NJPADA Intergroup Meeting Agenda
06-23-24

https://zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 492 303 2222 // Password: 709621 ..
Dial in info 16465588656 // 4923032222# US (New York)

Meeting Called to Order: at _.

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 6 Action Plan With the help of our Pressure Relief Group, we develop a list of specific actions for resolving our debts, improving our financial situation, and achieving our goals without incurring unsecured debt.

Tradition 6 A D.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the D.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

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Corresponding Secy: Ed K

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Spiritual time-keeper:
(Need a Volunteer)

Roll Call-

In attendance
Loreen M
Frank
Ed K
Anita
Sarah V

Approval of April and May 2024 Minutes - appended below: Can I have a motion to accept the minutes as written?
2nd by Sarah
Passed

Treasury Report by: Frank M: Report attached

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Sarah 2nd by Anita
Discussion /Corrections to minutes.
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BUSINESS

WSC Scholarship Fund

NJPADA voted to offer support to NJPADA groups to send their GSR to the WSC in Ottawa August 2024. The following was added to the website. Maximum funding per group: US$500

NEXT SCHEDULED INTERGROUP MEETING

Sunday, July 22, 2024

4:00-5:00 PM ET

A Special General Meeting has been set for Sunday June 30 to discuss distribution of NJPADA Scholarship Funds to send representatives to the 2024 World Service Conference (WSC) in Ottawa, Canada.

An email notification is being sent out to all NJPADA groups notifying them that, if they plan to send a representative to the WSC and are in need of supplemental funding from NJPADA, they should immediately submit their specific dollar request, along with their spending plan, to NJPADA for consideration. NJPADA funds are limited and only a small number of scholarships can be granted.

NJPADA ZOOM account – discussion appended below– NJPADA agreed to pay Ed – US$60 per year for the use of his zoom app. Frank to send monies to Ed.

NJPADA should consider using Ed's Zoom.

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2. There would be no clashes. I would use it evenings GMT - currently 8 pm GMT/3 pm EST.
3. This would keep costs down. The zoom is used infrequently over the month - NJPADA/Visions at Noon/Loreen combined use it for just 9 hrs per month. Even with 10 meetings, taking place once per week equals 40 hours per month. It makes sense to share the cost rather than give zoom money for nothing.

frank mallas

Makes sense to me!

INTERGROUP #54700 TREASURER'S REPORT: JUN 2024

	General Fund	NJPADA WSC Scholarship Fund	Special Events Fund	Website & PO Box Fund	Prudent Reserve	Total
Prior Month Balance	**2.07**	**2,695.00**	**1,150.00**	**150.00**	**700.00**	**4,697.07**
Income						
Group Contributions						
Personal Contributions	35.00					
2024 Spring S-A-D						
2024 Fall S-A-D						
Other:						
Other:						
Total Income for Month	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00
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	**34.22**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	34.22
Balance Before Transfers	**36.29**	**2,695.00**	**1,150.00**	**150.00**	**700.00**	4,731.29
Transfers	(35.00)			35.00		0.00
Balance After Transfers	1.29	2,695.00	1,150.00	185.00	700.00	4,731.29
Contributions to D.A.						Sent:
GSO 80%						
JHSC 20%						
Total Contributions to D.A.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Balance	**$1.29**	**$2,695.00**	**$1,150.00**	**$185.00**	**$700.00**	**$4,731.29**

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

Website Report: Frank-

Sarah V -

Corresponding Secretary Report: Katie

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World Service Conference Reports: *1-2* minutes

Loreen - Report attached

Nothing to report

Katie

Ed -

Anita -

Sarah V -

NJPADA ZOOM ACCOUNT
Loreen McKellar loreen.mckellar@gmail.com
Mon, May 27, 6:21 PM
to Frank, Ed

Hello Frank

Did NJPADA decide on a figure they were going to donate to Ed for use of the Zoom account? Please confirm. Thank you Loreen

anewfrank@gmail.com

We probably did, but I can't remember the amount. I believe Ed elected to personally account for use of his Zoom account as a personal DA contribution.

@Ed Kuschner: please clarify.

NJPADA could have its own account – it would cost about $14.53 per NJPADA meeting (11 NJPADA meetings).
We could allow member groups to use the Zoom account – there are time conflicts on Sundays between a 2:30pm, and a 3:30pm meeting, and Thursday between a 5:00pm and a 5:30 meeting.
The cheapest paid plan is limited to 9 users. We currently have 10 Zoom meetings, plus the Intergroup meeting.
We could conceivable work that out if meetings are willing to adjust their meeting times or have access to another account.
Meeting Schedule:
https://njpada.org/wp-content/uploads/NJPADA-Meeting-Calendar-2024-04-30_1.pdf
Cost of Zoom Pro Account (for longer than 40-minute meetings) (cheapest paid plan)

An annual subscription is $159.90 per year (equals to 2 months free compared to monthly charge).
A monthly subscription @$15.99/mo. Is &191.90/ year.
NJPADA normal annual expenses would be:
Postal Box
Domain Name
Web Hosting
Zoom Account
Fund Rep(s) to WSC

Ed Kuschner

Hello all. Thank you for bringing up this discussion. I believe we only have 10 meetings, Intergroup meetings per year. We don't meet in August or December. I do use my Zoom account to contribute for the Visions at noon meeting on Mondays. My recollection is that NJPADA would Donate five dollars a month back to Ed. This would be a big help as we could then purchase a yearly membership and get two months free. The Visions at noon Meeting could really use the financial support of $50 from the Intergroup
Sent from my iPhone

Loreen McKellar loreen.mckellar@gmail.com

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I will add all points to the Agenda for NJPADA/Visions at Noon.
Loreen

frank mallas

Makes sense to me!

Frank Mallas
215-913-5387

Motion to adjourn meeting.

Second ED

Vote Passed

Close with the Serenity Prayer (“We” version).

Meeting closed 17.05 hrs

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

See you Then!

PI Committee

1. Loreen

   I attended AA Birmingham convention on Sunday 16 June. I will hand out DA Flyers. https:// aabigbirminghamconvention.com/

2. Diana

   Community college – received information to list DA on their resources page. No follow up/response. Emailed library – no response

   Considering approaching senior centers and therapy associates.

   Attended Northern California meeting for PI representatives. They asked for a Spanish language tear- off flyer.

3. Sharon

   Will be sending literature to Financial Aid Department of Mission College in San Jose.

4. Sindai - Brazil – https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hJiv0vTBHTiebcLGCNajrUfHgqI6A8gwypAZVTFus7k/edit?usp=sharing

5. Kris

   Matthew Assistant Treasurer of WSC asked for report on National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges Oct 2023. Considering spending plan for Kris to attend the conference in 2024.

   Debra O – Literature committee Chair – inviting feedback for Young People's service piece. First approached PI in 2022-23 conference. Asking for PI help in submitting request to carry the project forward.

   Sent PI Year End Report to WSC.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rEMvbujo9jMtPdKwVYxT1YF2TmVAK5U3/edit? usp=sharing&ouid=109938555768863131839&rtpof=true&sd=true

8. Mary Jo – DA in Washington DC – Contacting August National Convention of Credit Counsellors to have a table at the event – DA happy to send volunteer.

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Tool 5 The spending plan puts our needs first and gives us clarity and balance in our spending. It includes categories for income, spending, debt payment, and savings (to help us build cash reserves, however humble). The income plan helps us focus on increasing our income. The debt payment category guides us in making realistic payment arrangements without depriving ourselves. Savings can include prudent reserve, retirement, and special purchases.

Tradition 5 Each group has but one primary purpose–to carry its message to the debtor who still suffers.

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Sarah
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Loreen

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Treasurer's Report May 2024 - Summary

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Owing to Zoom Bombing Meeting closed 16.20 hrs

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Website Report: Frank-

Sarah V -

Corresponding Secretary Report: Katie -

World Service Conference Reports: *1-2* minutes
Loreen - Report attached
Katie -
Ed -
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Anita -
Sarah V -

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

Sunday Promises -
Visions at Noon -
Clarity to Prosperity -
Thursday - 11th step meditation -
Radical Clarity -
Huntington Valley
Vision of Hope -

Simple Abundance -

Currency of Hope -

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion to adjourn meeting.

Second

Vote Passed

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See you Then!

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Prior Month Balance	0.00	1,950.00	1,150.00	**75.00**	**700.00**	3,875.00
Income						
Group Contributions	303.22	500.00				
Personal Contributions	20.00					
2024 Spring S-A-D						
2024 Fall S-A-D						
Other:						
Other:						
Total Income for Month	323.22	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	823.22
Expenses (enter negative #)						
Website & Domain Name						
Postal Box						
PayPal Fees	(1.15)					
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reimb by FM	4.00					
Total Expense	(1.15)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1.15)
Net Income after Expenses	**322.07**	**500.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	822.07
Balance Before Transfers	**322.07**	**2,450.00**	**1,150.00**	**75.00**	**700.00**	4,697.07
Transfers	(320.00)	245.00		75.00		0.00
Balance After Transfers	2.07	2,695.00	1,150.00	150.00	700.00	4,697.07
Contributions to D.A.						Sent:
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PI Committee

Alex - Board Liaison report May 2024

By the time of your meeting voting on change to the Steps and Traditions will be closed and barring any technical hiccups we hope to have those results to the groups by the end of May at the latest. Loreen read out the results. Click here for ballot results https://debtorsanonymous.org/fellowship-votes-2024/

The spring 2024 issue of the Ways and Means is live. The FCC took this on and they say kinks have been worked out so that the Summer 2024 issue should take less time. The Board congratulates them on a huge achievement. Really. It certainly lightened the Board's load this Year.

The GSB is looking for Trustees - Class A and B - especially among GSR's serving out the last year of their term. I can honestly say this service has helped me grow so much. The time commitment can be daunting which is why trustees tend to be retired from full time work. We have been looking at other fellowships' and the ways they might empower applicants. What we find though is that we are not alone among sililar sized fellowships in having trouble recruiting Trustees. John H Scholarship application procedure has closed and there will be funding letters sent to the groups who have been awarded scholarships.

Laura
Working on carrying the message to VA system. VA have a hotline for financial issues. Contacted VA and gave them information regarding DA. VA plan to pass this on to the hotline caucus.

Loreen

DA Fellow on BBC Radio 4 - 14 May 2024 **https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m001z6hq?partner=uk.co.bbc&origin=share-mobile**

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