

ST. VITAL AA GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date Wednesday, February 09, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

David B called to order the regular meeting of the St Vital AA Group Committee at 6:00 pm in the St. Vital Club Zoom room and spoke about the 12th tradition.

Position	Name	Present	Absent	Regrets	Report Sent (if absent)
Chair	David B	X			
Treasurer	Tony M			X	X
Secretary	Don M	X			
Literature Rep	Manny	X			
House Rep	Jarrett B	X			
Morning Rep	Marnie J	X			
Evening Rep	Alex T	X			
Open/Closed Speaker Rep	Edward	X			
Sponsorship Rep	Jocelyn K		X		
AFM Women's Rep	Vacant				
Decorator	Laura C	X			
Corrections Rep	Tim B.		X		
Alt. Corrections Rep	Scott H.	X			
Special Events Rep	Mitchell Z	X			
Birthday Rep	Gallagher C	X			
PI/CPC Rep	Christopher M	X			
Treatment Facilities Rep	John S	X			
Intergroup Rep	Kelli R.	X			
Alt. Intergroup Rep	Emily L.	X			
General Service Rep	Kevin R	X			
Alt. General Service Rep	Jill D	X			
Online Zoom Rep	Brendan	X			

Old Business

TREASURER (Tony)

Treasurer's Report	
Monthly Income	1414.09
Expenses	2986.29
Deficit	-1572.20
Bank Balances	
Chequing	8422.78
Prudent Reserve	11180.41

- Motion to adopt the Treasurer's Report made by: DONM
- 2nd by: Christopher M
- Treasurer's Report accepted as written.

CHAIR (David B.)

- Subcommittee still needs to come together and look at what our meetings in person and online look like and if there needs to be any changes.

Secretary (Don M.)

- Motion to accept the mins as written with the revision of old business from the chair made by Kelli R
- 2nd by Kevin R, all in favour. Passed.

INTERGROUP REP (Kelli R.)

- No old business

ALT INERGROUP REP (Emily L.)

- No old business

GENERAL SERVICE REP (Kevin R.)

- No old business

ALTERNATE GSR (Jill D)

- No old business

CORRECTIONS REP (Tim B.)

- No institutions are allowed to have anyone inside the facilities. Women's meetings are done online.

ALTERNATE CORRECTIONS REP (Scott H.)

- No old business

TREATMENT FACILITIES REP (John S.)

- No old business

LITERATURE REP (Manny.)

- No old business

PI/CPC REP (Christopher M.)

- No Old Business
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BIRTHDAY REP (Gallagher C.)

- No old business

SPECIAL EVENTS REP (Mitchell Z.)

- No old business

SPONSORSHIP REP (Jocelyn K.)

- No old business

OPEN/CLOSED MEETING REP (Edward)

- No old business.

HOUSE REP (Jarrett B.)

- No old business

MORNING REP (Marnie J.)

- No old business

EVENING REP (Alex T.)

- No old business

DECORATING REP (Laura C.)

- No old business.

ONLINE ZOOM REP (Brendan.)

- No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

CHAIR (David B.)

- Sub committee still needs to come together to look at the number of meetings we are having in person and online. See below for more info (Dave B)

Met with Meeting Sub-Committee on [Feb 3](#) for initial discussion of meeting schedule and service commitments at the group. Basically, came up with the questions, not the answers. The immediate take-away was that:

- We have forty-three meetings on our schedule. This means we have *minimum forty-three* service commitments (hosts/openers) just for meetings.
- We need to better communicate the need for volunteers at our meetings.
- Service commitments will now be posted on the website.
- Opening / closing Zoom readings will be updated to request that meeting chair announce service opportunities posted on our website.

We will meet again as public-health measures are lifted, and keep the group apprised of our discussion.

Website has been updated with aforementioned service commitments. A draft treatment page has been posted for review by the committee. John S. Will speak to this.

The electronic lock at the group on the inside door failed. It has been replaced with the same model (and the same code). I will contact Schlage and attempt to get reimbursement.

I introduced myself to our landlord, Barry Allen. I asked if there have been any issues or concerns. Nothing at present. He is going to purchase new mats for the back hallway and will also be repairing the locks on the back (outside) doors.

SECRETARY (Don M)

- The minutes from our meetings will be posted online on our website rather than emailed to each committee member. Errors and omissions can then be easily corrected on one platform.
- Paper copies of minutes, financial and intergroup will be posted in the clubroom
- Effective with March meeting minutes, general format of minutes will follow the Roberts rules

TREASURER (Tony M.)

- No new business.

INTERGROUP REP (Kelli R.)

- Winnipeg Intergroup Association February minutes posted in Clubroom and online under “other”

ALTERNATE INTERGROUP REP (Emily L.)

- March telephone answering schedule 3, 11 and 25th
- Brought forward possibly splitting weekend answering shifts into two, carried forward.

GSR (Kevin R.)

GSR Report to St Vital Group Feb 2022

Area 80 Assembly - [January 14](#), 15 + 16, 2022

FINANCE:

- Area 80 budget was approved. Contributions are down, but so are expenses. Area 80 is in a strong position financially, mostly due to not meeting for in person Assemblies at all in 2021.
- Decision was made to transfer \$20,076.25 from Operation Account to the Ample Reserve. This would leave the Operating Account with \$10,000 to start the year. The Ample Reserve now sits at \$33,126.34. The Area 80 Finance Committee will discuss how to proceed with such a large amount of funds and bring recommendations back to the Area.
- Personal donations can be made on Area 80 website (aamanitoba.org – Under For A.A.Members – Self Support) OR (e-transfer at area80treasurer@aamanitoba.org)

GRAPEVINE:

- There is a new Prayer and Meditation book from the Grapevine.
- ***Prayer & Meditation*** features powerful stories by members of Alcoholics Anonymous about the many ways they pray and meditate in their daily lives. The stories in this book show how members begin to pray and meditate and then branch out to develop very personal, and often creative, ways to practice. Chapters include daily routines, traditional religious practices, activities and exercise, personal techniques, the Serenity Prayer, and connecting with nature and the universe. All stories were previously published in Grapevine, the International Journal of AA. Great for people in recovery or those who want to explore prayer and meditation.
- Due to supply chain issues, orders in February will be ‘free shipping’.
- Call for articles deadline [February 15](#) for the edition titled “Sober Travels”.
- Always accepting articles pertaining to Steps and Traditions.

5th EDITION BIG BOOK:

- There will be a call for new stories for the 5th Edition of the Big Book to come.
- There is a 'hopeful' tentative date for the 5th Edition to be published, 2025 at the International Convention.

INTERGROUP:

- The Speaker List is short of names which concerned people looking for speakers. It was explained that the Speaker List would often become inaccurate as people would remain on the list who no longer wished to speak at meetings. The list continued to grow unless someone specifically asked for their names to be removed. It was decided to scrap the Speaker List at the end of each year and start with a fresh list. This list is smaller, but more accurate. People are needed to speak at meetings, so if interested, please sign up.

GRATITUDE DAY:

- Will be held on [March 5th](#) on Zoom. There will be three-minute speakers as usual. Our Area 80 Archivist, Jo-Anne L., will have a two part 'History of Gratitude Day' presentation as part of the program.
- Three-minute speakers are needed. Deadline for submission is [March 1st](#).

WESTERN CANADA REGIONAL FORUM

- To be held in Winnipeg [June 3rd](#) to 5th at the Radisson Hotel. There will be presentations from the General Service Office and Workshops. There is no registration fee to attend.
- Volunteers needed.
- Western Canada Region consists of Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

ELECTIONS:

- Alt Delegate - No one let their name stand
- Secretary - Judi M.
- Chair Corrections West Committee - James B.
- Chair Archives Committee - Natasha L.
- Chair Web Committee - Janice L.
- Remote Communities Committee - Becca R.

- NEXT AREA 80 ASSEMBLY:
- To be held on Zoom [April 8th](#) to 10th. This is the Pre-Conference Assembly as the Delegate prepares to meet with the other North American Delegates and the General Service Board.

GSR REPORT TO ST VITAL COMMITTEE ([Feb 9, 2022](#))

- DISTRICT 7/12 COMMITTEE MEETING (from [Feb 7, 2022](#))
- Poorly attended. Only had representation from 3 of the 17 groups in the combined Districts (Southside, First Step and St Vital).
- The three groups are doing well. All still have in person and Zoom meetings. First Step reports increased attendance at in person meetings lately.
- The district committee has voted to pay for printing off 1000 AA Manitoba business cards for distribution by groups. These are related to PI/CPC and are meant to be distributed to the Professional Community. Examples: Law enforcement, medical facilities, social work agencies, etc...
- The District Committee is willing to print PI/CPC posters as well for distribution. Looking for interest and the right fit for the posters (there are different posters that would suit different demographics).
- No new business

ALTERNATE GSR (Jill D.)

- No new business

CORRECTIONS REP (Tim B.)

- No new business.

ALTERNATE CORRECTIONS REP (Scott H.)

- Some facilities are attempting to use Teams for meetings but are experiencing technical issues.

TREATMENT FACILITIES REP (John S.)

- MSP facility has reopened.

LITERATURE REP (Manny.)

- No new business

PI/CPC REP (Christopher M.)

- No New Business

SPECIAL EVENTS REP (Mitchell Z.)

- No new business

SPONSORSHIP REP (Jocelyn K.)

- No new business.

OPEN/CLOSED MEETING REP (Edward)

- No new business

HOUSE REP (Jarrett B.)

- Drink machine fully stocked, inquired how to get reimbursed for out of pocket

MORNING REP (Marnie J)

- All positions have been filled.

EVENING REP (Alex T.)

- No new business

DECORATING REP (Laura C.)

- Volunteers needed to assist for St Patrick's Days decorating

ONLINE ZOOM REP (BRENDAN M.)

- No New Business

ADJOURNMENT

Dave B adjourned the meeting at 755 **pm**

Next meeting is Wednesday, March 9, 2022 @ 600pm on Zoom