

**Minutes of Southern Maine Intergroup Meeting**  
**4:30-6:00 pm, Sunday, August 4, 2019**  
**Mercy Hospital, 100 State Street B-1, Portland**

**Present**

John K.: Leader for this meeting, Thursday Scarborough Rep  
Robin S.: Secretary  
Debbie P.: Treasurer  
Trish V.: Monday Scarborough Rep, PIPO Committee Chairman  
Kate P.: Tuesday Portland Rep  
Linda C.: Saturday Portland Rep  
Vicki H.: Sunday Portland Rep  
Amy D.: Tuesday Biddeford (new meeting)

**Opening and Introductions**

Serenity Prayer was said and OA 12 Steps, OA 12 Traditions and OA 12 Concepts were read. Personal introductions and affiliations were shared.

**Reports**

**Secretary** – Minutes from June 2 were approved.

**Treasurer** – The ending balance for 08/04/19 is \$9,566.39.8 (see attached report for details) and the report was approved.  
*Thank you to all the groups that contributed to the total \$693.37 in 7<sup>th</sup> tradition donations the past 2 months.*

**Retreat Committee** - The minutes from the July 1 Retreat Committee meeting submitted by Cheryl were approved. There was a subsequent meeting on August 5 and a copy of those minutes will be sent when available.

**PIPO Committee** - The minutes from the July PIPO Committee meeting submitted by Trish were approved. See attached copy of the minutes for details.

## **Old Business**

### **1. Zoom**

Robin set up a free Zoom account which was used by Kate to attend the meeting. Some questions were raised regarding the use of a free versus a paid Zoom account and Debbie volunteered to investigate. Further discussion will be required on these issues and the viability of Zoom for attendance at Intergroup meetings.

## **New Business**

### **1. PIPO Request for Intergroup Funds**

PIPO Committee's request for \$250 for literature for medical professional outreach was unanimously approved.

### **2. New Meeting in Biddeford Request for Intergroup Funds**

Amy D.'s request for \$100 for literature for a new meeting she is starting in Biddeford was unanimously approved. The meeting will be held on Tuesday evenings in Biddeford at the McArthur Public Library at 5:30 PM. Robin will add the meeting to the local meeting list and Amy will add the meeting to the World Service website. All are encouraged to attend and support the meeting.

### **3. Donations to Mercy for Monthly Use of Room B-1**

Trish raised the subject of making regular donation to Mercy in return for our monthly use of room B-1 for both Intergroup and PIPO meetings. It was unanimously agreed to make a donation and be self-supporting and the amount will be voted on at our next meeting.

### **4. Leader for Next Intergroup Meeting**

John K. volunteered to lead the next meeting.

## **Closing**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm after saying the OA Promise.

The next Intergroup meeting is Sunday, October 4 from 4:30 – 6:00 pm at Mercy Hospital, 100 State Street, B-1, Portland.

|                             | Withdrawals    | Deposits        | Balance           |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| <b>Balance as of 8/4/19</b> |                |                 | <b>\$8,927.82</b> |
|                             |                |                 |                   |
| <b>Receipts</b>             |                |                 |                   |
| 7th Tradition               |                | \$693.37        |                   |
|                             |                |                 |                   |
| Retreat funds               |                |                 |                   |
|                             |                |                 |                   |
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| <b>Disbursements/Income</b> |                |                 |                   |
| Vicki--Staples              | \$54.80        |                 |                   |
|                             |                |                 |                   |
| Penny Arcade adjustment     |                |                 |                   |
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| <b>TOTALS</b>               | <b>\$54.80</b> | <b>\$693.37</b> |                   |
|                             |                |                 |                   |
| <b>Ending Balance</b>       |                |                 | <b>\$9,566.39</b> |

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| 7th Traditions           |  |                 |  |
| Lewiston 50024           |  | \$48.00         |  |
| Scarborough              |  | \$57.00         |  |
| Scarborough 26987        |  | \$109.17        |  |
| Portland Sat AM          |  | \$93.00         |  |
| Waterville 45431         |  | \$300.00        |  |
| Portland Sun Night 46925 |  | \$86.20         |  |
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| <b>TOTAL</b>             |  | <b>\$693.37</b> |  |
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PI/PO Committee Report for July 7, 2019  
Mercy Hospital, 100 State Street B-1, Portland

Members Present: Linda C., Kate P., Vicki H., John K., Debbie P., Trish V.

Opened with Serenity Prayer followed by a brief description of the function of the PI/PO Committee.

1. Prior to the meeting at 4:30, Kate went through hands-on training using the ZOOM app.
2. QR code labels – 2 sheets to put on all literature, posters, etc. were given to each member at the meeting. Intergroup reps will receive 2 sheets for group use at the August meeting.
3. Trish reported on her phone meeting with Claire (the Region 6 PI/PO Chair). Claire suggested 3 possible projects for the committee to consider:
  - a. Google Phone Line – free, like AA hotline. The committee decided to update the IG meeting contact person and revisit this in September. Trish will get clarification from Claire about the need for such a number.
  - b. Library Book Donation – a full detailed proposal for such a project and the final write-up were discussed.
  - c. Doctor Contact by Individual Members – new literature and scripts are available.

Claire stressed that follow-up is crucial to the success of any PI/PO project. Each suggestion was examined and other possibilities will be forthcoming as we get a foothold into putting plans together and into place.

4. Leadership by Coordinator

The coordinator will research the underpinnings of the project, put together a group interested in developing a project plan and share progress reports with the PI/PO committee. All committee members will assist in any way needed.

Vicki is the Coordinator for the Professional Outreach effort. She is particularly focused on contacting bariatric medical facilities and doctors. The project goal is to present OA as a viable option to bariatric patients. At present, it appears to be the only follow-up suggestion (see item 7 in report).

5. Committee Funding

Group agreed to ask Intergroup for \$250 seed money. No additional bank account is necessary at this time.

6. Zoom Number

One meeting number for SMIG will be set up prior to the August 4 Intergroup meeting. PI/PO will make a quarterly report to SMIG.

7. Action Items

- a. Starr – update contacts on SMIG meeting list
  - b. John – further ZOOM training
  - c. Vicki – form a Professional Outreach project group
  - d. Trish –
    - 1) clarify Google phone recommendation from Claire
    - 2) check in with Claire about our meeting and get feedback
    - 3) request funds from Intergroup
    - 4) write up meeting report and send out
    - 5) plan agenda for September meeting
    - 6) check with Cheryl about contacting Mercy to change next meeting date from September 1 (Labor Day weekend) to September 8
    - 7) 7<sup>th</sup> tradition for using Mercy space?
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