

St Vital AA Group Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to order

Date: March 10, 2021

Wayne S called to order the regular meeting of the **St Vital AA Group Committee** at 6PM in the St. Vital Club Zoom room and spoke about the 12th tradition.

Roll call

Position	Name	Here	Absent	Regrets	Report Sent (if absent)
CHAIR	Wayne S.	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
TREASURER	Kelly T.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
SECRETARY	Jill S.	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
LITERATURE REP	Dan B.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
HOUSE REP	Tom H.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
MORNING REP	Jessica F.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
EVENING REP	Guy G.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
OPEN/CLOSED SPEAKER REP	Rick B.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
SPONSORSHIP REP	Don M.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	Y
AFM WOMEN'S REP	Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
DECORATOR	Laura C	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
CORRECTIONS REP	Tim B.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
ALT. CORRECTIONS REP	Gilles D.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>		Y/N
SPECIAL EVENTS REP	Liz C.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	Y/N
BIRTHDAY REP	Mitchell D.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
PICPC REP	Dave B.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
TREATMENT FACILITIES REP	Don B.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
INTERGROUP REP	Kelli R.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
ALT. INTERGROUP REP	Emily L.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
GENERAL SERVICE REP	David S.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N
ALT. GENERAL SERVICE REP	Monique A.	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y/N

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Reports & Old Business

CHAIR (Wayne S.)

⇒ No old business

SECRETARY (Jill S.)

⇒ Motion to adopt the February 2021 minutes made by: Jill D
⇒ 2nd by: David S
Motion Approved – Minutes accepted as written

TREASURER (Kelly T)

Treasurer's Report	
Monthly Income	4,498.00
Expenses	3,720.52
Surplus	777.48
Bank Balance	
<u>\$</u>	
Chequing	3911.32
Prudent Reserve	11,113.51

⇒ Motion to adopt the Treasurer's Report made by: David B
⇒ 2nd by: Guy G
⇒ Treasurer's Report accepted as written

INTERGROUP REP (Kelli R.)

⇒ No old business

ALT. INTERGROUP REP (Emily L.)

⇒ No old business

GENERAL SERVICE REP (Dave S.)

⇒ Unable to attend district meeting. No old business

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ALTERNATE GSR (Monique A.)

→ No old business

CORRECTIONS REP (Tim B.)

→ No old business

ALTERNATE CORRECTIONS REP (Gilles D.)

→ No old business

TREATMENT FACILITIES REP (Don B.)

→ No old business

LITERATURE REP (Tom H.)

→ No old business

PICPC REP (Dave B.)

→ No old business

BIRTHDAY REP (Mitchell D.)

→ No old business

SPECIAL EVENTS REP (Liz C.)

→ No old business

SPONSORSHIP REP (Don M.)

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OPEN/CLOSED MEETING REP (Rick B.)

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HOUSE REP (Dann B)

⇒ No old business

MORNING REP (Jessica F.)

⇒ No old business

EVENING REP (Guy G.)

⇒ No old business

DECORATING REP (Laura C)

- Clubroom is currently decorated. Planning to take down all of the current decorations and put up Easter decorations. If anyone would like to help, contact aara.

New Business

CHAIR (Wayne S.)

- ⇒ If everyone could take some time to look at your position description. More information and clear information; update information for the next person.
- ⇒ Request made by a member about the St.Vital Group registering for a non-profit business.
- ⇒ Spoke with the Winnipeg Group, who is currently registered as a charity so that they can register for taxes. Winnipeg group stated that they hardly submit any receipts for a tax purpose.
- ⇒ According to the CRA website, the St.Vital Group does not fit the description given by the CRA.
- ⇒ Our donations are meant to keep the clubroom open. So that AA is there for newcomers come in; not to help tax bill reductions.
- ⇒ St. Vital Group does not qualify as a charity.
- ⇒ Question by Dave B; is there a difference on the CRA website about non-profit and charity organizations. Kelly T answered that non-profits have paid employees.

SECRETARY (Jill S.)

⇒ No new business.

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TREASURER (Kelly T)

- ⇒ Zoom renewal is due March 25, 2021; \$200.00
- ⇒ \$120.00 DISTRICT 7 FEE IS DUE, WE HAVE NOT GIVEN IT THIS YEAR.
- ⇒ Kelly T Makes a motion that we send our 120.00 annual donation to District 7; Laura C 2nd the motion.
- ⇒ Motion Passed. No one opposed.
- ⇒ Kelly T suggest that we turn the chat off during our AA zoom room meetings. Turn it off after the meeting has started and turn it back on after the Lord's Prayer. At in person meetings everybody sits quietly, the expectation is that the room is quiet and respectful. We have encountered a lot of distraction and banter in the chat. There have also been several complaints about inappropriate behavior and comments in the chat.
 - Wayne S suggests we have a group conscience to decide if the chat can be turned off during the meeting.
 - The chat has been on our zoom account for a year if we do not inform members as to why a decision is to be made then we may deal with more complaints.
 - Laura C: Suggests we have a group conscience as well in order to make that decision as a group.
 - David B: suggest that we can also set the chat so that people can only message the host and no one else. There is also the issue with direct messaging. Nobody else can see the direct messaging.
 - Mitchell D: agrees with everything that has been said,
 - Emily L: If we do turn off the chat, We could figure out a way that newcomers can be into contact with sponsors.
 - Jill D: suggest zoom training as stated last week and what the host duties are on zoom.
 - Monique A- suggest the same; zoom training and helping service positions to understand what their duties are. Perhaps there is a misunderstanding of what the host duties are.
 - Wayne S: has there been anything sent out to people opening the zoom rooms as to what their duties are.
 - Guy G: people have
 - Group to vote to take the issue of turning off the chat during meetings to a group conscience.
 - Kelly T suggests: "We turn the chat off after the chair person has started the meeting. The chat stays off during the meeting and will be turned back on after the Lord's Prayer."
 - 11 for, 1 oppose, 1 abstain
 - Group Conscience set for Wednesday March 31, 2021 @630 pm on zoom.

INTERGROUP REP (Kelli R.)

- ⇒ Intergroup Rep March 2021 Report
- ⇒
 - Emily – Alternate Intergroup Rep and myself both attended the Intergroup meeting held Monday March 1, 2021 The business continues at Intergroup, with finances stable, literature sales are down. The Central office report was given. Interesting to note that 153 calls came in on various topics and 242 emails. Topics were e-transfers, group schedules, Zoom meetings and in person updates.

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- ⇒ Of the total inquiries only 13 of those were seeking help. Brenda sees this as the evidence of the individual groups reaching the newcomers more easily through online information and ease of finding meetings online and in person. In particular the evidence of the valuable AA Manitoba website, and the updated information contained there.
- ⇒ We have received the next 3 months of telephone answering schedule to fill Monday March 15th 6-10pm (Kelly T) Wednesday March 31st 6-10pm Monday April 12th 6-10pm Sunday April 25th 9am-10pm Friday May 7th 6-10pm Monday May 17th 6-10pm Monday May 24th 6-10pm Sunday June 6th 9am-10pm Thursday June 17th 6-10pm
- ⇒ The need for Intergroup committee participation continues. It was discussed again. Emily and I have committed to coming up with a "Zoom Tour of Meetings" to spread awareness in Area 80. Positions are open and nominations for Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, TAS, Treatment/Special Needs Liaison, PI/CPC, Corrections can be phoned in or emailed to central office
- ⇒ Joanne L – Area 80 Archivist gave an interesting and informative report regarding the repository of information that has been collected and stored at Central office. Our next meeting of WIA is scheduled for Monday, April 5th at 7:00PM if any members at large or committee members would like to attend the Central Office Zoom
- ⇒ Proposed Step & Tradition Series
 - David Breen and myself would like to an Zoom series for St Vital members We are proposing a presentation style series with sharing component. We feel it would be of the best service to St Vital members to insert the series into the existing Zoom schedule online. We are proposing Tuesday 6:30PM starting April 6th and running for 24 weeks ending September 4th We would be working up all of the materials for this study together and would have handouts available for download where required. We would chair the meetings on an alternating basis. We feel with the clubroom being reopened and the continuing interest in Zoom, this would be an opportunity to provide some instruction for the many newcomers who have joined us over the past year, as well as an opportunity for existing members to refresh their dedication to the program. Including the traditions, we feel is very important as many "discussions" type meetings are already in place and many St Vital regulars have yet to be introduced to the traditions. We currently offer a whopping 43 meetings a week, we both feel that this one time slot dedicated to instruction on the literature would be beneficial to the group and newcomers.
 - Kelli R makes a motion to run this meeting as stated above on the Tuesday 630 pm St. Vital Group time slot. Guy G 2nds.
 - 10 members for, 0 oppose, 6 abstain.

ALT. INTERGROUP REP (Emily L.)

- ⇒ No new business

GENERAL SERVICE REP (Dave S.)

- ⇒ Was not able to attend the district meeting. No new business.

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ALTERNATE GSR (Monique A.)

- ⇒ Did not attend the district meeting. No new business. Gilles D states that GSR to bring 1 item to their homegroup, have a discussion about the 1 item
- ⇒ Assembly at the end of March.
- ⇒ 7 items that were brought forwarded by the delegate that will be brought to the GSR meeting in New York. 1 item to be brought forward and discussed as a homegroup.
- ⇒ Dave B suggest that the GSR'S can meet on zoom so that they can present the items to the group.

CORRECTIONS REP (Tim B.)

- ⇒ Meeting coming up on March 15th to discuss future planning.

ALTERNATE CORRECTIONS REP (Gilles D.)

- ⇒ In the process of starting the committee again for meetings at corrections facilities.
- ⇒ Meeting to discuss challenges we have had due to COVID. Discussion to be had to start having meetings over zoom for correctional facilities.

TREATMENT FACILITIES REP (Don B.)

- ⇒ No new business

LITERATURE REP (Tom H.)

- ⇒ No new business.

PICPC REP (Dave B.)

- ⇒ The public info committee is holding a workshop this Saturday March 18th 10 am-1pm on zoom. There will be 3 speakers at the meeting.
- ⇒ If you would like to get involved with public information the zoom meeting is a great opportunity to receive information in regards to this.
- ⇒ The PI committee is in the process of getting a draft poster for AA in Manitoba.
- ⇒ Handbook for how to do a PI talk has been completed.
- ⇒ 3rd Wednesday of every month are the PI meetings they are open.

BIRTHDAY REP (Mitchell D.)

- ⇒ Suggesting that the speaker gets 25 mins to speak at birthday night.

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- ⇒ Group decided that Mitchell can use his discretion in accordance to how many people will be receiving their cake and due to the fact that we are on zoom and do not have as many people on there.

SPECIAL EVENTS REP (Liz C.)

- ⇒ No new business.

SPONSORSHIP REP (Don M.)

- ⇒ No new business

OPEN/CLOSED MEETING REP (Rick B.)

- ⇒ No new business.

HOUSE REP (Dann B.)

- ⇒ No new business

MORNING REP (Jessica F.)

- ⇒ No new business.

EVENING REP (Guy G.)

- ⇒ Members in the clubroom would like to have the Sun AM bb Study resume in the clubroom.
- ⇒ Members are asking to extend the BB study on Sunday nights at 830pm so that everyone can have a chance to share as it is with the 930 AM BB study.
- ⇒ Group decided that we need to allow everyone to share as this is how it has always been.

DECORATING REP (Laura C)

- ⇒ No new business

Adjournment

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Wayne S adjourned the meeting at 7:36 pm.
Baskets were passed.

Next meeting is Wednesday, April 14-21 6:00 pm.

Deleted: January-08-20, 6:00 pm.