

**PHILADELPHIA AREA INTERGROUP (PAIG) MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2023**

Preliminaries 7:15 p.m.

Call to order Serenity Prayer

***Roll call:** Board, Committee Chairs, Group Reps, Newcomers, Visitors.

***Establish a quorum** (3 Board Members & 10 Representatives)

***Upcoming Events: Save the Date! (Event flyers are available on oa-phila.org website).**

“There is a Solution” OA Virtual Region 2023 Convention: March 3-5. Tentative topics. For more information or to register visit: oavirtualregion.org.

“Meditation & Spirituality: Improving Conscious Contact with Higher Power” 2023 PAIG 2nd Sunday 1st Quarter Workshop: Sunday, March 12th 2:00-3:30PM EST. Two Speakers, Open Sharing, Breakout Session & Guided Meditation. See attached Flyer.

“How Our Disease Can Fool Us:” an **IN-PERSON** workshop on Saturday, April 1st 9:00am-12:00pm (Fellowship begins at 8:30am). Location: **BuxMont Unitarian Universalist Church, 2040 W. Street Road, Warrington PA 18976**. Hosted by the Saturday morning “One Step at a Time” meeting. See attached flyer.

2023 Retreat Planning Committee Meeting: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 - 7:00pm. Mtg ID: 347 721 2196 Passcode: 724462 Dial In: 929-436-2866. All are welcome! Volunteers needed! See attached Flyer.

7:21 pm --BOARD REPORTS

Chairperson: Mary T.

- See Old Business.

Vice Chairperson: Wendy K.

-The Monday night meeting that used to be the Elkins Park meeting is now the Jenkintown Library meeting at 7:30pm. The first Monday meeting of each month is a hybrid meeting, in-person and phone meeting. If showing up in-person, call the contact person for parking information. The rest of the month the meeting is a phone meeting.

-The Wednesday night "Together We Can" Cairncrest Meeting at 7:30pm needs support and service.

Treasurer: Phil S.

*Total Income-\$1,249.05

*Total Expenses-\$371.01

*Total Operating funds-\$1,092.53

The February bank check of \$180.00 came from a Havertown mailing address 44 Wilmont Avenue, Havertown, Pa 19083. Asking for the reps to ask at the meetings to see if it came from their meeting or it maybe an anonymous donation

*See financial Statement for the breakdown. .

*Motion made and approved.

Secretary:Maureen L.

*Meeting minutes updated.

*Motion made and approved.

7:42PM World Service & Region 7 Reports

***WSBC Delegate A**--Amy L-absent

***WSBC Delegate B-OPEN**

***Region 7 Rep A**--Angela C

-The Region 7 Assembly was held virtually. 12 Step Within provides workshop samples to groups who want to hold workshops. Region 7 maintains a speakers list. If anyone needs speakers, contact Reg 7 to request the list. Want the meetings to work on bringing meetings back to in-person.

-March 15th is the next Committee meeting.

-Business meeting--there was a motion to change the meaning of a quorum. The change wants to be made to % of groups. This had not been voted on, it had gone over the time limit of 15 minutes of discussion.

-New Recording Secretary--Lee Ann, New Vice Chair--Tiffany.

-World Service is still working on ideas to help groups get back to face to face meetings.

***Region 7 Rep B**--Amy L.--absent

***Rep C--OPEN**

***Region 7 Alternate--OPEN**

7:52 pm Committee Reports

AWARE--Chris N.

-People are sending in stories for the AWARE.

-Continue sending in stories, changes in venue, anniversaries, and even meetings in need of service.

-The AWARE was sent out.

PROGRAM--Trish M.

-The first quarterly 2nd Sunday Workshop will be held virtually via Zoom on March 12th, 2-3:30 PM EST. Topic: Meditation & Spirituality Improving Conscious Contact with Higher Power. The information has been put on the website and in the AWARE. If meetings are interested in working with PAIG to put on a workshop, they can contact Trish M for assistance.

RETREAT 2023--Natasha and Annie B.

-Retreat meeting is March 8th. Will be working on flyers, gift baskets, theme for the retreat, and the scholarship fund. There will be a price increase.

-The Retreat will be held September 22-24th, 2023

. SPEAKER LIST--Angela C.

-Let me know if your meeting is in need of speakers so I can send out the list or if someone would like to be added to the list.

-If a group wants the speakers list from Region 7, a form needs to be filled out on the Reg 7 website.

Communications--Phil S.

-No calls or texts since Dec. 26, 2022.

-Alice putting up flyers in libraries, gyms, and supermarkets. Noticing the tear offs are being taken.

Web--Shari B,

-Meeting Lists, Flyers and PAIG meeting minutes have been posted on the

Website.

8:09 pm SEVENTH TRADITION—Donations via PayPal can be made to treasurer@oa-phila.org

8:09 pm Old Business -update

PAIG Bylaws: The approved 2023 Bylaws were updated and posted on the oa-phila.org website & emailed to the WS contact.

WSBC Proposed New Business Motion & Bylaw Amendment

Agenda Items: The PAIG “yes/no” responses were electronically submitted to WS on February 1st. Deadline was 2/24.

8:10 pm New Business

Group Discussion—Service: Do your meetings have strong volunteer support from members with rotation of service, such as: (meeting attendance, leaders, speakers, zoom tech host/cohosts, timekeepers or readers) and/or at business meetings (volunteers for chair, secretary, IG Reps, Treasurers etc.) What works? Struggles? From the discussion, there is still difficulty with getting volunteers to step up for zoom meetings as tech host/cohosts or for service in general (ex. Meeting leaders or business meeting positions). Also noted was the difficulty of handling the equipment for the zoom hybrid meetings with only 1 or 2 meeting members providing the equipment needed or even know how to set it up. Meetings do not have assigned tech hosts/cohosts for the month. Running hybrid meetings seems to be intimidating for members. It appears that it is easier to get volunteers for in-person meetings. Yet, members are still reluctant to attend in-person meetings, resulting in some meetings splitting with a portion staying on zoom and others only meeting in-person. Overall, the hybrid meetings can be challenging especially for those attending the in-person setting.

8:32 pm Closing

*Motion and Second to Close the Meeting.

Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 5, 2023