

**Philadelphia Area Intergroup (PAIG) Meeting Minutes**  
**February 7, 2024**  
**7:15 – 8:45pm**

### Preliminaries

- Meeting started at 7:15pm
- Roll Call – done (20 participants total)
  - Introduced a couple of new reps – Paige C. from 7:30 Sunrise Serenity and Lisa P. (Alt Rep) Monday, 10am Steps to Serenity meetings
- Establish a Quorum? Yes
- Upcoming Events
  - **Save the dates!** (see also event flyers @ [oa-phila.org/#events](http://oa-phila.org/#events))
  - PAIG Program Committee is hosting a 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Workshop: *“Excuses, Denials & Loop Holes, Oh My!”* Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm-3:30PM. A flyer will be available soon!
  - Saturday 10am Roxborough meeting is having a 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 10am to Noon. In person. Flyer is in the February’s AWARE.

### Questions/Issues from Groups

Anne W., Intergroup Rep for Sunday Serenity, Roxborough Meeting & PAIG R7 rep, passed away on Monday night. There will be a funeral service next week. More details to follow.

### Board Reports

#### Chair (Mary T.)

- Nothing to report. More under **New Business**
- Suggested joining PAIG’s Google Group to stay abreast of current news.

#### Vice Chair (Wendy K.)

- Reminder to everyone to use the meeting list on PAIG’s website for Zoom links and meeting info.
- Trish motioned to approve report; Jacqueline seconded. Motion passed.

#### Treasurer (Phil S.)

- Previous Balance: \$9,466.57
  - Income: \$1,866.32 (Group and Other)

- Expenses: \$203.54
- Total Balance: \$11,129.35
  - Prudent Reserve: \$2,000.00
  - Delegate Savings Fund: \$2,880.00
- Total Operating Funds: \$6,249.35
- Jacqueline asked about financial state of WSO. Reports from others indicated WSO had to let some part-time help go but full-time employees are solidly in place.
- Wendy motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. Alice seconded. Motion passed.
- Phil S will be rotating out of service in June/July. Pitch about the position:
  - Duties take about 2-3 hours per month
  - Need to know Excel
  - Pick up checks from PAIG's P.O. Box and make deposits at TD Bank
  - Reconcile with bank statements
  - Give reports.

#### **Secretary (Shari B.)**

- January's meeting minutes were sent out on February 4th.
- Trish motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Ed seconded. Motion passed.

### **World Service & Region 7 Reports**

#### **WSBC Delegate A - *OPEN***

#### **WSBC Delegate B - *OPEN***

#### **Region 7 Rep A (Angela C.)**

- Region 7 had a special one-day assembly last month. She wasn't able to get on. If need more info, she can get it from other reps.
- Original agenda included Region 7 changing their bylaws to match World Service's changes and to vote in a new trustee but applicant got voted in by a different region (World Service created a new rule that allows trustees to be located and voted in by any region).
- Angela is a member of the Outreach committee. On February 20<sup>th</sup> – Region 7's Roundtable discussion will be on information tables in Health Fairs. At 7pm on Zoom
- April 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> on Zoom – Region 7 Spring Assembly. Visitors are also welcome. Angela will be attending.

#### **Region 7 Rep B - *OPEN***

#### **Region 7 Rep C - *OPEN***

## **Region 7 Alternate – OPEN**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **AWARE (newsletter) (Chris N.)**

- The AWARE was sent out. Upcoming events, spotlight on meeting, fabulous stories and other interesting information. Pet of the month has been very popular.
- If anyone hears something or would like to share anything, send Chris an email.

#### **Program (Trish M.)**

- The next Second Sunday Workshop will be held on. Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2:00-3:30pm. The title is called “Excuses, Denials, and Loopholes, Oh My!”
- Will create and send out flyer
- The planning committee is working on the format. Will be a little different. May or may not have a speaker.
- If you’d like to join the committee, feel free to join at the next planning meeting on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm on Zoom.

#### **Retreat 2024 (Christina B.)**

- We had the final 2023 committee meeting on January 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Financials were presented by Treasurer, Shari B.
- New co-chairs announced – Christina B. and Suzanne M.
- First meeting for 2024 retreat will be held on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm using the same Zoom meeting info as the PAIG meeting
- Encouraged people to attend to see what it’d like to work behind the scenes of the retreat

#### **PI/PO (Alice P.)**

- “Is Food a Problem For You?” flyers have been posted including women’s bathroom stall doors. Discussion about getting permission to post the flyers in certain public spaces.
- Alice belongs to a group that has weekly lectures – gave a doctor who treats diabetic patients the professional outreach pamphlet.

#### **Speaker List (Maureen L.)**

- Got new person who wanted to be added to speaker list.

- Speaker list is helping and being distributed to fellows.

### **Communications (*OPEN – Phil S temporary*)**

- No calls
- Margie showed interest in taking over the position.

### **Web (Shari B.)**

- Posted latest event flyers, meeting list, and minutes.
- Also deleted old meeting lists so won't show up on web searches.
- Posted last year's and this past year's Retreat speakers on the website.
- Look into including the capability to track the number of website visitors and clicks on PAIG's website (via Google Analytics).
- Please email event flyers to Shari for posting on PAIG's website.

## **7<sup>th</sup> Tradition**

Donations can be made via PayPal ([treasurer@oa-phila.org](mailto:treasurer@oa-phila.org))

## **Old Business**

**Proposed 2024 PAIG Bylaws Amendments:** Proposed changes were presented for review last month.

This year, the committee only had grammatical corrections. No content changes. Voted on all at one time. Vote to approve all proposed changes was unanimous. All passed.

## **New Business**

**World Service Business Conference Motions** were distributed with those of interest highlighted. Will vote on whether motions should be presented at this year's WSBC at the next PAIG meeting in March. Due to deadlines, Mary will send in our votes the night that we vote.

Vote only on whether the motion warrants discussion at the next WSBC (end of April 2024). We will not be voting on the motion itself.

Detailed rationales were attached to each motion.

**Discussion re: billboard advertising** sponsored by Brandywine IG. Chris had agreed to contact Brandywine IG rep, however, email communication broke down, hence, nothing further was done.

Chris to transfer responsibility to Alice for her to check in with someone in the Brandywine IG.

Mary reported that in Brandywine IG's newsletter, there was mention of the billboard resulted in a lot of hits on their website.

Annie B knows someone in NJ who can provide more information about billboard advertising. She'll have Alice contact that person.

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**Food and Nutrition Expo** to be held in October in Minnesota. However, there is one coming to Philly in October. Not sure of details. Would need to look into getting more information

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**Radio Spots/Advertising** on WRDV – Delaware Valley, 89.3 FM, is a community radio station. Alice reported that a group of retired professionals that she belongs to, got a spot for their group. Radio station plays a lot of Big Band music and caters to older people.

For \$300 – ad is mentioned 40 times /month; periodically through the day. We would need to provide content. Alice to contact radio station point of contact for more information.

Trish also suggested considering social media (or other methods) to reach younger demographics .

Mary recommended setting up a committee to see what our options are.

## Closing

Wendy motioned to close the meeting. Alice seconded. Motion passed.

Serenity Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 8:19pm

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, March 6, 2024