

SOUTHERN DELAWARE INTERGROUP MINUTES
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 4, 2020

1. The meeting was called to order by Joyce via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. with the *Serenity Prayer.*

Representatives present: Big Book Study Group, Gay, Joyous & Free, Georgetown Saturday Night, Love & Service, Millsboro Monday Night, Milton BYOBB, Morning Wake-up Group, New Beginnings, Rehoboth Beach Group, Shore Serenity Group, Sisters of Sobriety, Straight from 12 & 12, Tuesday Morning Step 6 & 7, Wake-up Call Group, WE Group. Other Guests present: DCM 1, DCM 3, Delegate Terry H., Area 12, DCM 13. 30 Members present; 19 Groups Represented.

2. New Intergroup Reps: None

3. Announcements: Safe reopening workshop was very informative; notes will be on delawareaa.org. Virtual 7th tradition option in development. Kristin celebrated 1 year.

4. Intergroup Officer Reports

- 4.1. Secretary: Minutes distributed, reviewed and accepted.
- 4.2. Treasurer: Copies of current income and expense report were distributed, reviewed and accepted with updates and modifications.

5. Intergroup Committee Reports

- 5.1. **Accessibility:** Dan still seeking committee members, please take the request back to homegroups and if interested, email Dan at dshenry2067@gmail.com or call 302.540.8959.
- 5.2. **Answering Service:** Les informed the group he received numerous calls last month. Each month Lela changes the order of names and submits to answering service. Lela to check with service on process. Numbers for May; 324 total minutes up +26%, 184 answered minutes. Total cost \$243 +4%.
- 5.3. **Archives:** Kristin had zoom meeting on 5/11 working on composing and arranging documents. Began working with Sue. Still seeking volunteers. To develop a history of our groups during the pandemic, please ask homegroups how they have handled this time. Email Kristin at kreemma@gmail.com or call 202.644.6212. Sisters of Sobriety has already responded with their history.
- 5.4. **BTG/Treatment:** Cheryl stepped down; new chair needed to collaborate with Jim S.
- 5.5. **Corrections:** Not present, currently no meetings.
- 5.6. **Crest:** Since mid-March, closed to meetings. Crest cooperates with each institution, as all are different. Opportunity for a program managed by GSO – Corrections Correspondence. You can correspond with inmates (no personal info will be shared) – to get on list reach out to Pam at 302.747.6079.
- 5.7. **CPC:** Important to keep the hand of AA available during pandemic. Building database of treatment centers, medical, professional contacts to provide

information on AA. To help with that database, please ask your home group members how they got to AA, through treatment centers, law enforcement, etc., please include names and details – email cpc@sussexaa.org or call Paul 302.339.5379.

- 5.8. **Liaison Area 12:** Pam, correction chair Area 12 for Kent County & Central Delaware, conducts zoom meetings at prisons with 5-10 people in the room. Literature – cases of Grapevines and Big Books - provided for the library, where inmates get 30 minutes for reading. Seeking pen pals for correspondence. Can download and fill out form #26 from website and send request to GSO.
- 5.9. **Literature:** New catalog with several price increases and decreases included. Shipping costs are still very expensive. Grapevine has a YouTube channel. An AA history bundle is available at a bundle price of \$30 versus \$43 priced separately. Leslie to check on Wake-up call literature they never received. Email for requests or a question is literature@sussexaa.org.
- 5.10. **PI:** Heidi is working on distribution, seeking help with stocking.
- 5.11. **Special Events:** Gratitude breakfast is postponed till next year. Tickets will still be valid and sold out. Agreed to postpone Bash on the Beach till next year.
- 5.12. **Website/Where & When:** Website report attached. A paid tech/website manager needed to maintain the site. Specific proposal to be submitted by next month.

6. District / Delegate Reports

- 6.1. **District 1:** First zoom meeting went very well and will continue monthly.
- 6.2. **District 2:** Zoom meeting on 1st Wednesday of the month.
- 6.3. **District 3:** Zoom meeting before this meeting. Several groups conducting small – under 10 people – in person groups.
- 6.4. **District 13:** Monthly zoom meetings listed on sussexaa.org
- 6.5. **Delegate:** Workshop on Area 12 Saturday 9:30-11 listed on Delawareaa.org or Sussexaa.org – Service Beyond the Home Group.

7. **Old Business:** None.

8. **New Business:** None

9. **Close:** Meeting Adjourned at 7:08 p.m. with recital of *Responsibility Declaration*

Next Scheduled Meeting: **Thursday, July 2, 2020 at 6 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda H.
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**Southern Delaware Intergroup (SDI) of Alcoholics Anonymous
Website/Where & When Committee Report (06-04-20)**

1. **The Committee met on June 1, 2020.** In attendance were Susie H., Joyce F., Viv H., Paul S. and two new members, Annette W., and Wendy B.
2. **Statistics.** Though number of pages and hits decreased, the number of unique visitors and visits increased.

Month	Unique Visitors	# of Visits	Pages	Hits
May	2,730	7,676	59,291	155,391
April	2,260	7,337	72,395	177,551
March	2,586	6,507	72,669	149,034

3. **Meetings.** There are **135 meetings** in the database.
 - There are **43 published online meetings**. These meetings are all marked with a **green online meeting** tag with clickable meeting links and phone numbers.
 - **62 meetings have been temporarily suspended**. These meetings are all marked with a **red temporary closure** tag, and the color is faded out.
 - The status of the remaining is unknown.
 - All our meetings are synced with the GSO A.A. Meeting Guide app, which as of April 9 supported the display of meetings that have temporarily closed and/or moved online.
 - Please make sure meeting changes/passwords are communicated via support@sussexaa.org
4. **Printed Meeting List.** We are not doing a printed meeting list for June.
5. **Email.** support@sussexaa.org **fielded 139 emails in May**. Though down from our higher numbers in March and April, this is far above our normal amount of 20 emails per month. The bulk of emails were about changes to existing meetings, password help, general Zoom help, and event changes. We are also getting direct requests for passwords.
6. **Website.** The website is being updated continually.
 - **Home Page.** New information was added as it became available regarding Covid-19 as it relates to meetings. A separate page for Covid-19 information is being developed.
 - **Meetings page.** Information with clickable links on top of meeting page header for quickly finding online meetings and how to manage Zoom. Need to alert the community that just as the case when we had fff meetings, if the password changes or anything related, we need to know.
 - **Important Updates on Meetings & Events:** This post reports ongoing information on meetings, events and other activity. It is a living document and is updated as we learn more. See <https://sussexaa.org/important-notice-on-meetings/>

- **Zoom.** On May 31, Zoom has once again made changes to meeting defaults and **all users will need to update their versions** to use Zoom. Though Zoom announced either passwords and/or waiting rooms are required, it's not clear they have implemented this. The post as it stands today (see <https://sussexaa.org/managing-online-meetings-on-zoom/>) gives guidance and suggestions for Zoom passwords and settings for safeguarding anonymity and handling zoom-bombers. This post has continually been updated, and is current with the latest Zoom version (5.0)
 - **Notification Bar.** Notification bar located above header has bright red background with white text and shows on every page. Suggestions on toning it down and message appreciated.
 - **Sidebar Widget.** Information with clickable links for quickly finding online meetings, how to manage Zoom safely, how to set up Zoom and resources to find other online meetings.
 - **E-mail addresses** for Archives and Accessibility Committees have been added.
7. **Monthly News Post.** Since March we have not done one. We plan to resume this as soon as possible. Please feel free to suggest content by e-mailing support@sussexaa.org.
 8. **Intergroup Minutes.** Posted March minutes, and website reports as a stand-alone for April and May in the reports section.
 9. The website committee will be bringing a proposal to the July Intergroup meeting for a paid website/tech person for the Southern Delaware Intergroup.