

## SMIA Meeting Minutes – November 13, 2021

**Opening:** Bill L. opened with Serenity Prayer.

**Board Members present:** Bill L. - Chair, Janine G. – Vice-Chair, and Tressie F. Secretary

**Group & Committees Represented:** Buddy F. - Bookstall/Basic Text, Bill T. – Beach Beacon, Dan W. - St Charles Step, Pat P. - Where When Chair, Rick W. – Inspiration Group, Melissa – 12x12 Serenity/Phone Chair, Lorraine J. – Bedouin Group, Bill L. – Website/Chair, Sherri - End of the World, Keith H. – Lifeline/Almost Normal. Keith L. – Blue Top Noon, Zee S. – Sunday Morning Sobriety

**SMIA Chair Report:** Bill - It was noted that the SMIA will not engage in mask controversy. The SMIA will follow the rules of the state, county, local or facility rules in relation to the SMIA gratitude dinner and other events.

**Vice-Chair Report:** Janine G. – attended IGLC where they discussed how to structure intergroups.

**Secretary Report:** Read by Tressie F. - October 2021 minutes accepted with read corrections.

**Treasurer Report:** Cora W. – Not available. Provided copy of treasurers report with monthly breakdown for August, September and October was provided. Treasurers report available on SMIA website.

### Committee Reports

**Bookstall:** Presented by Buddy – Ten sales to date plus sales from the round up amounted to \$913. 90. Orders 20 Big Books and 20 Living Sober books

**Archives:** Bill spoke to Wally and he is going to give the position up since he has moved. There is a person to transition it to but cannot recall the name.

**Bridging the Gap:** - No report.

**Lifeline:** Keith provided copies. Requested articles for Spotlight on Service and What Worked for you. Need Charles County anniversaries (also for website).

**Phone report:** Melissa was not present. There was a total of 22 calls (13 out of area, 2 St Mary's. 5 Charles and 2 Calvert). Menu has been set up – i.e. press 1 to speak to a male, 2 to speak to a female, etc.). Buddy received 3 calls (1 from Bill to as a test).

**Gratitude Dinner:** Gratitude dinner will be held at Immaculate Conception Church tonight and doors open at 6:00 pm. There will be an AA comedian performing. Tickets are \$30 and 197 were sold. each.

**Corrections and Treatment:** Calvert: Bill T. will check but nothing is currently no meetings being taken into any facilities. Only Zoom meetings for treatment facility - Avenues. Charles County: Dan - detention center is open for meetings; in addition to taking meetings into RCA (6 meetings a week) and Anchor (1 meeting a week). St. Mary's, - currently allowing Zoom meetings at the jail; and meetings are being taken into Anchor. Avenues appears to be the only treatment facility that is not allowing meetings to be taken into the facility.

**PI/CPC:** St. Marys unable to sponsor a booth at the health fair on October 15<sup>th</sup> because they wanted to charge \$250. Roger stepped down from Calvert PI/CPC. Charles no report.

**Where and When:** Pat P. discussed printing after the first of the year. A couple of groups are getting ready to make large donations to SMIA. Based on the 3-month treasurer's report provided, our revenues do not currently support the printing costs. Pat suggested a special donation could be made specifically for printing Where and Whens.

**Website:** Bill L. gave report.

Total Visitors 4776– Up 16.3 %

5 Most Frequently visited pages

Home Page – 5596

Where and When Calendar – 543

On-Line Meetings – 523

New Group Entry– 509

Temporary Group Suspension - 426

Referring Sites

Direct

Others

Search Engines – Google, Bing

The SMIA On-Line Bookstall had 489 new visitors since the October meeting. 9 new orders were submitted, 7 were completed, and 2 are pending.

Site Updates and Changes

No significant changes to the website

Meeting Change Information

One on-line meeting was added, and none were removed. There are 24 on-line meetings in our service area. 2 meetings were re-opened, and one meeting moved to a new location, and another moved to a new location and changed the meeting time.

Currently, 115 meetings are in-person, 11 of which are meeting outdoor. 14 Meetings are hybrid, meaning they are in-person and also have an on-line option. 23 meetings are reported as suspended, and of those 23, 8 have an on-line presence

Document Posts

Mobile App 2021 v2.7.11 Released – 11/01/21

Lifeline Posted – 11/01/21

SMIA November Where and When PDF Posted – 10/31/21

SMIA Minutes Posted – 10/27/21

Finance Page updated – 10/12/21

**Old Business** – Continuing Resolution made by Bill L. for Vice President and Treasurer to extend until April 2022. Determination will be made about other positions and whether to extend at that time. Voted on and passed.

**New Business** – Beach Beacon will now operate as 1 group for the multiple meetings currently held. Bill T. is treasurer and will be making a donation.

**For the Good of the Order:** Bill T. – 3 years on Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>. Bill L. 11 years Nov 11<sup>th</sup>. each group is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> group anniversary November 6th. Leonardtown 63<sup>rd</sup> group anniversary is October 29<sup>th</sup>. Melissa W. celebrated 2 years. Bill L. celebrating 11 on November 11<sup>th</sup> at Harmony.

**Meeting Adjourned** with the Lord's Prayer