

CHICAGOLAND G.A. INTERGROUP MINUTES FOR JANUARY 16, 2006

Chairman: Allan S.
Secretary: Heidi M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM

Readings:

Recovery Program – Harold W.
Unity Program – Dave M.
One Day at a Time – Dan B.

Excused Absences:

Phil S. (Bartlett), Kathy M. (Orland Park), Dave H. (Highland), Phil L. (Aurora), Bob C. (Romeoville), Peg M. (Lisle), Mike S. (Hinsdale), Lillian B. (Chicago Heights), Gayle B.

New Intergroup Representatives:

Fred H. – Joliet; Om S. – Hinsdale; Stan N. – Pilgrim Faith, Jenine W. – Pilgrim Faith; Dave R. – St. Gertrude

Review of the minutes from the December Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes - Motion passed.

Old Business:

- Steve S. reported on the Board of Regents info he received from Arnie B. for the November and December meetings. There are 14 new lifetimers, 37 starter kits issued, and \$2178 was raised for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Also there is a new 'Gamblers Anonymous US' website that is bogus. The site uses our logo, but is in no way connected to the GA program. The next Board of Regents meeting will be January 20th.
- Allen H. reported that he obtained the picnic permit. The picnic will be held on August 13th at Grove 7 (Grove 5 was taken) in Beamus Woods. Steve S. made a motion to reimburse Allen H. for the \$110 cost of the permit. **Motion seconded. Motion passes.**

New Business:

- Pinnings – Please e-mail pinnings to Cindy M. at ciamal52@aol.com or call 630 935-7650 at least *1 day before* Intergroup meets. **(new pinnings are in bold)**

Date	Day	Location	Time	Person	Years
1/25/2006	Wednesday	Aurora	7:00 PM	Dave R.	1 year GA
02/06/06	Monday	Joliet	7:00 PM	Fred H.	1 year GA
2/21/2006	Tuesday	Chicago South Michael Reese	7:00 PM	Duane F. Melvin D.	1 year GA 1 year GA
2/28/2006	Tuesday	Lansing	7:00	Linda W.	1 year GA
3/05/2006	Sunday	Elgin	6:00 PM	Lee H. Russ H.	10 year GA 10 year GAM
3/06/2006	Monday Auditorium	Arlington Heights – NW Comm Hosp	7:00 PM	Allan S. Stu P. Tom C. Bob K.	15 year GA 10 year GA 10 year GA 5 year GA

Note: Two in room pinnings were added to the list –

- 01/19/2006 Oak Lawn Community Church, 1 year pinning for Joe L. at 8:00 PM.
- 02/27/2006 Pilgrim Faith, 10 year pinning for Stan N. at 7:30 PM

- Committee Chairperson Elections:**

Pressure Relief – Nominations accepted – Dan B. (815-342-0385)

Dan B. voted in as Pressure Relief Chairperson

Note: With one week's notice, Dan will attend any meeting that needs a pressure relief.

Public Relations – Nominations accepted – Kathy H. (630-783-0829) and Brian B. (630-699-5920)
Kathy H. and Brian B. voted in as Public Relations Co-Chairpersons

Internet – No nominations – tabled until next intergroup

Phone Service - Nominations accepted – Diane R. (847-575-5040) and Dave R. (708-243-2377)
Diane R. and Dave R. voted in in addition to Phil S. and Rene B. as Phone Service Chairpersons

New Meetings – Nominations accepted – Dave M. (773-792-3940)
Dave M. voted in as New Meetings Chairperson

Supplies – Nominations accepted – Jim M. (708-699-8600) and Christine K. (630-208-1408)
Jim M. and Christine K. voted in as Supplies Co-Chairperson
Note: Sam D. will fill in if need be.

Sunshine – Nominations accepted – Debbie M. (773-775-0131) and Lynn P. (815-245-6241)
Debbie M. and Lynn P. voted in as Sunshine Co-Chairpersons

Pinnings – Nominations accepted – Cindy M. (630-935-7650)
Cindy M. voted in as Pinnings Chairperson.

Activities –

Committee Reports

Pressure Relief – no official report

One financial pressure relief in Bartlett.

The GAM pressure relief rep is Mike S. (708-453-4459)

Public Relations – no official report

Tom L. mentioned that on Saturday, March 25th, there will be a wellness expo at the First Assembly Church on Esington Road in Plainsfield, IL, from 8:30 AM – noon. Members from the Joliet meeting will be hosting and Tom L. can be contacted at 815-342-6896

Supplies – Jim M. and Sam D.

We spent \$703.49 in supplies and we took in \$97.00 at tonight's meeting.

Motion to accept the Supplies report - Report accepted.

Spring Conference – Steve B.

Steve reported the next meeting for the 2006 (8-10pm) and 2007(7-8pm) conferences will be held in the Leighton Room at the Wyndham Hotel in Itasca on Tuesday, January 17th. Need volunteers for all committees. Scholarships are available for those with less than 90 days in the program (Tom D. is chairperson for scholarships).

The entire "A" package will be \$98.00. The cost to attend all functions but the Saturday dinner and Sunday brunch is \$35.00.

Bob O. will be in charge of Friday night pinnings.

Kathy H. is the Activities chairperson.

Internet – Bob O.

Bob reported that unapproved literature (poem from Seattle) was posted on the gachicago.org site. He contacted Rick P. and asked him to remove it.

Motion to accept the Internet Committee report – Report accepted.

Phone Service – Rene B.

The phone bill was \$48.42 and there were 341 calls.

On Tuesday, January 17th, Chicago will be the eighth city to go live with a new hotline. The number is 866-442-8620 and has 30 volunteers servicing it including 3 (Rene B., Phil S., and Jim F.) that are available 24/7.

Motion to accept the Phone Service report - Report accepted.

Treasurer – Gail B. and Jim M.

The collections were \$2168.3 for GA, \$698 for ISO, and \$51 for the room.

The 2005 year end audit will be available at February intergroup.

The treasurers will hold room pinning funds for any room interested.

Jim thanked reps for bringing in only \$71.00 in cash.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report - Report accepted.

Sunshine – no report

Activities – no report

Trustees Report – Rene B. reporting for all of the Trustees

The next Trustees meeting is on April 21st in Boston. Please contact a Trustee at least 60 days prior with any items to be added to the agenda.

Barney S. mailed a survey to the 4 trustees for approval for reps to distribute to their rooms. The survey is regarding comments and is three questions in length.

Scott D. will be at the Oaklawn Community Church on this coming Thursday for those interested in self-exclusion.

Motion to accept the Trustees report - Report accepted.

New Meetings – no official report

There is a new meeting at the Wayback Inn in Maywood on Sunday nights from 7PM-8PM. Any questions can be directed to Ron P.

Allan S. mentioned that as of March 13th the Northwest Community Hospital meeting will be relocated to a new room. He will inform us of the room change at February intergroup.

Spirituality Conference – Gail B.

Gail reported as of today's meeting, we have 69 enrolled. More attendees are needed and sponsors are encouraged to bring their spouses.

Everything is ready for the conference.

Motion to accept the Spirituality Conference report – Report accepted.

Good and Welfare

Gail B's father passed away the week before Christmas.

Jerry G. passed on January 2nd.

Gail B. made a motion to donate \$100.00 to ISO as a memorial to Jerry G. **Motion seconded. Motion passes.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM with the group joining hands and reciting the Serenity Prayer.