

MIDSHORE INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES 11/8/2017

The meeting opened at The Church of the Brethren in Easton, MD at 6:30 PM with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Eighteen members were in attendance.

Andy M. began the meeting with the Chairpersons report;

- Andy reviewed the status on MSIG 501c(3) – has expired due to forfeited MD Corporate status with Secretary of State. Articles of Revival and Personal Property form needs to be filed. A \$150.00 check is required.
- Andy reviewed a MD General Service Liason Conference call – discussed operations of MSIG and other IGs; Andy reported that most IGs have an annual operating budget, MSIG not well managed at this time. Andy spoke to former Chair of MSIG; it is recommended that a review be completed of revenue and expenses. Andy will meet with Charles and a budget will be developed by fiscal year end (6/30/17).
- A motion was made to approve \$150.00 check for filing Articles of Revival. Chuck R. asked what the benefits of being a corporation are; what would the corporate insurance cover, liability, etc.? Chuck objected to the imposed sale tax. Andy stated that there are pros and cons for different businesses and an S Corporation separates all involved. It is required in order to be eligible for 501c status. A motion to approve a check for \$150.00 was made, seconded, and approved.

Vice-Chair Jim W. presented his report;

- Jim presented the Inventory Report provided by Jennifer; 100 hard cover big books, 100 soft cover big books, 20 large print big books, 10 reprint big books, 40 As Bill Sees It, 30 12 & 12s, 35 Experience, Strength and Hope, 12 Dr. Bob and The Good Old Timers, 20 Pass It On, 10 AA Comes of Age, 5 Came to Believe, 25 Living Sober, and 6 Spanish Edition 12 and 12s. Broad range of pamphlets. Jennifer is more than happy to complete a far more in-depth inventory when she is well.

Treasurer Charles R. presented his report;

- See full report on MSIG Website
- \$7,401.35 Cash On Hand; transfer needed
- A discussion followed Charles report. All members agreed that printed Quarterly Reports will now be provided as per MSIG by-laws.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Webmaster Committee; presented by Carrie C.;

- See full report on MSIG Website
- events page has been updated
- a link has been added for AA Intergroup Online
- we are now utilizing Google Analytics to provide information on how our website is being utilized
- an updated Where and When was posted for 10/17

- Mary J. (Webmaster) requested ongoing information re. changes to Where and When, by-laws, slate of officers, and anything else related to AA that would be of interest
- Website Committee Members are Mary J., Rose R., and Jenn B.
- Discussion followed; Chuck R. concerned with external link posted on website with regards to anonymity and AA sanction, Andy requested that members check websites and on-line networks re. disclaimer

PI/CPC Committee: Chuck R.

- committee to meet to assemble pamphlet racks for Dr. offices and hospitals as soon as revised Where and Whens are available
- Chuck presented information re. newspaper posts ; 2" by #' are \$67.50 per week , recommended running posts the weeks before and after Christmas.
- Suggested "ads" use new AA business cards
- Chuck spoke to Jim R. re billboard cost; \$800.00 for small

Activities Committee: Theresa K.

- Theresa reported on MSIG holiday activities ; discussed new fliers to be posted on MSIG website , Andy reviewed need to post activities in a timely manner; He will be meeting with Theresa to discuss details
- Theresa reviewed on-going plans for Talent Show and requested that IG reps. bring info to home groups
- Andy spoke to a Baltimore IG Activities Chair who reported that their last talent show had 300 attendees

Institution Committee: Steve T.

- Steve reported that he has been unable to reach Popeye
- More members are needed for committee; IG reps asked to discuss need with their home groups

Office Management Committee; vacant

- Chair position remains open

New Business:

- Dan Moose from We Are Not Saints home group (Area 29-Annapolis) addressed the MSIG members; his group meets the 4th Sunday monthly at the Double D Diner; he asked for our support and stated that rumors re. profits and non-registration are untrue. He stated that they are registered with New York and that he would provide proof of this 11/9/17. Members who included Andy M. and Chuck R. discussed their concerns re. needs to be registered with the Mid-Shore or Annapolis IG.

The meeting was concluded at 7:30 with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie C., MSIG Secretary