

WINNIPEG INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION (WIA) MINUTES – May 6th, 2023

Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association was held by Zoom and in Central office, Winnipeg, Manitoba on **May 6th, 2024**. The meeting convened at 7:00pm, with Glen reading the Responsibility Declaration.

X Chris W Chair
X Brenda P Office Manager
X Howard T Treasurer
X Brian T Secretary
O Donna M TAS
X Steve L Treatment
O Cythnia H PI/CPC
X Sarah W Corrections
Jainna C Keystone Co-Chairs
David B Keystone Co-Chairs

18 Intergroup associated representatives were in attendance. 7 at Central Office and 11 on Zoom.

Approval of agenda/ minutes:

Accept Agenda for May 6, 2024, moved Jim, seconded Ron, all in favour - carried.
Accept Minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association, as emailed to the Intergroup Representatives – moved Jim, seconded Ron. All in favour - carried.

Committee Reports

1. Chair: No Report

2. Secretary: Quiet this month. We had zero new Intergroup reps sign up.

3. Treasurer: The month of March was a good month all around. Literature sales were up and we received a one-time \$3000 contribution from the Keystone Conference. City group contributions were also up \$1500 so the month ended with a \$6000 Surplus. Year to date figures also show a surplus of \$6400 as opposed to an anticipated loss of \$1200. This is a great start to the year.

Motion to Accept his report as presented – Howard Seconded – StevePage | 2

4. Central Office:

181 calls 63, walk ins and 53 emails were replied to. 13 on .net and 40 on .org
32 callers asked for locations including 5 rural and 1 on-line. One caller wanting a ride for a bunch of them to Winkler.

One 12 step call went out to a drunk in Ontario who didn't want to talk about recovery.
An elderly woman with a husband in Palliative care called to ask how to get rid of her bitterness.
A woman, 75, has an adopted son 35 with a suspected drug problem who refuses to get help.
Five calls were for Bridging the Gap.

Total contributions at \$2092.72 were \$2538.12 less than April/23.

Monies came in from 8 in-person city groups, 6 birthday plan people and 1 step study class.
We sold 69 fewer soft cover big books than last year. 167 more meeting in a pocket, 313 more tokens and 119 more city schedules than last year.

The GST was filed.

A large token order was placed by Bruce Oake Recovery Centre. Seine River paid for their order, but it has not been picked up yet. Three group orders were mailed out or brought to the Assembly in Virden. Monies sent to us by Sagkeeng health in error back in Nov were sent to NA. The St Vital Group sent in some meeting time changes, the Wheat City Group have moved their evening meeting time to 7:00. The Blue Thunder group in Sagkeeng have changed their contact #. The Sabre Group has folded. A new Alateen group is starting May 7th at 7:00 pm in the Prairie Spirit United Church.

Events:

Steinbach is having a potluck supper; speaker night on May 11th.

Recovery 1st is celebrating its 1st year Anniversary June 1st and the First Step group is having a 45th Anniversary June 15.

Motion to Accept her report as presented – Brenda Seconded – Brian Accepted

5. Committee Member Reports

Telephone Answering Service (TAS): Donna N has issued the telephone answering schedule for April, May, June 2024.

Treatment – Steve L has agreed to take this position.

PI/PCP- No report Page | 3

Corrections – Sarah W has agreed to take this position.

Manitoba Keystone Conference: Jainna C and David B have agreed to be co-chairs. Jainna is the voice. Have three speakers booked so far. Hoping to get speakers from Las Vegas. Conference posters and tickets available by June. Need and want Intergroup to become more involved with the conference. Help with workshops, meetings, speakers, etc. Question: Why bring in out of town speakers when we have good local speakers available? Answer: We have booked local speakers.

1. Sub-Committee Reports:

Review and Report CO Compliance with WIA Guidelines – Chris W has indicated he will complete the report.

Develop an Emergency Preparedness (Disaster) Plan for WIA & CO – Working toward presenting the plan at the May 30 IG Committee meeting.

Web Committee / IG Liaison position Volunteer or Elected –

April Stats:

Website visits: 10,276

Specific page views: 25,712

Average visit time: 48 seconds

Friends of Central Office: we are still, or always, looking for WIA and regular members of AA to come forward to receive training in running the day-to-day work of Central Office.

Area 80 Alternate Delegate / Grapevine: Alternate Delegate – Alice G.
Pre-Conference Assembly just completed in Virden. Quite a few GSR's and DCM's attended on-line. Approximately 30 on-line and 50 in-person.
Next Assembly – Pine Falls – June 7-9
Alice and Chris will set up a Zoom where Alice can present her delegate's report.
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Area 80: Questions about Area 80 activities can be directed to area80chair@aamanitoba.orgPage | 4

2. Group Reports:

No groups wished to report.

3. Upcoming Events

Nothing to report

4. Old Business:

1. CERB Presentation - Chris W. is working on a presentation that will provide an explanation on the history of the payment received and allow the membership to determine the course of action to resolve the issue. Pushed off till next month.

2. Intergroup Rep Training - Chris W. is working on a PowerPoint type presentation for the new reps.
On hold till June.

3. 2024 Budget – A copy of the 2024 Budget was sent out last month with the monthly minutes. Howard explained a few of the important line items. Howard asked if there were any questions. None were asked. Howard then asked if the 2024 Budget can be accepted.
Moved – Howard, seconded Steve, all in favour - carried

5. New Business/Discussion:

1. Area 80 Pioneer Luncheon –

Joanne (Archivist) did a small presentation outlining a luncheon planned for the area 80 members who have 35 years of sobriety or more. See poster. Page | 5 Page | 6

Motion to close the meeting – Brian Second – Jainna

Meeting Closed

Next meeting: 7:00pm Monday, June 3rd, 2024 In-Person & Zoom Hybrid

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with the reading of the Declaration of Unity.

Area 80 P 74 Alternate Delegate Report to WIA

We just had the pre-conference assembly. The Alt Delegate will be going to New York. Next Area 80 Assembly is on June 7-8-9, 2024. It will be held in Pine Falls, more details to follow.

It was suggested by the Area that we would discontinue, having East and West Service chairs of Corrections, Treatment and PI/CPC. We would try to have one chair for each committee (because of Zoom and hybridization).

Our vision was that the DCMs of each district would ask their GSRs to pick a committee to be on and join them at their respective meetings. With the idea that each district would be then responsible for the Treatment, Corrections, and PI/CPC in their respective districts. This way there would be much better communication and access to more members to do the work they have. Intergroup has always been part of the committees with Liaisons to each.

I certainly hope that we can be inspired to collaborate more and reach the still suffering alcohol.

Yours In Service

Alice Gardai

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O Donna M O Dustin
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O Jaina C

Chair
Office Manager Treasurer Secretary
TAS
Treatment PI/CPC Corrections

Keystone Voice14 Intergroup associated representatives were in attendance. 12 at Central Office and 26 on Zoom.

Approval of agenda/ minutes:

Accept Agenda for April 8, 2024, moved Pete, seconded Ken, all in favour - carried.

Accept Minutes of the March 4, 2024, meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association, as emailed to the Intergroup Representatives – moved Sharon, seconded Stacy. All in favour - carried.

Committee Reports

1. Chair: The owners of the building in which Central Office resides want a meeting with us re: the existing lease is about to expire June. Chris will set up a meeting between the owners, Brenda, Brian and Howard.

2. Secretary: Sent out four Newcomer Packages this month. Keegan R from University Group, Stacy S and Kelle G both from First Step and Steve L from Winnipeg group.

3. Treasurer: The month of February showed a little of everything. Literature sales were up, contributions were way down, expenses were normal. The one unusual expense was the insurance was paid in February and is a one time expense for the year.

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Overall the month showed a loss of \$1000 as opposed to a projection of \$400. Year to date is only two months but we are showing a small profit of \$300. We had forecast a loss of \$800.

Motion to Accept his report as presented – Howard Seconded – Brian

4. Central Office:

135 calls came in. There were 75 walk ins this month. 16 emails were sent out on .net and 47 on .org

6 calls came in from first-timers 6 wanted rural information and 2 wanted online. information. 8 callers sought information to help others.

9 city groups contributed including 2 from online groups. 1 donation from a rural group was received. There were 4 people who sent in a birthday plan contribution. Total contributions were \$500 less than last year. Literature sales were on par with last year.

We placed order for books and tokens this month.

Group Changes:

The Portage Plains Group no longer has a women's meeting. A new zoom group, called Carry the Message has been formed.

Central Office is being used every Friday from 7-8:30 until the 28th of June for a step study.

Events:

A Service Workshop is taking place at Central Office and on Zoom 9-5 Sat April 20th.

The Dauphin Welcome Group is celebrating Unity and Sobriety Fri 19-Sunday 21st of April.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held in the Kelwood Anglican Church April 29th to celebrate the life of Duane S. who passed away March 22nd. Duane had 55 years of sobriety.

Motion to Accept her report as presented – Brenda Seconded – Jim Accepted

5. Committee Member Reports

Telephone Answering Service (TAS): Donna N has issued the telephone

answering schedule for April, May, June 2024.

Treatment – Dustin has agreed to be the Intergroup liaison for Treatment. One of our members, Dustin (NK) informed us of an upcoming workshop for April 20 at central office on Zoom and in-person covering topics such as Treatment and Corrections.

PI/PCP- The Public Information - Co-operation with the Professional Community committee (PI-CPC) has met twice. Meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month

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and are held in-person (at Central Office) and on Zoom. Meeting ID 862 8193 2054. Passcode 384778. The committee is an Area 80 (Manitoba) committee chaired by Ken P. (Oakbank Group). I am on the committee to bring information from and to WIA. There are currently four committee members in total. In some areas, PI and CPC are two separate committees. In Area 80, the committees are combined. 2024 is the first year that the Area 80 West and Area 80 East PI-CPC committees are combined into one. This was done because of a lack of volunteers to have two separate committees. If more volunteers are available in the future, the committee might once again be divided.

Two of the committee volunteers are the PI-CPC reps from their groups. Does your group have a PI-CPC rep?

The "PI" portion focuses on giving presentations to A.A. to schools and organizations, provides information about AA through digital and print materials, and ensures local media have accurate information about AA through PSAs, anonymity-protected interviews and press kits.

The "CPC" portion establishes better communication with professionals working with alcoholics, finds simple, effective ways of co-operating without affiliating, and clearly explains what AA does and doesn't do. There's confusion out there, people!

So far this year, the PI-CPC committee talked with a class of nurses at University College of the North which is in The Pas. Two members also met with a housing project who had a resident interested in setting up an AA meeting.

On the principle of "you can't do everything all at once or nothing gets done", the group has put together a list of organizations that have HR departments to help them understand the role AA can play for the benefit of their workforce. Letters will be sent offering to do presentations for their organizations. We'll then follow-up to see who might be interested.

As with all things AA, volunteers are always needed. Maybe you can't be on the committee but would be prepared to speak at a presentation or event. You can contact me at 204- 471-8600 or susiesunshinewpg@gmail.com. Text or phone is best. After a professional lifetime glued to email, it is not my preferred method of communication!

Corrections - No one was elected to this position. **Manitoba Keystone Conference:** No report

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3. Upcoming Events

Spring Assembly in Virden April 5-7, 2024.

4. Old Business:

1. Web Committee / IG Liaison position Volunteer or Elected –

Glen Parberry (639 Group) has agreed to take the position as liaison between Intergroup and the Web Page Committee. Justin from Winnipeg Group is the new Webmaster.

5. New Business/Discussion:

1. CERB Presentation - Chris W. is working on a presentation that will provide an explanation on the history of the payment received and allow the membership to determine the course of action to resolve the issue.

Chris will email his report to me.

Groups weren't asked for their opinion before the money was accepted. IG will send out a complete CERB answer.

Ready for next meeting

2. Intergroup Rep Training - Chris W. is working on a PowerPoint type presentation for the new reps.

On hold till June.

3. Presentation – Ash – Valentine's Day Dance Benefits

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We do a good job

People from three groups on the organizing committee

What to we do with the money

Good source of revenue

Apologize for not going through proper channels.

Not a fund raiser. Designed to channels any profits to Area 80 Central Office Hoping to be a District event on the area 80 calendar

We can't say on poster where the proceeds will go

Motion to close the meeting – Dennis Second – Brian

Meeting Closed

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Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with the reading of the Declaration of Unity.

**Manitoba Central Office
Statement of Operations
February 29, 224**

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	Current Month			Year To Date			Annual
	This Year	Budget	Last Year	This Year	Budget	Last Year	Budget
	Feb 24	Budget	Feb 23	Jan-Feb	YTD Budget	Jan-Feb	Annual Budget
Revenue:							
Literature Sales:							
42000 · Literature Sales	6,972.06	6,500.00	3,621.80	13,326.12	13,000.00	12,991.24	78,000.00
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	4,538.70	5,200.00	2,545.27	8,936.22	10,400.00	8,984.48	62,400.00
Net Surplus on Literature Sales	2,433.36	1,300.00	1,076.53	4,389.90	2,600.00	4,006.76	15,600.00
Contributions:							
43400 · Group Contributions	900.26	2,000.00	1,055.50	3,172.26	4,000.00	3,459.35	24,000.00
43500 · Individual Contributions	35.96	250.00	26.58	36.96	500.00	59.58	3,000.00
45000 · Rural Group Contributions	330.00	450.00	-	1,580.00	900.00	550.00	5,400.00
46300 · Birthday Plan Contributions	32.00	250.00	150.00	455.00	500.00	281.00	3,000.00
46800 · Committee Meetings	57.00	50.00	37.65	137.00	100.00	82.15	600.00
46900 · Intergroup Meetings	39.00	20.00	35.00	85.40	40.00	70.70	240.00
Total Contributions	1,394.22	3,020.00	1,304.73	5,466.62	6,040.00	4,502.78	36,240.00
Other:							
48000 · Interest + other	69.80	75.00	67.41	150.39	150.00	136.14	900.00
Total Revenue	3,897.38	4,395.00	2,448.67	10,006.91	8,790.00	8,645.68	52,740.00
Expense:							
Facilities and Equipment							
62815 · Utilities - Telephone	153.38	250.00	245.82	306.76	500.00	491.70	3,000.00
62840 · Equip Rental and Maintenance	213.39	75.00	-	213.39	150.00	-	900.00
62870 · Property Insurance	588.00	50.00	-	588.00	100.00	-	600.00
62891 · Rent	1,782.00	1,782.00	1,749.00	3,564.00	3,564.00	3,498.00	21,724.00
62800 - Facilities and equipment	(84.66)	-	-	(84.66)	-	-	-
Total Facilities and Equipment	2,652.11	2,157.00	1,994.82	4,587.49	4,314.00	3,989.70	26,224.00
Wages & Employee Benefits							
64100 · Wages	2,026.24	2,400.00	2,012.34	4,299.59	4,800.00	4,064.31	28,800.00
64300 · Covid 19 Wage Subsidy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
64250 · Group insurance	-	150.00	-	435.15	300.00	435.15	1,800.00
Total Wages & Employee Benefits	2,026.24	2,550.00	2,012.34	4,734.74	5,100.00	4,499.46	30,600.00
Other Expense							
65170 - Keystone Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65015 · Bank service charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65020 · Postage, Mailing Service	212.89	60.00	404.12	335.48	120.00	10.70	720.00
65030 · Printing and Copying	-	15.00	-	-	30.00	-	180.00
65040 · Supplies	38.47	10.00	-	38.47	20.00	8.55	120.00
65045 · Office Manager Seminar Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Expense	251.36	85.00	404.12	373.95	170.00	19.25	1,020.00
Total Expense	4,929.71	4,792.00	4,411.28	9,696.18	9,584.00	8,508.41	57,844.00
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(1,032.33)	(397.00)	(1,962.61)	310.73	(794.00)	137.27	(5,104.00)

MB Central Office
Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison
As of 29 February 2024

	<u>29 Feb 24</u>	<u>28 Feb 23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Chequing/Savings				
10000 · Bank - Chequing Account	34,435.41	42,124.07	-7,688.66	-18.3%
10001 · Bank - Savings(Prudent reserve)	32,695.23	31,833.79	861.44	2.7%
10002 · Bank - US	83.00	2,162.26	-2,079.26	-96.2%
10003 · US exchange	-260.60	-7.31	-253.29	-3,465.0%
10005 · ACU Share	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.0%
10100 · Petty Cash	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>67,008.04</u>	<u>76,167.81</u>	<u>-9,159.77</u>	<u>-12.0%</u>
Accounts Receivable				
11099 · Accounts Receivable	6,261.91	1,306.01	4,955.90	379.5%
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>6,261.91</u>	<u>1,306.01</u>	<u>4,955.90</u>	<u>379.5%</u>
Other Current Assets				
12000 · Undeposited Funds	1,492.57	222.11	1,270.46	572.0%
12100 · Inventory Asset	11,076.49	4,787.15	6,289.34	131.4%
13000 · Prepaid Expenses	3,240.00	3,240.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Other Current Assets	<u>15,809.06</u>	<u>8,249.26</u>	<u>7,559.80</u>	<u>91.6%</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>89,079.01</u>	<u>85,723.08</u>	<u>3,355.93</u>	<u>3.9%</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>89,079.01</u>	<u>85,723.08</u>	<u>3,355.93</u>	<u>3.9%</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable				
20000 · Accounts Payable	-120.23	2,556.75	-2,676.98	-104.7%
Total Accounts Payable	<u>-120.23</u>	<u>2,556.75</u>	<u>-2,676.98</u>	<u>-104.7%</u>
Other Current Liabilities				
24200 · Accrued Expenses	0.00	123.79	-123.79	-100.0%
25500 · GST/HST Payable	131.01	39.95	91.06	227.9%
25551 · PST Payable (MB)	202.30	114.85	87.45	76.1%
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>333.31</u>	<u>278.59</u>	<u>54.72</u>	<u>19.6%</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>213.08</u>	<u>2,835.34</u>	<u>-2,622.26</u>	<u>-92.5%</u>
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MB Central Office
Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison
As of 29 February 2024

	29 Feb 24	28 Feb 23	\$ Change	% Change
Equity				
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	38,749.30	38,749.30	0.00	0.0%
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	49,805.90	44,001.17	5,804.73	13.2%
Net Income	310.73	137.27	173.46	126.4%
Total Equity	88,865.93	82,887.74	5,978.19	7.2%
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	89,079.01	85,723.08	3,355.93	3.9%

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- X Jaina C Keystone Chair
- X Trysha C Keystone Committee Member
- X David B Keystone Treasurer

31 Intergroup associated representatives were in attendance. 14 at Central Office and 17 on Zoom.

Approval of agenda/ minutes:

Accept Agenda for March 4, 2024, moved Dave, seconded Donna, all in favour - carried.
Accept Minutes of the February 5, 2023, meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association, as emailed to the Intergroup Representatives – moved Donna, seconded Jim. All in favour - carried.

Committee Reports

1. Chair: January/February 2024 have been an eventful month within AA Manitoba with the Area 80 assembly and the Winter conference that were both well attended. I also heard of two new groups that were being formed within Manitoba (please don't ask me which ones at this time) and we look forward to welcoming both into our Intergroup AA service model. I was fortunate to give a quick introduction as Intergroup Chair at the Area 80 assembly and to let them know that I will formally provide a report at the next assembly on the operations of central office and the Intergroup Manitoba committee.

In my first meeting with Intergroup I gave a commitment that I would do a presentation of the issue of the Wage and rental subsidies received from CRA by Central office during covid. I have discussed this issue with the current treasurer and the previous treasurer. I have also reached out to others within the AA community who have held positions within General service and Groups over the years for their guidance on the right solution to an event that was unprecedented within our lives and our groups. Page | 2

I had decided to defer this report to March as I need another month to format my findings and communicate to the fellowship in a manner that will be informative but realistic on the why and how to deal with this event currently and into the future if or when another event happens in our lifetimes that will have such wide societal implications.

I have not had time this month to begin to create a power point to help introduce new Intergroup reps to Intergroup. I will need two individuals, one with power point skills and another with communication skills to help to create this. We will use this type of presentation to introduce new reps but also to visit groups and discuss the reasons why they should have representation and donating to the 3 arms service.

I also want to suggest that we begin to participate with an Intergroup table at AA conferences, Assemblies and Gratitude Day. I believe this will bring more awareness to the importance of central office and Intergroup as a whole. We may need to purchase a role up banner for this purpose.

Communication with the fellowship is key to informing the groups of Intergroup responsibilities, central office operations and general understanding of our role as a service body. Recently individuals with no intention of causing harm to AA or misrepresenting Intergroup have taken among themselves to organize a Valentines Day with the proceeds going central office. This is honorable and certainly appreciative for the operation of this body. Unfortunately, the message has been sent out that central office is seriously in need of funds. This is not the case; the Central Office is not in desperate need of funds. It is imperative that groups donate consistently within the confines of what they can do. This event was not presented to the Central Office committee or endorsed by the Intergroup reps. The other issue with that was brought forward by a long-standing member of AA was that tickets were being sold to non-AA members. Which obviously convolutes the funds gathered for AA.

Our preamble and traditions clearly state that we are fully self-supporting through our own contributions, and we are not allied with sect denomination, organization or institution. This also includes Valentine's day dances etc, etc, etc...

The issue with associating Intergroup with events is Intergroup relies upon the donations from the groups and AA members. We cannot take monies that may have been acquired by outside sources. In the past AA groups held dances periodically which were endorsed and organized by the group. If the group endorsed a dance, monies that were made would be used based upon following the 7th tradition and dispersed at their own discretion. In other words each group is autonomous and must make decisions that do not affect other groups or AA as a whole.

2. Secretary: There were zero new members in February.

3. Treasurer: The month of January was a good start to the year. Literature sales were good along with group and individual contributions being \$1000 higher than expected created a \$1300 surplus

As opposed to a \$400 shortfall.

Motion to Accept his report as presented – Howard Seconded – Lucy Page | 3

4. Central Office: 156 calls and 53 walk ins this month. 45 emails were replied to. 7 requested speaker lists. 7 callers were first-timers. 7 wanted rural information and 2 wanted on-line information. 8 callers wanted information to help someone else.

A message was left seeking a ride to a meeting. One caller wanted to get a sponsor for someone else who knew ASL (American Sign Language). Somebody wanted to know if he could do his step 5 with his mom and 2 callers who wanted sponsors. A man called 4 times about his suspended license. 2 people called in and 2 walked in seeking

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8 city groups contributed \$900. 3 rural groups sent in contributions making it pretty much on par with last year. 1 birthday plan contribution came in. Last year we sold 400 pamphlets, this year 80. Last year we sold 360 tokens, this year 680. Big Books, 12 & 12's and Daily Reflections sales were decent because Aurora Recovery bought 150. Literature Sales at the Winter Conference were \$388 less than the year before.

A new group called Recovery Group of Manitoba started up. They meet every Monday at 6:30 at 800 Adele Ave. Starting Feb 9th the Ashern group is meeting every second Friday at 6:00 for an O D. The Young and Sober Group have moved to 521 McMillan Ave. They continue to meet on Friday at 7:30. The University Group started a 22-week Step Study on Feb 18th. The 639 Group have added a meeting Sunday at 11:00 am. The Argus group has folded.

The Rat River group in St Pierre Joly's is having a birthday/speaker meeting at 2:00 on Saturday March 23 at 112 St Malo St.

Motion to Accept her report as presented – Brenda Seconded – Henry Accepted

5. Committee Member Reports

Telephone Answering Service (TAS): Donna has prepared TAS packages for her group and for anyone wanting info about TAS duties and doesn't have access to the AA Website. The 2nd quarter (April to June) is being prepared. Please email me for anyone changes as to days or time you prefer. We will do our best to accommodate everyone.

Treatment – Dustin has agreed to be the Intergroup liaison for Treatment. One of our members, Dustin (NK) informed us of an upcoming workshop for April 20 at central office on Zoom and in-person covering topics such as Treatment and Corrections.

PI/PCP- Unable to attend.

Corrections - No one was elected to this position.

Manitoba Keystone Conference: Elections have been held. The positions on the Keystone Conference Committee are as follows: Jainna C. is Chair, David B. is Treasurer, Paul M. is Hospitality, Dwight A. is Volunteer Coordinator and Trysha C. is Secretary. Page | 4

2. Sub-Committee Reports:

a) **Review and Report CO Compliance with WIA Guidelines** – Chris W has indicated he will complete the report.

b) **Develop an Emergency Preparedness (Disaster) Plan for WIA & CO** – Working toward presenting the plan at the May 30 IG Committee meeting.

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Area 80 Alternate Delegate / Grapevine: Alternate Delegate – Alice G.

I am Alice alcoholic Alt Del for Area 80 Panel 74

It is that time of year where the Delegate is getting ready for General Service Conference in NYC from Apr. 13 to Apr 20th, 2024. Your group's GSRs should be getting the "Trending Topic" questions in the next couple of days. Also known as "NY questions": or "Hot topics" Please make sure that your group will have their voices heard. For those of you who don't know what these are: They are agenda items from GSC agenda. If I am correct there will be 5 or 6 questions. The GSR should be holding a meeting to have your voices heard. They then will bring your answers to the Assembly being held in Virden, Mb. On Apr 5-7th, 2024 for your Delegate, who will then make sure to bring your area's group voice to the GSC.

So please make sure that Area 80's voice is heard.

The Conference theme is "*Connecting with Love, Unity and Service*" so it starts with you the members.

If you would like to attend the Assembly and cannot make it in person, Please note that you can attend virtually. Please use Zoom ID: 879 7092 1309 no password needed.
Yours in Service
Alice G

Area 80: Questions about Area 80 activities can be directed to area80chair@aamanitoba.org

3. Group Reports:

No groups wished to report.

4. Upcoming Events

Spring Assembly in Virden April 5-7, 2024.

Melita Round Up – Melita Golden Age, February 17, 2024 Page 15

Welcome Group – 54th Anniversary, March 16, 2024, East Elmwood Friendship Centre, 490 Keenleyside Street

5. Old Business:

1. Web Committee / IG Liaison position Volunteer or Elected –

Glen Parberry (639 Group) has agreed to take the position as liaison between Intergroup and the Web Page Committee.

6. New Business/Discussion:

1. **CERB Presentation** - Chris W. is working on a presentation that will provide an explanation on the history of the payment received and allow the membership to determine the course of action to resolve the issue.

Chris will email his report to me.

Groups weren't asked for their opinion before the money was accepted.

IG will send out a complete CERB answer.

2. **Intergroup Rep Training** - Chris W. is working on a PowerPoint type presentation for the new reps.

Motion to close the meeting – David Second – Lucy

Meeting Closed

Next meeting: 7:00pm Monday, April 8th, 2024 In-Person & Zoom Hybrid

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with the reading of the Declaration of Unity.

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30 Intergroup associated representatives were in attendance. 14 at Central Office and 16 on Zoom.

Approval of agenda/ minutes:

Accept Agenda for February 5, 2024, moved Lucy, seconded Ron, all in favour carried.
Accept Minutes of the January 8, 2023, meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association, as emailed to the Intergroup Representatives – moved Glen, seconded Lorne. All in favour - carried.

Committee Reports

1. Chair: It was great to hear of the turnout for the Intergroup meeting on Monday Feb 5, 2024, due to catching a variant of Covid and the unexplained Hydro blackout in South St B where I live, I was unable to attend this meeting.
I have deferred my report until March in which at that time I will do a presentation on the Covid subsidies received by Central office and a presentation for new intergroup reps and existing groups describing the details how Intergroup serves the fellowship.
Another issue that has become apparent is the idea that Central office is in desperate need of funds, let me reassure that Central office is not in desperate need of funds. We do though need groups to consistently through literature purchases and donating to the three arms of service to ensure that we can always operate. This issue has been emphasized by proceeds being offered due to a Valentines Day dance that unfortunately as a committee we have not endorsed nor have any part in the planning of. I will further discuss this in our March meeting. Page 1 2

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3. Treasurer: Report not available at this time.
Motion to Accept his report as presented – Not Required Seconded – Not Required
No Report to Accept

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Motion to Accept her report as presented – Brenda Seconded – Brian

Accepted

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Motion to close the meeting – Lucy Second – Glen

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MINUTES – January 8th, 2023**

Call to order:

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X Chris W Chair

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X Brian T Secretary

O Mark J TAS

Open Treatment

Open Keystone Co-Chair

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Gordie T Out-going Chair

Approval of agenda/ minutes:

Accept Agenda for January 8, 2024, moved Cynthia, seconded Ron, all in favour - carried.

Accept Minutes of the December 4, 2023, meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association, as emailed to the Intergroup Representatives – moved Henry, seconded Glen. All in favour - carried.

Committee Reports

1. Chair: Welcome all Intergroup Reps to the next 2-year term as I serve as the new Chairman. I would like to Thank Gordie and the committee for their service to Intergroup over the last 2 years. I look forward to serving over the next 2 years, my goal in the short term is to try to meet each intergroup rep and learn about there groups. Over the long term I will be reaching out to the groups that are not being represented to discuss and educate what Intergroup does for them and the AA community. I will be requesting to form a small committee of Reps that would be interested in formatting a presentation with intent of visiting some of these groups to educate and encourage them to become active in intergroup.

I believe that any challenges we have as a service body within AA Manitoba can be addressed and as long as we follow the 12 traditions and 12 concepts, we can persevere to resolve anything put in front of us.

I met with the Intergroup Committee the other night and learned a little more about the operation and needs of our AA central office. Page | 2

2. Secretary: We now have four new Intergroup reps. Kirk P. from KIS group, Glen P. from 639 group, Ken M. from First Step Online and Gaetan B. from Recovery 1st (a new group)

3. Treasurer: The Literature sales in November were high again at almost \$10,000. The profit margin, as we expected, has declined significantly but we were still close to budget. Contributions were down slightly as were expenses. Overall, the month was a break-even month as we had a surplus of \$75. The year-to-date numbers are still good with Literature sales and total contributions slightly higher than budget and expenses being very close. Year to date surplus of \$5000 is up from last year and \$4000 over budget.

Motion to Accept his report as presented – Glen Seconded – Jonathan Accepted

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Motion to Accept her report as presented – Brenda Seconded – Trish Accepted

5. Committee Member Reports

Telephone Answering Service (TAS): Donna N has agreed to take up the TAS position. However, Donna fell ill with some health issues at the time. We will contact Mark to see if he can assist.

Treatment – No one was elected to this position. Page | 3

Manitoba Keystone Conference: Nothing to report at this time.

Area 80 Alternate Delegate / Grapevine: Alternate Delegate – Alice G.

Alice wanted us to know that Gratitude Day is March 2, 2024 at Maples Community Club

Area 80: Questions about Area 80 activities can be directed to area80chair@aamanitoba.org

6. Sub-Committee Reports:

a) Review and Report CO Compliance with WIA Guidelines – Lesley K.

See note below.

b) Develop an Emergency Preparedness (Disaster) Plan for WIA & CO – Cythnia HS

Still working on it. See note below.

Lesley and Cynthia have asked for direction. What is required from the report and the plan. Chris has agreed to write an email.

Friends of Central Office: we are still, or always, looking for WIA and regular members of AA to come forward to receive training in running the day-to-day work of Central Office.

7. Group Reports:

No reports were offered.

8. Upcoming Events

Area 80 Assembly – January 19-21, 2024 at Norberry Community Centre

Winter Conference – January 26, 27, 2024

Gratitude Day is March 2, 2024 at Maples Community Club

9. Old Business:

1. Web Committee / IG Liaison position Volunteer or Elected – Agreed position should be elected. Currently being done by Gary C. (Tabled)

2. Update 12 Step and Speaker Lists

The 12th Step & Speaker Lists were emailed out on October 18th by the IG Committee Secretary. A return of the completed documents was asked to be Page | 4 December 15. A reminder will be sent out November 22. A final reminder will accompany these minutes. Brenda is currently working on this list.

3. 2024 Literature Budget

The IG committee executive has suggested we adopt, for literature sales, our primary source of income which also includes sporadic contributions from the Winnipeg area, a 5% increase in price for our literature.

4. Keystone Conference Opening Remarks – Opening remarks at the Keystone Conference broke Tradition 10. “Acknowledgment that we are on Treaty 1 Land.” [to be discussed at a later date].

Tradition 10 – Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Not Discussed

10. New Business/Discussion:

1. Cynthia H has agreed to stand as our new PIPCP liaison.
2. Bob requested that we review the CERB payment details, Chris, the chair, will provide an explanation on the history of the payment received and allow the membership to determine the course of action to resolve the issue.

Chris, the Chair will provide a quick synopsis of what a new intergroup training process or PowerPoint may look like at the next meeting.

Motion to close the meeting – Jonathan Second – Glenn

Meeting Closed

Next meeting: 7:00pm Monday, February 5th, 2024 In-Person & Zoom Hybrid

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with the reading of the Declaration of Unity.

WINNIPEG INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION (WIA) MINUTES – December 4th, 2023

Call to order:

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- X Gordie T Chair
- X Brenda P Office Manager
- X Howard T Treasurer
- X Brian T Secretary
- X Mark J TAS
- X Serge J Treatment
- X Chris W In-Coming Chair
- O Jolie H Keystone Co-Chair
- O Karly M Keystone Co-Chair
- O David B Keystone Treasurer

27 Intergroup associated representatives were in attendance. 17 at Central Office and 10 on Zoom.

Approval of agenda/ minutes:

Accept Agenda for December 4, 2023, moved Donna, seconded Jim, all in favour - carried.
Accept Minutes of the November 6, 2023, meeting of the Winnipeg Intergroup Association, as emailed to the Intergroup Representatives – moved Sharon, seconded Leslie. All in favour - carried.

WIA IG Committee Elections

Positions are still available. Chair, TAS, Treatment Liaison, PI/CPC Liaison, Remote Communities Liaison, Correctios Liaison.

Chris W. submitted his name to stand for Chair position. Chris said a few words regarding his qualifications and such. Chris was voted in with a unanimous vote.

Donna N. submitted her name to stand for TAS Chair. Donna was voted in with a unanimous vote.

Committee Reports

1. Chair: Thank you to all of you connected in any way to the WIA in Manitoba! This is my final message as I am rotating out of the chair's position! I wish to thank, in particular the entire IG committee [Serge, Mark, Karly and Jolie] with special thanks to Brian, Howard and Brenda for their dedicated, wise service and guidance for me over the past 2 years.

I believe we accomplished our main goal of stabilizing Central Office and all other WIA related interests as covid 19 dissipated some 2 years ago now. We also opened the door to heightened communication with the result of an even stronger IG committee than at present.

I feel very good about the positive and growing future of AA Manitoba's WIA...!

Finally – Merry Christmas and the Happiest, Healthiest of New Year's to you and all Manitoba AA's...!!

2. Secretary: Have started collecting names for new Intergroup reps. Have one name so far, Kirk P. from KIS group.

3. Treasurer: October was a great month for Literature sales. We almost doubled our projected sales to over \$9000. Contributions were up slightly, and expenses remained fairly constant. The net effect was a surplus of \$1700 as opposed to a budget of \$100. Year to date numbers are equally good as literature sales have increased by 35% over last year resulting in a \$5200 surplus as opposed to a budget of \$1200. We do anticipate an inventory cost adjustment at the end of the year, however we should still end up with a small surplus.

Motion to Accept his report as presented – Howard Seconded – Ron Accepted

4. Central Office: received 154 calls and replied to 49 e-mails. Seventy-five people walked into the office. Thirty-three callers wanted a group in their area including seven first timers, four in the rural area and one wanting online information. Of the 6 "Help for others" calls one was for Indigenous meetings for youth and three to get help for someone in the rural area. One wanted to talk, One wanted G/A in St Malo, 2 wanted detox, two wanted Alanon information and 4 wanted the AFM.

The women's detox on Magnus desperately need women to chair meetings. They are down to 1 meeting/month and the morale is really low.

The Nest need A.A. members to come back out to chair meetings. Page | 3

Book sales and Contributions were on par with last year. Seven city groups and two rural groups sent in donations. Two birthday plan contributions came in.

The new printer/copier gave us some grief. Office Innovations brought in a brand-new machine on Tuesday the 28th to try for a couple of days. It seems to be working fine.

Group changes:

The Sandhills Group in Ste Claude has moved to the Friendship Centre 64 1 st St Tuesdays at 7:30 pm.

The Portage Plains Group have added a women's meeting on Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

The Southside Group's correct address is the Crescentwood Site of the Corydon Community Centre 1170 Corydon Ave.

Pass it on will be having a meeting on Xmas Day but have moved their Birthday meeting to Dec 18th .

There will be no meeting at the Winnipeg Women's group Xmas Day.

The Group in Altona will not be meeting Xmas Day or New Year's Day.

Southside is cancelling their meeting on the 26th but will be having a meeting on Wed Dec 27th instead

this one time only.

The AAction group will be holding 10:00 pm candlelight meetings from Dec 16-Jan 2 inclusive.

St Vital group will be having Open House from 8-10:00 pm Dec 24-26th. They will be having a 7:00

Candlelight meeting on Boxing Day.

After their New Year's Day Breakfast, they will be having an 11:00 am call up meeting.

Motion to Accept her report as presented – Brenda Seconded – Brian

Accepted

5. Committee Member Reports

Telephone Answering Service (TAS): Mark attended. No report was given.

Elections and 2024 Budget consumed all the meeting's time allotment.

Treatment – Serge attended. No report was given verbally. Serge did send the last minutes from the Treatment East committee. Elections and 2024 Budget consumed all the meeting's time allotment.

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2. Oakbank WIA Review CERB/CEWS – Completed

Two sub committees have been formed. See subcommittee section for further details.

3. Update 12 Step and Speaker Lists

The 12th Step & Speaker Lists were emailed out on October 18th by the IG Committee Secretary. A return of the completed documents was asked to be December 15. A reminder will be sent out November 22. A final reminder will accompany these minutes.

4. 2024 Budget

The IG committee executive has suggested we adopt, for literature sales, our primary source of income which also includes sporadic contributions from the Winnipeg area, a 5% or 10% or 15% increase in price for our literature. Our treasurer presented orally and with spreadsheets the present situation in the Central Office budget.

Comments from the floor:

- Some Agreed that an increase is due.
- Do all groups contribute to the Central Office? No, all groups do not contribute.
- Voluntary contributions from groups normally go to Central Office, to New York and to the business side of each individual group. But not every time. Groups are allowed to contribute as they wish. Area 80 Districts Westman IG are also on donations list.
- Brandon area has its own Intergroup Committee. Westman Intergroup.
- At 0% increase the \$8000 loss shown in the budget could be covered by our prudent reserve.
- Another group agreed with the comment above.
- Do we have to move? The current lease expires July 31, 2024. A real estate agent hired by the owners did look at our building.
- The annual rent increase is at least 3%.
- Our Central Office manager is due a raise in early 2024.

Decided we needed a budget approval VOTE on the proposed zero, 5, or 10 percent increase based on literature pricing.

Alice G. informed the committee that a two thirds majority is required. Eight (8) voters on Zoom. Ten (10) voters at central office. Total is Eighteen (18) voters. Two thirds of Eighteen (18) is Twelve (12) is majority.

1st Vote 0 % Increase 6

18 Eligible Voters 5 % Increase 6

10 % Increase 2

By show of hands Total 14 4 voters did not vote

2nd Vote 0 % Increase 6

18 Eligible Voters 5 % Increase 8

10 % Increase **No voters voted for 10%**

By show of hands Total 14 4 voters did not vote

10% deleted

3rd Vote 0 % Increase 6

18 Eligible Voters 5 % Increase 12

By show of hands Total 18 Zoom issues - Uncertainty on who is eligible and who

is not. Hold a 4th vote.

4th Vote 0 % Increase 6

18 Eligible Voters 5 % Increase 12

Vote taken by

name & group

Total 18 Decided – 5 % Increase

The voters on Zoom – Alex, Coreen, Henry, Susan, Paul, Krista, Misty, Kirk

The voters at CO – Leslie, Destiny, Cynthia, Ron, Kelly, Doyle, Dave, Jim, Sharon,

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10. New Business/Discussion:

1. Keystone Conference Opening Remarks – Opening remarks at the Keystone Conference broke Tradition 10. “Acknowledgment that we are on Treaty 1 Land.” [to be discussed at a later date].

Tradition 10 – Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the

A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Motion to close the meeting – Destiny Second – Brian Meeting Closed

Next meeting: 7:00pm Monday, January 8th, 2023 In-Person & Zoom Hybrid

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with the reading of the Declaration of Unity.