

RHODE ISLAND ACA INTERGROUP MEETING

2/1/20 @ 9:15 AM

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NORTH KINGSTOWN, R.I.

**In attendance: Bridget V, Mark J, Tracy M, Joe G, Amy S, Matt M, Deanna K,
Lauren S, Chris C**

Lauren S opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. She then read from pages 596-597 in the Big Red Book

Agenda item # 1: Literature

Joe G reported the initial trial book purchase (Rebecca S ordering 10 Laundry List Workbooks) did not go through; the code was not correct. Joe stated he reached out to a Connecticut Intergroup representative who was helpful. He will try again soon. Tracy M stated the glitch has been fixed.

Motion made and carried for Mark J and Joe G to coordinate and develop standard operating procedures for ordering books. Joe will ask Rebecca S for \$108 to place the first order.

Orders from individual groups through Intergroup need to be \$100 or more.

Bridget V made a motion to have literature orders fund the initial bank account deposit, not using anyone's personal finance. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion made and carried unanimously to table literature discussion until next meeting.

Agenda item #2: Email address

Lauren S stated the intergroup email address needs to be found. The July 2019 meeting minutes will be checked. When found, it will be sent to all group delegates.

Agenda item #3: Bank account

Matt M stated there is no minimum deposit to open a bank account.

Intergroup has no concerns with how individual groups decide to donate; cash, PayPal, check, etc. Matt M suggested delegates could bring donations to the monthly Intergroup meetings.

Lauren S volunteered to open an Intergroup PayPal account.

Rebecca S's initial purchase will be the first bank deposit.

Agenda item #4: Intergroup meeting attendance

There are concerns that not all individual RI ACA group are represented at monthly meetings. How do we approach the groups who currently do not have delegates?

How can we get the monthly Intergroup meetings to have full attendance? Matt M suggested a neutral site? Currently Northern and southern RI alternate meeting sites.

Delegates phoning in to attend is a distraction (lost calls, audio problems, etc.)

Further discussion is tabled until next meeting.

Agenda item #5: WSO related topics

Tracy M offered 2 handouts to the group

1. A list of 16 proposals that groups worldwide are invited to vote on before the upcoming ABC.
2. A notice that there is now a tentcard available for groups to display at meetings to address the "ACA Commitment to Addressing Predatory Behavior".

Discussion on both handouts is tabled until next meeting.

Tracy M suggested that RI Intergroup elect a representative to WSO functions, etc. She stated she has previous experience as a service rep. Discussion is tabled until next meeting.

Next meeting to be Saturday 3/7/2020 at Hope Congregational church in East Providence from 9:30-10:30 AM.

Possible items for discussion at next meeting:

1. How will Intergroup approach individual groups for ordering literature process?
2. Discuss electing an Intergroup Service Representative to WSO.
3. Bank account set up.
4. Find email address.
5. Individual group delegates / Intergroup meeting attendance.

Meeting ended at 10:15 am with the Serenity Prayer

Respectfully submitted on 2/27/2020. Chris C