

**Chicagoland Intergroup
April 20th 2005**

Chairman: Steve S.
Secretary: Rene' B.

The meeting was called to order at 7:46 p.m.

Readings:

Unity Program: Mark T.
Unity Program Step: Linda R.
Day at A Time: Chris S.

Excused Absences: Jennine P., Betty B., Angela M., Gayle B., Mark A., Gary S., Howard G., Stu P., Mike K.

New Intergroup Reps: Pam E. Joliet/Monday, Curt A. Kankakee/Coal City.

Corrections: Cindy M.'s email address is ciamal52@aol.com
Motion to accept March Minutes. Motion carried.

Old Business: Steve took nominations for chairperson of the 2006 Spirituality Conference. The following members were nominated; Allan S., Wayne B., Gail B. and Jerry G. It was decided with four nominees that the top 2 vote getters would chair and cochair the Spirituality conference.

Allan S. and Gail B. will chair and co-chair the conference respectively in order to facilitate our financial guidelines.

Discussion: Brian B. made a motion to nominate Jerry G. as an honorary chair of Spirituality as he has headed it in the past.
Motion carried.

New Business: All pinnings for next months Intergroup **MUST** be emailed to Cindy M. at ciamal52@aol.com or called in (630-935-7650) by May 11th. She will be out of town after that. **New pinnings in Bold.**

Date	Day	Location	Time	Person	Years
4/21/05	Thursday	Oak Lawn	8:00 p.m.	Dave H. Jennine P.	1 yr. GA 1 yr. GA
4/24/05	Sunday	St. Francis Evanston	7:00 p.m.	Chris F. Adam M.	1 yr. GA 1 yr. GA
4/28/05	Thursday	Orland Park	7:30 p.m.	Frank W.	1 yr. GA
4/28/05 *they know night as	Thursday this is same Orland	Kankakee	7:00 p.m.	Steve D.	5 yrs. GA

5/1/05 In room pinning	Sunday	Chicago Hts.	6:00 p.m.	Carl P.	1 yr. GA
5/6/05	Friday	Willa Rawls	6:30 p.m.	Walter C.	1 yr. GA
5/9/05 Open to All	Monday	Lisle Women's. Mtg.	7:00 p.m.	Peg M.	1 yr. GA
5/15/05 *Note early start	Sunday	Elgin	5-9 p.m.	Marilyn F. Bob F. Fred L. Amer P. Danka P. Dave F.	1 yr. GA 1 yr. GAM 1 yr. GA 1 yr. GA 1 yr. GAM 1 yr. GA
5/16/05 In room Pinning	Monday	Hinsdale	6:30 am	Gary P.	1 yr. GA
5/20/05	Friday	Bolingbrook	7:30 p.m.	Christine S.	1 yr. GA
6/7/05	Tuesday	Norridge	7:00 p.m.	Roz L.	1 yr. GA
6/16/05	Thursday	Lisle	7:00 p.m.	Kathy H. Rene' B.	10 yrs. GA 5 yrs. GA
7/31/05	Sunday	Kankakee State Park	3:00 p.m.	Bob K. Coal City Kurt A. Kankakee	1 yr. GA 1yr. GA

Motion to accept new pinnings. Motion carried. All pinnings approved by Intergroup.

Activities Report: Barney S./No report

Holiday Report: Rene' B./No report

Spring Conference: Gary B.

No financial report yet. Still working out final bill with hotel.

We had 394 people total over 3 days at some part of the conference. 377 people paid.

We had 17 scholarships. We gave 4 brunch scholarships and 22 dinner scholarships.

We had to guarantee 200 for dinner/190 people actually paid.

We had to guarantee 140 room nights and had only 122 actual. So we were 22 room nights short.

About 25 people responded to the questionnaire. Most said they would prefer fewer workshops, but more time allotted to the workshops.

Steve said this is the lowest turnout for a conference in several years.

Steve also mentioned that the food/beverages in the hospitality room were not donated but bought and paid for by Chicago GA.

More financial information regarding the conference at next months' Intergroup.

Motion to accept report.

Discussion: Dianne R. had a member from her area who had volunteered to be in hospitality and drove quite a distance and was told she was not needed.

Chris S. responded that the times organized and filled by the people who signed up specifically with name and phone number. There was no way to contact a person without a number.

Neil B. Will the hotel charge the credit cards of the no-shows? Answer: No the rooms were not guaranteed by credit card.

Dan B. thanked the committee and volunteers for a good conference. Members from his meeting complained that the name tags also said GA/GamAnon. They felt this was inappropriate.

Bob O. responded that people should use common sense. If they worry about anonymity, they could forego the name tag.

Report accepted.

Public Relations: Barney S. spoke at Deerfield High School on April 18th.

Motion to accept.

Discussion: None

Report accepted.

Internet: Bob K. asked that if you have any meeting changes please go to the website to email him. He can't make the changes unless he is notified.

Motion to accept.

Discussion: Chris S. Who do we contact with errors in meeting location? Contact Bob K.

Lillian B. Please change meeting list to reflect the correct location for the Chicago Hts. meeting. They meet at The Church of the Nazarene. Lillian is the contact person. 708-335-1007.

Bob O. You do not have to wait until Intergroup to make corrections to website.

Report accepted.

Supplies: Sam D. \$2300 worth of supplies ordered for the conference and we sold \$199 in literature. Tonight \$131.50 was sold at Intergroup.

T-shirts for the conference were not part of the above figures.

Motion to accept.

Report accepted.

Trustees Report: Bob O. lost his Day at A Time book at the conference. His name is in the book. If anyone has it please return to Bob O.

Bob O. wanted to discuss the purpose of Intergroup. We need to discuss rooms be self-supporting. Why are our events not having the support we've enjoyed in the past.

Steve suggested we discuss these things in the upcoming months.

Board of Regents vote will be in Connecticut. There are 18 people running. Eight must be from California; two can be outside of California.

Does Intergroup want the Trustees to vote their conscience?

Also brought up the fact that Trustees attend all pinnings. Some pinnings namely St. Peters have no parking so cars must be parked at a cost of \$26. Trustee not asking for past reimbursement, but in the future will Intergroup reimburse.

Scott D. Thanked members for the donations for Walk-a-thon. So far he has raised \$719. Scott also apologized for getting lost and missing the pinning on Friday in Dyer.

Allan H. made a motion that the Trustees make the decision for the Board of Regents. Allan S. and Arnie B. running from Chicago.

Phil S. Believes that we should have brought this up sooner so it could be taken back to the rooms for their consideration.

Bob O. Believes that last year Intergroup allowed the Trustees to make the decision.

Allan S. said that in the past when we have had someone from our area running we cast our vote only for the Chicago candidate(s).

Phil L. Let's give the Trustees the authority to vote for the candidates from Chicago.

Motion to allow Trustees to vote for the Board of Regents.

Motion carries.

Motion to reimburse for parking at St. Peter for upcoming pinning(s).

Discussion: Jim F. against reimbursing for parking.

Brian B. this is an extraordinary expense.

Jim A. Why do Trustees have to go to all pinnings? Is it mandatory? No.

Matt M. against reimbursing by setting a policy. Would rather see it voted on case by case basis rather than set a policy.

Motion carries.

Further Discussion: A member at a meeting for the first time where a pinning is in progress should set aside some time after the pinning to talk to the new member.

Phil L. from Aurora asked that if Trusted Servants have a problem with the Aurora meeting that the appropriate people be contacted such as himself or Bob K.

Motion to accept Trustees Report. Motion carried.

Report Accepted.

Pressure Report Gary B. **No Report**

New Meeting: Jeanne M. reported that the Chicago Epworth meeting is closed. Joliet will also change their meeting time to 7:00.

Motion to accept.

Discussion: Allan S. Northwest Community Hospital meeting will meet in Rooms 16 and 17 on April 25th. On May 2nd they will meet in the Auditorium due to construction.

May 31st Steve S. will be the speaker in Romeoville at 7:00 p.m..

Get meeting changes to Bob K.

Motion to accept. Motion carried.

Report accepted.

Sunshine Report: Lillian has cards. Needs to know where to send Myra's card.

Motion to accept.

Discussion: Phil L. will get address.

Report accepted.

Treasurers Report: Gail B. collection tonight \$1881.00 for GA and \$629.50 for ISO. Gail made a motion to cut checks for the Trustees for Connecticut. The total would be \$1039.00 minus the \$100 the trustees already received.

Motion carried.

Discussion: Phil S. wanted to know how we could authorize that kind of expenditure when we don't know what the balance of the checking account is after the conference? Jim M. To date we have a checkbook balance of \$17115.00 without this evenings deposit.

Motion to accept report.

Report accepted.

Phone Service: There were 166 phone calls at a cost of \$49.32.

We have one person working two shifts on Friday 3-6 or 6-10. If anyone can take one of these shifts please contact Phil or Rene'.

Motion to accept.

Discussion: None

Report accepted.

Picnic: Dan B. and Joe R. plan to hold the first picnic meeting on Sunday the 15th of May at Elmhurst Hospital in the Cafeteria at 1:00 p.m.. Open to all. Please get involved.

Motion to accept.

Discussion: None

Report accepted.

Good and Welfare: Myra F. passed away.