

CONNECTICUT INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES – November 16, 2009

LOCATION: Manchester, CT

Intergroup Attendees:

Wendy, Chair	Jana, Torrington
Anne, Vice Chair	Robin, Collinsville & Avon
Esther, Treasurer	Mary, Manchester
Sue H., Recording Secretary	

Wendy opened the meeting at 7:08 PM.

Secretary's Report: Anne moved to accept the October minutes, seconded & accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

Esther did not have her report with her.

Public Information Committee Report

No-one has volunteered for this position yet. Jana reported that she took an OA DVD to the Litchfield County Cable company. Cablevision (covers Torrington, Winsted, Harwinton and others). They asked if there was a 30 to 45 second DVD available. Anne said she would check to see if there is a shorter one available. Jana is to call the cable company back to see if they will show the DVD she left with them.

Literature: Anne reported that she has not made any new purchases, still has some OA pamphlets and books. It is to be shown in the minutes and the newsletter that members may contact Anne to order books with no shipping charge, and it should be posted on the Intergroup website, as well.

Old Business:

1. Wendy reminded the group that the next World Service Meeting is April 26 to May 1 in New Mexico, and we still need a volunteer (who has attended at least 2 region meetings). She asked that people mention this at their meetings.

2. Newsletter: Sue advised that the November newsletter should go out next weekend.

3. Intergroup Workshop Marathon:

A. Wendy advised that this had been planned for March 13th at the United Methodist Church in Manchester, as usual. But when she contacted them recently, they said the conditions have changed:

1. A flat fee of over \$300 instead of a free will donation
2. We would have to vacate the church by 1 PM.

As a result Wendy and others have been looking into another location. Wendy has confirmed that the Unity Church of Greater Hartford, located in South Windsor, would be available that day and for the time we need for \$270 to \$300. Sue has not been successful in coming up with alternative locations. Mary moved to accept the South Windsor location, seconded and passed.

B. Wendy advised that the chair of the Workshop Marathon, Sue V., was sick and unable to attend the meeting, however Wendy believes that the Manchester meeting will volunteer to be responsible for "set up" for the day. We still need meetings to volunteer to take responsibility for the following aspects of the marathon:

-Beverages -Clean up

- Raffle
- Literature
- Greeters
- Registration
- Speakers

Jana said she will ask Terryville if they can volunteer for one aspect, Esther will check with Rockville, Robin will ask Avon. Anne suggested that the Intergroup members attend other meetings that don't currently send representatives to the Intergroup Meeting to see if they would take on one of those areas of responsibility. With that in mind, Sue volunteered to go to the Wethersfield meeting, Mary will go to the Willimantic and Glastonbury meetings and Anne will go to the Thursday, East Hartford meeting

C. Wendy will speak to Sue V regarding the creation of a flyer for the marathon. Also, it will be Sue V's job to determine a theme for the day.

4. Intergroup Visits to other meetings: Sue advised that the Middletown meeting has been contacted about scheduling a meeting in 2010 but the Enfield meeting has not yet been reached. Sue's contact at Middletown is taking this back to the group to choose between the three months that are offered (May and August or September).

5. Open position for Corresponding Secretary: After discussion about not having found a volunteer yet, Mary agreed to take that position. She was advised that it entails picking up the mail at the PO box, responding with thank you notes and making sure checks coming in the mail get to the Treasurer. Wendy advised that Michael is still handling the Intergroup phone line for us.

Correspondance: Wendy reported the receipt of the following:

1. Another schedule of all meeting all over Connecticut, published by the Southeastern CT Intergroup.
2. Another newsletter from the Mass. Bay Intergroup
3. From Region 6, a flyer announcing 4 OA phone marathons coming up. Copies given to each member to reproduce and bring to their meetings.
4. A book from World Service giving a summary of each meeting held during the World Conference. Jana borrowed the book on the promise that she will return it quickly.

New Business:

1. Wendy passed around a list of current meetings in our Intergroup for people to record any changes they may know about.
2. Esther reminded everyone that Intergroup elections are normally held in December. It was agreed that this will be discussed at the next meeting (note that elections were finally held in Janaury of this year).

The meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer at 8:02 PM. .

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue
Recording Secretary

NOTE: THE NEXT CT INTERGROUP MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2009, AT THE USUAL MANCHESTER LOCATION. DIRECTIONS ON NEXT PAGE:

DIRECTIONS TO THE CONNECTICUT INTERGROUP MEETINGS

(Third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM @ St Mary's Church, Manchester, CT, UNLESS otherwise specified)

From Route 91 connect to Route 84 using Route 291, then connect to Route 384

OR

From Route 84, connect to Route 384

On route 384, take Exit 3.

At end of ramp, go right onto Main Street

At the 6th traffic light after the ramp, go Left onto Park Street

At end of the block, see St Mary's Church on the corner of Park and Church Streets, on your right

Go Right onto Church Street

The church is still on your right, and you now see an annex attached to the back of the church.

That is where the meeting is held.

You cannot park on the right side of the street, so park on the other side or on the next side street(Locust Street).

Enter the building using the ramp at the entrance closest to the main church building (just off the driveway)

Once inside, make an immediate left into the room!