



Reading - Berks Intergroup

Meeting Minutes of 23 April 2024

The meeting came to order. We recited the Serenity Prayer. Alt Chairperson Read Tradition #4

“Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.”

New Representatives: Bob from Great Fact Bethany – Alt. Gibraltar DCM Dist. 66 Visiting

Chair's Report –Kay. (Contact: Chairperson@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

1. Orientation Packet for Matt, new millennium group.
2. GSC was April 14-20. GSR will inform us.
3. I have reviewed our Hotline expenses and investigating other less expensive options. Working with Hotline Bill. Three expenses for our hotline:
 - a. Verizon – call forwarding phone line, 2 listings in the white pages, the actual calls, and taxes and surcharges. \$50-55/mo
 - b. ATM – Advantage Tele-messaging – answer hotline and give website for meeting times, or call list of volunteers, or email Bill M. Since 1999, grandfather rate since 2007. \$75-100 over last 3 months
 - c. Hibu (AKA Yellow book) search engine mobilizer for searches on google from cell phones. Working with the website servant Steve because there may be redundancies and this costs \$49 per month X 12 = \$588/yr
 - i. This only helps for reading berks intergroup and information has been sent to us from them
 - ii. Do we continue?

Alt. Chair's Report – Dave (Contact: Alt-Chair@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Not much to report – Getting structure manual on the website

Secretary's Report – Gregg G (Notes to: Secretary@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Minutes were emailed out after last month’s meetings, paper copies here tonight. Report accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report – Tammy G. (contact: Treasurer@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Donations will go into the General fund unless otherwise designated. **2 signees on our bank account and need to look to remove Raul and add someone else along with Tammy. Must have 5 years of sobriety**

If using the Cash App or Venmo that can only be used for the General fund. Donations for other funds must be sent by check and marked of the fund. Can use some \$ support in the activities fund for upcoming events. Donations to that fund must be marked for the activities fund. **General fund is down due to contributions from the homegroups – Only \$50 received last month. We have enough for Insurance premium but that is it.**

	Previous Balance	Current Balance
Prudent Reserve	\$3020.00	\$3020.00
General Fund	\$869.91	\$37.25
Activities Fund	625.50	\$435.50
Petty Cash	50.40	\$50.40
Workshop / Convention Fund	223.26	\$223.26

A motion was passed unanimously to accept the Treasurer’s report. You may send donations here: **P.O. Box 12157 Reading PA 19612**

Old Business

Motion made by Steve P: Requesting an annual budget line item of \$1200.00/year to restock and continue the work of the committee. Motion tabled until next meeting.

Re-opened for discussion – Question was asked: What is the districts representation? Districts 66 and 67 does not have a PI/CPC. District 33 does have a subcommittee, albeit very small. The annual proposed budget was asked to be reviewed by the IGR. Response: Total

spent is \$1500 in 15 months and \$1100 came from intergroup. The balance was private donations from committee members. Materials will need to be re-supplied to use at events. There are future events planned as outreach. School outreach would require funds as well. If there is a budget, the committee can plan out the year accordingly. Re-stocking all material is about \$150. About 12 events a year. Have handed out 6,000 business cards and have given out books and bracelets out to district justice and libraries, doctor offices. A member stated that this is a great use of funds, but we do have a cash flow problem and was suggested that districts send funds to assist. Can we have a breakdown of where the money has been spent thus far from the committee?

Motion made to table this vote until next month and second. Must pass by simple majority. 15 yay and 17 nay

Vote: Number of voting members:

Must pass 2/3 substantial anonymity **23 yay and 11 nay – Motion passes 2/3**

Vote for original motion on having PI/CPC budget of \$1,200 per year

Service Position Reports

Institutions – Mark (Email: Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

All commitments taken

You can email Mark at Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org and reserve your groups commitments in advance of the RBI meeting.

You can scan this QR code to link to see which commitments are still available.



Hotline – Bill (contact: Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Start: March 27, 2024

End: April 23, 2024

Talk: 3

Info: 15

Hang Up: 0

Still looking for Women Spanish speaking volunteers

Anyone interested in being a Hotline volunteer must have 1 year of sobriety. If interested email Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org

Schedules – Tim M (contact: Schedules@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Schedules are available here in packs of 10.

Website – Steve P (Email to: website@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Still a lot of foreign traffic and potential malicious people attempting to hack the site. Thus far attempts have failed. Also, looking for a tech person to stand for this position in the future. Talk to your homegroups.

Archives – Shirli (Email: Archives@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Went to walnut street anniversary and need a new binder

Literature – Bill C. To order online Literature@readingberksintergroup.org

Inventory lists are printed and electronically supplied. New rep packs are available from Bill.

Committee Chairpersons Reports

Alternative – Stu (Contact: mailto:Alternative@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Alternative newsletters are available at this meeting and will be emailed out with the meeting minutes.

Online has a couple updates that the printed meetings do not

Unity – Jen. (Contact: Unity@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

30 people showed up and it was a wonderful event. Looking for deposit money for the summer picnic. Will be in red caboose park in west lawn. \$185 to book. Rent from General fund.

Corrections

Men's – Robbie K (Email: Mensprison@readingberksintergroup.org)

All going well

Women's – Susan W. (via: WomensPrison@ReadingBerksInterGroup.org)

All is going ok. To apply you must use the forms on reading berks intergroup website and send them in
Susan will be retiring from the position after this year

Bridging the Gap/First Contact–Kent (Contact: BridgingGap@ReadingBerksInterGroup.org)

1 calls this month. We fulfilled this.

Always interested in new volunteers

Visitation – Tim M (Contact: Visitation@ReadingBerksInterGroup.org)

Got to most of the daytime meetings and getting there to visit all groups little by slow

PI/CPC – Jen P (Contact: PublicInfo@ReadingBerksInterGroup.org)

We need committee members

District Rep Reports

District 33 – Mike – Mike is new OAL. 4/27 is district inventory at come as you are space. 11-2 and all are welcome.

District 66 – Tom – GSC just occurred, and we will have more info next month

District 67 – Kelly – EPGSA is 11/8-11/10 – Voting event. Mini assemblies will have area delegate speak about the GSC. Birdsboro anniversary is this month. Leesport has 42nd anniversary May 18. 8-10:30.

Other Important notes to share with your home groups:

Intergroup general fund needs funds and we need to think about who can be 2nd signee on bank account

Need to look at who can take over women prison chair in new year

Raul is in room N309 bed 2 if anyone wants to visit him – Reading

Need volunteers for the Hotline. 1 Year of sobriety required

Need volunteers for Bridging the Gap.

Will need a new webmaster sometime soon. Please consider this opportunity

New Business

Motion made to pay unity \$185 to rent red caboose park out of the general fund and has been 2nd. Debate occurred of if we should spend the money. There was also a note that we have paid \$2800 in events. Motion is withdrawn by the requestor.

Note – Bill stated that the Unity chair has not paid for the bus trip of the winner of a trivia night. Unity is looking to rectify this bus trip
Motion made again for \$185 rent from general fund for red caboose park picnic. Second. 16 yay and 14 nay. Does not pass.

No minority opinion.

Motion to close and second. Nays have it.

All finances of intergroup is very well detailed in the treasures report

Next Intergroup Meeting: 28 May 2024 @ 7pm