

Secretary's Minutes General Membership Meeting

Saturday, April 19, 2025

OPENING

Meeting opened at 9:00 A.M. by Chairperson, Joe L. with the recital of the Serenity Prayer; and the reading of the 2nd Tradition and the voting rights statement. Zoom Meeting Host Michael V. confirmed that a quorum was in attendance and present for the legitimate transaction of business.

REPORTS

1. **Secretary's Minutes** of the March 15, 2025 BIGAA General Membership meeting were read and upon a motion duly made and seconded were approved.
2. **Report of the Chair:** Nothing to report.
3. **Report of the Vice-Chair:** Attended the SENY Conference and there is a move to call the 12th Step Outreach Program "Bridging the Gap"
2. **The Treasurer's Reports** for the month of March 2025 were read as printed and upon separate motions duly made and seconded were both approved and are made a part hereof by reference; the later report reflecting a balance in our Operating Checking Account of \$5,490.48 and \$7,500.30 in our Prudent Reserve Savings Account plus the \$2,500 reserve held in the bookstore account.
3. **Communication Committee Report:** The Chairperson provided a written report which is made a part hereof by reference. Of particular note is the consideration of increased cost of \$20.00 per month for Mailchimp to provide expanded web service to provide data for detailed social media usage. Various kudos for the Newsletter.
4. **Events Committee Report:** The Chairperson reported that the next event would be an Old Timers meeting at St. Pat's on May 24, 2025 at 4:30. Planning for the Dr. Bob-B-Q in September in Prospect Park going well. Hoping to coordinate with Brooklyn County to have joint picnic with the Spiritual Picnic.
5. **Website Committee Report:** No Report.
6. **Office Committee Report:** The Chairperson presented and reviewed the printed Office Financial Report for the month March, 2025 as printed and upon a motion duly made and seconded it was approved and is made a part hereof by reference.
7. **Institutions Committee:** The Chairperson reported that Genesis in Sunset Park is up to four meetings a week and was planning on adding twenty new beds. She requested an increase in funding. (See new business below). Currently no open positions. She is presently looking into bringing the program into nursing homes. Will work with the Vice Chair to develop a BIGA version of a card being used by NY Intergroup. Next Institutions committee meeting April 28, 2025 at 8:30 PM on our zoom link.
8. **Helpline Committee:** Report waived.

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9. **Speaker Exchange Committee:** The Chair reported that the next Speaker Exchange would be on Saturday June 7, 2025 at the usual location at St. Pat's. Continuing to look for other possible venues for future exchanges in the hopes of reaching more groups. Flyer to follow.

10. **Directory Committee:** Report waived.

11. **General Services Committee:** See attached report.

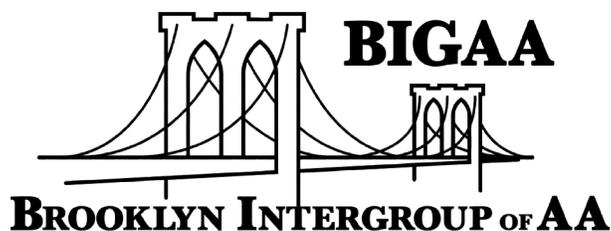
OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

1. Next BIGAA Administrative meeting May 8, 2025 via Zoom
2. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to raise the monthly budgeted bookstore funding for the Institutions Committee to \$75.00.
3. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to fund an increase for marketing and data analysis for the Communication Committee by \$20.00 per month through the end of the year.
Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to reimburse Michael G. for one/half of his expenditure for insurance and for BIGAA to pay the full amount going forward.
4. It was reported that Districts 404 & 408 are making a comeback.
5. Inquiry was made and a discussion was had regarding opening the bookstore on the weekend and it was agreed that the bookstore hours remain at the discretion of the Office Committee chair.
6. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to .adjourn the meeting at 10:08 AM

NEXT BIGAA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING May 15, 2025. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME



Statement of Revenues and Expenses
For the Period Beginning April 1 through April 30, 2025

REVENUES & DEPOSITS

Contributions - Cash & Check Deposits	\$1,079.53
Contributions - Venmo Deposit	\$502.56
Contributions - PayPal Deposit	\$193.85
Interest	\$0.22
Total Revenues & Deposits	\$1,776.16

EXPENSES & EXPENDITURES

Rent April 2025 (check #1942136)	\$1,550.00
Communications - Mailchimp	\$48.99
Communications - Mailchimp (extra reporting service pro-rated)	\$8.73
Cell Service - Simple Mobile	\$27.27
Monthly transfer to office account	\$100.00
Monthly transfer to office account - Re: Institutions Committee purchases	\$40.00
Web Designer Payment - Store feature and updates	\$125.00
Total Expenses & Expenditures	\$1,899.99

Excess of revenues & deposits over expenses & expenditures **-\$123.83**

Balances

Opening Balance - Checking	\$5,490.48
Plus Excess of Revenues over Expenses	-\$123.83
Closing Balance - Checking	\$5,366.65
Opening Balance - Prudent Reserve (Savings)	\$7,500.30
Plus Interest	\$0.12
Closing Balance - Prudent Reserve*	\$7,500.42

* Our prudent reserve is \$10,000.00 plus interest. It includes the Closing Balance (Savings) shown above and \$2,500.00 that is held in the Bookstore Account to fund free checking for that account.