St. Paul Area Intergroup Representatives' Meeting Minutes, July 17, 2012

I. Opened with the Serenity Prayer, Introductions, and the reading of the Primary Purpose of Intergroup.

II. Last month's Minutes were approved.

III. Treasurer's Report – Income from group contributions exceeded budget, but literature sales were considerably below budget. Because expenses remain low, YTD Intergroup posts a \$1,000 surplus. The balance sheet remains strong. Questions/concerns can be sent to Jeff M. at treasurer@aastpaul.org.

IV. The Office Report – Frank N. reminds us that the Office continues to seek submissions of writing, cartoon, and/or jokes from individuals for inclusion in the *Lifeline*. The volunteer database project is now complete, well ahead of projections. Many thanks to Bill S and office volunteers Bob P. and Mark S. for all their help.

V. The Website Report – No recent changes in the number of groups represented in the directory. Traffic indicators are down (although slightly ahead of last year), so Jonathan asks the Groups to provide feedback if the website is not meeting the needs of its intended audience. The full usage report is available on the website. Groups are encouraged to contact Jonathan (webservant@aastpaul.org) or the Office for AA-related events which can be added. Guidelines are available on the site. Remember to submit your flyers (with AA-related content) for inclusion on the website.

VI. Outreach Program – Female volunteers needed to visit womens' meetings, and Spanish speakers are needed to visit Spanish-language meetings! Progress continues. Contact Chris (320-444-4780 or <u>outreach@aastpaul.org</u>) or the Office if you can help with this important service opportunity.

VII. Night Owl Report – Night Owl Orientation is held every third Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Office. There is one open recurring shift -- visit the website or call the Office for more information. The Night Owl Committee has expanded to 8 members and welcomes new members Crissy, Erika and Kelly. If you'd like to get involved, don't hesitate to contact the Office.

VIII. Liaison Reports: Contact Doug for information on developments in District 8, and Toni for information regarding District 15.

IX. Upcoming Intergroup Events:

• Ice Cream Social (Aug. 25). This event, at the Recovery Church, will boast an ice cream bar and longtimers sharing their experience, strength and hope. Don't miss it, between 1 and 3:30!

X. Old Business:

- The Intergroup Events Calendar Committee (Judy H, Chair) met and discussed the current calendar with the primary purpose of Intergroup in mind. The Committee made three recommendations to the Board, and the Board has adopted all three:
 - Adopting an Event Sub-committee model (akin to that in use by Gopher State and Minneapolis Intergroup), where a Board member co-chairs events with other non-Board AA members.
 - Create a Speaker Selection Committee, involving non-Board members, to identify and secure speakers for Spring Fling/TGIS, Gratitude Night and New Year's Eve between one and two years in advance.
 - Discontinue Intergroup's hosting of the Fall and Spring Workshops. Intergroup encourages the Groups to plan or host such events if they desire, but Intergroup will no longer spearhead these underattended events, focusing instead on the events that more effectively further Intergroup's primary purpose.

- XII. New Business: None.
- XIII. Group Announcements:
 - The St. Paul Speaker Meting is the last Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at St. Joe's. New committee members are needed; no sobriety requirement. Contact Berta.
 - OMD's 25th Anniversary celebration is on August 22. Food starts at 5, meeting at 7.
 - Please visit the website for more information on area events.
- XIV: No suggestions for next month's agenda.
- XV: Berta delivered the Grapevine Report. Jason volunteered for August.
- XVI. Chris presented the Concept Review (Concept VII). Chris volunteered for August (Concept VIII).
- XVII. Chris presented the Mock Rep Report and Katy volunteered for August.
- XVIII. Closed with the Responsibility Statement.

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 21, 2012 (7:30 PM), BETHLEHEM CHURCH

Jeff M.,	Jean O., Alt.	Denise A.,	Chris S.,	Frank N., Office	Wanda B.,
Treasurer	Chair	Chairperson	Member @	Manager	Member @
			Large		Large
	Cedar, Secretary	Jim G., Alt.		Eva P., Member	Tim B., Member
		Treasurer		@ Large	@ Large

ATTENDANCE: