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MONTHLY BUSINESS

MEETINGS

Finance Comm. Mtg	04/09 5:30 pm
Steering Comm. Mtg	04/09 6:00 pm
Intergroup Mtg	04/16 6:30pm
District 37 GSR Mtg	04/24 7:00 pm
District 7 GSR Mtg	04/26 7:00 pm

All business meetings are held at the Intergroup office
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HOW DOES SPONSORSHIP HELP THE NEWCOMER?

It assures the newcomer there is at least one person who understands the situation fully and cares —one person to turn to without embarrassment when, doubts, questions or problems linked to alcoholism arise. Sponsorship give the newcomer an understanding, sympathetic friend when one is needed most. Sponsorship also provides the bridge enabling the new person to meet other alcoholics — in a home group and in and in other groups visited.

HOW SHOULD A SPONSOR BE CHOSEN?

The process of matching newcomer and sponsor is as informal as everything in A.A. Often, the new person simply approaches a more experienced member who seems compatible, and asks that member to be a sponsor. Most A.A.'s are happy and grateful to receive such a request.

An old A.A. saying suggest, “stick with the winners.” It’s only reasonable to seek a sharing of experience with a member who seems to be using the A.A. program successfully in everyday life. There are no specific rules, but a good sponsor probably should be a year or more away from the last drink — and should seem to be enjoying sobriety.

SHOULD SPONSOR AND NEWCOMER BE AS MUCH ALIKE AS POSSIBLE?

Often, a newcomer feels most at ease with a sponsor of similar background and interests. However, many A.A.s say they are greatly helped by a sponsor totally unlike themselves. Maybe that’s because their attention was then focused on the most important things that any sponsor and newcomer have in common; alcoholism and recovery in A.A.

MAY A NEWCOMER CHANGE SPONSORS?

We are always free to select another sponsor with whom we feel more comfortable, particularly if we believe this member will be more helpful to our growth in A.A.

This was taken from the A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature. “Questions & Answers on Sponsorship pamphlet P-15.

Happy Birthday

VANCOUVER AREA INTERGROUP

WOULD LIKE TO CELEBRATE WITH YOU!

For this month we didn't have any birthdays submitted for celebration. If you wish to allow us to help you celebrate your birthday, please email your name and date to

vancaa@vanintgrp.com

**Resumes are now being accepted for the position of
Intergroup Part Time Office Assistant**

Vancouver Area Intergroup is looking to hire an Office Assistant to work **2 days a week** and fill in as needed. We are looking for a multi-tasker with excellent communication skills and an upbeat attitude.

Must be available during office hours: Monday thru Friday, noon – 6:00 pm.

Assisting Office Manager with the following:

- Handling general office operations and tasks
- Answering phones
- Meets and greets office guests and maintains a clean and orderly office
- Accounts payable/receivable
- Banking & other general bookkeeping
- Purchasing office supplies, as well as retail products, and maintaining proper stock levels
- Write, format, edit, print and email monthly newsletter
- Compile, prepare, format, duplicate and distribute meeting schedule
- Keeps the website current
- Prepares and presents monthly financial reports at committee meetings
- Works effectively with the Steering Committee, District Committee's, Groups & Meetings along with any outside entities
- Event planning

Job Requirements:

- Prior administrative experience as well as good public relations skills
- Computer skills including, but not limited to, knowledge of QuickBooks, Word, Excel, Outlook and Publisher
- A desire to work with others proactively and create a positive experience for others

Please send resumes to Vancaa@vanintgrp.com

If you have any questions please email or call (360) 694-3870

Financial Statements

March	Donations	Year to Date
	11th Step Prayer & Meditation 12 X 12	
334.38	159th Street Women's Group A New Morning As Bill See's It As We Recovered B & P	838.76
	Birds of a Feather Battleground AA By the Book Study Group	1424.00
8.56	Camas Group Came to Believe Carson AA Spirit of the Gorge	8.56
150.00	Cascade Group Chapter Nine	150.00
17.27	Cornerstone District 7 Dry Tribe Early Birds Early Light	17.27
	Easier Softer Way	689.60
180.00	Eastside Brown Baggers	125.00
50.00	Eastside Women's Meeting Fireside	180.00
215.84	First Shot	150.00
1236.75	Fresh Start Gorge Gals Ground Zero Hockinson La Center Group Ladies by the Lavender Lewis River	327.79
30.00	Lighthouse	50.00
85.00	McGillvary Study Group Men's Fireside Men's Thursday Night Minnehaha	90.00
	Miracles at Noon OB's Speaker's Meeting Over 55 Ready and Willing Reconciled Renegades Round Table Saturday Night Big Book Study Sober Uppers	85.00
299.98	Step It Up - 12 & 12 She Who Remembers Step Sisters Stevenson AA Sunday Night Alternatives	250.00
	Sunday Solutions There Is A Solution Wayfarer's Wednesday Night Recovery Wednesday Night Women's Mtg Welcome Home West Vancouver Group Women's Emotional Sobriety Women's Fireside	949.98
407.00		40.00
		22.86
		35.00
		167.00
		42.06
		40.00
		200.00
		407.00
		62.00
		108.67
		33.00
		6.89
2014.78	SUBTOTAL	6858.94
97.38	Miscellaneous	257.03
2112.16	TOTAL	7115.97

	March	YTD
Revenue		
Sales	\$ 4,389	\$ 13,044
Contributions	\$ 2,111	\$ 7,584
Picnic	\$	\$
Gratitude Dinner	\$	\$
Misc. Income	\$ 138	\$ 415
	\$ 6,639	\$ 21,043
Expenses		
Cost of goods sold	\$ 2,728	\$ 7650
Merchant Services	\$	\$ 361
Office supplies	\$ 327	\$ 561
Office equipment rent	\$ 138	\$ 618
Building rent	\$ 875	\$ 2,625
Utilities	\$ 743	\$ 1,778
Net Wages	\$ 2,292	\$ 6,104
Payroll taxes	\$ 539	\$ 1,994
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 75	\$ 75
Insurance	\$ 500	\$ 500
Misc. Licenses & fees	\$	\$ 10
	\$ 8,217	\$ 22,377
Net Income	\$ -1,577	\$ -1,334

End of Month Balances

Main Checking Account:	\$ 7,107
Prudent Reserve Account:	\$ 16,890
Payroll Tax Account:	\$ 808
Sales Tax Account:	\$ 1,167
Event Account:	\$ 1,400

STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR March 12, 2018

The meeting opened at 6:03 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Chairperson	Ronnie C.	Vice-Chair	Deb T.
Position #1	Phil B	Position #2	Absent
Position #3.	Glen	Recording Secretary	Marc T
		Alternate	Kris S.
		Office Staff	Lani W
Visitors	Clayre T.		

Introductions of everyone attending

The Steering Committee minutes for February 12, 2018 were read and approved.

The Intergroup Rep meeting minutes for February 19, 2018 were reviewed.

HOTLINE REPORT: All Hotline slots are currently filled. Please continue to announce that AA volunteers are needed for the Hotline.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Marc gave the Treasurer's Report, we are running a little bit above forecast.

INTERGROUP REPORT: Carpet has been cleaned and yearly insurance has been paid. We are still dealing with periodic heat issues.

WEBSITE REPORT: Scott, our website designer, has been at the office to maintain and improve the site. Thank you, Scott.

OLD BUSINESS:

Intergroup Guidelines – Review Committee

The committee met and reviewed the current bylaws

Other volunteers are welcome

COMMITTEES:

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee continues to meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 5:30, immediately prior to the Steering Committee Meeting. All are welcome.

NEW BUSINESS:

Remote desktop software: Marc reviewed the need and options for remote desktop software for the office. Deb made a motion to have the software installed, Glen second; motion passed.

Number of bank accounts: Lani asked about the number accounts are need. After discussion there may be reasons for the various account for out bookkeeper. Marc and Lani will meet up with Brenda Lou to discuss the needs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm.

Minutes Submitted By:

Marc T.

Recording Secretary

INTERGROUP REP MINUTES FOR March 19, 2018

The meeting opened at 6:31 pm with the Serenity Prayer

PURPOSE OF THE VANCOUVER AREA INTERGROUP

The Vancouver Area Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous exists to serve local groups of Alcoholics Anonymous within the vicinity of Vancouver, Washington. The organization serves as a clearing house to distribute literature to local Alcoholics Anonymous groups, to provide contact among these groups and to maintain an answering service.

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson	Ronnie C.	Vice-Chair.	Deb T.
Position #1	Phil B.	Position #2	Absent
Position #3	Glenn H	Alternative	
Recording Secretary	Marc T	Office Manager	Lani W.
Representatives:			
Cornerstone	Dusty G	Miracles	Marc T.
B&P	Todd C	Fireside	Robin M
Central Group	Phil B	A New Morning	Gayla S.
East Side Brown Baggers	Sandy Q	Rock Bottom	Candy
Early Birds	Glenn H.	Reconciled	Marc O
Brian N.	First Shot	Camas Group	Dave
Visitors:			
Welcome Home	Jeff P		

TRADITION REVIEW: Phil B. reviewed tradition three from the 12x12. Laurie will do next months' review of tradition four.

INTRODUCTIONS: 12 voting Intergroup Representatives in attendance.

LITERATURE PRESENTATION: Dave from the Camas group gave short presentation on literature.

MEETING MINUTES:

Steering Committee minutes and Intergroup Representative Committee minutes were read for January by: Ronnie.; Deb T. moved to approve the Rep minutes; Marc O. second; motion passed

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH: Ronnie asked for recent or upcoming birthdays for the month

HOTLINE REPORT: (Lani) All slots are currently filled. Please sign up with our Intergroup Office if you are interested in serving on our 24 hour Hotline. Women are always needed for the 12 step call list.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: (Marc) Overview of the financial summary for February 2018 was presented by Marc T. Candy moved, Sandy Q. se-

INTERGROUP REPORT: (Lani) We have had to place quite a few orders for books and coins. Carpets have been cleaned and informal discussion with friend of the building owner and there are no immediate plans for changing the status quo.

WEBSITE REPORT: (Lani) Things are going smoothly. If there are changes please contact the office.

OLD BUSINESS:

Guidelines: A subcommittee has been formed to review the current guidelines and propose changes to the reps. Reach out to the office if you wish to join the committee.

Intergroup Picnic: The reps to go back and ask the groups for interest in chairing or serving on the committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

Intergroup Picnic: We will have Lani reach out and reserve the location in for one of the month of July.

COMMITTIES:

Finance Committee: Meets 5:30 pm

GROUP NEWS:

Asked for any group news or updates

Ronnie asked for motion to adjure the meeting: Marc T made the motion, Mark O second; passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Yours in Service,

Marc T.

Recording Secretary

Friday Night Happy Hour

May 4, 2018

7:30pm

Speaker Meeting

Camas Friends Church
NE 4th and lone St.
Camas, WA. 98607

*Meeting is always the first
Friday of the month*

OB's Speaker Meeting

May 5, 2018

Eastridge Church
14100 SE Sunnyside Road
Clackamas, OR 97015

*Meeting is always the first
Saturday of the month*

Hockinson Potluck

Sunday, April 27th
Potluck at: 6:00 pm

Elim Lutheran Church
15815 NE 182nd Ave
Brush Prairie, WA 98606

Kleen Street Speaker Meeting

Friday, May 11th

7:00 pm

5317 NE St. John's Road
Vancouver, WA 98661

Wayfarer's Speaker Meeting

April 14th, 2018

May 12, 2018

7:00 pm

St. John's Lutheran Church,
11005 NE Hwy 99
Vancouver, WA. 98686

**AA speaker: Matthew M.
From: Gig Harbor, WA.
Alanon Speaker: Trish B.**

RULE 62

Speaker's Meeting

Saturday, April 21st.

May 19th.

7:00 pm

Central Bible Church
8815 NE Glisan Street, Portland

Carson AA Spirit of the Gorge Potluck

Sunday , April 27th.

952 Wind River Road
Carson, WA

Central Group's Birthday Meeting

Friday, April 27th

8:00 pm

1501 Columbia Street
Basement
Vancouver, WA 98660

If you are interested in making
yourself available for 12 step
calls please let us know.

(360) 694-3870 or
Vancouveraa.org

The last Sunday of every month
is our potluck at 6:30 pm,
followed by a guest speaker at 7 pm

Questions?
(509) 427-4970 or (503) 701-6574

Spiritual Brunch

May 12, 2018

11:00 a.m.

Make sure to check

**vancouveraa.org
or call 694-3870**

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 Friday Night Happy Hour Speaker Meeting 7:30 pm	7 OB's Speaker Meeting 7:00 PM
8	9 Finance Mtg 5:30pm Steering Committee	10	11	12	13 KS Speaker Meeting 7:30 pm	14 Wayfarer's Speaker Meeting 7 pm
15	16 Intergroup Rep. Meeting 6:30 pm	17	18	19	20	21 Rule 62 7 pm
22	23	24 District 37 Rep 7:00 pm	25	26 District 7 GSR Meeting 7 pm	27 Central Group's Birthday Meeting 8 pm	28
29 Carson Potluck 6:30pm Hockinson Potluck 6pm	30					

May

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		1	2	3	4 Friday Night Happy Hour Speaker Meeting 7:30 pm	5 OB's Speaker Meeting 7:00 PM
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