**Greater Cincinnati Intergroup Minutes**

November 19, 2017

**Serenity Prayer and Welcome:** Matthew H. opened the meeting for Ali E. at 4:05 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. (Ali E. later read the Standing Rules; the monthly step/tradition/concept was skipped.)

**Attending:** Ali E., chair; Matthew H., vice-chair; Tony A., treasurer; Mary F., secretary

Jackie C., Janet L., Sharon H., Barb E., Darie A.

**Secretary’s Report:** No report.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Tony A. indicated the distributed income statement is current from September through November 19. The income balance reflects group donations for October and November. Expenses included funds for sending delegates to the Region V Assembly the second weekend of this month and the charge for the post office box. (We are now paying $76.00 annually, up from $70.00.)

Regarding the Region V Convention, the balance of the seed money from Region V ($1,594.71) shows as income for September. We can expect additional income in December (our “take” for hosting the event. We have the inventoried literature. This may be picked up by the Central Indiana IG (Indianapolis) for the 2018 Convention.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Delegates:** Tony A. and Ali E. represented Cincinnati IG at the Region V Assembly (Nov. 10-12). Tony presented a few highlights from their report. Region V held its elections including a new board position – that of liaison to hotels and Convention venues. In the Ohio meeting, responsibilities for the August 4, 2018 Ohio Day of Sharing were assigned. Cincinnati will be in charge of registration.

**Budget:**  No report.

Intergroup Phone Service: Janet L.

**By-Laws:**  No report.

**Communications:** Sharon H. reported on the phone service. For the period 9/21/17 to 10/20/17, seven callers were referred to meetings by the answering service; one call was returned by OA for a total of eight calls. Regarding the switch-over from the Answering Service to Cincinnati Bell Connect Mobile, instructions have been sent by Cincinnati Bell for set up. There are still some procedural items to be worked out.

**Membership:** Membership chair Barbara E. reported she has seen no changes in the last few months and is asking IG reps to check for updated meeting information.

**Public Outreach:** No report.

**Special Events:** No report.

**Ways and Means:** Tony noted we sold $100.00 worth of ways and means merchandise at the Region V Convention.

**Region V Convention:** Tony A. shared that of the 253 attendees, 123 evaluations were returned. The event was generally well-received with the majority of responses in the “4” and “5” categories. Income was $32,000.00 with net proceeds of $15,000.00. He expects $3,800 to $3,900.00 to be added to our treasury. The Region V Board is appreciative of the work done here.

**Questions for committees**: Tony A. asked Sharon H. what was needed to pick a date to start with the Cincinnati Bell system. She indicated she anticipates beginning Nov. 27, 2017.

Janet L. reminded reps to check on Thanksgiving meeting closures. Sharon said she had sent out an email blast with the information and that it was posted on the website.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Regarding the plan to look into sites for an OA office, Sharon H. told the leasing agent we would get back with him in the 2018. The group agreed this was a good idea.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No new business submitted.

**ELECTIONS:** Ali E. read Article 4, Section A from the IG by-laws regarding the election of officers and delegates to clarify the criteria for selecting nominees and the duties of those elected. Positions to be filled for 2018 include all four board positions (chair, vice-chair, treasurer and secretary) as well as two delegates (in addition to the IG chair and Matthew H. who has one more year to fill on his term) and two alternate delegates.

Results with number of votes cast for each individual are as follows *(all ran unopposed):*

 Chair – Jackie C. (7)

 Vice-Chair – Darie A. (8)

 Treasurer – Tony A. (8)

 Secretary – Mary F. (8)

 Delegate (1) – Tony A. (8)

 Delegate (2) – Mary F. (8)

 Alternate Delegate (1) – Ali E. (8)

 Alternate Delegate (2) – Darie A. (8)

By virtue of electing Tony A. as treasurer for a third term, Intergroup invoked the provision in Section A9 which states IG may vote to suspend certain requirements to allow someone to accept an office. Also, in electing Jackie C. as chair, IG bypassed the one-year abstinence requirement under the same provision. That requirement will be met on January 23, 2018.

**Credentials:**

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 9

 Meetings represented – 6

 Eligible to vote - 8

 Delegates – 2

 Alternate delegates – 0

 Committee chairs – 4

 Board members – 4

Meeting closed at 5:21 p.m. with the recitation of the Responsibility Pledge.

Respectfully submitted by Mary F.