

Intergroup Meeting Minutes Date: 26/09/2024

Apologies

- Dougie, Steve, Davie & Chloe

Attendees

- Cheryl (GSR Friday Night Step 11)
- Ewan (GSR Seaside Serenity Online)
- Jemma (Region Rep)
- Grace (Chair)
- Suzie (GSR EPP)
- Tommy (GSR Friday St Cath)
- Christine (GSR)
- George (GSR)
- Graeme (Electronic Communications Officer)

Action Items

- Grace: Chase up Josh (Prisons Liaison Officer)

Previous Meeting Notes

- No corrections needed

Edinburgh United In Service Event (26th October 2024)

- To be held at Walpole Hall from 2-4pm
- 3 10-minute talks planned
- 1 hour of general intergroup discussions
- Steve to hold a treasurer workshop
- Graeme to amend tri-fold flier when needed
- Arrangements made for up to 60 attendees
- Aim: Raise awareness for service
- Catering (Coffee and Cakes)
- Literature to be made available
- Car parking discussed (£1 at modern art gallery)

- Grace is going to share the flier with a message about distribution; we agreed that there should be messages sent to the intergroup WhatsApp where they have dropped flyers off.
- Emphasis on general service in AA, not just service at intergroup level
- Grace thanks everyone for their participation

Actions

- Distribute A5 color flyers through various channels: in-person at local meetings, electronically via WhatsApp and other messaging platforms, and online through the AA Edinburgh website.
- George to speak with Dougie about filling intergroup positions
- Clarify with Walpole Hall about keeping the door open
- Graeme to re-share flier on intergroup WhatsApp
- Subgroup meeting planned for 10th October
- Graeme to put a flier on the AA website homepage. Maybe produce a banner for it.
- Davie happy to distribute flyers around Edinburgh
- Grace happy to distribute flyers in Leith/Portobello
- George happy to distribute flyers in Corstorphine and elsewhere
- Graeme happy to distribute to Murrayfield
- Tommy happy to distribute in Sighthill, Dalry and Borders (Blue Bonnets)
- Concerns raised about the number of fliers that should go to larger groups such as Gayfield and Palmerston Place, agreed that they shared number of fliers and they get posted on the wall at those locations.

Financial Statement

- Balance well over prudent reserve
- Three £1000 donations received, source verified
- Grace and Steve are doing some due diligence because they are significantly large donations, all agreed that should be treated with caution.
- General discussion on handling large individual donations.
- Discussion on the 7th Tradition financial structure: clarification of the donation flow from individuals to groups, groups to intergroup, and intergroup to higher organisational levels.

Actions

- Clarify AV equipment on treasurer's report
- Graeme: Add to website
 - If groups are having issues with bank accounts, please get in touch with intergroup and we would be happy to help you further.
- Decision to consult AAGB for advice & get in touch with right honorable treasurer
- Graeme to remove bank details from website and add info to intergroup section

- Jemma suggested that we should write something quite explicit, in accordance with traditions One, Two and Seven

Other Reports

- European Event in Glasgow next year (support needed)
- Scottish National Convention: Dunoon, 9-10 May 2025

General discussion

- Edinburgh Primary Purpose: Nothing to report
- Fliers not ready for tonight, should be delivered Friday 27/09/2024

Next Steps

- Review tri-fold leaflet
- Coordinate flier distribution
- Graeme to post physical copies to peoples addresses and alert intergroup WhatsApp once delivered, recoup costs from Steve for postage.