

CHICAGO WEST FAR-OUT INTERGROUP (CHI-WIF) MEETING MINUTES

Good Samaritan Hospital | 3815 Highland Avenue | Downers Grove, IL 60515

August 19, 2017

SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES:

STEP 8: Self-Discipline

TRADITION 8: Fellowship

CONCEPT OF SERVICE 8: Delegation

MEETING OPENED by Dave C. with The Serenity Prayer at 10:00 am

ATTENDANCE: ☺

Dave C.	Chair		Mary R.	Aurora	Wed. am
Gerri M.	Butterflyer Editor		Cathy L.	River Forest	
Mariana	DeKalb	Mon./Sat.	Philip	Riverside	Tue.
Kimberlie	Burr Ridge	Sat. 8:00 am	Gwen C.	Burr Ridge	Sat. 8:00 am
Nora K.	Darien	Tue. 7:00 pm	CJ M	Visitor	
Sandy F.	Naperville	Mon. 7:30 pm			

MOTIONS:

- Motion made by Sandy to accept July minutes as amended (corrected Milwaukee retreat dates). Seconded by Mariana. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Cathy to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Mariana. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Gerri for the IG to fund \$25 to struggling meetings to purchase literature. Seconded by Kimberlie. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Kimberlie for the IG to fund a \$100 Southwest Airlines gift card for a gift basket to be raffled at the Region 5 Convention in October. Seconded by Mary. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Mariana to move the October Intergroup Meeting from October 21st to October 14th. Seconded by Mary. Motion carried.

CONCEPT 8 – Self-Discipline read by Sandy.

MINUTES – read by Kimberlie and accepted as amended.

FINANCIAL REPORT – read by Gerri and accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **ByLaws** (Kimberlie) – no changes.
- **PIPO** (Laura) – no report.
- **TSW** (Sandy) – The workshop is now being coordinated by the Naperville Monday night meeting and is tentatively set for October 28th near Naperville. Mariana suggested a theme that was used in Orlando - “Triple Crown – Halloween/Thanksgiving/Christmas.” More details to follow.
- **The Butterflyer/Website** (Gerri) – September topic is “Traditions – Keeping Our Meetings On Track.” However, articles can be on any topic. All announcements should be submitted in a pdf format by the 15th of each month.

SPECIAL EVENTS: *Please consider scheduling a workshop in 2017.*

- Sept. 22-24: Fall Retreat – The Portiuncula Center for Prayer – Frankfort
- Sept. 22-24: Milwaukee Retreat – Sienna Retreat Center – Racine, WI
- Oct. 7: Breaking the Chains of Compulsive Overeating – Buffalo Grove (1-4 PM)
- Oct. 20-22: Region 5 Convention – Cincinnati Airport Marriott
- Nov. 18: Burr Ridge Annual Workshop – Bountiful Gratitude - Elmhurst Hospital (1-4 PM)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Vice Chair/Secretary Positions – no volunteers or nominations were forthcoming.

Website – Gerri was able to update all links, etc. so that the CHI-WIF website is current.

- Gerri will reach out to a colleague and check for availability and cost of becoming webmaster.
- Gerri will provide website statistics at next meeting. Needs to locate Word Press password.
- Going forward, all passwords should reside with the meeting secretary. Directive needs to be added to the Standing Rules. Kimberlie will add and distribute revised copies at September meeting.

Intergroup Purchase of Literature – bulk purchasing of literature was discussed to help struggling groups with costs. It was voted on to provide \$25 in assistance to groups needing help with stipulations. Suggested language for website and Butterflyer: *“In an effort to help groups struggling to pay for literature, CHIWIF Intergroup is offering \$25 contributions to help build up your literature supply. This money will be made available on a quarterly basis at the following Intergroup meetings: January 20, April 21, July 21, or October 20, 2018. Come to the Intergroup meeting at Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital in Downers Grove at 10:00 – 11:30 am on one of these days. Tell us how we can help your group in other ways and discover what we do. Only in-person requests can be honored.”*

Gerri would like the above language reviewed and voted on at the September meeting before publishing.

Directive needs to be added to the Standing Rules. Kimberlie will add and distribute revised copies of Standing Rules after vote is taken at September meeting.

Intergroup Phone Number – Gerri reported she was unable to find any free internet phone numbers. She will continue looking.

NEW BUSINESS:

Group agreed to donate a gift basket for raffle at the Region 5 Convention in October. It would be “travel” themed. Group voted to fund a \$100 Southwest Airlines gift card for the basket.

Due to the October IG Meeting conflicting with the Region 5 Convention dates, it was decided to move the IG meeting to October 14. Kimberlie will check with hospital to see if they can accommodate change.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION or QUESTIONS: None

MEETING ADJOURNED – at 11:10 am with the OA Promise.

Next IG meeting is scheduled for September 16th at 10:00 am.

What you hear here, who you see here, when you leave here, let it stay here.