St. Paul Area Intergroup Representatives' Meeting Minutes, April 16, 2013

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

II. Last month's Minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Treasurer's Report – Jim G. reports a strong, above-budget sales month. Equity is up about \$800, as it has been in past months, which is a healthy indicator. Beginning next month we will hand out only the Summary page of the Treasurer's Report. The supporting reports and other documentation will be available on request and online. Intergroup is also considering whether to simplify its financial picture by consolidating its two checking accounts into one. Questions/concerns can be sent to Jim G. at treasurer@aastpaul.org.

IV. The Office Report – Frank N. reports that work is being undertaken directed at facilitating electronic transfers from groups and individuals. There is a proposal to produce a commemorative "First Edition" Big Book, as close to the original as possible, and sell it between April 2014 and July 2015. Frank reminds us that the Office continues to seek submissions of writing, cartoons, and/or jokes from individuals for inclusion in the *Lifeline*. Office staff is available to help you create a flyer for your AA-related event, just call!

V. The Website Report – Jonathan reports that the appearance of the usage statistics has changed due to our transition to Google Analytics, but we believe that usage has not substantially changed. There are seven service opportunities on the website. The full usage report and server statistics are available on the website. Groups are encouraged to contact Jonathan (webservant@aastpaul.org) or the Office for AA-related events which may 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 – Mickey M. will be chairing a meeting of volunteers to conduct outreach activities tentatively scheduled for 4:00 pm on May 19 at the West End Club. Contact Mickey M. (outreach@aastpaul.org) or the Office if you can help with this important service opportunity.

VII. Night Owl Report – There are no recurring shifts available. Please visit the website or call the Office for more information and to volunteer. Night Owl Orientation is held every third Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Office.

VIII. Liaison Reports: No District 8 report. Nancy (District 15) reports that the next event is the Washington County Fair in August. District 15 is working on outreach as well and will coordinate with Intergroup.

IX. Upcoming Intergroup Events:

- Spring Fling, April 20 (Denise & Mickey, Co-Chairs). Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30; Speakers (AA: Cookie S.; Al-Anon: Granger W.) starting at 7; Dance from 9-12. Location: Recovery Church. Come down and celebrate service, sobriety and SPRING! Volunteers needed for all phases of this great event contact the Office to sign up!
- Gopher State (May 24-26). Intergroup will sell literature and host a suite. Contact Cedar (<u>secretary@aastpaul.org</u>) to sign your group up to take advantage of the opportunity to co-host Intergroup's suite again this year!
- X. Old Business
 - Gopher State (May 24-26). Raz shared that the initial purpose of Gopher State was to support the Minneapolis and St. Paul Intergroup Offices. On this the 40th Anniversary of Gopher State, the Committee is soliciting your 300-400 word essays about your Gopher State Memories. Many volunteer opportunities are available, through St. Paul Intergroup or directly with Gopher State. Online registration and volunteer signup available at www.gopherstateroundup.org.

XII. New Business

• Relevant Board Activities Report (Christa, Alternate Chair): The Board approved a new prudent reserve policy and authorized funds to allow Frank to attend a GSO Conference for the Intergroup Manager's Conference this year.

XIII. Group AA Announcements

- Third Edition Big Book has a May 10 potluck. Dinner at 6:30, speaker at 7:30.
- MNYPAA's St. Paul Bid Committee is hosting an event with speakers, meetings, karaoke, a dance, etc. on Friday at the Downtown Alano at 520 Robert St. starting at 5:30 p.m.
- XIV. No suggestions for next month's agenda.
- XV. Kat delivered the Grapevine Report. Craig volunteered to do the Grapevine Report for May.
- XVI. Paul delivered the Concept Review for Concept IV. Chad volunteered for May.
- XVII. Bryant delivered the Mock Rep Report. Nancy volunteered for May.
- XVIII. Closed with the Responsibility Statement.

NEXT MEETING: MAY 21, 2013 (7:30 PM), BETHLEHEM CHURCH

Jim G.,	Jonathan,		Jean O., Board	Frank N., Office	Tim B., Member
Treasurer	Webservant		Chair	Manager	@ Large
Christa,	Cedar, Secretary	Jan, Member @	Eva P., Member	John L., Alt.	
Alternate Chair		Large	@ Large	Treasurer	

ATTENDANCE: