

## Minutes of Ohio NicA Intergroup October 27, 2012

I. Meeting opened at 12:10 PM with the Serenity Prayer

II. Roll Call and Meeting Updates

Present: MJ M., Lee C., Elizabeth B., Stow Group;, Tommy J., Brookpark Group, Jimmy G., Lois H. and guest Yvette, Parma Sat AM Group; Toni J., Lakewood Group; Linda C. and Lois K., Parma Monday night Group; Tom S., Youngstown and Warren Groups.

**Canton:** A new Canton meeting has appeared on the national web site. MJ will contact to learn more about the meeting.

**Cincinnati:** Lee C reported for Dave S. that the meeting is good and steady.

**Cleveland Saharid Club (Brookpark) (since 2012)**

Tommy J reported that the meeting isn't strong yet, with just two steady regulars but 2-12 attending. There may be a rent problem to solve soon.

**Columbus Amethyst Meeting**

MJ reported for Jon Fouts that the Thursday meeting has been dissolved. Only the Tuesday meeting remains. MJ agreed to work on the meeting list update since there seems to be a problem with the national website.

**Columbus St. Luke's Meetings (2)** Should be removed from national website and a letter sent to NAWS.

**Euclid Meeting (since 1984)**

Toni J. reported the group is still small but possibly growing, averaging about 5 people.

**Stow Meeting (since 1989)**

Elizabeth B. reported the Stow meeting goes from about 6-14 people with about 10 average and many more for periodic anniversary celebrations.

**Lakewood Meeting**

Toni J. reports The Lakewood meeting is very slow, suspects the time of year and job and shift changes for participants.

**Parma Saturday Morning Meeting (since 2003)**

Jim reports the group is steady.

**Parma Monday Night Meeting (Since 1984)**

Linda C. reported the meeting has about 5 regulars and 8-10 at meetings. The group will have a Christmas party and take up a donation to give the church. (Good idea!)

**Warren Meeting/ Tom S.**

Tom reports the Warren meeting is very healthy with a core of about 8 people and 13-14 at meetings. It seems to be growing and is in good financial shape.

**Youngstown St. Elizabeth Meeting/ Tom S.**

Tom reports this meeting is struggling, but that the hospital added the NicA meeting to its marquis, which should improve visibility.

**Youngstown Dick Bailey Hall Meeting/ Tom S.**

Tom reports this meeting closed due to lack of participation.

The Ohio Meeting List and Intergroup Contact List were updated.

III. Old Business

Minutes of the June 2, 2012 meeting were read by MJ M. Lee C. moved and Elizabeth B. seconded that the minutes be accepted and the motion passed. Tom S. expressed a desire to receive minutes sooner than the following meeting, even if not yet approved.

#### IV. New Business

##### A. Ohio Intergroup

The group is in need of a **secretary**. Please contact MJ if you would like to serve.

**Distribution of updated bylaws** was tabled until next meeting due to Jules' absence.

**Treasurer Report:** Lee C. reported that the Intergroup currently has a balance of \$369.49. Lee reported that since the last report, income included recent donations of \$53.00 from Intergroup 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition, \$150 from the Lakewood Group and \$100 from the Warren and Youngstown groups. Thank you to those groups and individuals! It also includes the previously approved expenses of a \$100 donation from Intergroup for the "Voices of NicA" CD project and a \$100 donation from Intergroup to World Services as well as \$32 for Intergroup lunch and \$47.70 for website hosting. Lee also reported that our web hosting is paid to the end of 2012 and domain name is paid to the end of 2013. Elizabeth B. moved and Toni J seconded a motion to donate \$25 to St. Matthew Lutheran Church (where Intergroup meets) for every meeting. The motion passed.

**Ohio NicA web site [www.ohio-nica.org](http://www.ohio-nica.org):** MJ reported for Jules C. that we continue to average 39 hits per day (14, 235/year) with the meeting list being the most viewed and the Intergroup page being the least viewed. She continues to update the Ohio Meeting list as needed. As a reminder, if your group wants to share group anniversaries or special events, just contact Jules and she can put a flyer or information on the site.

**Ohio Archives:** MJ reported for Jules that she still needs some anniversary forms and dates and the Meeting History page on the website is under construction.

**Ohio Fun/ Event/ Retreat?** This was discussed at length. The group would like to put on an event, but wants to do it in the summer and would like to have Jules' input since she has event experience, so will discuss it at the Feb. meeting. In the meantime, if groups have events (anniversaries, parties, etc.) that they will invite other NicA people to, get the information to MJ and she will send an e-mail out to the Intergroup so it can be mentioned at meetings.

**Internet, Phone and Northeast Ohio Meeting Flier:** MJ is to update and redistribute.

**Great American Smokeout:** NicA materials were provided for use with newspapers and radio stations to accompany Smokeout articles and PSAs.

##### B. World Services

**2013 NAWS Conference Long Beach CA April 26-28.** Lee C. moved and Elizabeth B. seconded that Tom S. be Ohio Intergroup Delegate for the 2013 Conference, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Tom S. and Toni J commented that **recent literature orders** from national were fulfilled very fast. This was notable because there had been a problem for a while.

Elizabeth B. commended Lee H. from Stow for his extensive work on the revision to the **2009 Ohio NAWS Conference CD**. She also commended Jules C. for her help as well. She reported that national will likely approve the redone CD soon. There was a hitch because she added four new voices with some new content instead of only fixing the music issue. Intergroup thanked Elizabeth, Lee and Jules again for their incredible service on this project!

#### VI. Other/Future

Future meetings are Saturday, February 2, 2013 and Saturday, June 1, 2013 at St. Matthew's in Parma at 12 noon.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 2:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

MJ M