

SMIA Meeting

February 13, 2021

Opening Bill L. opened with Serenity Prayer.

Visitors –

Board Members present Bill L., Chair, Janine G., Vice-Chair, Tressie F., Secretary, Cora W., Treasurer, and Keenan W., Parliamentarian

Group Represented & Committees Buddy F., Basic Text, Keith H., Almost Normal and Lifeline, Daniel W., St. Charles Step, Pat P., Bookstall, Joyce S., District 36., Lara P., John W., and Jim W.

SMIA Chair Report – Bill provided highlights from the IGLC Meeting. Grasshopper might be an inexpensive alternative for Answering Services. Quarterly CPC meetings are being considered for Area 29. Pat S is leading this effort. There will be a follow-up meeting on Feb 19. Contribution links on intergroup websites – Discussion on how to set them up and choices for contribution vendors such as PayPal, Venmo, Zelle, CashApp, etc.

Vice-Chair Report No report

Secretary Report Tressie F. read Secretary's report. The Secretary Report was accepted as read.

Treasurer Report Presented by Bill L. Cora was experiencing Zoom issues. Total cash assets; \$7460.94, Net assets; \$7246.83, contributions, \$220.92

Committee Reports

Archives No report

Bridging the Gap No report

Bookstall Presented by Buddy F. \$326.76 in sales. Buddy volunteered and was appointed as the new Bookstall Chair.

Phone report Presented by Bill as Melissa was out of town. Total calls, 5; 2 for St. Mary's, 1 for Calvert, and 2 not specified. Nature of calls; male needed to get into rehab, meeting info, wanted to talk, and two were unknown, no message. Melissa is still researching new phone service

Lifeline Keith H. – printed copies provided. Keith asked about people submitting anniversaries as "private celebration", or "private location". The SMIA will not list an anniversary as private in the spirit of the 3rd Tradition. It will simply list the name, date, and years sober with no meeting info.

Website Presented by Bill L. – 5467 visitors. 4 on-line meetings added. There are currently 45 on-line meetings in the SMIA service area To date, 74 meetings have reopened, 17 of which are meeting outdoor. 18 meetings are in-person and on-line. 74 meetings are reported as closed, and of those 74, 23 have an on-line presence

Where and When Presented by Pat P. We still have an abundance of printed copies from March 2020, though they are profoundly inaccurate. We may need to consider an interim printing. This will be discussed at the March meeting. The on-line PDF is kept up-to-date as information is received.

Corrections and Treatment St. Mary's County – Avenues requesting Zoom Meetings. This is the province of District 36. Buddy will take this back to the District

PI/CPC No report

Gratitude Dinner Canceled

Picnic Canceled

Serenity Breakfast Canceled

Old Business – The Vice-Chair and Treasurer positions received no nominees. Therefore, the SMIA Membership voted unanimously to extend the current board members in those positions until August 2021

New Business – Bill L will draft an amendment to the SMIA By-Laws regarding disruptive members. This would outline what is considered disruptive behavior, and what actions would be considered to address it. Keenan and Keith both expressed concerns about what precedent this would set. The amendment will be drafted and sent to the SMIA Board for review. It will then be read at two consecutive SMIA Meetings. The SMIA Membership should bring this before their respective groups for input.

For the Good of the Order

Meeting Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer