RHODE ISLAND ACA INTERGROUP MEETING

9/12/20 @9:15 AM via Zoom channel

In attendance: Bridget B, Joe G, Chris C, Guy T, Lauren S, Bridget V, Deana G

Lauren S opened the meeting with a moment of silence and The Serenity Prayer, then read from pages 596-597 in The Big Red Book

Agenda Item #1: Term limits for Intergroup service positions:

Motion made and unanimously carried to have all elected Intergroup service positions be 2 years per term.

The following comments and questions were discussed:

- 1. Can someone serve more than 1 term?
- 2. Should the 2 year term start from 2020 or 2019? What month?
- 3. Should the election of each position be staggered so they don't all begin and end in the same month of the year? Can we rotate positions?
- 4. Deana G and Bridget B will create a spreadsheet and a calendar for tracking of positions. They will also develop a list of those who want to serve.
- 5. Chris C stated a willingness to stay on as Secretary through a 2 year term, and that he considered 1 year already served.

Motion made and unanimously carried to table discussion for now.

Agenda item #2: Treasurer's report:

Guy T was nominated and unanimously elected as Assistant Treasurer. He provided report.

There is currently \$ 519.38 in Intergroup treasury. \$300 of the total is donations from the Mon/Wed/Fri meetings at Salvation Army on Pitman St. Guy also reported about 25 individual donations (from \$1.00-\$75.00). He stated encouraging Zoom channel meetings to donate will help paying for literature and future events. For future discussion: Should donations sent to PayPal account stay there or transfer to checking account?

Agenda Item #3: Communication among Intergroup members:

Discussion included:

- 1. What are the expectations with communication?
- 2. How do we address absenteeism in Intergroup meetings?
- 3. Should we encourage participation of all group representatives?
- 4. If a RI Intergroup member meets with an outside party for information or consultation, should all members be invited to attend?

Motion made and unanimously carried to table discussion for now.

Agenda item #4: Literature report:

Bridget V was nominated and unanimously elected to replace Mark J, who can no longer serve as Literature coordinator (with Joe G).

Intergroup is building an inventory of literature stock, including Laundry Lists and Big Red Books. Joe G can provide a detailed list of all items on request. Joe stated he would like to purchase some "best sellers": Strengthening My Recovery books, Yellow Work Books, newcomer brochures, etc.

Motion made and carried (with 1 abstention) to allocate \$ 400 from treasury to allow Literature coordinators to purchase materials to continue building up inventory. Included in the motion was a request for accountability with spending.

Joe G stated the Connecticut ACA Intergroup Literature coordinator (Lawrence) met with him and other RI Intergroup members recently, providing helpful information on how CT ACA purchases and distributes materials.

Deana G stated the Monday Night Group is disbanding, and may donate its stockpile of ACA literature to Intergroup. She will provide an update.

Next meeting is scheduled for Saturday 10/3/20 via Zoom Channel Potential topics for next month's meeting agenda:

<u>Literature and Treasurer's reports</u>
<u>Term limits of service positions</u>
<u>Communication amongst Intergroup representatives</u>

Meeting closed at 10:15 AM with The Serenity Prayer Respectfully submitted 10/1/20 - Chris C