

## **RHODE ISLAND ACA INTERGROUP MEETING**

5/9/2020 @ 9:15 am  
via ZOOM CHANNEL

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

**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**

**Some general discussion: Pandemic is not going away soon. A lot of concerns are beyond our control. Society will reopen at some point.**

### **Agenda item # 1: PayPal / Zoom Channel / website**

PayPal link is operative

Is it reasonable to expect Zoom channel use for at least 1 year going forward?

We are currently focused on addressing Zoom channel related PayPal issues. All other PayPal issues are tabled.

For individual groups contributing by PayPal; use the "friends and family" option to avoid charged fees. As a non-profit organization, we qualify.

Any monies received from individual groups that exceed Zoom channel costs will go into Intergroup treasury.

Deana G will be sending out PayPal info to individual groups for instructions on how to pay for Zoom channel fees.

Is there interest in using Zoom channel for step studies? Bridget V recommended we enclose a survey onto RI Intergroup website.

Interactive activities? Mark J volunteered to look into joining exercise with Zoom channel. Other suggestions included: Inner child play dates? Virtual dinner parties?

Should we discourage accepting cash during Pandemic?

As to informational emails: groups as a whole will be contacted; not just delegates.

## **Agenda item #2: Group autonomy, etc.**

Any group can create their own procedures for running virtual meetings. We need to honor the 4th tradition. Defer any inquiries to individual groups.

Only one group in RI is autonomous (Saturday morning @ 10:30 North Kingstown), using their own virtual connection. All other RI groups are linked to WSO Zoom platform.

If individual groups use WSO Zoom platform, they may impact other meetings. All meetings as such need a moderator who is signed into Zoom.

ACA meetings on Zoom cannot be recorded. That function needs to be turned off.

Intergroup links will not be posted publicly on WSO or RI Intergroup websites. Otherwise they are available to the open public.

What makes a “closed” meeting? Attendance for adult children only. (Tradition #3).

**Next RI Intergroup meeting will be on 6/6/2020 at 9:15 am on Zoom.**

**Meeting ended at 10:05 am with the Serenity Prayer**

Respectfully submitted on 5/21/2020. Chris C