

CHICAGOLAND G.A. INTERGROUP MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 20, 2008

Chairperson: Cindy M
 Secretary: Verna P
 The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Readings:

Recovery Program – Vicky S
 Unity Program (Step 10) – Dave H
 One Day at a Time – Doug K

New Reps:

None

Meetings Represented:

Sun - Elgin / 6:00 PM
Sun - Chicago Hts. / 6:00 PM
Sun - Naperville / 6:00 PM
Sun - Evanston / 7:00 PM
Mon - Arlington Hts. / 7:00 PM
Mon - Joliet / 7:00 PM
Mon - Oak Lawn / 7:30 PM
Mon - Aurora / 7:00 PM
Mon - Hinsdale / 6:30 AM
Mon - Chi - St. Mary's / 6:30 PM
Mon - Morris / 7:00 pm
Tues - Schaumburg / 11:00 AM
Tues - Bloomingdale / 7:30 PM
Tues - Chicago / 12:00 PM
Tues - Norridge / 7:00 PM
Tues - Romeoville / 7:00 PM
Tues - Chicago South / 7:00 PM
Tues - Algonquin / 7:30 PM
Wed - Oak Lawn / 10:15 AM

Wed - Hoffman Est. / 7:00 PM
Wed - Park Ridge / 7:30 PM
Wed - Aurora / 7:00 PM
Wed - Hinsdale / 6:30 AM
Thur - Lisle / 7:00 PM
Thur - Gurnee / 6:30 PM
Thur - Mayfair / 8:00 PM
Thur - Oak Lawn / 8:00 PM
Thur - Chicago/ 12 PM
Fri - Hoffman Est. / 7:30 PM
Fri - Hinsdale / 6:30 AM
Fri - Joliet / 6:30 PM
Fri - Bolingbrook / 7:30 PM
Sat - Oak Park / 9:30 AM
Sat - Bartlett / 9:30 AM
Sat - Hinsdale / 2:00 PM
Sat - Elmhurst / 8:00 PM
Sat - Libertyville / 6:30 PM
Sat - Downers Grove / 9:00 AM

Area 8 Trustees:

Allan H
Kathy H
Jeff F
Arnie B

Review of the minutes from the September meeting

Motion to accept to September minutes – motion passed

Old Business:

- Jim H – New member retention – Doug K, & Jim H put handouts on the front table – Getting the GA Newcomer to Come Back..... They are looking for feedback to add to the suggestions/ideas on the handout. There are also the Short Term Group Sponsorship and Your First Meeting pamphlets already available that touches on retention.

Motion to Accept New Member Retention Report – Report accepted.

- Christine K – Phil S & Christine K volunteered at a prior Intergroup meeting to organize and compile all Intergroup meeting Motions that were passed in prior Intergroup meetings. They were able to compile this information from 2006 through September 2008.
- Jeff F is going to check to see what Roberts Rules says about revising motions already passed.

Motion to Accept Old Motions Report – Report Accepted.

New Business:

- We will be taking Nominations for Intergroup Secretary, Chairs & Treasurer at the November Intergroup. Rene B will not be running for Chair.
- George J will be the speaker at Orland Park on 10/30.
- Jeff F. – Made motion to invite members to an open house Intergroup on 12/15 with pizza and beverages afterward. Will be paid for by Intergroup and Jeff F will coordinate. We MUST clean up afterward. **Motion Passes.**
- Cindi M – Would like to change the way the Chairs are elected. Instead of choosing chairs in the order of the number of votes, hold separate election for the specific office – Chair, 1st Chair and/or 2nd Chair. **Motion Passes.**
- Phil S - Points out that the guidelines show a Chair & an Asst Chair only. Motion to follow the guidelines. **Motion Fails.**

Pinnings:

Please call or email Fred L 847-525-8951 fredlevin@comcast.net
AT LEAST ONE DAY PRIOR TO INTERGROUP

Date	Day	Time	Location	Person	Years
11/2/08	Sunday – In-Room (closed)	6:00 pm	Church of the Nazarene – Chicago Hts.	Sheila M	1 yr. – GA
				Terry E	1 yr. – GA
11/14/08	Friday – Open	7:00 pm	Provena St. Joseph – Joliet Room LDRP 2 nd Floor	Bob S	5 yr. – GA
				Dolores H	1 yr. – GA
				Zita B	5 yr. – GA
12/12/08	Friday – Open	7:00 pm	Dyer, Indiana	Tom K	5 yr. - GA

Pinning Guidelines:

1. To be eligible to be pinned a member must attend 39 meetings a year.
2. No room will schedule more than 1 pinning event in a 30 day period.
3. Notification of pinning must be communicated to the pinning chairperson NO LATER than the day before Intergroup meetings.
4. To prevent conflicts, rooms may not schedule an event on the same day as another room. In the case of a conflict, the first room to schedule a pinning and inform the pinning chairperson will take precedence.

Motion to accept Pinning Report - Report Accepted

Committee Reports

Pressure Relief – No Report

Public Relations – No Report

Activities – Open Position – No Report

Anniversaries – No Report

Picnic Report – No Report

Phone Service – Jim H

- For the period September 21, 2008 through October 20, 2008
89 calls
507 minutes
We are responsible for \$50

Motion to accept the Phone Service Report – Report accepted.

Internet Report – Rick B

- Rick's email address has changed to gachicago@att.net

Motion to accept the Internet Report – Report accepted.

Treasurers' Report – Phil S.

CIG	\$1,124.90
ISO	634.00
Can ISO (Intergroup)	45.00
Total ISO Collection	<u>679.00</u>
Supplies	300.55
Picnic	20.00
Park Ridge Rent	20.00
Deposit in Transit	0.00
	<u>1,015.50</u>
Total Collection	\$2,122.45

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report – Report accepted.

Sunshine Report – Debbie M

- Has cards to pass out

Motion to accept the Sunshine Report – Report accepted.

Trustees Report – Kathy H

- Kathy will be doing the walk-a-thon in Houston. \$2,300.55 has been collected. Thank you for all your donations.
- Arnie B – Board of Regents Report - in September 11 Starter Kits distributed.
- No total count on phone calls this month due to Hurricane Ike. Discussion on changing website – currently have 3 bids.

Motion to accept the Trustees Report – Report accepted.

New Meetings Report – Jeff F

- Jeff F – 312-399-9609 – please contact him if you are interested in a Gam-a-Teen meeting for teenage children of compulsive gamblers.
- Christ Methodist Church – meeting will be CLOSED for Thanksgiving day
- Bring Christmas and New Years Day closings to November meeting.
- Closings for November 4 – Election day – Please send to Rick B for the Internet.

Motion to accept the New Meetings Report – Report accepted.

Budget Report – Jeff F.

- 2009 proposed budget was available on the front table. Will vote on the budget in November so if changes need to be made, contact Jim Bob or Bill to include in discussion.
- Intention is to put more money towards events to help attract more members such as pinnings, picnic, etc.

Motion to accept Budget Report – Report Accepted

Conference 2009 – Fred L. & Jim H.

- Fred L - The next conference committee meeting will be held on Monday, October 27 – 7:00pm at St Peter Damien Church – 109 S. Crest Avenue – Bartlett, IL.
- Jim H. – Milwaukee Mini-Conference will be held on Saturday, November 8.
- Eileen Z – Milwaukee Mini-Conference is looking for speakers – Theme is the 12 steps – still need speakers for step 4, 8, 9 & 12.
- Fred L. – Most of the chairs have been filled but we are still looking for volunteers. First draft of the registration form was available at the front table.
- Registration for rooms – must go DIRECTLY to the hotel to make reservations. Committee will not be involved in room reservations.
- Minimum registration deposit will be \$10 this year.
- New chair position available – volunteer chairperson – this person will coordinate volunteers. If interested, show up at the Conference Committee meeting on 10/27.
- Kathy H – Won't talk about Scholarships until after the 1st of the year. Sponsors need to contact Kathy H to have scholarships considered.
- Theme is H.O.W. We Grow.
- Bill – Old decision needs to be reviewed to see if there should be a motion on whether to change past decisions on Scholarship eligibility.

Motion to accept Conference Report– Report Accepted

Spirituality Conference – Tom C.

- Tom C – Will be held on January 24, 10:00-5:00 – still accepting volunteers to speak but are looking for no more than 10. Checked Holiday Inn Express in Naperville but it was too expensive. Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Hts wanted a commitment so we committed. Flyers will be available next month – Admission will be \$10 again. Scholarships are also available.

Motion to accept the Spirituality Report – Report accepted.

Supplies – Eileen Z.

October 2008

15 Orders	\$374.15
Supplies Ordered for Inventory	26.50
Less Orders filled with inventory	<u>-35.25</u>
	\$365.40
Shipping	<u>18.00</u>
Total due to ISO	\$383.40
Inventory	\$615.60

- People are now required to sign that they picked up the order.
- It's up to the rooms to order pins in time for pinnings.
- Has asked Rick to put the Order form on-line and will automatically calculate totals.
- November supply orders are due November 3 to receive by November Intergroup.
- Allen H – also, can recycle pins by passing them on to other members.

Motion to accept the Supplies Report – Report Accepted

Holiday Party – Leila T.

- Flyers were available at front table for distribution at meetings. Charge for admittance will be \$10/person ages 8-17 \$5, children under 8 yrs FREE.
- Please bring a dessert to share & a holiday CD. Soda, water & coffee will be provided. If someone purchases treats for goodie bags, they should bring in a receipt and they will be reimbursed.
- Tom will be Santa Claus this year and will be reimbursed for the cleaning of the Santa suit.
- Food will be from Lou Malnati's

Motion to accept the Holiday Party Report – Report accepted.

Good and Welfare

- Dolores R is feeling better and is off medication – hopes to go back to work in January and thanks everyone for the calls
- Dale C Monday Aurora– in Mercy Hospital – May have had a heart attack.
- Mike K. is feeling better and is driving again.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m. with the group joining hands and reciting the Serenity Prayer.