

**CHICAGOLAND G.A. INTERGROUP
MINUTES FOR JUNE 18, 2007**

Chairman: René B
Secretary: Donna M. (substituting for Cindy M.)
The meeting was called to order at 730 PM

Readings:

Recovery Program – Fred L.
Unity Program – Harold D. (Step 6)
One Day at a Time – John C.

Excused Absences: Jeremy B. (Lisle Th.), Debbie M. (Norridge/Mayfair), Cindy M. (Lake in the Hills), Christine K. (Supplies), Debbie M. (Mayfair), Roz L. (Norridge), George S. (Schaumburg Tues.), Darryl S. (West Aurora), Ellen Z. (Lisle Mon.), Cindy M. (Bartlett).

New Reps: Mark L. (Downers Grove), John C. (Lisle Th.), Rose V. (Lisle Mon), Jim A. (St. Francis Sun.).

Review of the minutes from the May Meeting

Conference report (pg. 3) 475 dinners sold not 502 per Steve S.
Motion to accept minutes May minutes as amended. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Discussion on \$250.00 donation made to Bruce O's Family (member who committed suicide in May) Rene' B. stated donation does not set a precedence but should be open for discussion- normally done at a individual room level for a fund.

Kathy H. stated should be case to case basis (some rooms already sent funds to the family on their own)

Heidi M. asked how it was decided to do this? A financial guideline or budget? Perhaps we should have a fund for this type of giving.

Bob K. stated he was the one to bring up the motion, he was caught up in the emotion now has changed his mind and said it should be a fund in a budget for the future.

Steve S. stated perhaps should set up a committee to make recommendations w/ guidelines for the future.

Maggie P. stated we (intergroup reps.) represent the rooms. Should have been a discussion brought back to our rooms to decide.

Alan S. stated perhaps the trustees should bring this up at the LA conference and see how other areas handle this sort of thing.

Discussion on "2008" Chicagoland Mini Conference discussed in rooms.

Kathy H. stated she attended at least 8 meetings and no one brought this topic up.

Lela B. said Bolingbrook discussed and decided it should stay as a weekend.

Steve S. stated he has done 2 conferences in a row (as a chair) should continue in the form it currently is as a weekend.

Victor C. stated we should have the conference because of the value of the workshops, but perhaps not 4 days. Also, because of the difficulty of putting on a conference perhaps each room should designate a representative as a conference rep.

Date currently available at the Westin Hotel is the weekend of the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th of May 2008.
Chairpersons needed: if interested please be at the July Intergroup nominations will take place that evening. Fred L said he would like to be nominated but would have to decline because of son getting married on the 4th of May. Phil S stated that Jeff T is interested in chairing. Other chairpeople to be on the committee are also needed.

Rene' B and Jim F will be negotiating with the hotel information will be available by the July

Intergroup. Motion to have 2008 Chicago Mini Conference - Motion passed.

Discussion on reconciliation for 2006 checkbook.

Bob K and Harvey M. were asked to reconcile 2006. (Review of financial information of 06 year ended).

Rene' B asked to please limit discussion to just the reconciliation of the 2006 checkbook.

Bob K stated we reviewed the 2006 Mid America bank account information and found it to be complete and reconciled monthly through the year ended 12/31/06. The total amounts submitted to ISO for 2006 agrees with the detail of the total monthly amounts collected by the individual

Meeting rooms. The disbursements for the total rents paid in 2006 reconciles to the total monthly detail within \$120. (This appears to be due to old checks that have been voided and written off subsequently).

Bill S. were most things well documented. Bob K stated yes.

Allan S. asked was there any wrong doing Bob K stated no.

Motion to accept Bob K and Harvey W's report. Steve S., Harold D. 2nd. Motion passes.

New business:

Allan S. brought up the Spirituality Conference stated he would like to again chair the conference and asked if the room reps could ask if someone would like to co-chair with him. If someone is interested to please be present at the July Intergroup Meeting or please bring in a signed sheet stating their interest. We need to vote on the chairs at the July meeting. Criteria is 6 months clean to chair a Spirituality Conference. Conference is normally held in January.

Bob K. stated as going through the financial review of 2006, there is usually a recommendation of things to do or not do for the future. He and Harvey W recommended the following:

A. Intergroup should prepare an annual budget.

Jim A. motioned to have a budget committee to put together budget for approval.

Fred L. 2nd

Discussion:

Fred L stated Intergroup deals with a large amount of \$ therefore should have guidelines for how and why things are spent.

Steve S. stated should be at least 2 persons nor more than 4-6 people max.

The following members volunteered to be on committee

Bob K, Tom D2, Bill S and Jeff F.

Jim A. stated goal should be to have budget together by Oct/Nov intergroup.

Steve S. purpose budget for 2008, come back by Oct.

Motion passed.

B. Mid America should be asked to change their monthly reporting period for the bank

Statements from the 21st of the month to the end of the month.

Motion to accept by Kathy H., Dan B. 2nd – Motion passed.

Note: Rene' B to discuss with bank

C. Forms to be used to request checks as in the past.

Heidi motioned for treasurers to review recommendations, ask what they need or not.

Steve S 2nd - Motion passed.

D. Old outstanding checks be reviewed by the co-treasurers in conjunction with their monthly Reconciliation of bank statements.

Already done by the treasurers.

E. Recommend Chicago Intergroup only send 2 trustees to any conference instead of the 4 that Are elected.

Motion to table to budget committee. Heidi 2nd. –

Discussion: Steve S. objected because trustees were elected under certain guidelines already put into place.

Motion Failed.

F. Invoices presented for payment of expenses conducted and funded by CIG be initialed by

Those approving them for payment.

Bill S. – guidelines already in place, follow guidelines.

- G. CIG annually collected in excess of \$1000 from various non-donation type activities.
This requires CIG to prepare and file annual 990 and 990-T federal tax returns as well
As AG-990 returns.

Discussion: TomD2 will submit to trustees for ideas at conference. No motion.

PINNINGS; NEW PINNINGS ARE IN BOLD

Please call or email Heidi at 312-475-9041 or hamcat@hellokitty.com **AT LEAST ONE-DAY PRIOR TO INTERGROUP**

Room reps, PLEASE follow the format below when sending info to Heidi.

When having an in room meeting, please indicate if it is open or closed!

On the website we will be posting which trustee will be attending the pinning.

Date	Day	Time	Location	Person	Years
6/26/07	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Michael Reese	Betty B Maurine C	5 yr. GA 1 yr. GA
7/14/07	Saturday	9:30 am	Bartlett	Verna P Angelo C	1 yr. GA 5 yr. GA
7/11/07	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Maywood	Rose B	1 yr. GA
7/20/07	Friday	7:30 PM Open mtg. only during pinning	Bolingbrook	Nancy L	5 yr. GA
7/20/07	Friday	6:30 PM In Room Pinning	Joilet	Mike P	1 yr. GA
8/20/07	Sunday	6:00 PM	Elgin	Steve H Randy H Lisa E Joanne S	All 1 yr. GA

Kathy H asked if it could be a problem because there will be 2 pinnings on the same night, 7/20/07. Replied should be ok because of in room pinning.

Motion to approve and accept pinnings as presented. - Motion Passed
No discussion.

Committee Reports

Board of Regents' report – Alan S

Increase price of pins for pinnings. Now to be \$25.00 and \$28.00 each.

BD of Regents applauded Chicago on the success of the National conference held there

In May also on the outstanding amount of money given to ISO made from conference. However, there were some not so happy about the large amount made on the conference In Chicago.

Bob W. is the Chair of the Board of Regents.

Alan S. came in 6th place not elected to the Board, but will be the first alternate.

He looks forward to serving again sometime. Therefore Jim M. will collect the Board of Regents report at the conference.

Kathy H motioned to accept report. Steve S 2nd – Motion passed.

Pressure Relief – Dan B.

11 pressure reliefs this past month.

1 St. Francis (Evanston) Financial

7 Downers Grove (5 Financial and 2 Financial/Marital)

2 Bloomingdale (Financial)

1 St. Mary's (Financial)

Reminder: As election in rooms are approaching, pls. remind rooms to elect 1 chairperson in ea. room to be a representative for pressure relief.

With advance notice Dan is available to come to any meeting to help with pressure relief. Dan's nbr is 815-342-0385, his email is on the website.

Motion to accept the Pressure Relief report – Report accepted

Public Relations – Kathy H.

No report.

Phone Service – Rene B

87 calls from April 19th through May 18th, totaling 708 minutes.

We paid \$50.

However, we will be paying full cost in 2009, right now it is a current cost of 45cents /per Minute if we were being billed at the full rate. So therefore, Diana R asked that we try to Limit our time on the phone with the gambler, most important thing we can do is get them To a meeting...

Motion to accept the phone service report – Report accepted.

Supplies – Christine K and Jeff F

The supply form should be on the net soon. You will be able to email Jeff or Christine at least 2 week's prior to intergroup. Supplies distributed at June intergroup \$382.70, amount collected tonight \$105.00,

Motion to accept the supplies report – Report accepted.

Because of increase in price of pins.

Fred motioned to order 3 month's supply of pins to save on cost.

Harold 2nd

Motion passed.

Internet – Rene for Rick

No report.

Treasurers' Report – Phil S and Harvey W

Collection tonight \$2505.49 - GA intergroup \$1571.30 – ISO \$650.70 - supplies \$105.00
Pinning fund \$19.00 Trustee's refund \$121.49

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

Sunshine Report – Deb

No report.

Trustees Report – Kathy H, Tom D2, Steve S and Jim M

Steve S:

Steve stated this evening that he will be resigning as trustee effective July Intergroup, he will be moving out of area 8. Steve said Thank you for giving him this opportunity to serve the Chicago area. (You will be missed Steve, THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!)

Steve also mentioned after the National “50 Year” Conference in L.A., California this year. The next will be National in Portland, Oregon Spring 2008. Then the National in Houston, Texas Fall 2008 and the National in Kansas City, Mo. 2009 spring. Steve also highlighted many of the decisions and discussions held at the Chicagoland National 2007 (please refer to minutes of the trustee meeting given to your Intergroup Rep this evening)

Jim M:

Jim stated he and Kathy H have been doing a lot of traveling to the area 8 meetings, visiting all 3 states, Ill, Ind. and Wis. It is difficult to service all the meetings in this area. Wisconsin has 60 meetings of their own; therefore perhaps they should breakout of Area 8 and have their own trustees. Kathy is preparing to send out info to them in their area for realignment by meetings at the Portland National Spring Conference.

Kathy H:

Kathy stated please notify a trustee if a pinning is cancelled. They do their best to attend all pinnings and would appreciate notification of any cancellations.

Since Steve S will be resigning Chicagoland Intergroup will be holding a trustee election on August 20th, 2007 to finish out Steve S's term, which goes till June 30th 2008.

If any one is interested in running for this position nominations will be accepted at the July Intergroup on July 16th, 2007 in Elmhurst meeting begins at 7:30pm. The person nominated must have 2 years clean time and must submit a bio of their services with GA at the July meeting. Any questions contact one of the current trustees.

California National is just 3 mths away. Kathy will be doing a walkathon to support ISO. She will be attending meetings in the area and passing the envelope to collect support for her walk for ISO.

Kathy H made motion for \$4.21 for reimbursement of printing of guidelines for trustees. Diana R 2nd – Motion passed.

Tom D2:

Any one wanting to submit ideas for the National Conference in LA to be put on the agenda please email them to Tom at tomdtwo@aim.com Before the end of July.

Motion to accept the trustee report – Report accepted.

New Meetings Report – Dave M.

No report.

Anniversary Report – Victor C

No Report

2007 National Spring Conference Report – Steve S

On behalf of Jim F, Laura F and Steve S. THANK YOU for a fantastic conference.
Total persons registered 655. 60 Scholarships Saturday dinner we had 475 and
Approximately 800 people over the course of the conference for attendance. A report will
Be given to ISO within the next 60 days.
The total check presented to ISO will be \$20826.00 (55% GA, 45% GAMON)
Motion to accept report – Motion passed.

Activities Report – Heidi

No Report.

Picnic Report – Scott S

Location: Bemis Woods
Date: August 12, 2007
Time: 11:00am to 4:00pm

Scott stated picnic is coming.... He handed out fliers to be taken back to all the rooms
And be distributed by reps.
Volunteers are need for all spots: cooking, games, set up, clean up, etc. His name and
Email is on the flier. Any questions pls. call.
(708) 514-0921

ssswider@yahoo.com

Nine people registered to date.

There will be a volunteer meeting before the Saturday afternoon Hinsdale meeting at
12:30pm July 7th. Please help this great time to be had by all.

This event has only 6 volunteers so far....please help.

Motion to accept report – Motion passed.

Good and Welfare

Tim P (Lisle/Naperville) please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m. with the group joining hands and reciting the Serenity Prayer.