

Meeting Minutes GKCAI September 28, 2013 Secretary - Amy I.

- I. Call the Meeting to Order/Opening Prayer
- II. **Roll Call/Introductions:** Attendance: Jim, Jennifer, Tim, John, Rebecca, Amy, Mary Jo, Diane, Wanda (not here for group reports)
- III. **Approval of August minutes** - Motion to approve, seconded, passed unanimously
- IV. **Treasurer's Report - Jim S.** - see attached. \$4184.13, retreat income \$1077.00, Donations \$193.25, Expenses 103.22, \$69.24 not all office supplies some of this is copies for the retreat and will need to be moved to retreat expenses.

V. Group reports

Sunday Raytown 3:30 pm - Jennifer N. (IR) - going well, 10+ attendees, reading several pages at a time instead of a paragraph at a time

Sunday CCC 3 pm - Jen S. (IR) - Big Book, seems to be liked, 10-12 attendees

Monday Atonement 6 pm - no IR representative - Jim S. - recurring guest from CA, chairs always full, 30-40 persons, Big Book Sturdy. Rebecca T.- when this group has a newcomer they read a story from the Brown Book

Wednesday Unity Church of Overland Park (UCOP) 6 pm- Cheryl H. (IR) - Jim for Cheryl - going well, 15-20 people, lots of newcomers, calm environment not scary so it is good for newcomers

Thursday Unity OP 11:30 a.m. - no IR representative - Diane W.- down to 4 regular attendees

Thursday Atonement 7:30 pm - no IR representative, - Jim S.- 6-10 people, lots of long time sobriety, good for newcomers, format change to once a month speaker meeting - tape or live speaker, literature changes each week, Jim loves it. Rebecca T.- when this group has a newcomer they read a story from the Brown Book

Thursday Community Christian Church 7pm - Tim H. (IR) - Steady 6-7 people, one newcomer regularly attending, going very well, just had a group conscious on Thursday, slight change to their preamble

Friday Liberty 6:30 pm - Carmain (IR) - Mary Jo for Carmain- 6-8 attendees, 3rd Friday of Month 6-6:30 (before the meeting) a member is available to answer newcomer questions

Saturday 0800 Grandview meeting - no IR representative - Rebecca went to a good meeting there, wanted to remind us we have 3 Saturday meetings

Saturday Keystone Church 9:30 am - Diane W. (IR) - interesting group discussions via monthly group conscious meetings, group is steady and strong

Saturday NKCH 1:00 - Mary Jo (IR) - has not been for the last few weeks

VI. Committee reports

- a. Fall Retreat - Jim S. - agenda on website, Amy - Jeff T, said there are 17 registrations, the menu will be posted next week. Are there still rooms available? Yes. We are seeing flyers at all the meetings. Yeah, we got the word out!!
- b. Kansas Day final report - John C. - 51 people paid to attend, there were 7 speakers, they collected \$700, 38 people participated in lunch. All financial commitments were met and a small amount of money was left over, Amy took retreat flyers to this event. GKCAI meet all their responsibilities for this event. We are a co-sponsor for Kansas Day. It was a good event with lots of positive energy. Thank you John for your service. Next year we are responsible for the program. They gave us an outline of what the program is, we don't have to create the program. Is there room to make time for individual sharing? Last year there were no attendees from KC, there were 20 this year. They said welcome back Kansas City. The committee wants to get things done earlier next year. We will add Kansas Day to the IG agenda for January or February.
- c. Super Saturday
 - i. Upcoming, November 16th (flyer by next week) - Diane - no report, they will meet next Saturday, Cool Theme: Thanks. Giving. Staying abstinent thru holiday and other special events. This super Saturday is IDEA day please be sure to note IDEA Day on the flyer.
 - ii. Finalized guidelines for Super Saturdays handout - Motion to approve with adding art to 5., seconded, approved unanimously. Rebecca will send an updated copy.
 - iii. February Super Saturday (last Saturday in Feb., Feb.22) - Rebecca T.- when the new officer takes place there is not much time to get this in place so we should get ready for this before 2014, this is Unity Day, go back and ask your group if they would like to host
- d. Sponsorship

- i. Sign up to connect sponsors with sponsees - Amy - the form is on the website, copies went to the people at IG and to all email contacts
- ii. Sponsor Support meeting - Rebecca - second Saturday of each month 10:45 to 11:45 at Keystone, sponsored by Intergruop, we will pay \$20 rent to the church, the people working on this will decide if they will pass the basket, The first meeting Saturday October 13, 2013 will be reading the pamphlet *A Guide for Sponsors*. Can IG purchase pamphlets for this meeting? At the end of the first meeting there will be a group conscious to see how this meeting will proceed. One thought is a Q and A for the last 20 minutes. Another thought is to have speakers come and talk about how they sponsor. Jim will donate flyers for the first meeting. John will bring all the flyers IG has in stock. There was much discussion on since IG is sponsoring the meeting IG needs to pay the bill, or should the meeting pass the basket. **Motion - IG pays \$20 per month for 6 months, passes with a vote of 7 for 1 against. We will discuss literature for this meeting at a later date.

VII. Unfinished Business - none

VIII. New Business

- a. Monday night meeting in Olathe - Rebecca T. - Concerns have been expressed that this meeting may not be following the traditions. If anyone is available to attend and support this meeting they could use some experienced OAers.
- b. Recommendation to have one Super Saturday a year be on the topic of Sponsorship - Rebecca T. - after discussion, no action at this time, we can be sure we make this recommendation to the new officers.
- c. Setting up guidelines for the retreat. Making handout for future retreat leaders. - Rebecca T. - should we set up guidelines for a retreat, we do not have any **take this up at next meeting
- d. Update on by-laws - Rebecca T. - Region 4 sent GKCAI a note in February asking for us to send a Representative to the Fall business conference in St. Louis(STL), we were told we could not have a Rep until our by-laws amended and approved, we amended the by-laws months ago we have not gotten approval, By-laws are approved after Rebecca T. made a few minor changes on our behalf

- e. Region IV Fall business conference in STL, this is next weekend, there were no volunteers to attend; there is a spring conference in Wichita, Region would like to see us send a representative, we need to pass this on to the new officers
- f. Suggesting changing words about sponsorship-Rebecca - find someone who has what you want and ask them how they are achieving this, rephrase to suit more situations - **Tabled til next month
- g. Nomination of officers - Jim S.- Could we extend terms to 2 years?
Nominations: John C. - Chair person, Rebecca T. - secretary, Tim H. - vice chair, Jim S. - Treasurer. We need to look at roles for each position, Literature should be attached to the Vice Chair. In addition, Diane W. agreed to be the new point person for Super Saturdays, as Mary Jo will be giving up that position.
- h. Mary Jo - gave some notes from world convention, someone at one of her meetings attended. There is a new workbook to go along with For Today, There are changes in wording on definition of abstinence, not sure what they are? Rebecca will find out about these two initiatives by WSO and report back to the group.
- i. How can you get a scholarship to the Retreat? Call the number on the flyer.

IX. Closed the Meeting