

ACA INTERGROUP MEETING

11/2/19 @ 9:30 am

Hope Congregational Church, East Providence, RI

In attendance:

Joe G, Lauren S, Chris C, Rebecca S, Matt M (in the room)
Deana K, Amy J, Nancy R, Michael B, Pike P, Mary C (on Facetime phone)

Lauren S opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

Lauren S read from the Big Red Book; “Sharing at business meetings”, and declared we are following Robert’s Rules of Order.

Agenda item #1 Bank account

Amy J presented information on banks. She presented 2 finalists; Centerville Bank and Citizen’s Bank.

Joe G noted that there are few Centerville Bank branches in northern RI, and many more Citizen’s branches throughout the whole state.

Group voted to retain Citizen’s Bank by a unanimous vote of 11 yeas.

Amy J noted a \$10 maintenance fee is waived if 1 deposit is made monthly at Citizen’s.

Agenda item #2 Literature

What discount if any do we offer to individual groups? (None? 15% 30%?)

Why would groups order literature from Intergroup if they were getting no discount?

Joe G pointed out they would be helping build Intergroup treasury. A stronger Intergroup is good for all groups. They can still choose to buy from WSO & Amazon. We should try to counteract that.

Rebecca S suggested a possible 20% Intergroup 10% individual group split?
How will literature be distributed?

It was decided by unanimous vote to table the literature discussion for the December meeting.

Agenda item #3 Group mission statement

Should a mission statement be brief? Lauren S made a motion to adopt a 1-2 paragraph mission statement. Unanimously approved.

Joe G and Bridget V previously emailed all group members some mission statement templates for examination.

Matt M suggested the statement be easy to memorize.

Joe G, Rebecca S, and Chris C volunteered to work on drafts for presentation at December meeting.

Possible agenda items for next meeting:

Should we sponsor workshops, retreats? Do we interact with World service on these activities?

Develop a web site?

How do we get individual groups to fund Intergroup?

Intergroup correspondence?

Continue literature discussion.

Review mission statement drafts.

2 votes; on Literature and Mission statement.

Define Intergroup?

Contact list needs to be updated. Not all members are receiving emails.

Next Intergroup meeting will be on 12/7/19 at 9:15 AM United Methodist Church North Kingstown.

Well wishes will be sent to Tracy M.

Intergroup meeting closed at 10:30am with The Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted- Chris C.

