

**RHODE ISLAND AREA
ACA INTERGROUP MEETING**
Corrected version

4-2-2022 @ 9:30 AM Providence and Zoom

Bridget V, opened the meeting with a moment of silence and The ACA Serenity Prayer

**Attendance: In-person: Deana: (Tech/Newsletter, Outreach); Chris C: (NE Reg. Rep.); Rebecca; (Rep for 7AM Meeting), Pike P: (Secretary, Outreach);
Zoom: Bridget V: (Chair); Lynette: (Rep. Learning to Thrive);**

Minutes: Bridget mentioned Minutes were online. Pike stated Deana made corrections and they were added.

Motion made and Accepted to Approve Minutes of March Meeting 2022

Committee Reports:

Treasury: Deana stated we have income of \$1090.72 in the bank. The Event went well and brought in \$618.00 including \$168 in donations. After expenses of \$467.36 for the cost of rent for the Church of the Mediator and sundries we had a net profit of \$150.64. We sold 4 T-shirts and have a surplus of 20 shirts. The tally is posted on our newsletter finance report.

Motion Made and accepted to approve the Treasury Report

Literature: Joe asked Deana to give the report in his absence. There is a book inventory now as follows: 6-Big Red Books; 9-Loving Parent guidebook; 2-Yellow Traits Workbook; 11-Strengthening My Recovery-Daily soft cover; 2 Large print BRB; and 20 T-Shirts; Several Welcome Coins; Several Newcomer Packages

Motion Made and accepted to approve Literature Report

Outreach: Pike reported that the March 26th ACA Event went well overall. The music, art showing, and Potluck was enjoyed by as many as 60 attendees. The fact that it paid for itself and made a small profit as well as prospered in good fellowship and sprit of people gathering in person showed it was a success. She suggested that we survey attendees to get feedback from people to get their thoughts in. Rebecca suggested we offer a brief online survey to help in planning the next event. Bridget suggested we bring up changes we might make in a separate meeting.

Motion made and accepted to approve the Outreach Committee Report

Newsletter/Website Tech report: Deanna reported the Site Traffic by Mail Chimp showed 988 page views and 406 unique views on the Website. The email membership shows 236 persons. The ACA WSO Proposals are still on the Rlareaaca.org website. The Zoom Channel is paid for the year and the second Zoom channel will be paid in June.

Motion made and accepted to approve the Newsletter/Website Report

WSO Report: no report.

North East Regional Report: Chris said this month's meeting was canceled. He noted that in recognition of our two successful public Events the North East Region still wants to assist. Chris as part of their outreach participated in the cold calling campaign. He added that Joe G. is interested in a larger event covering a wider range of fellowship and this is where Regional could help as they have the resources. Chris mentioned Regional's monthly meeting on Zoom takes place 3rd Wednesday of the month and they are looking to fill positions for Regional- especially a technical person and a secretary. They have about 5-10 people attending by Zoom. Bridget asked if the tech person was willing to train an incoming person. Chris offered that yes, Brad would be willing to train an incoming person. Deana explained that it could be complicated to train as there is sensitive information including credit card numbers that could be compromised.

Motion made and accepted to approve North East Regional Report

Secretary Report: Pike acknowledged the March Minutes were late and will get them out sooner. As an aside she thanked the group for celebrating her Birthday at the event!

Motion made and accepted to accept Secretary Report.

Old Business: Regarding the Event: Rebecca was registrar and commented on its success and thought there was perhaps 60-70 people that came, some as far as Boston and Connecticut, most of whom stayed the whole time. She offered that it would be helpful to get quantitative and qualitative feedback about the event perhaps through the newsletter.

New Business: Deana asked if there is the possibility for getting assistance from Regional for new books in order to start the new Loving Parent meeting that will be beginning this week in Providence at the Church of the Mediator Wednesday nights? Bridget asked if we have a protocol for such requests especially when new groups start. Chris offered to ask if Regional would consider offering seed money for new groups and admitted that there would be no funds available unless he propose the idea to them at next meeting and they agree. In any case it would not be in time for the new meeting. Discussion continued and agreement was made to loan the 6 LPG books from Intergroups inventory as a loan to get the meeting started.

Motion made and accepted to advance 6 LPG books for the new meeting for later reimbursement

Deana said the next event is the Annual Picnic that was originally an AA event has now become a sobriety event largely managed by Joe G and Jody who have already secured the permit. There has been discussion that Intergroup could take over much of the responsibility. Bridget asked if Joe would be willing to give up control if we got involved as it would become an event that decisions would need to be voted on. Chris added that planning also include AA as it is technically began as such and that Joe and Jody are ready to pass on much of the work.

Motion made and accepted to have Intergroup collaborate with Joe and Jody and AA to orchestrate the next Annual Sobriety Picnic

Motion made and accepted to close the meeting: Meeting closed at 10:30 AM

Meeting closed with the ACA Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting: May 7, 2022 at 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Respectfully submitted-Pike co-secretary