

ROCKLAND COUNTY INTERGROUP

MINUTES FROM September 1, 2009

Group Representatives (12) present:- Airmont Road, Freedom of Choice, Grapevine, Key To Sobriety, Legacy, Live & Let Live, New City, Nyack, Suffern, Sunrise, Three-In-One, Thruway Men's, West Nyack

Meeting was opened by Joe with the Serenity Prayer at 8:00 pm. Preamble was read. Tradition 9 was read. All persons in attendance introduced themselves.

The Secretary determined that a quorum was present for the transaction of business in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII, Section 5, of the By-Laws of Rockland County Intergroup Association of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Reports:

Secretary - Minutes from the August 4, 2009 meeting were read, corrected and accepted.

Treasurer's Report – Frank delivered the Treasurer's Report.

The opening Working Balance was \$ 635.10. Monies received during August 2009 totaled \$ 1,624.00. Of this total, \$ 1,455.00 came from Group contributions, \$141.00 from Meeting List sales and \$28.00 from the Intergroup meeting collection. The Treasurer read the list of contributing groups. Total expenses paid in August 2009 were \$1,012.42, including \$450.00 to Haverstraw Bay Press for printing the August 2009 Meeting Lists. The RCIAAA checking account has been reconciled.

The closing balance is \$ 1,346.68

Copy of the Treasurer's report was presented. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made and seconded and passed unanimously. A copy of the Treasurer's Report is attached.

<u>SENY Liaison</u> – No report. Keith, the Liaison from General Services Committee reported that Rockland County General Services will be having a workshop on Sponsorship and Primary Purpose on Saturday October 3, 2009 from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Haverstraw Community Center, 50 Broad Street in Haverstraw. Breakfast (bagels and coffee) and lunch will be served.

H&I – Eric reported that seventeen (17) groups attended H&I's August meeting and all meetings were booked. H&I is still looking for an AA with at least one year of continuous sobriety to take the chair commitment for the Sunday 8:00 P.M. meeting at Blaisdell Bldg. 57. H&I needs an AA member to fill this commitment.



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Jack reported that Nyack Hospital had informed him that there had been a series of no shows (chairperson and speakers) for Sunday night meetings and Rasoul reported that the Hospital had informed him of the same situation for the Monday night chair. Eric said he would look into these reports.

Mike reported that he had spoken at Blaisdell this past Sunday night and was told that the chairperson had not made the last three meetings. Eric said he was aware of the situation and had spoken with the AA who has the commitment who had some personal issues.

<u>Corrections</u> – Roger reported that the open meeting chair position on alternate Wednesdays on the Men's Side at RCJ had been filled. The new chair will start on September 16th.

<u>Answering Service</u>- Artie was unable to attend but indicated through Joe that things are running smoothly

Meeting Lists – Trish reported that new Meeting Lists for August 2009 have a misprint for the Rockland County Young Peoples' Group meeting on Sunday nights at 8:30 P.M., at the Fellowship of Reconciliation ("FOR") in Nyack. The address given for FOR in the Meeting List, 51 North Broadway, is incorrect, it should be 521 North Broadway. Trish apologized for this typographical error and asked that all Group Reps please announce the correct address at their meetings. The information has been corrected on the Intergroup website and will also be changed in the next Meeting List printing. Trish has not heard back from the printer about the additional costs if Intergroup has to go to larger size paper (8 ½" by 17" as opposed to the current 81/2" by 14") for the next Meeting List printing..

<u>Bookers Exchange</u> –The Booker's Exchange meeting took place at 7:00 P.M. just before the Intergroup Meeting and was attended by seven (7) groups. The next Bookers' Exchange will be at 7:00 P.M. on December 1, 2009 in the foyer of Building A.

Share A Day- No report. Share-A-Day was held on Saturday August 22, 2009 at Rockland Community College. The Committee will provide a report after having a final "wrap up" meeting.

<u>Volunteerism Committee</u> –Bill reported that he met with the Chairperson of the Airmont Road Group to review with him the Intergroup approved "script" for the Volunteerism Committee presentation. Bill also read the "script" to the Congers Legacy group and was asked to come back to give the presentation to them. Bill also attended a meeting of the Greenbush group in Blauvelt and, after some initial resistance to his reading of the "script" in the meeting, shared with the group on the topic of service, describing the many AA 12th Step service commit-



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ments and opportunities that are available at or through Intergroup. Bill will also be giving a presentation at Grapevine on Sunday, September 6 at 6:00 P.M.

<u>Public Information</u> – Steve reported that the PI Committee will be contacting high schools in the County this month to set up AA speaker presentations for students during the upcoming year and will also be giving training courses for new speakers and refresher courses for the old ones to prepare them for such "outspeaks". PI is also supplying new packets with updated information to all of the police departments in the County. The PI Committee is in need of more group representatives and volunteers to help out with its 12th Step work so please contact Steve if you would like to be part of this work or come to PI Committee's regular meeting at 7:30 P.M. on the second Wednesday of each month at the Christ Church of Ramapo located at the intersection of Washington Avenue and East Maple Avenue in Suffern (use the Maple Avenue parking lot).

Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous Liaison – No report.

Old Business

None

New Business

Roger requested the bi-monthly allotment of \$150 for Corrections to purchase literature for the RCJ, which was approved and disbursed.

Eric requested \$50 for H&I to purchase literature for the hospital and institutions it provides meetings to, which was approved and disbursed.

Henry from the Primary Purpose Group raised an issue concerning the disposition of the monies in the treasury of the old Wesley Hills 306 Group upon its dissolution and its re-formation in a different location as the Primary Purpose Group without a group conscience discussion or decision. Joe indicated that Intergroup had no jurisdiction to intervene but would be willing to mediate any disputes between the Primary Purpose members and former treasurer/member.

Lenny reported that Intergroup had receive a communication asking if Intergroup could bring an AA meeting to a clinical pastoral education conference to be held at the Stony Point Conference Center in October. Keith suggested that GSC's CPC might be in a better position to respond to this request so Keith and Steve from the PI Committee will coordinate in this matter. Lenny will provide then with the contact information.

A motion to close the meeting was unanimously passed and the meeting was closed at 8:50 P.M.

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