Piedmont Intergroup

# Meeting Minutes

# March 9, 2019

## Opening

The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

## Present

Alice S., Chair Richard, Treasurer

Jim C. . Melissa, 10:30 Anuvia Rep.

Susan W., WSO Rep. Kat, St. Stephen’s 7 pm Rep.

 Patty D., Secretary

**Chair Moment**

Step, Tradition, Concept #3 read by Alice S.

**Roll Call/Introductions:** All attendees introduced themselves and their role.

## March Meeting Agenda

Two agenda changes were proposed: Lengthy standing reports to be typed/written and to be given to secretary; discussion of summer/fall events.

## Approval of February Minutes

February meeting minutes were approved as sent to board members via email; archived in Intergroup Gmail account by secretary.

## Standing Reports

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Richard reported as of 2/9/19 our balance was $1766. After an income of $1258 and expenses totaling $778 the balance on 3/9/19 was $2246. Of this total, $1200 is reserved for the Retreat/Conventions, $400 for our Prudent Reserve and $1046 is Discretionary Funds. The Treasurer’s Report was approved as presented.

**Funding Committee Report:**

 Richard reported that our 2019 fund raising goal is $2500. The 50/50 Raffle at UNITY Day raised $50. There has been no committee action to date. Richard, Alice, Susan W. and Kat have volunteered for the committee. Rebecca, Nettie Justin and Kelly will be invited to join. There is a committee meeting scheduled for 3/16/19 at noon at Shundlee Restaurant.

**Info Line Report:**

There were 8 calls in total this past month: 5 were bill collectors and 3 were sales calls. Lee is ready for someone else to take over this responsibility. We will need to talk to our respective groups to see if anyone is interested in doing this.

**Meeting List Report:**

 Kelly reported that the Thursday evening Lake Wylie, SC meeting address needs to be corrected from 104 Hamiltons Ferry Road to 103… Patty D. and Alice will correct this and Patty D. will bring corrected copies of the meeting list to next month’s meeting.

**Website Report:** Alice reported that the website has been updated.

**Group Outreach Report:** See under “Communicating with Group Reps” in New Business.

**SOAR8 Region:**

 Richard reported he will attend the assembly in Florida scheduled for April 5-7, 2019.

**WSO:**

 Susan W. reported that everything is booked for the convention!

**Old Business:**

**NC State Convention:**

We need to start recruiting volunteers for the planning of next year’s convention (we are hosting). Convention is to be held next year 5/3-5/5/2020 at the Hawthorn InnWinston-Salem. Theme will be “Recovery Beyond Our Wildest Dreams”.

**Fall Retreat:**

 Richard reported that to date we have 25 of the 40 participant slots filled and 14 rooms filled. We have added an option of a cabin with two bunk beds and one double that will sleep 3-5 adults in a one room cabin with an in suite bathroom, microwave and small fridge for a total cost of $160 for two nights (3 people = $53.33/person; 4 people = $40/person; or 5 people = $32/person). The chef has Vegan experience and will gladly work with us on food choices (more shall be revealed). A Program meeting to be held later today (3/9) after the Intergroup meeting has concluded. Retreat will take place 9/20-9/22/2019.

**Meal Reimbursement for Reps/Delegates:**

Additional information as requested last month regarding IRS per diem:

 GSA/IRS Standard Rate $55 (14/15/26)

 GSA/IRS Char/FL/NM $66 (17/18/31)

 Raleigh Intergroup $75 (20/25/30)

Motion was made that beginning this year, we reimburse meal expenses of reps to SOAR Assemblies and delegates to World Service Business Assemblies at the 2019 GSA/IRS rate of up to $66 (B17/L18/D31). Motion seconded and approved.

**Workshop 2/23 UNITY Day:**

* 27 people attended
* 50/50 raffle raised $50
* Speaker (Heather B.) was excellent
* May need more publicity next year to bring in more people

**New Business:**

**Communication with Intergroup Reps:**

In the past this has not been maintained well. Melissa volunteered to send emails to

known contact people in groups. The purpose of the emails is to 1) verify that those people are still the contact people for their group, 2) give them info so they can join the email list for Piedmont Intergroup so they will be informed of our area activities and 3) find out from groups without contact people if they will assign one. Patty D. will supply Melissa with the information/link for the email sign up for Intergroup email.

**New Intergroup Meeting Start Time:**

Alice made a motion to set our start time at 11:45 am instead of 11:30 am to give the Annuvia OA meeting time to empty out before we begin. Motion was approved.

**Lengthy Standing Reports:**

 Patty D. made a motion that lengthy standing reports be typed or written and handed to the secretary to minimize confusion. Motion was approved.

**Upcoming Social Events:**

 Our next event in May will be held in the North area of Charlotte (i.e. the Lake Norman meeting area). Alice will contact Rebecca concerning this and will also suggest she contact Patty B. for additional help. A motion was made to add an Event Coordinator Report to the Standing Reports at our monthly meetings. Motion was approved. Alice will inform Rebecca.

**7th Tradition:** The basket was passed around the room for seventh tradition donations.

**Upcoming Dates:**

4/13/19 – Piedmont Intergroup Meeting, **new time: 11:45 am**

4/5-4/7/19 – Region 8 Business Assembly, Plantation FL

5/5-5/13/19 – World Service Business Conference (WSBC) Albuquerque NM

May ??, 2019 – Piedmont Spring Workshop

August ??, 2019 – Piedmont Summer Social Event

9/20-9/22/19 – Piedmont OA Fall Retreat, Christmount Christian Assembly, Black Mountain NC

8/20-8/22/2020 – Region 8 sponsoring the World Service Convention, Orlando FL

**Visitor/Newcomer Questions:** None.

**Closing:** The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Serenity Prayer.