

**Minutes for the NEMDAA Intergroup Council
Hybrid Meeting on 23 November 2021**

The Council Meeting was called to order by Intergroup Council Chair via Zoom at 7:00 PM on 23 November 2021. (The meeting is posted on the NEMDAA Website, and an e-mail reminder was sent out to active council members.)

The Chair opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Attendance: Total = 16 {17}

On Zoom (11) {12}: Officers: Intergroup chair.

IGRs: Office Manager, Assistant Office Manager, Finance (Good News Group), Answering Service, Emmorton Group, Providence, Three Legacies, Happy Hour, Early Bird & Just for Today. {Fallston Early Saturday joined late}

At the Intergroup office (5): Secretary, Swan (IGR & Alt), Sobriety on Friday & Sobriety on Sunday.

- **Chair report:** - The office staff are putting updates in the bulletin weekly.

- Please continue to respect others (masks, hand holding or not).

- The Finance committee met twice. A full report later in the meeting.

- The Institutions committee met & the minutes were posted on the website. The Harford County hospitals & jails are not allowing anyone in at present. Cecil County Detention Center does allow meetings to go in. These facilities have a sponsor who coordinates bringing in a meeting. The local treatment centers have called the Intergroup requesting a meeting to be brought in. A sponsor will be found to help make this happen. The Intergroup does not financially support the treatment centers. Discussion: How does a group get an Institutions can? & Where can monthly deposits from cans be found in budget? Were placed on the agenda as old business for next meeting.

- Bylaws for IG council last updated in 2008. Committee descriptions are posted on the website. Voting to change Standing & Ad Hoc committee statuses to happen on January 25, 2022, IG council meeting.

- Archives committee chair position was filled by Early Bird IGR & welcomed by the Chair.

- **Secretary's report** – October's meeting minutes were reposted to the website. Good New Group IGR elected to Treasurer of Area 29 (not 28 as posted). Motion made to accept as amended. Seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

- **Office manager report** – Newcomer kits (paper) are \$1. Discussion regarding content to be taken to groups for further input. Discussion to continue next month as no decision could be reached.

- Several items are either out of stock or on back order. (Refer to Office manager's report posted on the website).

- As of December 1, items for the bulletin will be due Wednesday at noon.

- Website updated weekly. The number of virtual (36) & (136) live meetings remain the same. Check website for holiday activities, closures & Alco-thons. Office staff will be taking responsibility for the content on the website.

- Anyone requesting a paper copy of meetings will be charged 10cents. A PDF link is available on the website.

- **Financial report** – 2 proposals for the 2022 budget: A) charge \$15/ticket = \$377 loss or B) charge \$17/ticket = profit \$860. Discussion: ask for a waiver (or half) for non-profit status. Vote: 6 for \$17 ticket

& 7 for \$15 ticket. 7 for partial or full waiver & 3 for no waiver. Unanimous decision to approve 2022 budget with \$15 ticket price pending waiver status. Seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

- **Answering service report** – Committee chair thanked all for their patience during this initial process. Assistance was given by office staff with logging in at IG office. 1 group has left but 2 have come in. a possible 9 more could be added. There are currently more than 100 names on the list.

- **CPC/PI report** – Position open.

- **Ways & Means** – Committee Chair to work with IG Chair regarding waiver.

- **Website committee** – (not in attendance)

- **Archives report** – Priority is to figure out the scope of what, where & how much to collect.

- Will reach out to SW PA, South NJ & GSO for reference(s). Start with Harford / Cecil group histories.

- To contact GSO regarding role of Archivist.

- Join Society of American Archivists.

- Participate in AA's National Archives workshop.

- **Old Business** - None

- **New Business** - None

Adjourned at 8:30 PM with the Responsibility Statement & The Lord's Prayer.

