NJPADA Intergroup Meeting Minutes
04-28-24

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Meeting Called to Order: at _4.01PM.

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the NJPADA Monthly Intergroup Meeting. My name is _____ and I'm a compulsive Debtor.

Meeting Opening:

Let's Open with the **"WE"** version of the **Serenity Prayer.. God grant Us…….**

Tool 4 Pressure Relief Groups and Pressure Relief Meetings
After we have gained some familiarity with the D.A. program, we organize Pressure Relief Groups consisting of ourselves and two other recovering debtors who have not incurred unsecured debt for at least 90 days and who usually have more experience in the program. The group meets in a series of Pressure Relief Meetings to review our financial situation. These meetings typically result inthe formulation of a spending plan and an action plan.

Tradition 4 Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or D.A. as a whole.

Trusted Servants
Chair: Loreen
Vice-Chair: Vera
Treasurer: Frank
Recording Secretary: Katie
Webmaster: Frank
Corresponding Secy: Ed K

Suggested Ground Rules for Intergroup Meetings:
Robert's Rules of Order will be used. Please state your name **every time** before speaking.

Spiritual time-keeper:
(Need a Volunteer)

Roll Call-

In attendance

Anita G
Danny
Ed K
Frank M
Kathy K
Katie
Loreen
Marie
Sara V
Linda Y

Approval of March 2024 Minutes - appended below:
Can I have a motion to accept the minutes as written? Loreen 2nd by Sarah Discussion / Corrections to minutes. Vote_In favour

Treasury Report by: Frank M: Report attached

Can I have a **m**otion to accept the treasurer's report? Sarah 2nd by Anita Discussion /Corrections to minutes. Vote_passed

Treasurer's Report April 2024 - Summary

Total Contributions to D.A.	(73.25)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(73.25)
Ending Balance	**$0.00**	**$1,950.00**	**$1,150.00**	**$75.00**	**$700.00**	**$3,875.00**

(Seventh Tradition):
"Every D.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions." Contributions by individual Intergroup members: It is the tradition of NJ PA DA Intergroup to ask any representative who'd like to make a personal donation, to do so.

- All contributions can be sent to our … NEW ADDRESS: NJ PA DA Treasurer, PO Box 7212, Philadelphia, PA 19101. There are also many "Contribution Options" on our website, NJPADA.ORG. Please indicate "Seventh Tradition" in the memo line of the individual contributioncheck, rather than D. A. group name and number which are used for fellowship Contributions.

Intergroup Coordinator's Reports: *1-2* minutes each

Website Report: Frank- Website has been updated. Promise 6 Day event has been removed from site. Currency of Hope available in audio.

Email addresses of service position holders. If it mentions the full name of the fellow, does this breach anonimity?

Should we just have one email for the Intergroup such as info@ or contact@ but this will need a monitor. Frank monitors Contact@njpada.org. Discussion took place. It was decided to leave email addresses as they stand.

Sarah V - Promise 6 day - 9 attendees. For 2025, looking to have an indoor face to face meeting - cost around $300. Concern about lack of attendees. Loreen mentioned more people are attending face to face events. ACA Conference had 400 attendees. It seems people are getting more comfortable going out and it is likely that this trend is to continue.

Corresponding Secretary Report: Katie - No report

World Service Conference Reports: *1-2* minutes
Loreen - Report attached
Katie - working on getting out the latest Ways and Means. Fellowship wide call with HIPS.
Ed - Corresponding report. Treasurer's workshop 04/30/24 - Everything about DA Treasurers
Frank spoke on how groups he attends encourages donations.
Anita - In person retreat. Has contacted Serena re discussing the retreat. No response yet. Will keep trying. Sarah V - will be doing service for hospitality at the Conference in Canada. We should let GSRs know they need to have Uber /Lyft app on their phone before arriving.

D.A. Group Reports:
Updates & Announcements. (via roll call, 1 minute each)

Sunday Promises - No changes - average 6 - 8 attendance
Visions at Noon - Strong group. Numbers back to pre Jan at around 11 members. 7th tradition down.
Clarity to Prosperity - Group membership - 16 people. 7th tradition contributions down for April. Group needs support. Struggling to get people to step up for service positions. Encourage members to
Thursday - 11th step meditation - Steady group 5 - 12 from around the world. 7th tradition - suggest people contribute directly to DA/Debtors Anonymous.
Radical Clarity - attendance 20 - 22 people - different focus each week. Contributions. to GSR - Frank asked if they were a member of NJPADA. Kathy said there is no intergroup in their area. Kathy is Treasurer to Solvency today. Ed stated that all fellows can attend Intergroup.
Huntington Valley strong meeting with 45 - 60 attendees. Regularly make announcement inviting fellows to stay on after meeting.
Vision of Hope - 8-10 attendees / not 100% solvency / need new Intergroup rep. Contribute regularly to NJPADA **Simple Abundance** - 3 regular members who support Treasury. otherwise new members at each meeting. **Currency of Hope** - 5 regular - influx of international members. Trying to get back face to face but detered by prohibitive insurance costs.

NEW BUSINESS:

DA Vote

1. 8 - 2 - for - passed
2. Unanimous - passed

Motion to adjourn meeting. Loreen Second Ed Vote Passed

Close with the Serenity Prayer ("We" version).

Meeting closed 17.05 hrs

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Next meeting is May 26 2024 at 4:00PM EST/9 pm GMT London

See you Then!

INTERGROUP #54700 TREASURER'S REPORT: APR 2024

	General Fund	NJPADA WSC Scholarship Fund	Special Events Fund	Website & PO Box Fund	Prudent Reserve	Total
Prior Month Balance	**1.51**	**1,600.00**	**1,150.00**	**0.00**	**700.00**	**3,451.51**
Income						
Group Contributions	412.52					
Personal Contributions	35.00	50.00				
2024 Spring S-A-D						
2024 Fall S-A-D						
Other:						
Other:						
Total Income for Month	447.52	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	497.52
Expenses (enter negative #)						
Website & Domain Name						
Postal Box						
PayPal Fees	(0.78)					
WSC Scholarshp to						
Other:						
Total Expense	(0.78)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.78)
Net Income after Expenses	**446.74**	**50.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	496.74
Balance Before Transfers	**448.25**	**1,650.00**	**1,150.00**	**0.00**	**700.00**	3,948.25
Transfers	(375.00)	300.00		75.00		0.00
Balance After Transfers	73.25	1,950.00	1,150.00	75.00	700.00	3,948.25
Contributions to D.A.						Sent:
GSO 80%	($58.60)					
JHSC 20%	($14.65)					
Total Contributions to D.A.	(73.25)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(73.25)
Ending Balance	**$0.00**	**$1,950.00**	**$1,150.00**	**$75.00**	**$700.00**	**$3,875.00**

- NJPADA WSC Scholarship Fund Target: $2,900.00
- Special Events Fund Target: $1,150.00
- PO Box Target: $222.00
- Website/Domain Target: $413.00

	($950.00)	$0.00	($560.00)
# of Months to reach Target:	**3**		**7**

NJPADA GROUP CONTRIBUTION REPORT: 2024

	Group #	Group name	Base Location		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	year total	Jan-23
1	240	Gratitude Group (Zoom)	Bloomfield NJ															
2	284	Courage to Change (in Person)	Basking Ridge NJ	23.2%	29.70	138.05		102.85									$270.60	
3	286	New Beginnings (Zoom)	Metuchen NJ															
4	496	Simple Abundance (Zoom)	Lima PA															
5	693	Currency of Hope (Zoom)	Newtown Square PA															
6	718	12 Steps to Prosperity (Zoom)	Huntingdon Valley PA	**33.5%**	140.66			249.56									$390.22	
7	750	Visions at Noon (Zoom)	Stroudsburg PA	5.4%			62.89										$62.89	
8	1049	A Vision For You (Phone)	Philadelphia PA															
9	1143	Sunday Sovency Group (Zoom)	Teaneck NJ															
10	1161	Vision of Hope (Zoom)	Lawrenceville NJ	5.5%	34.31	12.02	5.51	12.51									$64.35	
11	1253	DA of Newton (In Person)	Newton NJ															
12	7739	11th Step MeDAtation (Zoom)	Philadelphia PA															
13	7821	Solvency Today (Zoom)	Basking Ridge NJ	5.8%		26.78	19.00	21.20									$66.98	
14	7857	Sunday Promises (In Person)	Huntingdon Valley PA	20.0%		150.42	55.67	26.40									$232.49	
14	7920	Life of Abundance (In Person)	Philadelphia PA															
15	90315	Clarity to Prosperity BDA (Zoom)	Stroudsburg PA	6.6%		76.87											$76.87	
		Total for 2024		100.0%	204.67	404.14	143.07	412.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	**$1,164.40**	0.00
		Total for 2023			149.22	293.04	44.05	155.82	255.95	64.75	417.72	106.04	513.25	19.56	245.60	245.20	**$2,510.20**	
		Total for 2022			120.55	190.40	85.75	28.05	0.00	278.30	245.85	183.19	146.19	79.97	369.49	103.59	**$1,831.33**	

Note: Contributions are recorded here once they post to the NJPADA Bank account, so they may not show up in the month during wihich the contribution was recorded by each group.

PI Committee April 2024 REPORT

- **Tradition 11**: *"Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films".*

2. **Minutes —** Please review minutes from the previous meeting before today's meeting. 2024 03 17 DA PI Committee Minutes.docx

3. **Reports: Board Liaison and Officers** (2:20 - 2:25)
    1. Board Liaison - Alex:
    2. Secretary - Loreen: Asks for a motion to accept the March Minutes.
    3. Treasurer - Diana: $50 left in our PIC Treasury
    4. Tech -

4. **Check-In's** (2:25 - 2:40)
    1. Laura
    2. Loreen - nothing to report
    3. Diana
    4. Sharon
    5. Mary K
    6. Mary Jo
    7. Sinai - report attached
    8. Kris - report attached
    9. Claire
    10. Ahava

Alex

Asked Mary K if she has spoken with the HIP Committee. She had not. Alex will bring this to the HIP Committee. She will inform them of Mary's work. Mary stated she went to an AA day of Service and found out from AA their contact in the jail.

WSO are receiving media enquiries. Not considered appropriate for Board Members to speak. Suggests PI Committee have a contact where WSO can send these contacts. Reiterate that all PI members attend Media training.

Board - collecting votes. Low return rate a few weeks ago. Need 75% vote.

Working on updating DAMs.

Social media policy is being completed and will be discussed at next board meeting.

French/Japanese translation of 12 x 12. Eight different translations in the works.

Updating website search to make it more user friendly.

Groups finding their GSRs drop out halfway through the year. Need to emphasize that a GSRs commitment is for a year after receiving funding from groups.

Laura

I have an appointment at the Va clinic in 2 weeks and have put a packet together to present to the Mental Health Department. Am hoping that the information will be sent to all of the Mental Health Departments throughout the VA system.

Will also obtain information to contact the director of the suicide prevention hotline for the VA system.

Diana

Called community college - asked to discuss resources page. They have Aa listed. Contact asked for Diana to send details of information. Will be drafting an email with how to attend DA meetings and also send details of 12 signs of debtring. Will run this by fellow PI member. Will contact other colleges.

Partnering with other PI member to share ideas.

Avaha

Working on 211 United Way project. Sent Chris templates for correspondence to UW. Wrote purchasing information for DA books and asking public libraries to have DA literature.

Kris asked when she completed the template - how to submit it to her State.

Avaha - stated that submitted the form through her local New Mexico UW 211 on advice of her contact. They confirmed receipt and said the webmaster will enter the information. BDA Alberque have their address details on their state's website. Each caucus has to be contacted individually. To maintain anonymity, use WSO website and email address.

Kris - did submit the form through the website. She will go through the process again. Each fellow can contact the UW/211 in their state via the website and submit the template.

UW/211 Template

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z6ktdK7l9A3TjZsH3FDyhMSa7t9sq5t-makmnKkaRPM/edit?usp=drive_link

Mary K

Pinellas County Jail - open to having a monthly meeting. Fellow will need security clearance. Asked fellows to consider taking on role. No takers as yet. Mary K unable to commit owing to personal issues.

No feedback from DA.

Kris

Waiting for WSC decision on funding.
Waiting for Bankruptcy Conference to confirm cost of booth
Last year, people remembered Sharon attending 2016 San Francisco Conference.

Kris Spending Plan

National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges				
Seattle, Washington				
September 17-20, 2024				
			Planned	Actual
Exhibitor Fee		$4,500	$ 1,000.00	
Literature			$ 50.00	
Shipping			$ 25.00	
Hotel	Kris &Sharon		$ 1,176.80	
Flights	Kris	XNA-SEA-X	$ -	
	Sharon	TUS-SEA-T	$ 300.00	
Ground Transportation				
	Home/Airport/Home			
	Kris		$ -	
	Sharon		$ 70.00	
	Airport/Hotel/Airport			
	Kris		$ 160.00	
	Sharon		$ 160.00	
	General Transportation			
	Kris & Sharon		$ 80.00	
Meals	Per Diem	$316.00		
	Kris		$ 300.00	
	Sharon		$ 300.00	
Contingency			$ 362.00	
TOTAL			$ 3,983.80	

Sharon K

Contact with Mission College.
Working with Diana W on Media.

DA Brazil Sindai

Below are several actions that we are working on so that our 5 tradition is fulfilled

1- We managed to maintain contact with the Psychiatry wing of Hospital das Clinicas (one of the largest hospitals here in São Paulo)
We await their return to schedule a meeting and see the possibility of holding DA meetings there again.

2- This month I will meet with my A.A. sponsor
To see how I can talk to the A.A. services office and see the possibilities of getting the DA message to the professionals they contact.

3- We will do an exclusive DA room cycle.
There will be 8 Saturdays from 1 pm to 4 pm.
It will be open to all groups 12 steps (brotherhoods- fellowships; so that we can practice our fifth tradition DA
It starts in August and ends in the first week of October.

4- We will do the first National 12-Step AD cycle from the 6th to the 8th of September.
It will be open to all groups 12 steps (brotherhoods- fellowships)
The purpose is to take the fifth tradition DA

Claire - International Committee

Here are some notes from our International Committee:

- Developing a flyer to send out to all groups asking people to be sponsors for folks in other countries, Japan, Italy, Iran are some of the countries needing and wanting sponsors
- Translated literature is in great need.
- April 30th at 7pm EST is a Workshop titled "Everything About D.A. Treasurers - Taking the fear out of becoming a Treasurer. Here's the zoom link: Direct Zoom Link > https://bit.ly/GSRFundraisingWorkshop
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The sub committee new emerging areas of the IC is working with Japan and now India (Tamil language) on getting Conference Approved literature translated.

In discussion/ not yet decided: From a PI perspective, a fellow committee member has suggested also to translate the video on the DA website for PI purposes. It's a very helpful message of hope (and without overwhelming the still suffering debtor w too much information at once)

We are now looking at Japanese, Tamil, Hindi, Farsi as languages to translate DA literature.

This is what I could pull together today before heading to the airport to fly home. We board at 2:20pm EST so I don't think it's feasible for me to call in.

I would like to connect with the woman from Brazil. Would you ask her if I may have her contact information. I want to ask her more questions about their Intergroups. Thanks

5. **Old Business:**

   Tech Person - Diana has been helping people. Links sent out working well.

Committee members follow up on topics not included in check-ins.

6. **New Business:**

   We need a list for Alex of committee members who have attended our Media Training and are willing to speak to the media. Volunteers are:

Laura L.	drmomedd@msn.com	951-639-7601
Diana W.	dqw56@yahoo.com	206-779-9643
Kris W.	krisinar2@gmail.com	551-427-7837

   Will schedule another training session

Reading of parts of Step 4 and Tradition 4

Thanks to Avaha for her commitment. This is her last meeting with the PI Committee.

Thank you all for your continued efforts!

Our next meeting will be May 19, 2024 at 2 p.m. EST

Close with *The Serenity Prayer*

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Suggested Procedure / Etiquette Guidelines:

[Modify as you see fit]

- Chair distributes agenda ahead of the call
- Everyone agrees to read previous meeting minutes, agenda for current meeting, and any supporting documents before the call (and mark once you have)
- Let the call leader lead the call
- Start and end each meeting with the Serenity Prayer
- Read aloud the committee's statement of purpose at the beginning of every call
- Read aloud the Tradition & Concept of the month at the beginning of every call
- Mute when not talking
- Raise hand to speak and be recognized by the chair, unless in a more informal discussion (such as in a subcommittee)
- Active listening and being mindful to share from what supports the group (including not repeating what has already been said)
- Wait for others who haven't shared yet to speak before speaking again