

Steering Committee Notes – 5-3-2026

Meg G., Nancy A., Julie, Gary Z., Larry

On the Road - May 13 meeting will be held at St. Paul's Church in Centreville.

Voting - Since this was Anne's agenda item, and she is not present, it will be tabled until the next Steering Committee meeting. She will need to make a motion about changing the voting format because it would change the bylaws.

Education for May - There was a concern having an education piece which might take away from business. We didn't have an official vote with a motion made at the meeting but got a consensus that IGR's wanted to continue it.

The next education piece will be two reports on homegroups. Meg will ask Lynne R. for Stevensville Thursday night and Gary will ask the St. Michaels' Monday group.

Operating Guidelines - Nancy has drafted the Operating Guidelines using the Midshore Intergroup Bylaws and the Maryland General Service Handbook as a guide. She will present them at the June Steering Committee meeting.

Do we need volunteers in the office? - The phone doesn't ring. What incentive do we have for anyone to come? Tuesday could be literature day because Damian and Larry are here consistently. Committee meetings are held here - Steering, Activities are hybrid, Treatment is online.

Should we open the office to A.A. meetings? - There was much discussion about whether the office should be open to A.A. meetings. The logistics about keys to the building, hours the building is open, who manages the schedule, etc. were brought up. It was decided we should discuss this with IGR's at the May meeting.

PI/CPC Committee - Meg and Julie are coordinating the Wellfest in Chestertown on May 16 from 10-2pm. Julie needs volunteers to be at the table. They will sell literature and bring mini Big Books. Cost is \$75 and Gary and Justin will provide the table. Julie asked for money to buy a tent for these activities. Gary volunteered to work with Julie to get a tablecloth or wall hanging with the AA and Midshore Intergroup logo.

Catrina put literature at the Talbot County Library and agreed to monitor the use. Guy agreed to put literature at the Queen Anne's County library and monitor the use.

Corrections Committee - Lynne R. has volunteered to be Corrections Chair and would like a co-chair. Meg will get in touch with her this week. We are donating the Plain Language Big Book and the full Big Book.

Finance Committee - The Finance Committee met and will be submitting the budget for approval at the May meeting. Meg was not able to cancel the zoom prior to the renewal date so it will go in the budget as an expense. If she gets a refund the budget will be updated.

Steering Committee - It is recommended we put the Steering Committee as a standing committee in the Bylaws. A motion will be made and discussed at the May meeting.

It should also be made clear the Committee Chairs are part of the Steering Committee.

Website Committee - It is requested that Megan W. put the updated bylaws on the Website.

Intergroup - It should be encouraged that the Intergroup reps participate at events. Also, it is the role of a sponsor to encourage service beyond the homegroup to their sponsee and could start as an Intergroup Rep.

New Business - Larry asked whether we advertise a Sobriety Cruise that is being held and since it is not AA, it will not go on the Website.