

RHODE ISLAND AREA  
**ACA INTERGROUP MEETING**

9/11/21 @ 9:15 AM via Zoom channel

**In attendance: Bridgit B, Chris C, Deana G, Joe G, Pike P; Joe G, Matt M, Guy T, Meg, Jessica, Doug, Eric**

**Bridgit B opened the meeting with a moment of silence in memory of 9/11 and The Serenity Prayer**

Chris read minutes of last meeting.

Motion made and carried to approve minutes from 8/7/21 Intergroup meeting

**Agenda Item #1: Committee Reports:**

**a. Treasury Report:** There is \$1276.57 in the treasury currently. More discussion on budget will follow.

Motion made and unanimously carried to accept the Treasury report.

1.] Discussion on 501 c-7 non-profit status: Guy reported that he and Donna in researching the 501 c-7 status came across a 'yellow' flag in the application process in that membership required expiration dates and as ACA members have no such dates they held off on furthering the application process. Discussion pursued with suggestions for overcoming or bypassing the 'flag' with emphasis on the importance of concluding the application 501 c-7 in a timely manner to avoid having Matt M.'s personal social security number being used and to avoid tax liability on him and us and to secure not-for-profit tax-ID for sales by for RI Area Intergroup. Comments on annual audits, tax forms continued and Matt called for a point of order. Bridgit recommended the group sort it out in committee.

Motion made and unanimously carried to retract last month's motion to make 501-c7 Application until further research is made.

Motion made and unanimously carried to accept the report.

**b. Literature Report:** Joe G said he and co- chair Bridget V have ordered \$300. Of literature including two cases of the new book the *Loving Parent Guidebook* and will notify when they are in and available and encouraged fellow travelers to notify groups and to make book orders.

Motion made and unanimously carried to accept the Literature report.

**c. Outreach:** Item remains tabled; No report

**d. Technology / Newsletter** Deana stated the ACA Newsletter has become more popular with many people making numerous return visits. There are currently 141 people on the email list and The newsletter is sent out to persons. Deanna asked for support. Guy nominated Meg to help with technology and website. Meg agreed to step up to help.

Motion made and unanimously carried to have Meg become co-tech support person with Deanna .

Motion made and unanimously carried to accept the Technology and Newsletter report.

**e. NE Regional and WSO Updates**

Chris stated he attended August 25<sup>th</sup> Regional Meeting on Zoom.

Points also made were that Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont are forming a new Intergroup lead by member Richard R. there was discussion on questioning 'best practices regarding men or women only meetings

Deanna stated there's no WSO report as she and Tracy were unable to connect in order to get the information on attending the monthly meeting. Guy asked for someone attending to step up. Susan agreed to look into what is involved to be WSO rep with Deanna and may step into that role.

Motion made and unanimously carried to accept the Regional and WSO report.

**Agenda Item #2: Items of Business**

- a. Picnic\_Recovery picnic: Sunday 8/28 at Haines Park Riverside from noon- was well attended and enjoyed.
- b. Loving Parent Guidebook author Bonnie agreed to come and talk November 6, 2021 and ACA will cover hotel and dining expenses for her visit and talk. Notice will also be posted in ACA newsletter. Should Intergroup support all or some expenses? Pike and will make a flyer and Deanna will post flyer in newsletter.

Motion made and unanimously carried to set aside \$1000. for expenses of the event .

Motion made and unanimously carried to hold monthly meetings at 9:30 AM -10:30 AM

**Item tabled:** Election of new co-secretary

Motion made and unanimously carried to close the meeting

**Meeting closed at 10:16; Next meeting is scheduled for Saturday 10/2/21 @ 9:30 am via Zoom Channel**

**Respectfully submitted Co-secretary-Pike P. 9/11**