

**CHICAGOLAND G.A. INTERGROUP
MINUTES FOR September 17th, 2007**

Chairman: René B
Secretary: Cindy M
The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm

Readings:

Recovery Program – Dolores R
Unity Program – Drew X
One Day at a Time - Vicky S

Excused Absences: Pat W 2 from Joliet/Monday, Tom D Trustee, Jim F co- chair, Dianna R Schaumburg, Jeremy B Lisle, John C Lisle, Dale C Aurora

New Repts: No new repts

Review of the Aug minutes

Under 2007-conference report – the split between the 2 groups are 55% to GA and 45% to GamAnon.
Minutes approved as amended.

Old Business: No old business

New business:

Scott D reminds us about self-exclusion from the riverboats. If you are interested in having someone come to your meeting please contact him at 630- 640- 9032 or lastbets@hotmail.com. He can arrange to have someone come to the meeting and complete the paperwork. It will be done before or after the meeting, not during the meeting.

Rene did not get confirmation that she was waiting for from the hospital. Instead she got a letter advising us to be more professional, quieter and clean up after ourselves better. She has a call in to the hospital to investigate the complaint.

Motion made by Leila E to donate \$250 for the ISO walkathon in LA.
Motion passes

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 repts, 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
9-18-07	Tuesday – open	7:00 pm	Michael Reese	Robert L	1 yr GA
9-24-07	Monday – open	7:00 pm	First Presbyterian Church – Joliet	Lori S	1 yr GA
10-3-07	Wednesday – open	7:00 pm	Maywood – Wayback Inn	Linda M Joe O	1 yr GA 1 yr GA
10-18-07	Thursday – open	7:00 pm	Lisle	Stan C	15 yr GA

Heidi talked about a pinning, which took place without intergroup approval. It wasn't brought to the group at the last intergroup and it was held before this current one. Rene states we cannot

stop anyone from having a pinning but without approval we wont pay for the pins, and it is not posted on the Internet.

Committee Reports

New Meetings – No report

Activities – No report

Anniversary – No report

Internet – No report

Pressure Relief – Jim A

1 Financial/marriage in Lake in the Hills, 1 financial in Bloomingdale.

Jim passed out handouts - he is looking for volunteers to help with pressure reliefs. He is looking for attorneys, accountants, ga and GamAnon members (pls include the relationship to the gambler).

Jim A can be reached at 847- 791- 7450, or email him at jimamacronet@yahoo.com

Motion to accept the pressure relief report - report accepted

Discussion: Jim was asked if he would be willing to do training for pressure relief, he is looking into doing something; he hasn't put anything together yet. Bill thinks new forms are coming out at the upcoming national conference.

Public Relations – Kathy H.

A gentleman from the tribune called regarding a story he was writing: raffles to buy million dollar homes. Kathy didn't have anyone who was able to help this gentleman with specific information. If you are interested in being contacted for any public relations matters please contact Kathy H.

Motion to accept the public relations report – Report accepted

Phone Service – Donna

For billing period Aug 19 2007 through Sept 18 2007

84 calls, 576.4 minutes total cost of 259.38. We paid \$50 and the BOR paid the balance.

Motion to accept the phone service report – Report accepted.

Supplies – Christine K and Jeff F

Supplies distributed at intergroup \$363.45, amount collected tonight \$94.49, supplies ordered \$361.49.

Both Christine and Jeff are planning on stepping down from this position at the end of the year.

We will need 2 volunteers, if interested please talk to your room rep.

Motion to accept supply report – Report accepted.

Treasurers' Report – Phil S and Harvey W

Collection tonight - Ga intergroup \$1433. – ISO \$806. (This includes the \$216.00 special collection of Sept 13 and \$39. can collection - supplies \$120.99 - pinning fund \$48. Total collection is \$2407.99.

Motion to pay \$40.00 for the PO box for the next year.

Motion Passed.

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

Sunshine Report – Debbie M

Debbie is sorry, but she forgot the cards at home. She will mail them out.

Motion to accept the Sunshine report – Report accepted

Trustees Report – Dolores R, Kathy H, Jim M

Kathy H thanks the group for the donation to ISO walkathon. She has already forwarded \$2689.00 to the ISO.

Kathy is trying to get Springfield to break off from Chicagoland and go with the St Louis intergroup. They are closer in distance to St Louis than us. It had been suggested that there be 1 trustee for each 10 meetings.

All pinnings have been attended.

The highland Sat meeting is temporarily closed. We cannot have a meeting on the national meeting list that meets only once a month.

Kathy has attended all but 9 meetings. She will get to 5 of them before the LA conference.

Kathy read a letter she received from Dan B. If you would like to write him please contact Kathy H for his address.

Jim M - BOR report

Since 2006 there has been a 40.8% increase in calls to the national hotline, which is 888gahelps.

ISO funds translate our literature into Spanish. – The combo book is being updated currently, however, the One Day at a Time would cost \$13,000 and the cost is prohibitive.

An update of the computers was deferred to lack of funds.

As our organization continues to grow and grow you can see why ISO always needs funds.

Motion to accept trustee report - report accepted

Discussion – Rigo H would like to offer his services to the ISO and translate the One Day at a Time book into Spanish. The trustees will contact the ISO on his behalf.

Good and Welfare

Jeff W's (from Arlington Hts) father passed away, Tim P from Lisle needs prayers.

Spirituality Report – Alan S

The spirituality conference will be Saturday January 26, 2008, at Northwest community Hosp in the auditorium. The time is 11 am till 5 pm. Cost is \$10.00. Tom C and Alan s are the co chairs. There will be a flyer out next month.

Motion to accept report - report accepted

2008 conference report - Kathy H

Many committees still open, next meeting is October 8 at 7pm at the Westin Itasca Hotel, in the Chambers room. The meeting room is to the right of the bathrooms on the main floor. The conference will be May 2, 3, 4, 2008. . **We need a lot of help!!!!** The slogan is Feeling Great in 2008. Even if you don't want to chair a committee, come to the meeting and get **involved**.

Motion to accept conference report - report accepted

Budget report - Jeff F

Jeff did a presentation of the budget. There was no vote. The idea is for us to get familiar with the budget, so next month we can discuss it and vote on it. The budget presentation is on the website under the intergroup section. Please review the document and if any comments or concerns speak with your room rep or contact Jeff F at 312 399 9609 or email him. His address is on the website.

Motion by Bob K that if the budget doesn't get finalized during the October meeting then it be finalized at the November meeting.

Motion passes.

Motion to accept budget report - Report accepted

Next month we will need to know which room will be closed for the thanksgiving holiday!

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m. with the group joining hands and reciting the Serenity Prayer.