

JEFFERSON COUNTY AA INTERGROUP

BUSINESS MEETING 2/21/22

This is a virtual Zoom meeting. Called to order by JCI chairperson, Vicky S. at 7:04 pm.

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Holly L. Read the Twelve Traditions of AA.

Vicky S. asked each person present to identify themselves, name their home group, their service position, and their voting status.

- **Vicky S., JCI chairperson, acting JCI Treasurer, member of the Monday Mindfulness Group and chooses to abstain from voting.**
- **Jim M. is JCI Secretary, a member of the Helping Hand Group and has a vote.**
- **Donald E. is JCI Webmaster, is a member of the One Day at a Time Group and has a vote.**
- **Todd D. is the Intergroup Representative for his home group, The First Watertown Group and has a vote.**
- **Holly L. is the Literature Chairperson, a member of the Helping Hand Group, and has a vote.**
- **David C. is a member of The First Watertown Group and is the Liaison for the AA District 0700, and does not vote**
- **Dana Y. is the Intergroup Representative for the Jeff-Lewis Group and has a vote.**
- **Joanne N-w. is Grapevine Chairperson, Intergroup Representative and a member of the Sat/Sun Discussion Group and has a vote.**
- **Travis T. is the Intergroup Representative of the One Day at a Time Group and has a vote.**
- **Greg R. is Treatment Facilities Chair, a member of the Sat/Sun Discussion Group and has a vote.**
- **Chris N. is a member of the Twelve Step Study Group and is a visitor and has no vote.**

- Dan M. is the Intergroup Representative for the Helping Hand Group and has a vote.
- Chris H. is a member of the First Watertown group and is a visitor and has no vote.
- Megan H. is the Corrections chair and a member of the Big Book Study group and has a vote.
- Stacia A. is the PI/CPC chair and a member of the First Watertown group and has a vote.
- Gari, is a member of the Keep it Green Group and is the Intergroup Representative and has a vote.

SECRETARY REPORT:

- Jim M. has sent out a corrected copy of the February 2022 JCI minutes to all JCI members for their review, comment, and correction.
- There were none brought forth. David C. made a **MOTION** to accept the minutes as presented. Greg R. seconded the **MOTION** and Vicky S. asked for a vote. The **MOTION** was passed unanimously with one abstention.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Acting Treasurer Vicky S. presented the following report:

JEFFERSON COUNTY INTERGROUP 2021 - 2022 TREASURER REPORT
REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2022

TOTAL + \$ = CONTRIBUTIONS TOTAL - \$ = EXPENSES FOR PANEL 71 (2021 - 2022)

		STARTING \$ BALANCE (BANKSTMT)		FEBRUARY \$ 902.18	PANEL 71 YTD 2022	Panel 71 YTD 2021-2022
Group ID	FNV #	Home Group / City				
35882	128206	CAME TO BELIEVE / BLACK RIVER		\$ -	\$ -	
113078	143722	12 x 12 CLAYTON / CLAYTON		\$ -	\$ -	
102880	157881	EASY DOES IT / CLAYTON		\$ -	\$ -	
114497	173481	AIR / CAPE VINCENT		\$ -	\$ 110.00	
13279	724602	LIVING SOBER / DEXTER	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 60.00	
112312	109768	JEFF LEWIS / CARTHAGE		\$ -	\$ 100.00	
92686	614047	A BAY SERENITY / ALEX BAY		\$ -	\$ -	
99542	176439	COFFEE & DONUTS / ALEX BAY		\$ 50.00	\$ 300.00	
4892	695981	KEEP IT GREEN / EVANS MILLS	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 140.00	
104575	110405	FIRST WATERTOWN GRP		\$ -	\$ 500.00	
109980	156185	HELPING HAND / WATERTOWN		\$ 75.00	\$ 775.00	
13543	151197	TUESDAY NIGHT BB / WATERTOWN	\$ 60.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 495.00	
43210	137284	ONE DAY@A TIME / WATERTOWN		\$ -	\$ 611.00	
62307	109552	SATURDAY SUNDAY / WATERTOWN		\$ -	\$ 200.00	
120038	611407	ROAD TO RECOVERY / FT. DRUM		\$ -	\$ -	
109726	123039	HARRISVILLE GRP		\$ -	\$ -	
15265	109995	LOWVILLE GROUP	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
14511	109554	ADAMS GROUP		\$ -	\$ -	
	109533	12 STEP CENTER / WATERTOWN		\$ -	\$ -	
		SAT 5:30PM CLAYTON (RCC INS. RIDER \$35)		\$ -	\$ 35.00	
		7TH TRADITION - VIRTUAL MEETINGS		\$ -	\$ 40.00	
		7TH TRADITION INTERGROUP MTG		\$ -	\$ 10.00	
		7TH TRADITION - MEMBER	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 288.00	
		7TH TRADITION - DISTRICT 0700		\$ -	\$ 600.00	
		LITERATURE SALES	\$ 139.35	\$ 139.35	\$ 506.20	
		GRAPEVINE SALES		\$ -	\$ 10.00	
	TOTAL + \$		\$ 449.35	\$ 614.35	\$ 4,880.20	
		BALANCE WITH DEPOSITS	\$ 1,351.53			
		EXPENCES - \$				
	31ST	VERIZON-PHONE	\$ 90.88	\$ 182.84	\$ 1,296.92	
	1ST	RENT	\$ 188.96	\$ 377.92	\$ 2,143.55	
	1ST	RENTER TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 2.95	\$ 5.90	\$ 26.55	
	23RD	ZOOM LICENCE (STARTED 3/22/2020)	\$ 11.99	\$ 23.98	\$ 143.88	
		OFFICE SUPPLIES/STAMPS/SANITIZERS		\$ -	\$ 19.14	
		INSURANCE RIDER (RCC) 3/24 2021-22		\$ -	\$ 35.00	
		RENTERS INSURANCE - MARCH ANNUAL		\$ -	\$ 229.00	
		GO DADDY DOMAIN NAME		\$ -	\$ 21.17	
		GO DADDY-ANNUAL HOSTING 3/24		\$ -	\$ 107.88	
		LITERATURE PURCHASES		\$ 153.76	\$ 477.63	
		PRINTING - INK & PAPER		\$ -	\$ 39.31	
		GRAPEVINE		\$ -	\$ -	
		ARCHIVES		\$ -	\$ -	
		PI/CPC		\$ -	\$ -	

Joanne N-W made a **MOTION** to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. This was seconded by Jim M. and was passed unanimously with one abstention.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

- Vicky S. has been in touch with the Area 47 Registrar and is going to make sure that each of our groups' contact information (email addresses, post office addresses, GSRs name and contact information) is current and available to the Registrar.
- Vicky S. reported on an effort by the GSO to develop some PSAs to help reach out to alcoholic service personnel. GSO is looking for veteran's who are AA members and may be willing to share their stories and highlight how AA has been such a helpful part of their lives. Vicky noted that there has not been an AA meeting at

Fort Drum for some time now and it has been difficult to reach active-duty personnel who may need our services. A copy of the details of this GSO effort are shown below:

March 2

From: Tom H., Class B trustee

To: Trustees, Directors and Delegates

Re: ARMED FORCES MEMBERS INTERVIEW PROJECT

The Trustees' Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community/Treatment and Accessibility is initiating the production of more interviews from members of the United States and Canadian Armed Forces.

The goal of this effort is to improve A.A.'s outreach and identification with members of the U.S. and Canadian military. A major part of this work will be the production of several audio/video products where individual A.A. members who are currently serving or recently retired will share their experience with particular emphasis on recovery in A.A. while serving in the military.

This letter is a call for volunteers who are willing to help in this important work.

We are looking for A.A. members who are willing to be interviewed for this project. We would like to have representation from all Services from Canada and the U.S. The aim is to have recovered A.A. members from all ranks, all across the spectrum of age, gender, orientation and varied operational experience speak to what it is like to recover and stay sober while serving in the military. Topics which we hope to highlight would include but not be limited to: staying sober while deployed, perceptions of prejudice toward sober people, the negative impact on a person's career if they become a non-drinker and dealing with stresses and psychological impacts unique to military deployments and experiences. We're also looking for A.A. members who wish to help find those who might be good candidates to be interviewed.

A.A. Members who wish to learn more about this project or to volunteer to participate in the interview project can contact our U.S. and Canadian points of contact by email at: militaryoutreach@aa.org

Please share this announcement and call for volunteers as widely as you can with A.A. Members and Trustees/Servants throughout the Fellowship. The anonymity of all involved will be maintained.

Sincerely,

Tom H.
Class B trustee

CO-CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

- Dawn N. is unavailable but sent in a report that she is continuing to work on the updating and revision of the JCI guidelines and should have a report on some of the work at next month's JCI meeting.

WEB SERVANT'S REPORT:

- Chairman Donald E. reported that he had removed the in-person One Day at a Time meeting from the printable meeting list and that meeting is now virtual only.
- Donald repaired a dead link for the Grapevine video that had been embedded on the website
- All the plug-ins were updated as needed and a themed plug-in that was deemed a security risk was removed.
- a new meeting number was provided for the noon Zoom meetings as they had reached their limit (100 meetings) and required a new access number. The password was unchanged.
- Backups were generated both in the Cloud and on Donald's external drives for all our material.
- Vicky S. noted that the Women on the Beam meeting in Clayton (Wed. p.m., Christ Episcopal Church, 12&12 meeting for women only) needed to be added to the in-person meeting list as that meeting has been on-going for 5 months.
- Donald noted that the map integration feature for the meetings on the website was now not working and that we would probably have to pay for this feature in the future. He will continue to investigate and report back.

HELPLINE:

- Chairperson Laura F. was not present and there is no report. It was noted by Dan M. that a current Helpline had resigned and that we were seeking someone to fill the Friday 6am-6pm twice a month slot. Please announce meetings and have volunteers call Laura.

TREATMENT FACILITIES:

- Chairman Greg R. provided the following report:

March 20th, 2022

JCI Treatment Report

- Pamphlets were ordered through Holly L. for both the Farm and the women's house. The following is a breakdown of what specific pamphlets were ordered and distributed.

P 32: LGBT in AA (20)

P 5: Women in AA (20)

P4: Young People and AA (10)

P86: The God Word (20)

Five pocket-sized Big Books

- I received an anonymous donation of four big books; two were distributed to each house.
- The Farm schedule is being followed thus far; First Watertown Group, Living Sober, and the Helping Hands Group have followed through on their commitments.
- **The two-person limit has been exceeded on two occasions. A reminder will be sent out to the homegroups on the schedule about this limit. It is important that we follow Credo's rules so we can continue doing service.**
- Service at the Women's House has been going well. Debbie B has a schedule set up and announcements have been made at meetings for groups interested in service at the women's house as well can be in contact with Debbie or I.

Yours in service,

Greg R, Treatment Chairperson

- Greg also noted that Debbie B. has been working on the Credo Women's House schedule and that it is up to date and all is working well with her efforts.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

- Chairperson Megan H. reported that the State has lifted restrictions to visits to State prisons and she looks forward to starting a meeting in the Cape Vincent facility soon. She requests that this information should be announced at all AA meetings. There is a somewhat involve screening process that must be accomplished. There have been two people who have been successfully screened in the past, but they might not be available due to the lag in prison opening due to Covid pandemic. There also may be a possibility of virtual meetings and she is looking into this.
- There is still no visiting possible at the County Jail and thus no meetings there.
- Dana Y., Stacia A., and Vicky S. discussed the process for getting cleared for both Cape Vincent and the County jail.

GRAPEVINE:

- Joanne N-W., chairperson, announced that she was now the official Grapevine rep for our Intergroup. She also noted that there had been a donation of both a Grapevine and a LaVina subscription for the inmates of the Cape Vincent facility.
- She asked Donald E. if a Grapevine podcast could be put on the JCI website in place of the current PSA from Grapevine that is on the website. The addition of the Grapevine Podcast would require a subscription. David C. suggested that JCI members might make the effort to watch one of these podcasts before next month's JCI meeting to see whether a subscription would be worthwhile.

LITERATURE;

- Chairperson Holly L. reported that she had placed a large order for the Helping Hand group and that she delivered the books. Payment was made to JCI by that group.

- Five pocket editions of the Big Book as well as a number of pamphlets were given to Greg for the Credo Farm and Holly is requesting that the JCI donate the cost of these items be donated by the Intergroup. The total amount is for \$46.60. Vicky asked for a **GROUP CONSCIENCE** on this donation, and it was determined by a
a unanimous vote with one abstention that these items will be donated to the Treatment Facilities committee for the CredoFarm.

ARCHIVES: empty chair. no report.

DISTRICT 0700: David C. provided the following report:

District 0700 Liaison Report

To J. C. Intergroup

District 0700 met 3/7/22. We listened to homegroup reports. District 0700 has these service positions filled: DCM, alternate DCM.

New Business:

Does District 0700 want to host an Area 47 hybrid assembly? Typically in July. The response was unanimous in favor for this commitment. I contacted a pastor at First Presbyterian Church. He is on board. This week I will start out the details. District 0700 will host an Area 47 hybrid Assembly on 7/10/22. Between now and then let our fellowship know about this event. When we come we will announce the needs the district will require.

Area 47 met on Sunday 3/20/22. The meeting was a hybrid. The in person portion was in Geneseo. Jim M. and I attended the virtual portion. The discussion revolved around conference agenda items. One topic; change to preamble why the change took place.

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. From

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women...

A percentage of A.A. members do not consider themselves as men or women. They are non-binary. The change was made to include these folks.

The next District 0700 meeting is 4/4/22 at 5:00 pm in the JCI office.

The next hybrid Area 47 Assembly is 4/10/22. As of yesterday the in person location is still to be determined.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Vicky S. asked if there were any nominations for the two JCI vacant committee positions, namely Treasurer and Archives.
- David C. made a **MOTION** to nominate Chris N., here present and a member of the Tuesday Big Book Study Group for the position of JCI Treasurer. The **MOTION** was seconded by Todd D. Chris N. accepted the nomination.
 - As per JCI protocol, Chris N was placed in the virtual waiting room and his credentials were discussed at length by JCI committee members.
 - It was noted that he has an adequate length of sobriety and the skills for the job. A vote was called on the nomination and Chris N. was elected by a unanimous vote with one abstention to the Treasurer position and as a result will be added as a signee of both the JCI checking and savings accounts at the Watertown Savings Bank, in order for him to fulfill this function.
 - Chris was called back into the meeting and informed of the vote and happily accepted the position.
- Vicky S. asked if there were any interest in the Archives chair position.
- Todd D. made a **MOTION** to nominate Chris H., here present, for the position of Archives Chair. This **MOTION** was seconded by Chris N. Chris H. was not certain that he could accept the position as he was struggling somewhat in his sobriety. There was some other discussion of this fact and a vote was called and result was 0 in favor of the nomination and 12 against, with one abstention. Chris H. was encouraged to continue working on his sobriety and thanked for his interest in the service work.
- Vicky S. brought up the previously tabled **MOTION** for acceptance of the 2022 JCI Budget. Vicky S. had reworked some of the numbers and came up with the revised Budget shown here:

Jefferson County Intergroup Budget 2022

	1 year 2022
	Expences
Verizon-phone / Helpline	\$ 1,200.00
Rent	\$ 2,400.00
Renters Insurance March	\$ 300.00
Office Supplies/Stamps/Sanitizers	\$ 50.00
Printing	\$ 500.00
Website GoDabby - Domain Name Nov.	\$ 22.00
Website GoDaddy - Hosting March	\$ 120.00
Zoom \$11.99/month	\$ 200.00
Literature	\$ 500.00
Grapevine	\$ 100.00
Archives	\$ 100.00
PI/CPC	\$ 200.00
Treatment	\$ 200.00
Corrections	\$ 200.00
	\$ 6,092.00
Projected 7th Support for 2022	\$ 6,100.00

- Vicky S. noted that she had revised some amounts in terms of phone bill, office supplies, rent, insurance and office supplies to reflect more of a cushion for the expenses.
- David C. made a **MOTION** to accept the budget as presented. Jim M. seconded the **MOTION**. In order to simplify the numbers David amended his **MOTION** to increase the budget total to \$6100. Jim M. accepted this change. The vote was called by Vicky S. and the result was unanimous in favor of accepting the revised budget with one abstention.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ? announced there will be a potluck supper at 6:00 p.m. followed by a Speaker Meeting (Andy S. from Rochester) at the 4th anniversary of the Dexter Living Sober group, Thursday 3/24/22. The meeting will be held in the church opposite the current church meeting site 210 W. Kirby Street, Dexter, NY

There being no further business before the Intergroup, Vicky S. closed the meeting with the AA Declaration of Unity.

Next meeting 4/18/22 7:00 pm on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Marron
JCI Secretary