

MINUTES: Board of Trustees Meeting
Al-Anon Information Service of Grand Rapids Area

November 15, 2022 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting ID 867 1068-4938 Password 475099

Board of Trustees: Chairperson - Donna F.; Secretary - Mary .E.; Treasurer - Kelley C.;
Communications Committee Chairperson - Aaron C.; Member-At-Large - Rebecca M.;
Member-At-Large; Janet O., District 20 Liaison - Michelle D., District 18 Liaison - Karen K.

Opening: Serenity Prayer **Reading:** Courage To Change Pg.64 "Fear"

Voting Members in attendance: Mary E., Kelley C., Aaron C., Rebecca M., Janet O., Karen K., Michelle D.

Minutes: Reviewed July 19, 2022, Board of Trustees minutes - **Motion:** To approve the minutes ; proposed by Janet O., 2nd Mary E., Yes - 7, No-0, Abstain - 0. Passed

Committee Reports:

1. , Treasurer - Treasurer reviewed the Balance sheet and the Contribution record. There are continuing problems with mailed donations from groups getting to her. Requested an email be sent to all groups to let them know that any group donations sent after August 2022 were not received. Please re-send group donations to AISGR. Treasurer reported that she has misplaced the pouch containing a number of checks and offered to reimburse missing money. A **motion** was proposed by Michelle D. stating that, as the treasurer is a trusted servant, she should not be responsible for missing money. Rebecca M. 2nd. Yes - 6 No.-0 Abstained-1. Passed. ***Please note, since minutes were reported, the missing voucher has been found***

2. Communications Committee -

Phone - A new rotation of three phone volunteers began on November 1st and will continue through December 31st. Aaron suggested that when we reach the hand-off to new board in 2024 to look into making 3-year commitment as phone volunteers.

Summary of Grasshopper reports:

To date (January through October) the phone service had a total of 266 calls (including 103 hang-ups and 146 successful calls) in 2022.

Web - Groups continue to meet electronically(Zoom) and face-to-face as well as hybrid (zoom and face-to-face). Communications committee continues to make necessary updates to the website as AISGR is trying to stay current with how our groups are choosing to meet. Because IONOS continues to have difficulty keeping fully connecting with our website, it was requested that the Board allow Communication Committee to look into changing to another domain provider. **Motion:** was made by Michelle , 2nd by Janet O. to allow the committee to make decision concerning changing service provider as long as the change does not exceed \$10/month. If cost does exceed this amount, they will need to request approval by Board. Yes - 7, No - 0 Passed.

Schedule - Schedule printings have been on hold since January 2021 due to frequent change requests. Digital and printable meeting calendar has also been added to the website which should be used in newcomer packets. Schedule changes will continue to be sent to Aaron until Nancy (new schedule editor) issue is resolved.

3. Finance Committee - No report.

4. Policy Committee - No report.

5. District 20 - Michelle D. reported that D20 has an open Treasurer position. Committee is contacting all District 20 meetings to see which ones are currently in-person meetings. Two ads will run at 2 movie theaters in GR area for the month of December. PO packets will be made and distributed to Treatment Centers. Questions or interest in PO collaboration should contact PO Coordinator, Erika C.

4. District 18 - Karen K. reported that District 18 is growing, will be having first board meeting soon. They have developed a schedule for their area. Julie L is district rep.

Old Business:

- Board is continuing to meet to study PPM.
- Mary E. presented the final banquet report. Smaller number of attendees but very pleased with speakers/meal, etc.

New Business:

- The Board will be looking at the guidelines in the PPM for literature distribution. There should be a coordinator as well as an assistant coordinator.
- The Board will provide original page(s) and proposed changes to the PPM when presenting to the membership for discussion and approval.
- Discussion on the use of Google Docs. Is there something less complicated to use? A suggestion that Board hold a workshop for Board members in how to use current Google Docs.
- Board is responsible for providing program for January 1st Friday Speakers Meeting. We should be looking for a speaker, or possibly a panel.

Next Meetings:

AISGR Membership meeting - January 17, 2023

AISGR Board of Trustees - March 21, 2023

Close: Serenity Prayer

Submitted by : Mary E.