

ABE INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 2021

Freddy called to order the regular monthly meeting of the ABE Intergroup Association at 8:00 PM via Zoom.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Chairperson (Freddy M: chairperson@aalv.org)

- Freddy opened the meeting 8 PM with the Responsibility Pledge.

Secretary (Rachel F: secretary@aalv.org)

- Secretary called the roll and noted that 25 groups were represented at the meeting, constituting a quorum.

Treasurer (Susan A.: treasurer@aalv.org)

- We had a good year despite Covid. Contributions were down \$10,000, however we didn't spend all money budgeted due to hospitals & institutions being closed. The Bookstore move will save us a lot of money. There were some expenses for legal fees & internet access, but in the long run it will be well worth it. Please refer to General Administrative costs – under budget by approx \$2000 approx & total costs.
- Budget and Treasurer's report approved by voice vote.
- *Kudos to everyone who helped with the Bookstore moves.*
- *We are very grateful to all contributions from your groups in 2020!*

Vice-Chair (Scott F.: vicechair@aalv.org)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Literature (Susan C.: bookstore@aalv.org)

- Inventory done. Was tedious process, but moving along.
- We were using Access from the 90's! We're switching over to QuickBooks. This will be the same system the Treasurer will use, creating more transparency and ease of use.
- **BOOKSTORE WILL RE-OPEN WED FEB 3 @ 9 AM.**
Hours: WED 9-11:30 AM & SAT 9-11 AM
These are Temporary hours – when pandemic is over, Bookstore will be open Tues 6-8.
- *Shout out to the volunteers who manned the bookstore; without them it wouldn't be open!*

Unity (Meg H: unity@aalv.org)

- We sent out a letter summarizing the plan for 2021 New Year's Eve party.
- **We'd like to get volunteers for a planning committee by July.** Please contact Meg.

Schedules (Rebecca D: schedules@aalv.org)

- Everything running smoothly. If you have any changes, please email schedules@aalv.org.

Public Information (Betty Jo M: publicinfo@aalv.org)

- Not much going on. We have literature stands available at the bookstore. You can sign them out if you'd like. Examples of places for literature stands: libraries, police stations, doctor's offices & hospitals when we are back in the public.
- **Can still use more volunteers for the committee.** It's small right now but there is currently not a lot of help needed until things open up – can put together literature packets, keep up with flyers, etc.

Hospitals & Institutions (Herbie M: institutions@aalv.org)

- **Looking for DONATED LITERATURE & GRAPEVINES**– there may be dropped off at the Bookstore (opening Feb. 3). The organizations open now are Ripple Community Center in Allentown and Victory House in Bethlehem. If you would like to support an in-person meeting, the Ripple Community Center holds an AA meeting Tuesdays at 3:30, 1335 Linden St, Allentown. Please wear a mask, and if you aren't feeling well, stay home.

Telephone Service (Bob L. & Sue B.: telephone@aalv.org)

- **Please continue to announce the need for hotline volunteers**, at your home group. There are around 90 AA members who rotate. They really enjoy it, and some want to stay on the list.
- Remind people that all you have to do is answer your cell phone when you have time. Your phone number does NOT go out to the callers. You do NOT have to go into the office; this service can be done wherever you are.
- One-month commitment, and you are only 1 of many whose phone rings.
- Many of the usual service opportunities have been eliminated due to the pandemic, but the hotline has still been ringing non-stop.
- Please contact Bobby/Sue by email & make sure to **INCLUDE YOUR PHONE NUMBER** so they can get back to you & tell you all about this invaluable service.

District #57 Representative

(Vicki M: adcm.district57@gmail.com) area59aa.org

Vicki M. is the new ADCM for District 57.

New DCM is Lauren.

District #37 Representative

(Laura F: d37adcm@gmail.com) area59aa.org

Laura F. is the new ADCM for District 37.

New DCM is Melissa.

OLD BUSINESS:

none

NEW BUSINESS:

none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

The next IG Meeting will be held (on Zoom) the 4th Tuesday, February 23, at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel F.

Rachel F., Secretary

