

MADISON AREA INTERGROUP MINUTES

May 7, 2009

ATTENDANCE: Don, Cassidy, Carol, Hatheway, Sharon

WELCOME:

The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer and reading the 5th Concept of Service.

RECORDER'S REPORT:

Approval of last month's minutes with revisions.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

- Brochures - **Cassidy**

- WSO list needs to be mailed to **Jane or Hatheway.**

- **Don** will be distributing the 7th tradition pamphlets to various meetings at our next Intergroup meeting. WSO has increased the suggested donation to \$3 or more in that pamphlet. The Saturday morning meeting at Meriter decided to have a group conscience about that issue at their next business meeting. He questioned if this is a procedure that all meetings would be wise to follow, or if it is okay to simply change the wordage in the introductions to meetings that now specify \$2.

- **Don** reported that he ordered and received 25 pamphlets titled "OA Handbook for Members, Groups and Intergroups: Recovery Opportunities." The cost will be covered by Intergroup. Since the last IG meetings, there has been talk about why we as OA in Madison are not growing and why others have commented that the faces in the local OA meetings seem over serious compared to AA, Alanon. The booklet addresses some of these issues. Don will get copies of the booklet to each of you at the June IG meeting.

- Region V Assembly. MAIG is entitled to fill one more position to represent the Madison area at the assembly, and any increased interest would be appreciated. **Don** has volunteered to help co-host the July Assembly in Fort Wayne.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **PHONE/HELP LINE:** **Don** will check with the Cleveland OH intergroup who host the toll-free line. He will report back to everyone in time to include any changes in an updated meeting list which will likely be necessary once Mount Olive Lutheran Church moves to its new quarters in June. Questions if we have agreed to accept their offer to continue to provide space for MAIG in July once they have moved? Their new address will be 110 N Whitney Way, just a couple of blocks West of University Avenue.

- **MEETING LIST:** **Jane** has completed and distributed.

- **WE CARE LIST:** **Debb** has completed and distributed.

- EASY DOES IT:

- **Cassidy** will contact **Jane** for e-mail addresses of people who have e-mail addresses so **Cassidy** will know who does not have e-mail but wants the EDI.

- **Cassidy** would like to enter two stories in the monthly EDI. Please consider writing an article for the upcoming issues. Discussion regarding "This may be copied without permission for use in an OA meeting."

- PUBLIC INFORMATION:

- More support is needed for the Tuesday night 7:00 meeting in Fitchburg and for the Monday and Thursday noon meetings at St John's Church, 322 East Washington.

- WEBSITE:

- Problems with the Website Links have been resolved.

- **Larry** has set up a system to count the number of hits on the OA Website.

- 2010 BIG BOOK STUDY:

- **Rhonda** is checking into hotels in Madison and Chicago who could host this event.

- FUND-RAISING:

- Bling at spring and fall marathons.

- MARATHON:

- In the May EDI, **Cassidy** asked if anyone would assist in planning the fall event.

- NEW BUSINESS:

- **Hatheway** reported that the difficulty with the mail box has been corrected, and the mailbox is open. The address is: PO Box 294, Madison, WI, 53703.

- **MAIG June meeting:** Our rent has been paid up through June to use the Mineral Point Road church address for our June meeting. We will need to followup then to officially decide where to have meetings July and following. Rhonda will be keeping us up-to-date on where the July meeting will be held.

- Discussion regarding the procedure for reimbursement. **Carole** had ordered Newcomer Packets and would like to be reimbursed \$29.25 for this order.

NEXT MEETING:

June 3, 2009 at 6:15 PM

Mount OliveChurch

Mineral Point Road

Madison, WI

ADJOURNMENT: 7: 15 p.m.