IC INTERGROUP MINUTES – 9/9/23

**Called to order at 10:03 am.**

**Attendees:** Emily L (Chair),Ryan (Co-Chair), Georgiane (Phone Chair), Susan (Treasurer), Carly (Secretary), Ann (Communications), Max H, Margaret C

**Not attending:** Joe (Webmaster), Rick (District liaison)

Motion to approve August minutes as posted-passed.

**Chair Reports**

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Beginning Donation Account Balance: $311.46

Beginning Checking Account Balance: $463.01

Beginning Prudent Reserve: $600.38

**Expenses:**

Verizon $51.50---Sept 1st

AnserIowa $155.15---Aug 18th

AnserIowa $208.70---Sept 5th (includes extra minutes + Labor Day rate)

Website: Donated by individual

**Donations:**

Melrose Group $400

Thurs By the Book $200

Blue Noon Group $500

Ending Online Donation Acct: $311.46

Ending Checking Acct: $1,147.66

*Total Funds both accounts: $1,459.12*

Ending Prudent Reserve Acct: $600.38

\*\*\*Just received $100 check from Iowa City Young People. Hasn’t cleared yet

**Chair:** No new report.

**Co-chair:**  No report

**Phone chair:** No report

**Communication:** Almost has the handout ready to go to recruit for new elections!! Includes exciting Bill W quote about IG.

**Webmaster: Joe reports:** the site continues to work effectively, after being out-of-commission a couple of months back. I have updated the site to remove events that have already taken place.

On the links page, the IAYPAA link was broken. I have fixed that and that link is working, like all of the others.

**District liaison:** District is good financially and mainly talked about planning the Sept 9 picnic event. Area 24 fall conference will be in Dubuque October 12 13th and 14th see you next month.

**Group Reports**

**Georgianne (By-the-book):** Going strong, meetings at Gloria Dei on Thursday @ 630, both zoom and in person options.

**Max H (Iowa City YP):** Attendance is ramping back up

**Theresa (Sunday night Midwest group)** : Sept 9th Family Afterward Picnic is today!!

**Old Business**

**Revising bylaws:** Ann and Emily have finished the revisions and ready to pass to the group for review and comment.

The old bylaws are available on the website (<https://aaiowacity.org/iowa-city-intergroup-by-laws/>)

Most of the work was to simplify the document and make it more relevant to the IC context. Emily suggests calling a special meeting to review the document.

Discussion on whether we should approve these by elections.

**Planning for NYE:** – Rick has reported there is sufficient chairs and Ann suggests to make separate planning meeting so we can focus on elections and bylaws.

**Motion is made to schedule the regular meeting for Oct 14 and NYE planning meeting Oct 21 – motion passes. Carly will be absent for both so Ryan agreed to step up for reminders and notetaking.**

**New Business**

**Website design:** Ann T and Susan met with website designer who focuses on non-profits and were impressed.

Both Ann T and Margaret C speak on behalf of the importance of public facing communication to carrying the AA message. Cleanly designed website would make AA more accessible to still suffering alcoholic. Margaret C says in the past IG had voted to seek professional help with website design but it never materialized. Susan emphasizes the importance for mobile-friendly web design.

Susan says we are in a financially good spot to make this investment. Ryan and Max both speak in favor of this option.

Carly makes a motion to sanction $540 ( 6 hrs at $90 per hour) to hire the website designer that Ann and Susan identified. Ann seconds. The motion passes.

**Treasurer decisions:** Susan – we made a motion previously to change phone carriers from Verizon (we pay roughly $50 per month) to save money. Susan wants to confirm that we still want to switch to US Cellular to save money.

Carly makes a motion to change carriers and Ryan seconds. Motion passes.

Susan asked at Hills Bank about overdraft protection which would reduce the overdraft fee from $15 to $5. Ann and Ryan speak in favor.

Ann makes a motion to add OD protection, Ryan seconds and motion passes.

**Phone answering service:** Ann requests if we can get data from AnswerIowa on number of calls and minutes, etc. Particularly we went over minutes this month so what does this mean. Ryan remembers we voted to update the phone list but this never happened. We all are pretty confused about how the process works but agree it would be easier to sign up.

Susan offers to talk to Georgianne and get some answers around this for discussion at Oct meeting

Carly asks for permission to set up the IG secretary listserv through the IC Integroup gmail account so role transfer after elections is easier. People agree.

Ann makes motion to close meeting and it passes. Meeting ends at 10:58am with the serenity prayer.

The next meeting will be on the second Saturday of Oct (Oct 14) which will be followed by a NYE planning meeting on Oct 21

**Adjourned at 10:58am**

Submitted by Carly N, secretary

**Meeting Info:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81005064290?pwd=YmVBencvbDlBdGZ0NWlDU0czL1VNQT09>  
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