<u>Mid-Shore Intergroup Minutes – MARCH 13, 2024</u> Church of the Brethren, 412 S. Harrison St., Easton, MD 21601

Attendee

Anne E., Eye Opener, Queenstown
Barbara W., Tues Big Book, Easton
Bob N., As Bill Sees It, Stevensville
Don S., Stepping Stones, Easton
Emily W., Wed Big Book, Stevensville (z)
Gary B., No information
Gary Z., Wed Night Beginners, Easton
Henry B., Stevensville Th. Night (z)
Jim R., Oxford Group, Oxford
John McQ, BYOL, Easton

Kathy H, Visitor, No Information
Larry R., Office Manager,
Lisa B., Corrections and Treatment
Matt S., Vice Chair, Easton
Meg G., MSIG Chair, Hillsboro Group
Mike W., On the Right Track, Hurlock
Nancy A., MSIG Secretary, Eye Opener
Rex, Intergroup Liaison Cmte, Area 29 (z)
Rob J., MRG, Easton
Trinidad C., Carci Chair, DCM District 46

Opening, Agenda and Quorum

The meeting was opened with reading Tradition 2 and the Declaration of Unity. Introductions were made. A quorum was established at 15 voting members present in person and on zoom.

Officer Reports

Chair - Meg G.

Attended Finance Committee, CARC, Intergroup Liaison meetings, met with Treasurer, DCO Chair, and Mason Temple Building Manager, appointed Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee and Temporary Custodian of Treasury, Managed Volunteer shift changes, performed Office Manager and Literature duties, attended meetings in Cambridge and Chestertown, and prepared reports for monthly MSIG Council meeting.

Steering Committee Report

A regular steering committee meeting was not held, however the MSIG officers met on February 22 to discuss actions regarding the resignation of the Treasurer. The next Steering Committee is scheduled for Sunday, April 7 at 11:00 a.m. All are invited to attend. Please R.S.V.P. to chair@midshoreintergroup.org.

Vice Chair - Matt S.

- Confirmed that the next meeting will be an ON-THE-ROAD meeting and will be held on Wednesday, April 10 in Hurlock, MD, School Street, in white building across from the firehouse from 6-7:00 p.m.
- Working on the information flier for the Intergroup Reps.
- Continuing research on which contributions payment system is best for literature sales.

Treasurer - Reported by Meg

- Jane T. resigned as Treasurer.
- There will be no Treasurer's report this month. They will be presented next month. (The Treasurer's report was submitted after the meeting was held and is attached at the end of these minutes.)

Secretary - Nancy A.

• The February minutes were previously sent out for review to all IGR's. Two changes were made. The address of the meeting place was corrected and The Office Management and Literature Committee name was corrected. A motion was made to accept the February 14, 2024 minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Ad Hoc Nominating Committee

- An Ad Hoc Nominating Committee was appointed to receive nominations for a new Treasurer. Nancy A., Larry R., and Mike W. agreed to be on the committee. Nominations will be accepted until May 8, 2024 and an election will be held on June 12.
- Recommendations were made that we find a temporary custodian to sit in until a Treasurer is elected.
 Mo M. has been appointed as temporary custodian. He has significant sobriety and has his own
 business. He'll work in the office once a week. There are no provisions in the bylaws for this type of
 interim decision but it states the Chair is responsible for the committees and therefore has acted in the
 best interest of the intergroup with recommendations made by Jim R. and Jane T.

Finance Committee - Jim R.

• A draft budget is being developed and will be presented at the next meeting. It will be voted on at the June meeting and become official on July 1, 2024. John is working on compiling all of the financial reports in the past years to determine a true sense of expenses. If the expenses exceeds contributions then submitted budgets will be cut by a percentage.

<u>Corrections and Treatment - Lisa B. and Will C.</u>

Treatment Centers - Lisa:

- Whitsitt Center will begin AA meetings on Thursdays at 7pm on April 4, 2024. Speakers will need to fill out background checks two weeks prior to speaking. <u>Volunteers needed.</u>
- There will be a Bridging the Gap workshop at the Gratitude Club, 600 Dover Road, Easton on March 23, 10:30-12:00. Bridging the Gap program will be explained with a presentation.
- Are background checks valid for use in other counties? Lisa believes they are different.
- How are people picked from the 12-step list? She contacts a man or woman in the same geographical area who is next on the list.
- Lisa requested \$50.00 to pay to the Gratitude Club for the Corrections and Treatments Workshop.

Corrections - Will - No Report

<u>Digital Communications and Outreach Committee - Anna M.</u>

- Volunteers needed Anna and Kaitlyn need help with outreach. Contact Anna at info@midshoreintergroup.org.
- 407 Unique Visitors to Website-68% new visitors.

- Two outreach visits to Stevensville and East New Market were made in February.
- The website was updated with new flyers, new announcements, other updates and an invitation to call the intergroup office. New information was added to attract the person looking for help.

Office Management and Literature Committee Report - Meg G.

- Shore Answering Service had 12 calls in February. Office answered 2 calls for AA information. There were 46 visitors to the office. 2 Literature orders were filled and 2 committee meetings were held in the office.
- Larry R. has volunteered to be the new Office Manager. Welcome Larry!!
- Meg met with the building manager and was advised rent will go up 3% in 2025. To get new
 carpeting, we will need to get estimates, buy the carpeting, get the work done, and will receive
 credit for the work through rent.

Activities Committee - Anne E.

- The Amazing Race for Sobriety is happening now. There has been good participation and feedback. Thank you for getting the word out.
- Open Mic Night will be held on April 20, 2024 at Trinity Church in Easton, MD and is the finish line for the Amazing Race. There will be music, dramatic readings, and comedy. Bring snacks and sodas and announce it in your meetings.
- Living the Traditions there will be a workshop in May.

New Business

- Matt made a motion to strike out part of the motion made at the February meeting as follows: All documents of MSIG be retained for a period of five (5) years, that is, two council terms plus one prior year, other than state and Federal tax and corporate documents and records, and such other documents and records that each officer and committee chair decides to retain, and that the purged documents and records be shredded and recycled. professionally, such as at Staples. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.
- A motion was made to pay \$50.00 to the Hurlock Town Hall for the April Intergroup meeting for rental of the hall. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Everyone was reminded and encouraged to buy literature through their central offices. The intergroup office is open 7 days a week and Larry can be reached by emailing office@midshoreintergroup.org.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A., Midshore Intergroup Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 2023 For Intergroup Council Meeting March 13, 2024

- 1. GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.
- 1.1. Received, posted, deposited, and acknowledged group and individual contributions. **Group Contributions February 2024** attached. Contact the treasurer at <u>treasurer@midshorehoreintergroup.org</u> if you did not get your group's acknowledgement.
- 1.2. Continues to request email addresses from groups for contribution acknowledgements, and also requests that each group double check its **registered group name**, the **town name your group is registered with**, and most recent **group service number** with each contribution sent to MidShore Intergroup, Maryland General Service and General Service Board. Here's the link: https://www.marylandaa.org/group-lookup
- 2. MSIG REVENUE AND EXPENSES.
- 2.1. Posted contributions, literature sales revenue and other income. **Sales Transactions Revenue Reports February 2024** are current and attached. The bank account balance will be provided by the chair or acting treasurer at the meeting March 13, 2024 or soon thereafter.
- 2.2. The regularly recurring monthly expenses are paid, other than the statement for February from Shore Answer and other small recurring expenses not paid automatically, which the new acting treasurer will pay.
- 2.3. The Prudent Reserve Fund amount of \$5,000.00 is the only amount now in the Shore United Bank Money Market account, plus the accumulating interest.

3. OTHER MATTERS

The corporate status is good standing with the State of Maryland. The sales and use taxes need to be filed and paid. Federal information form 990 have been filed online and needs to be confirmed that the correct fiscal years have been included.

As with any service position at any level in Alcoholics Anonymous, the treasurer's position has both benefits and growth opportunities. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to serve. My resignation is effective March 13, 2024 at 12 noon. Jane T.

MONTHLY TOTAL

\$168.24

Midshore Intergroup, Inc. **Monthly Expense Report** February 2024 Payment Payment Date Description Method Other ID Amount subscription 2 2/2/2024 A.A.Grapevine Visa years \$57.94 2/14/2024 Eastern Utilities AFT internet, phone \$97.59 \$12.71 2/19/2024 HP instant ink AFT printer ink

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	Record	d of Revenue	- Februa	ary 2024		
Sales						
Date of Sale	Invoice #	Cost of Items Sold	Sales Tax	Total	Amt Paid by Customer	Over / Under / Contribution
01/31/24	429007	\$16.49	\$0.99	\$17.48	\$18.00	\$0.52
01/31/24	429008	\$0.91	\$0.05	\$0.96	\$1.00	\$0.04
02/04/24	429009	\$30.00	\$1.80	\$31.80	\$27.00	-\$4.80
MONT	MONTHLY TOTALS \$47.40		\$2.84	\$50.24	\$46.00	-\$4.24
Contributions:						
Date	Name		Group ID	Check #	Amount	
2/4/2024	SOS Sobriety on the Shore		428530	106	\$60.00	
2/12/2024	AA ODAAT		41597	1007	\$181.57	
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2/18/2024	The Oxford Group		46342	555	\$540.00	
	Stevensville Kent Island					
2/26/2024		Group	81746	1001	\$900.00	
			MONTHLY TOTAL		\$1,875.97	