

**MID- Mississippi Intergroup
BUSINESS MEETING – March 1, 2007
Minutes of the
February 1, 2007 Meeting
CENTRAL GROUP LOCATION ON NORTH STATE
6:30 PM – FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**

MEMBERS PRESENT: See attached list.

On January 4th, at 6:30 pm, Steve S. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Richard A. read the 12 Traditions.

The minutes for the December meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to accept them as given. It was seconded and passed.

Michael F. presented the financial report for December. Steve S. indicated that we would be getting a credit on the phone bill. Bellsouth will change the internet service from DSL back to DSL Lite, as ordered. The office ended the month with a balance of \$8513.70. A motion was made to accept them as given. Michael indicated that he was having trouble getting a volunteer for Monday PM and Friday AM. The listing of days that the office was closed, made at the December meeting, was not in the report. It was seconded and passed.

STANDING COMMITTEES REPORT

CORRECTIONAL FACILITY COMMITTEE

Hugh T. provided a financial report for the books for prisons. There was a balance of \$918.00 after collections turned in at the meeting. He also reported that he had started hearing 5th steps again. A motion was made to accept the report as given. Northeast donated a case of Big Books and Step Sisters donated a case of Big Books and 12 & 12s. It was seconded and passed.

TREATMENT CENTERS COMMITTEE

Oliver R. reported that he has compiled a list of volunteers. The Whitfield list for the first quarter is included with these minutes. A motion was made to accept the report as given. It was seconded and passed.

PAGERS, ANSWERING SERVICE AND INTERGROUP COMMITTEES

Brian H. reported that the men's binder to go with the pager was lost (it has since been found after the meeting).

Brain also requested that if you call the office for Intergroup related business and don't get an answer before the 4th ring, to hang up. After 4 rings, the answering service picks up.

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Brian again solicited that pink volunteer cards to be complete. They are to be used for the calling list of volunteers that are placed in the pager binders.

A motion was made to accept the report as given. It was seconded and passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The signatures on the account have still not been changed.

Oliver announced that a WEB address has been secured and initial work has begun on the WEB site. The address is midmsintergroup.org. This site will have E-Mail capability to send E-Mails to each group representative and to the officers and committee chairs of the Intergroup. He is working on getting it set-up for an April release. He also is looking for volunteers for help him.

Oliver is also working on a newsletter. A quarterly newsletter would be more manageable for right now. It is suggested that the newsletter contain letters from Intergroup committee chairs to explain what's going on in their committees and how people can get involved in service, local AA stories, a jokes section, a news section for stuff like 'such and such group' as joined district whatever or to announce new meetings etc., an event listing section, a meeting list, and a feature section written by an area member on a tradition or a particular aspect of the service structure or something.

He has asked a few people to submit stories so far, and to make some artwork for the cover and inside. Please, if y'all know people who would like to submit their story, another AA-related essay, or artwork-- please let them know that we can accept submissions in the body portion of an email to newsletter@midmsintergroup.org.

Also, if y'all could like write a paragraph or so to serve as your letter (keep in mind that April 1 will be the date for release), you can either email newsletter@midmsintergroup.org.

He was thinking that the "GrapeLeaf" might be a good name (i.e. a local offshoot of the *Grapevine*)

The motion concerning fuel compensation, from the previous meeting, was discussed. It was tabled to allow each representative to get input from their group conscience concerning this. Representatives, using their informed group conscience, are to vote on it at the March meeting. Brain H. volunteered to come up with some ground rules for this. This led to a motion, which was seconded. It passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Steve appointed a Newsletter committee of Oliver, Richard A and Liz B. to work on the newsletter.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned with the

THE LORD'S PRAYER