.org - Completed January 2025
- Meeting Info Updates on a2oa.org and wso.org. - Completed February 2025
- Policies and Procedures: Online Communications and Public Outreach portions to be updated - Cecilia and Peg.
- Facebook use to engage and involve members. Have had better recent engagement and at least one new member due to spark of interest from Facebook page.
- Focus attention/efforts on Spring in-person event and Fall virtual event – See Inreach/Outreach above.
- Increase meeting attendance and active support for intergroup - ongoing

### **ON the RADAR**

- a2oa.org emails no longer being forwarded to chair, treasurer, etc. Need another plan.
- Peg is looking into using Zelle Cash App for virtual meetings to contribute 7th Tradition donation to IG.
- Marcy is working on next steps for outreach to medical and health professionals.

**CLOSING:** The meeting was closed at 9:00 pm

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