

Augustine Fellowship of Central Arkansas

INTERGROUP MEETING

May 8, 2022 at CHI Saint Vincents and via Zoom at 8:00 AM

Present: Five voting members including the IG chairperson (also representing the Conway group), IG Treasure, Saline IGR, NLR IGR, and LR Treasurer.

OPENING – Serenity Prayer

READING – *From the How to Start an Intergroup Document, S.L.A.A. FWS, not conference approved*

READING: TWELVE TRADITIONS OF S.L.A.A.

I. Minutes from the last meeting – January 9, 2022 via Zoom

II. Written Reports

- **Saline County**

- **Financial: \$120.00**
- **Attendance: 7-10**
- **Group Conscience/Business Meeting:** The group voted to request that their report be delivered verbally and exclude references to the name of its members, including the group IGR, to practice our commitment to anonymity.
- **Group Health:** Good group health, lots of consistency, long term sobriety and recently had several newcomers.

- **Little Rock**

- **Financial: Last statement as of 4/29 is \$1495.19**
We have \$99 in transit from venmo (transferred 2 days ago) and \$12 in venmo. \$471 in cash to be deposited next week and a \$90 order placed today for chips.
 - **Balance after above activity is \$1975.19.**

- **Attendance:** Average of 16-18 between all groups, all groups are hybrid with the exception of Sunday, which remains virtual.
- **Group Conscience/Business Meeting:** The group voted to contribute \$270 to IG and \$270 to St Vincent and \$60 to Lifesaver/FWS.
- **Group Health:** Lots of energy for recovery, sponsorship is happening, steps are being worked, service is happening through rotating chairs, setting up and taking down the room, etc.

- **North Little Rock**

Financial:

Cash: \$598.4

Venmo: \$15.40

Payments to IG since last IG meetings were \$115 on May 2 and \$30 on April 6.

We continue to commit at least \$15 each to IG and FWS monthly.

Average Attendance:

Wednesday 7pm meetings: 7

Friday 7pm: 1-3

Wednesday 7pm meetings: 2-4*

**Based on a second-hand report from [Anonymous]...*

Group Conscience/Business Meeting:

- Our most recent group conscience meeting was on April 27th. We discussed the need for more members to chair at the Friday meetings. We are hoping to recruit 6 or more members who will chair on a rotation. Currently, (Anonymous) facilitates all meetings and is sometimes the only one present. Having at least one other member committed each week will ensure a meeting can happen and will help us better serve newcomers. Three members agreed to be part of the rotation. We will try to get the word out for more to serve.

Group Health:

- Members are growing in sobriety.
- We could benefit from more members available to serve as sponsors, though the majority have found sponsors.
- There seems to be a healthy emphasis on understanding and applying steps in group discussions and in-practice.
- Service engagement continues to improve. When asked, several members committed to helping support the struggling Friday meeting.

- **Conway Group**

- **Financial:** \$137.00 on hand
- **Attendance:** Average around 5-7 people at each meeting
- **Group Conscience/Business Meeting:** We voted to return to hybrid meetings beginning May 3rd. We now meet at St. Peter's Episcopal in person and offer a zoom option. We have also made a donation to the IG and the church in the past 60 days.
- **Group Health:** We saw several members celebrate annual birthdays in recovery recently! We have several members who participate from out of town/state. We have not had a newcomer in a very long time. We have challenges in the areas of service, needing additional people to chair meetings and serve as treasurer.

- **Secretary/Treasurer** - \$1098.22 in our bank account.

- **Delegate** - No report given

III. Old Business

A. Financial Issues, Ownership of the Bank Account for IG, separate from LR Group

~~a. Debit Card - Resolved and in use~~

b. Action: Treasure will have a written proposal based on the suggestions from the article on 12 Step Groups setting up bank accounts recently distributed by the IG Delegate to all IG members.

- i. The IG will need to have a written motion, second and vote of approval to make the changes we need to make to complete this project.

c. Completion Date: July 8, 2022

B. ABM - Set for Second week in August 2022.

~~a. IG Delegate Registration Expense – Delegate has submitted his expenses for registration to the Treasure and has been repaid.~~

~~b. Action: The IG encourages the Delegate to purchase airfare as soon as possible to avoid the increase in ticket price predicted as inflation continues to rise.~~

~~c. Update – Tickets were purchased as requested~~

C. Monthly Contribution to IG Request – Currently the LR and NLR Groups have voted to make a regular contribution to the LG. Conway and Saline will bring this up at the next business meeting for their respective groups.

a. ACTION (Saline and Conway Group IGRS) – Ask the group to vote on making a regular contribution to the 1) Intergroup and 2) the Fellowship Wide Services/Lifesaver fund.

~~D. Zoom Purchase to Yearly – Completed~~

E. IG Venmo Account – Action: Pending on resolving the issues above in III.a.

F. Potential for a Workshop?

a. UPDATE: Stuart H is willing to do this.

b. ACTION (All IGRS and IG Members) – Bring suggestions to the next meeting for a potential date (end of summer/first of the school year), any ideas for breakout sessions our members could lead, location and topic ideas.

~~G. Virtual IG Meeting – Update: Chairperson was unable to attend due to personal reasons.~~

H. Hybrid Meeting Workshop or Playbook - Update: LR

Chairperson is working on this.

I. Attendance at IG Meeting - Update: ~~Meeting changed to Saturdays every other month after the 7:00 Saint Vincent Meeting.~~

J. IG expansion? UPDATE: Delegate reached out to these groups but has yet to receive any response.

IIII. New Business

A. Job Descriptions for IG Members

a. Motion made, seconded and approved: The Intergroup request that each group consider creating a written job description for the Intergroup Representative (and any other volunteer position as needed) which will give details about responsibilities and expectations for said service positions.

i. ACTION (IGRS) - Bring this request up to your group at your next business meeting. Be prepared to report results at the next IG Meeting in July.

b. Motion made, seconded and approved: The Intergroup creating a written job description for the following service positions...

- i.** Intergroup chairperson
- ii.** Intergroup Secretary/Treasurer
- iii.** Intergroup Delegate
- iv.** *Note: The Chairman has recused himself from submitting a draft of these documents to avoid “driving the bus” and will only make suggestions*

and assist during the discussion phase of this project.

- v. ACTION (IGRs and IG Members) - Be prepared to discuss what should be included on these at the next IG meeting. Consider writing down some ideas to share with the group at that time.**

NEXT MEETING: July 2021 ,8:00 AM - Hybrid Format (moved to second Saturday because of July 4th holiday)

CLOSING - Serenity Prayer