

SOUTHERN DELAWARE INTERGROUP MINUTES
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 3, 2020

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

Representatives present: Angola Seaside, Bethany Early Birds, Big Book Study Group, Gay, Joyous & Free, Georgetown Saturday Night, Love & Service, Millsboro Monday Night, , Monday Night Long Neck, Milton BYOBB, Morning Wake-up Group, New Beginnings, Rehoboth Beach Group, New Beginnings, New Freedom, Open Arms, Shore Serenity Group, Sisters of Sobriety, Straight from 12 & 12, Terra Firma Big Book, Tuesday Morning Step 6 & 7, Wake-up Call Group, WE Group, YPA
Other Guests present: DCM 1, DCM 3, DCM 4, Liaison Area 12, PI Area 12, DCM 13. 28 Members present; 25 Groups Represented.

2. New Intergroup Reps: None

3. Announcements: None

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.

5. Intergroup Committee Reports

- 5.1. **Accessibility:** Rachel joined committee with Dan, but can still use more committee members, please take the request back to homegroups and if interested or experienced, email Dan at accessibility@sussexaa.org or call 302.540.8959. Met with Web Committee to address needs of newcomers. Dan working on mock-ups with Seattle Intergroup who is sharing their program, to welcome newcomers.
- 5.2. **Answering Service:** Numbers this month - total number of answered minutes 331 – 31%, cost \$246 -24%. Lela working with service to provide a random selection of the volunteer list to distribute calls going to different volunteers.
- 5.3. **Archives:** Seeking committee members to assist and a catalog person. Asking for history of groups – form is on the web at archives tab to be filled out. No histories have been received, please ask home groups to provide.
- 5.4. **BTG/Treatment:** Working with BTG's across the country to develop lists and structure. With suggestions and ideas contact BTG@sussexaa.org.
- 5.5. **Corrections:** Not present, currently no meetings.
- 5.6. **Crest:** Still in lockdown, awaiting input from the state. Need literature for facilities.
- 5.7. **CPC:** Home of the Brave meetings still on hold since April. Will begin to host virtual sessions to share CPC presentation. To join or share contacts reach out to cpc@sussexaa.org.

- 5.8. **Liaison Area 12:** Rachel, who is also Accessibilities Chair, offering resources to Districts to make AA accessible for all. Working to provide solutions to remove obstacles for each specific home group. Reaching out to newcomers to find out needs and develop a homegroup checklist to provide accessibility for that location (i.e.: wheelchair access, restrooms, parking, etc.) Contact accessibility@sussexaa.org.
- 5.9. **Literature:** Leslie looking at sample literature sites with are simple to use and user friendly, should be ready to launch soon. Funds just placed in literature so have availability. If in need of literature contact Leslie with all requests at literature@sussexaa.org.
- 5.10. **PI:** Not present.
- 5.11. **Special Events:** Not present.
- 5.12. **Website/Where & When:** Website report attached.

6. District / Delegate Reports

- 6.1. **District 1:** Zoom meetings 3rd Monday 6pm...listed on sussexaa.org for current info. Meetings have had good attendance and will continue.
- 6.2. **District 2:** Zoom meeting on 1st Wednesday of the month. Officer elections this October. Seeking officers. Register for assembly on sussexaa.org.
- 6.3. **District 3:** Next zoom meeting 9/1 7pm. Seeking an Alternate DCM and District Secretary.
- 6.4. **District 13:** Not present
- 6.5. **Delegate:** Not present.

7. **Old Business:** None

8. **New Business:** None

9. **Close:** Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 p.m. with recital of *Responsibility Declaration*

Next Scheduled Meeting: **Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 6 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda H. SDI Secretary

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Southern Delaware Intergroup (SDI) of Alcoholics Anonymous Website/Tech/Where & When Committee Report (09-03-20)

1. Statistics.

Month (2020)	Unique Visitors	# of Visits	Pages	Hits
August	2,955	8,059	68,167	178,887
July	2,967	7,875	68,830	173,273
June	2,761	7,250	70,647	153,149
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

2. **Meetings.** There are **136 meetings** in the database. Several meetings moved from online to indoor. Four online meetings discontinued.

- There are four (4) status categories of meetings.
 1. **Online.** There are **47 published online meetings**. These meetings are all marked with a **green online meeting** tag with clickable meeting links and phone numbers. These meetings can be easily found with a link provided on the meeting page, as well as in the menu bar.
 2. **Outdoor.** There are **nine (9) published outdoor meetings**. These meetings all have the tag /outside after the name. These meetings can be easily found with a link provided on the meeting page, as well as in the menu bar.
 3. **Suspended.** There are a total of **40 meetings that have been marked temporarily suspended**. These meetings all have SUSPENDED with the prefix in the name and are marked with a **red temporary closure** tag with the color is faded out.
 4. **Indoor/Unknown.** The remaining 40 meetings may be meeting indoors. We were notified that 11 meetings are requiring facemasks (nose and mouth), and are practicing social distancing. There no longer is a tag with “indoor” in the title.
- All our meetings are synced with the GSO A.A. Meeting Guide app, though the group and locations notes are not visible.

3. **Email.** Support@sussexaa.org **fielded 133 emails in August**. The bulk of emails were about changes to meetings (new online info, meetings going outdoors or indoors, updating passwords, etc.).

4. Website.

- **BTG.** Changed the description of the committee from “Bridging the Gap (BTG)/Treatment connects alcoholics transitioning out of treatment facilities with A.A. members who bring them to their first A.A. meeting outside the institution. This essential Twelfth Step service helps connect sober members of Alcoholics Anonymous with people in treatment facilities who are interested in going to an A.A. meeting upon their release. A.A. experience suggests that attending

meetings regularly is critical. You could be the first contact a newcomer has with A.A., by taking them to a meeting and introducing them to the fellowship.” to “Bridging the Gap (BTG)/Treatment connects alcoholics transitioning out of treatment facilities with sober members who can introduce them to Alcoholics Anonymous. It is suggested that the temporary contact take the newcomer to their first week of A.A. meetings, introduce him or her to other A.A.s, to ensure that he or she has the phone numbers of several A.A. members, and share their experience of a sponsor and a home group.” They would like an online sign up form developed similar to what Washington Area Intergroup is using. See <https://aa-dc.org/12th-step-volunteer-signup>.

5. **Intergroup Minutes.** Posted August minutes.
6. **National AA Technology Workshop (NAATW).** This is a group of AAs who gather and work together to share about carrying the message of AA through technology. Workshop is on September 12, 2020 via Zoom. This year’s theme is AA Technology Comes of Age. September 12, 2020 No cost.
7. **Intergroup/Central Office/AAWS/AAGV (ICOAA) Seminar.** The 35th Annual ICOAA Seminar will be held via Zoom on Thursday, September 17 through Sunday, September 20. Attendance is limited to Intergroups. Cost is \$30/person. No agenda has been published as of this date. Link to registration is <http://www.aadsmco.org/icoaa/> and two people can register on same form with payment.