

**SOUTHERN DELAWARE INTERGROUP MINUTES**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
Thursday, April 1, 2021

**1. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Joyce, via Zoom at 6:01 p.m. with the *Serenity Prayer*.**

Representatives present: Love and Service; Wake-up Call; Millsboro Monday; Milton BYOBB; Shore Serenity; Gay, Joyous, and Free; Early Bird St. Martha's; Open Arms  
Other Guests present: Area 12 Liaison; Delegate and Alternate Delegate, Area 12  
17 Members present; 8 Groups Represented.

**2. New Intergroup Reps:** None present.

**3. Announcements:** None.

**4. Intergroup Officer Reports**

4.1. Secretary: Minutes distributed, reviewed, and accepted.

4.2. Treasurer: No treasurer at present. Individual group contributions shared in spreadsheet. Questions? Email [treasurer@sussexaa.org](mailto:treasurer@sussexaa.org)

**5. Intergroup Committee Reports**

**5.1. Accessibility:**

5.1.1. Spanish speaking Committee created (Rachel S., Carlos S., Michelle S., Dan H., and guest from SDI) and Spanish speaking Zoom set up and running, Friday 8:30 p.m. Also, Zoom has added functionality for closed captioning. Guidelines available upon request: [accessibility@sussexaa.org](mailto:accessibility@sussexaa.org) or call 302.540.8959.

5.1.2. Group is putting together survey to assess existing practices and future needs, as they relate to accessibility.

5.1.3. Stacey from Kent County is putting together list of nursing homes and homeless shelters for entire state of DE. Once compiled, the committee will inquire whether there are needs for these populations.

5.1.4. Committee has created a Google drive folder, for members to collaborate.

5.2. **Answering Service:** Total calls down 16% to 58; answered minutes stable at 195. Operator time is up 1%, to 229, all for total costs of \$179.41, representing no change.

5.3. **Archives:** No chair currently.

5.4. **BTG/Treatment:** Committee chair did Zoom call for case workers at Banyan in Milford last month, so they may now request volunteers to work with program participants as they come out of treatment. Received first request from Banyan for AA volunteer. Also, BTG representatives went to 1 home group business meeting via Zoom, and 2 additional home group briefings are scheduled, all to introduce members to BTG. Request to continue to share with homegroups about BTG's 12 step work. Currently have about 25 names

- volunteers willing to work with program participants and seeking additional names. For more information, contact [btg@sussexaa.org](mailto:btg@sussexaa.org).
- 5.5. **Corrections:** No representative; need new chair.
  - 5.6. **Crest:** No representative present. Report Committee has gained permission to bring Grapevines to places of need.
  - 5.7. **CPC:** Rachel reports CPC is seeking members from SD homegroups to work with professional groups. Volunteers or questions: [cpc@sussexaa.org](mailto:cpc@sussexaa.org).
  - 5.8. **Liaison Area 12:** Area 12 Liaison, Danielle, introduced Area 12 Delegate Terry and Alternate Delegate Sally.
    - 5.8.1. Guest alt-delegate reviews upcoming Assembly, April 10, entitled "AA in a Time of Change." The assembly will review issues and concerns that have arisen recently among groups, e.g., Literature Committee will address calls for revising the Big Book; request for a 5<sup>th</sup> edition; new translation; and more. Other issues include how best to harness technology to get the message to people in treatment. Overall, 7 committees will address 1-2 actionable items each. The Assembly is a special pre-conference session, intended to surface and come to consensus on the concerns of individual members and groups in the SDI and throughout DE. All members are welcome to attend and express their concerns and opinions.
    - 5.8.2. Alt-Delegate also announces Area 12 Convention will convene in Rehoboth on April 22-24, 2022, for the first time in 7 years. Committee has been assigned and program chairs designated, and they are looking for volunteers for several roles.
  - 5.9. **Literature:** Need new chair. For all requests contact [literature@sussexaa.org](mailto:literature@sussexaa.org).
  - 5.10. **PI:** Co-chair Stacey reports completion of spreadsheet of all locations of literature, and requests this be distributed with minutes, so changes or additions can be identified. Additionally, Committee created a QR code refrigerator magnet with a link to all meetings, both virtual and in person. Questions and comments: to [pi@sussexaa.org](mailto:pi@sussexaa.org),
  - 5.11. **Special Events:** Committee chair not present. Joyce reports planning for September 18 Bash at the Beach is proceeding on track. Tickets will be available online in June.
  - 5.12. **Website/Tech:** Still seeing lots of use of webpage with 2140 unique visitors, over 6000 visits, and 16,000 page views. In most recent month for which data are available, 119 emails were received about half from newcomers seeking help. Chair reiterates there are fixed costs to maintaining this website, on the order of \$500, but labor has been pro bono by Viv. Committee will be making a budget request for this element in the coming budget cycle.
6. **Old Business:** It is likely a new Treasurer is imminent.
  7. **New Business:** None.
  8. **Close:** Meeting Adjourned at 6:41 p.m. with recital of *Responsibility Declaration*.

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

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## Southern Delaware Intergroup (SDI) of Alcoholics Anonymous Website/Tech Committee Report for the month of March 2021

1. **The Committee did not meet in April.** Written report follows.
2. **Statistics.**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Unique Visitors</b>	<b># of Visits</b>	<b>Pageviews</b>
March 2021	2,140	6,190	16,027
February 2021	1,944	5,466	14,882
January 12 – 31 2021	1,429	3,885	10,876

3. **Meetings.** There are **139 published meetings** in the database. Changes made this month include changing status for Sat Love & Service from online to a hybrid meeting, Monday New Beginning Step reopened in person outside, changed status for Bethany Beach Speakers at St Ann's from suspended to open indoors, add new Spanish speaking online meeting (Friday night) and updated Wed Bethany Beach Step from suspended to reopened indoors.

There are five (5) 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. **Hybrid.** There is **one (1) hybrid Zoom meeting**. The Love & Service group (Saturday at 8am) reopened with published restrictions and is also meeting online at the same time.
  3. **Outdoor.** There is **one (1) outdoor meeting**. This meeting has the tag /outdoors after the name. Outdoor meetings can be easily found with a link provided on the meeting page, as well as in the menu bar.
  4. **Suspended.** There are a total of **41 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.
  5. **Reopened or indoor that we know of.** We have been notified of a total of **45** meetings that are meeting inside.
4. **Email.** support@sussexaa.org fielded 119 emails in March. The bulk of emails were divided between changes to meetings and newcomers seeking help.
  5. **Website.**
    - Added dropdown on menu bar for meetings to include hybrid and outdoor meetings.
  6. **March News.** Did not publish.

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

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

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

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

<sup>2</sup> Billed monthly - about \$3.50/month

<sup>3</sup> Renews May 28, 2021

<sup>4</sup> Hosting through SiteGround is paid through May 2022

<sup>5</sup> Recommend using this for forms.

<sup>6</sup> Expires Jul 28, 2021