

Iowa City Intergroup Meeting Minutes – 3/7/26

Called to order at 10:00 am.

Attendees: Ashley T. (webmaster), Bryan D. (Chair), Dan R. (Co-Chair/Communication), Heidi W. (Phone Chair), Jeff N. (district liaison elect), Laura H. (Treasurer), Ryan H. (Secretary), Rebecca B. (Melrose), Susan J. (Trustee), Tim H. (Tuesday night trudgers).

Chair Reports

Secretary (Ryan H.): February meeting minutes posted and approved by all attending.

Treasurer/Communications (Laura H.): See separate treasurer's report. Most accounts are holding steady. Paid last expense for NYE, answering service, and cell phone. Reimbursement needed for the annual Zoom account, Laura paid for the PO box. Bluehost renewal coming up (3 years for \$700, see new business). Picnic expenses coming up. Approved by all attending.

Chair (Bryan D.): Nothing new to report. Talking at a group conscience meeting on Tuesday to discuss starting a men's step study meeting.

Co-chair (Dan R.): Met with Laura and Becky to figure out email sign in issues.

Webmaster (Ashley T.): Updated website with meeting minutes and treasurer's report. Uploaded YPAA St. Patrick's Day flyer. Still having issues with the JSON file for the district meeting list, need to pull in additional changes from the district website.

Phone chair (Heidi W.): in touch with the hotline to update the old list of phone numbers, including calling times and available for rides. We have a bunch of new numbers to add.

Intergroup district liaison (Jeff N.): Looking forward to the joint event in May at Hills community center (details TBA). They want to split the cost of pulled pork with us. Need help updating the website meeting list as stated above. Becky asked about location and turnout, but it's typically held in Hills since it's halfway between Iowa City and Muscatine. No word from Theresa or Cindy about what else we can do besides sharing costs.

Group Reports (including emailed reports)

Breakfast club, Riverside and Solon (Jeff N.): breakfast club doing great, 20-25 people during the week, a little less on the weekends. Riverside and Solon are smaller (5-10).

Melrose (Becky B): St. Patrick's Day party on March 14th midday, speakers, brats & burgers, bring a dish. Bret emailed about the phone number listed on 511 Melrose website being disconnected and suggested changing to the intergroup phone number. Becky said there is no longer an active phone number, and will discuss it under new business. Googling "AA Iowa City" brings up the 511 Melrose address with an old phone number listed, see if we can "Suggest and edit".

Together we can make it and Friday men's group (Bryan D.): About 25 people on Friday night, mix of different lengths of sobriety, discussions going well.

Tuesday Night Trudgers (Tim H.): Spring event on April 21st, food, speaker, etc.

Women's big book study group (Ashley T.): This is a women's, closed meeting that meets every Saturday at 9am at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church. We have approximately 15-20 women attending each week.

Old Business

Answering Service/Cell phone: See above discussion under phone chair. Need to have a phone number to forward to answering service. Seems redundant to have both, but we haven't found another way to get around this. Laura will talk with Susan about credit card charges for zoom and any others.

Concern about monetary gifts for speakers (Tuesday Night Trudgers): Suggest limiting the monetary value. Bryan's comment is that the NYE speakers were given thank you gifts for speaking, not payment and is not prohibited by GSO. Dan thinks it is an issue if everyone in the district thinks it is, and personally feels it would rob him of the opportunity to be of service. Becky suggested doing a gift basket instead of cash or gift cards, as well as covering hotel or travel expenses. Heidi agrees that we haven't typically given gifts for local speakers. Bryan said that in District 7 gifts aren't given for speaking at groups as opposed to large events. Tim said each group can have their own group conscience and interpretation of the 8th tradition. Bryan agrees to focus on gifts/literature instead of cash. Dan suggested limiting gifts to \$15, Jeff said we could let groups do what they want if they wanted to bring any additional gifts.

- See emailed motion: travel expenses only, no gifts to avoid this becoming an issue.
- Motion seconded by Dan, approved by all attending except Bryan, no further discussion.

May Picnic: Time to form a subcommittee, shelter #6 reserved at lower city park, need to decide on food, flyer, speakers, etc. Bryan, Dan, Heidi, and Tim can help. Plan to meet next week (March 14).

Website meeting list: Still working on the issue with the JSON file, working with Jim to update the file (may be resolved). Last paid for a 3 year membership with Bluehost in 2023 (~\$700) with auto renewal on March 26th. Currently signed up for an unlimited data plan, but only using ~2.5GB. 4 year plan for \$191.52 with up to 10GB. Can either do the migration ourselves, or pay a one time \$150 fee. Dan moves we go ahead with the downgraded plan and migration, seconded and approved by all attending. Susan brought up that we may not be getting malware protection, but we are paying for a basic plan.

New Business

Prudent reserve: Laura will send out annual and monthly expense breakdown and will discuss at the next meeting.

Adjourned at 11:07 am.

Submitted by Ryan H, IC IG secretary.

Meeting Info:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81005064290?pwd=YmVBencvbDIbZGZ0NWIDU0czL1VNQT09>

Meeting ID: 810 0506 4290

Passcode: Wilson

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Treasurer's Statement
Iowa City Intergroup
Date: March 7, 2026

Checking		Prudent Reserve	Online Donation Account
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,682.17	Beginning Balance	\$ 601.89
Donations In		Donations In	
		Interest _____	Donations In
	\$ -		Paypal _____
			Paypal _____
			\$ -
Expenses			Expenses
Answering Service	\$ 160.50		
Cell phone (Verizon)	\$ 52.21		
Zoom (annual)			
PO Box (annual)			
cleared late			
Reimbursement - NYE	\$ 158.84		
Donations Out			
	\$ 371.55		
Ending Balance	\$ 1,310.62	Ending Balance	\$ 601.89
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			\$ 172.16

Total Funds Available	\$ 2,084.67
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Funds less Prudent Reserve	\$ 1,482.78
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Upcoming Expenses

Picnic	\$	120.00	paid with my cc for shelter #6 sub-committee to set a budget. last year - pic-nic In: 195.00 out: 432.05
Zoom Annual	\$	169.49	Reimburesment needed to card holder ending 8894 (Nikki?)
PO Box - paid (annual cost)	\$	230.00	Paid with my cc, request reimbursement
Blue host	\$	767.52	renews 3/26/26 - this is for 3 years estimate 260-ish for a year **suggest a sinking fund of \$22 ** suggest going annual