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Secretary Notes - Minutes

June 19, 2021

Chair: Michael V opened the meeting with Serenity Prayer and read the second tradition.

Secretary Notes: Mary C read the minutes from the May 15th, 2021 BIG Business meeting and the minutes from the special meeting on Saturday June 5th. A motion was made to accept reports. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Guy absent. Did not send any information for the past month treasury.

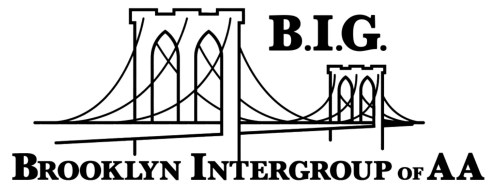
Communications Committee/Directary/Website Committee: Sharon Z. Draft of communication to everyone about the new office space will be sent out in the next couple of days. 501 people receiving emails, open rate 26%, 11% click rate. Nothing to report on the website. Motion to accept report. Motion passed.

Telephone: Stefan and Mike B co-chairing. Mike B read report. No changes. Stefan away until mid-July so Mike B managing. All slots filled and one backup person. Motion to accept report. Motion passed.

Events: Position still open.

Speaker Exchange Coordinator: Michael V-Chair. Last speaker exchange was Saturday June 12th. Six groups present. One new group. It is basically the same groups every month and there was a question as to whether this exchange should continue. At further meetings, this topic will be explored. May dissolve until back in person. Motion to accept report. Motion passed.

SENY/GSO Liaison: Joe L: June 12 assembly. Tom B our delegate presented his report. For the entire report please go to aaseny.org and click "From the delegate". Some major points:



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- There will be 5th edition of the Big Book. No changes to first 164 pages. This will be a long process.
- Should AA get an Instagram handle----vote passed YES
- Should AA do podcasts...Vote YES
- There was a vote on whether clubhouses can make donation to Intergroup. The vote was NO
- There will be a plain language translation of the Big Book.
- AA preamble "Men and Women" changed to "People".

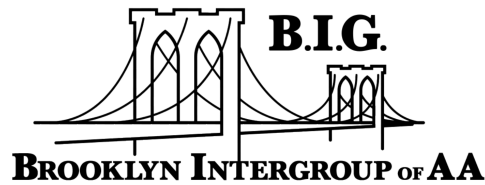
Brooklyn county needs volunteers, many positions available. Virtual Brooklyn Share a day June 26 Meetings on the hour from 9am-9pm. All Brooklyn county meetings will remain virtual until the end of the year. Motion to accept report. Motion passed.

Brooklyn Intergroup Institutions Committee Chair: Mike B

Unfinished Business: Table Stefan's Vote until he returns to NYC in July.

New Business:

- 1) It was moved by Mike V that Guy be disqualified as treasurer per our BIGAA Bylaws which state that 3 consecutive meetings missed by an officer are grounds for removal from that post. Guy has been removed as treasurer.
- 2) Need to appoint new treasurer. Michael G volunteered. Mike B made a motion to vote Michael G in as new treasurer. 10 Pros 4 Abstentions. Motion passed.
- 3) Question of whether we follow what is normally done and not meet this July and August, or if we should meet in light of new office space and the work needed to be done with the new BIGAA office space. Joe L made a motion that we meet this July and August. Motion passed. Michael G opposed and wanted it noted.



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4) Mike B made a motion to create a “new space committee” for the new BIGAA office space. Mike B agreed to chair. Motion passed.

5) Michael G made a motion to resume in-person intergroup meetings at the new BIGAA meeting space. Motion made to have a hybrid model of monthly BIGAA meeting and motion passed.

6) Question asked by Thea if space “covid ready” and Michael V gave a virtual tour.

7) Thea requested information on which groups are donating to BIG. 400 Brooklyn meetings. Asked if thank you notes are being written. Question of group anonymity came up. Motion made to begin again listing which groups have donated to BIGAA website

VOTE TAKEN TO EXTEND THE MEETING BY 10 MINUTES. MOTION PASSED.

Michael G brought up question of whether people who are not BIG Reps are voting. Two people stated they were NOT Reps and were voting. Michael V asked if anyone would like to revote on anything. Nobody requested a revote on anything.

Jimmy F proposed creating a new Outreach Committee to the 400 Brooklyn groups. Motion passed. Sharon Z, Mike B, Joe L and Pam all volunteered to be on this committee.

7th Tradition collection: Unknown

Next Business meeting: Saturday, July 17th, 2021 at 9am.

Motion to close meeting. Motion passed. Michael closed with Responsibility Statement.