

SOUTHERN DELAWARE INTERGROUP MINUTES
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 4, 2021

1. Meeting was called to order by Chair, Joyce, via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Representatives present: Surrender to Win, New Beginnings, Wake Up Call, New Freedom, Early Birds, Monday Night, Tuesday Women's Meeting Ocean View, Open Arms, We Group, Milton BYOBB, Long Neck Big Book, Women's 3-7-11
Other Guests present: Area 12 Liaison, Past Area 12 Delegate, SDI Alternate Chair
20 Members present; 12 Groups Represented.

2. New Intergroup Reps Alex T., Long Neck Big Book; Kevin S., We Group

3. Announcements: None.

4. Intergroup Officer Reports

- 4.1. Secretary: Minutes distributed, reviewed, and accepted.
- 4.2. Treasurer: Not present. No Questions. For more information, send queries to treasurer@sussexaa.org

5. Intergroup Committee Reports

- 5.1. **Accessibility:** Chair not present. To become a committee member or have questions, please email at accessibility@sussexaa.org or call 302.540.8959.
- 5.2. **Answering Service:** Chairperson not present. Joyce reports December operator minutes 227; 252 answered minutes; total cost of \$160.49.
- 5.3. **Archives:** Need new chair; please broadcast to home groups.
- 5.4. **BTG/Treatment:** Dede reports BTG continues to work with Banyan, to bring meetings on Wednesday nights. Dede and Sam went to Central Area Intergroup to inquire about partnering, as Banyan borders Kent County. Also reached out to North Delaware Intergroup, as many Banyan residents are going there. Still trying to build volunteer base, to take folks coming out of Banyan to meetings in their first week. If any of the meeting reps want BTG to send a representative to their home group business meetings to share about the activity, BTG is available. Send questions, comments, or suggestions to btg@sussexaa.org.
 - 5.4.1. Suggestion to do workshop to bring BTG to broader awareness.
 - 5.4.2. Discussion of masks at Banyan. Dede has spoken to director, and they have agreed to have all participants wear masks.
- 5.5. **Corrections:** No report.
- 5.6. **Crest:** Chair not present. Joyce reports they are still in lockdown so no activity.
- 5.7. **CPC:** Together with BTG, CPC has been taking meetings into Banyan since Dec. 9. Meetings are Wednesdays, 7-8p in person, with about 20 patients. 3

- home groups have signed up for February, Mark, April. Questions or comments: cpc@sussexaa.org.
- 5.7.1. Other CPC events: Will hold virtual meeting with Banyan and BTG soon, with audience of case workers, to formalize who we are and make clear AA's basic tenets, expectations, etc.
 - 5.7.2. Attended Central DE Intergroup and invited them to host meetings also.
 - 5.7.3. Question concerning outreach to lawyers with EAP Program. Paul reports they have not heard from them.
- 5.8. **Liaison Area 12:** This month's activities can be found at Delawareaa.org, on calendar published there. Highlights: Special Area Gathering (February 13, 9:30 am – 11:30 am) will preview the Conference Literature Committee's agenda. All AA members are welcome; GSRs and DCMs should plan to attend. February 20, Area 12 Assembly (session 1: 9:30 am – 11:30 am; session 2: 1 pm – 2 pm), for GSRs (and/or their alternates) and DCMs (and/or their alternates). Only GSRs and DCMS present have a vote, but *all members are welcome to attend, and can speak*. Under International activities, note NERAASA (Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly will convene (will be virtual in 2021). Visit www.neraasa.org/register for online registration.
- 5.8.1. **Question:** Does Area 12 have a CPC chair? Currently vacant, looking for candidates.
- 5.9. **Literature:** Leslie has stepped down – though present for report – and underscores need for new lit. chair. Joyce calls for advocacy campaign to identify a candidate for this key position, who is responsible for monitoring inventory, answering questions and calls. Leslie conveys need a volunteer with climate control space to take over possession of inventory. Joyce expressed general appreciation for Leslie's hard work. For all requests, contact literature@sussexaa.org.
- 5.10. **PI:** Working on master spreadsheet of all locations for brochures but need members to be vigilant for needs at existing sites. No email address for this group yet but will ask folks to make suggestions of locations for drop off as soon as that is possible.
- 5.11. **Special Events:** John, outgoing chair, introduces new chair, Eamon. He reports on September 18 Bash at the Beach, noting the event will go forward and a deposit has been made on venue. Tickets will be sold online. More details to follow. On separate note, venue for Gratitude Breakfast is not presently available and when it does open, it will be much more limited in capacity than in the past. Joyce makes proposal that in '22, event should be offered free of charge, given significant money already collected for cancelled breakfast in '20.
- 5.12. **Website/Where & When:** Chairperson not present. Viv reports website is running and asks group to send relevant information to support@sussexaa.org. Need specially to keep list of meetings current and accurate, and noted some meetings listed appear to be defunct.

6. **Old Business:** Joyce reports that \$500 is proposed contribution to GSO, which put out a plea for contributions. Joyce asks members to bring this proposal to homegroups for discussion.
7. **New Business:** None.
8. **Close:** Joyce thanks two outgoing chairs, Leslie, and John, again for their service. Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 p.m. with recital of *Responsibility Declaration*.

Next Scheduled Meeting: **Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 6 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Allison R., SDI Secretary

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Southern Delaware Intergroup (SDI) of Alcoholics Anonymous Website/Tech/Where & When Committee Report (February 2021)

1. **The Committee did not meet in February.** Written update follows
2. **Statistics.** On Jan 12, installed and customized Matomo Analytics which just about does everything Google Analytics does without the privacy invasion. Unlike Google Analytics, the data captured is on our servers, not theirs. Privacy is a big deal for this company. You can read up on this tool here: <https://matomo.org>. Statistics below are for the partial month.

Month	Unique Visitors	# of Visits	Pageviews
January 12 – 31 2021	1,429	3,885	10,876

3. **Meetings.** There are **138 published meetings** in the database. Changes made this month include updating meeting time for Friday Night Ladies Happy Hour, updating online info for three meetings (Shore Serenity, Uncut Group & Seaside Discussion Sunday), and splitting Fenwick Island Beginners into two meetings (one stays online and added new meeting at St Ann's in Bethany).

There are four (4) status categories of meetings.

1. **Online.** There are **51 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. **Suspended.** There are a total of **43 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.
 3. **Reopened or indoor that we know of.** We have been notified of a total of **27** meetings that are meeting inside.
 4. **Unknown.** The **remaining 17 meetings** may be meeting indoors, online or suspended, but we have not been notified.
4. **Email.** support@sussexaa.org fielded 100 emails in January. The bulk of emails were divided between changes to meetings and newcomers seeking help.
 5. **Website.**
 - **Privacy Policy.** Updated our Privacy Policy page, which can be viewed here: <https://sussexaa.org/privacy-policy>. Added an option on this page to opt out of Matomo, but I'm not sure why that is necessary since this platform anonymizes all IP addresses.
 6. **February News.** Will post articles from BTG and CPC with an introductory statement on service (also call out for volunteer chairs for Archives and Literature).

Will discuss step, tradition and concept 2. Will repeat upcoming conferences:
NERAASA and IWC.

7. **Intergroup Minutes.** Posted December minutes with website committee report attached.

8. **Annual Budget.** Below are the fixed annual costs for 2021.

Theme License ¹	39.95
Backup, Recovery & Off-Site Storage License ²	42.00
Cyber Security License ³	99.00
Website Hosting ⁴	0.00
Online Form software (Gravity Forms) ⁵	59.95
Domain Renewal ⁶	16.00
	Total: 256.90

¹ This would be an 18-month license. Did not charge this in 2019-2020.

² Billed monthly - about \$3.50/month

³ Renews May 28, 2021

⁴ Hosting through SiteGround is paid through May 2022

⁵ Recommend using this for forms.

⁶ Expires Jul 28, 2021