Piedmont Intergroup Meeting Minutes August 11, 2018

Attendees

Susan W - Chair Alice – Co-Chair; Website Richard – Treasurer Shannon – Secretary Susan B – Region 8 Rep

Jim – Event Coordinator Elizabeth – York/Lake Wylie mtgs Kathy – York/Lake Wylie mtgs Rosemary – Sun. CLT 4:00 pm mtg Patty – Wed. CLT 10:30 am mtg Patty – Sat. Davidson 10;00 am mtg Stacey – Sat. Ft. Mill 11:00 am mtg

OPENING

The meeting was opened with the serenity prayer.

CHAIR MOMENT

Agenda Review/Revisions: Requests were made to add two items to New Business: retreat and restarting York meeting.

Step, Tradition, Concept #8: Susan W recited step 8, tradition 8 and concept 8.

Roll Call/Introductions: All attendees introduced themselves and their role (intergroup officer and/or meeting representative.

Approval of June 8, 2018 Minutes: The minutes were reviewed. Susan B. made a motion to approve the minutes; Richard seconded the motion. It was unanimously passed that the minutes were approved.

STANDING REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: The treasurers report was reviewed. The Intergroup brought in \$791 at the July Summer Social event. Currently, the Intergroup balance is \$2,261; \$400 is prudent reserve, \$1,861 is discretionary.

Funding Committee Report: The Treasurer's Report encompasses information from the Funding Committee (info on fundraising efforts/success from July Summer Social event). Richard passed around a document that provides detailed information on where our contributions go when we give to a fundraiser at a Piedmont Intergroup event. Also, Richard asked for volunteers to help the funding committee with the next Piedmont Intergroup event.

Info Line Report: There were five calls received in the past month; the calls were all from telemarketers.

Meeting List Report: There is a second meeting in Boone – Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. Also, the Ft. Mill meeting has gone back to meeting weekly (they were previously meeting every other week).

Website Report: Alice reported that some writings are being added to the website. Kathy from York/Ft. Mill sent survey questions to the PI board members; survey responses for the chair and secretary have been posted on the Piedmont Intergroup webpage. Alice is looking for a picture from a PI member that can be used with no copyright issues on our website. Jim suggested that even if a PI member gives Alice a photo(s) to use, they may want to consider still having them sign a waiver/release.

Group Outreach: No report.

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Southeast Overeaters Anonymous Region 8 (SOAR): Susan B, our SOAR 8 Region Rep for the Piedmont Intergroup, is part of the IGOR committee for SOAR 8 and is considering working on the newsletter for the region, pending additional information. Susan B. will be attending the Region 8 Business Assembly in Little Rock, AK in October; she has her airline ticket and will be handling her registration and hotel reservation soon.

OLD BUSINESS

Summer Social: The Summer Social in July was a great success. We had 45-50 people in attendance from all over the state. People came from both the Triad and the Triangle intergroups. We did really well with fundraising through our silent auction, donation table, and 7th tradition contributions.

NEW BUSINESS

Asheville mtg(s) part of Piedmont Intergroup: Because the addition of Asheville would require an amendment to our PI bylaws (they currently state that our intergroup covers a 50-mile radius), this topic was tabled for the September intergroup meeting.

IDEA Day: IDEA Day is Saturday, November 17. Piedmont Intergroup will hold an event. We have secured the location: Advent Lutheran Church, 8840 University City Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28213. Patti from Lake Norman also mentioned that Susan K was looking into seeing if she could get space at a place in the Lake Norman area. However, since Advent has already been confirmed, we decided to see if the Lake Norman area location could be used for an event in February 2019. Alice made a motion that we move forward with Advent as the location for our November 17 IDEA Day event. Kathy seconded the motion and the group unanimously agreed. Alice made a second motion that we go to the Lake Norman area location for the February "Unity Day" event. Shannon seconded the motion, and the group again unanimously agreed.

Donation of books from Saturday meeting: The Saturday a.m. meeting at Anuvia in Charlotte donated two copies of the old edition of the OA 12 and 12 to two different meetings – one to the Thursday 6:30 pm Charlotte meeting and one to the Saturday a.m. Ft. Mill meeting.

Young Timer Survey: Susan W mentioned a Young Timer Survey, for OA members 49 years old or younger, that was sent out by the SOAR 8 region. If anyone wants to complete the survey (there is an online link), please email piedmontintergroup@gmail.com.

Unity with Diversity Support: Susan W also mentioned a Unity with Diversity support memo that the SOAR 8 region sent out. The memo lists numerous characteristics for OAers and provides details on how OA members can go online to find other OAers with similar characteristics/traits/identifiers as themselves. For more information on this memo, please email piedmontintergroup@gmail.com.

NC State Convention: There is a committee working on putting on the second annual OA State Convention, probably next May, at the Hawthorne Inn in Winston-Salem. Watch for details.

Microphone: We need to have a microphone/AV set-up at our events to make sure everyone in the room can hear the speaker, etc. We will begin asking the facilities we use for our events (i.e. St. Stephens Church, Advent Lutheran Church) if we can borrow a microphone/AV equipment from them for our events. Kathy (York/Ft. Mill) is also going to investigate the cost of renting and/or buying a microphone for future events.

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Retreat: Patti (Lake Norman) is working with Alice to plan a retreat for spring or fall 2019. Patty knows of a location in Black Mountain, called Christ Mount, that has inexpensive rooms (doubles for \$110 per night) and that serves breakfast, lunch and dinner for low prices. Patty is going to find out what they can accommodate (how many attendees from OA, whether they can provide a menu for the meals in advance), etc. If anyone wants to help by joining the retreat committee, please contact Patty or Alice.

Restarting York Meeting: The York meeting plans to start back up after Labor Day. They will meet on Tuesday nights at a location to be determined.

NOTE: Two other "New Business" items were suggested and were tabled for the September PI meeting:

- 1) Having four events per year instead of three
- 2) Helping small meetings grow

7th TRADITION

The basket was passed around the room for seventh tradition donations.

UPCOMING DATES

9/8/18 –Piedmont Intergroup meeting 10/12/18-10/14/18 – Region 8 Business Assembly, Little Rock, AR 11/17/2018 – International Day Experiencing Abstinence (IDEA) Day – Advent Lutheran Church, Charlotte 8/20/20-8/22/20 – Region 8 sponsoring the World Service Convention, Orlando, FL

VISITOR/NEWCOMER QUESTIONS

None

CLOSING

The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Serenity Prayer.