

**Tri-county intergroup minutes**  
**Sunday January 20, 2019**

Attendance: Robert G., Emily, Patty, JJ, Stella, Jay B., Trent, Will B., Don W., Eric G., Rick D., Tom F., Weezie, Christy T., Keith C., Brian S., Jeff, Ardis, Greg D., Alex H., Mandy N., Eric R., David E., Pete L., Melonie M., Courtney W., Jay B.

Open with Serenity Prayer  
TCIO purpose – David; Read 12 Traditions – Eric

**Chairman – Robert G.:** we painted the inside of the office and framed the doors, we tried our best to keep costs low – total was \$688, which fell under the allotted budget of \$800. Patty and I have been working on getting bids for new floor which was approved by Hans, our landlord

**Co-chair – Chris H.:** *not present*

**Treasurer – Patty T.:** *\*\*See treasurer's report attached*

Total Account Balances: Savings: \$12,008.11; Checking: \$13,730.80

I bought 10 new chairs instead of 12 chairs due to shipping issues. We got a new printer last month and it is working.

*\*\*Correction to 12/18/18 minutes – Ardis\*\**

“Retail” on accounting spreadsheet should be labeled “Literature” instead. Patty is making the correction on the accounting spreadsheet

**Alt. Treasurer – Patrick:** *not present*

**Secretary – VACANT – Emily:** looking for a secretary for intergroup, minimum one-year requirement, be able to type and have word processing/computer experience, active interest in intergroup

**Communications – Eric:** hoping that everyone that is here can take back to your groups – there is a make-up Communications meeting on February 5 at 7 pm at TCIO. Please tell your communications reps to come to the meeting. If your group does not have a communication reps then you group should consider electing one.

**Office Mgr. – Pete:** we need an updated confidential contact list for 12 step calls – the one we have now is dated, needs to be re-organized. Ask your groups if anyone would like to be on the confidential phone list- they can contact Eric and attend the communications meetings.

**Special Events – Emily:**

NYE – about 200-250 attended! Acceptance Group from District 70 did an amazing job hosting! Park Circle looked great! Total donations \$1812.00

Expenses: approx. \$665 (supplies, misc., etc); \$75 (cake); \$1179.38 (food); \$400 (venue); \$60 (ice) = expenses \$2379.38 – donations \$1812 = **\$567.38 total cost to TCIO**

Approximate costs of events this year \$9000 – which is about a little less than 2017 (\$10,840) Total expenses do not include event contributions to TCIO. The 2018 year-end report is not yet completed but I estimate that the total cost of all events to be approximately \$4000 Overall, 2018 events were a lot easier to plan and we avoided unnecessary costs because we had already done these events in 2017 and had a better idea of what to do. We did not seek any group donations for events as we did in 2017; in 2018 group/district support was donated directly to TCIO for general use. I have created individual event planning reports for planning each event - specifics, contacts, etc. for future Event Chairs. These events would not have been possible without the support, love and commitment from our members, groups, volunteers, Hans, and sponsorship. So please continue to encourage your groups to attend and support TCIO and these events to get this going! it has been amazing to meet and work with so many people from all 4 districts! I will be proposing 2 motions in new business for 2019 events. It has been an honor to be of service as your Events Chair.

**Website – Christy:** website went down from Jan 4-6 - as the domain name expired but website is going really well. 85-90 hits per day.

**Meeting Schedules – Ardis:** last month I reported that there was no more room on meeting schedules for any new meetings. My question is – we have 155 schedules left – we don't have time to vote new schedule format. I would like to eliminate Cottageville meetings because they are District 60. If we take them off the schedule then there will be more room on the schedule to add more information. *Consensus of the group determined Cottageville meetings should be removed from meeting schedules immediately.*

There is a meeting change form on the website to make any meeting schedule changes.

**PI/CPC – Kerry:** *not present*

**Bi-Laws Ad Hoc Committee – Patty (for Ken):** Ken was called into work during our last meeting, postponed until January 2019. Joe P. who is an attorney has agreed to review the Bi-Laws with the ad hoc committee

### **Old Business:**

Robert – still need to come in to measure the office to determine price of carpet for office

Patty – ordered 2 chairs totaling \$58.95 to see if we liked them. Will order 10 more chairs.

Greg – there are so many printers available, need an idea of how much we print on monthly basis to determine printer that we need. Printer on Amazon was less than \$300 – had favorable reviews. Patty - We spent last year on printing \$2,200

Ardis – a few months back, there was a motion to look at whether or not we should pay an office manager. We should add a contingency to our budget for 2019 for an office manager  
Patty – will add this to the budget for 2019

Emily – Motion to donate money to the 2019 State Convention - \$1,000, Charleston is hosting  
Tom – suggests taking this back to our groups to get input; I think it is a great idea!  
Patty – Motion will need to be voted on in 45 days; would like to ask outside members about whether this is appropriate.

### **New Business:**

Emily – Motion: \$3,000 for Soberfest 2019 – **PASSED**

Emily – Motion: \$300 to have Spiritually Lit 2019 – **PASSED**

Patty – got 2 estimates for flooring at the office. *\*Distributed copies of estimates\**

Brian – Robert and I discussed working together to save money and get this job done.

Ardis – How long is the lease?; Robert: yearly lease, discussed with Hans – he is okay with us installing carpet, no plans to evict TCIO from location

Greg – would we be able to discuss with the landlord, Hans, about talking to Hans about agreeing to 3 year lease? Helping with costs?

Courtney – we have the money right now to improve our space. How much money do we have?

Patty – right now we have \$26,000; Robert – groups want us to spend the money

Joe – we don't own the building, has anyone considered doing a concrete sealer and paint?

Robert – we have discussed all different methods

David – we should discuss with Hans about this before making any decisions.

Courtney – Motion to approve floors to be done based on both Robert and Brian's estimates (\$5400 – added by JJ) - **PASSED**

Patty – proposed budget 2019 *\*attached to email*

Patty – Cynthia R is interested in being TCIO Secretary – I am her sponsor, homegroup is Cool Hip and Sober, had dental surgery on Friday so she wasn't able attend

Ardis – Motion to appoint Cynthia R. as TCIO secretary - **PASSED**

Emily – our state convention is coming up quick – March 28-31 at the Omar Shrine in Mt.

Pleasant! Each district has been assigned a day to make cookies and to be of service – please encourage your groups to pre-register at [area62.org](http://area62.org)! the signup sheets for group service/cookies will be attached to the email with minutes – let me know if you have any questions!

### **Group Reports:**

**Downtown In the Morning – Sadie** *\*\*not present*: last week, we are meeting now at 7:30am instead of 8am. The schedule has been updated I believe. Attendance is WAY UP - 25-30 ppl every morning.

**Holy City Speaker– JJ**: doing well, attendance is approximately 120 people

**Chas Big Book – JJ**: going well

**NAG – Emily**: going well, new women’s meeting – every Saturday at 11 am.

**Eustabaffolous – Patty**: everything is fine – just had our 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Cool Hip & Sober – Greg**: all is good

**Folly Beach – Keith**: Jay is taking over – **Jay**: come see us!

**Old Central – Will**: going well; workshop coming up - 20/20 Vision for 2019 – January 25 at 6:40 pm – to create your vision, all are welcome to attend.

**West Ashley Group – Stella**: all is well

**Berkeley Group – Tom**: doing well

**Serenity Group – Eric**: all is well

**Whoooha – Don**: attendance is increasing.

**Oakbrook – Trenton**: all is good

**Sunlight of the Spirit – Mandy**: all is good

**East Cooper Sunrise – Christy**: all is good

**Crowfield – Jeff**: attendance down on Saturday nights otherwise all is good

**Seabreeze – Melonie**: all is good

**As Bill Sees It – Courtney**: all is good

**District 71 – Courtney**: doing well, pre-nooners has a new 10 am on Saturdays, District 71 doing a cookie party for the State Convention

**James Island Lighthouse – Rick**: doing fine

**Sober Thursday – Rick:** doing very well

**Pre-Nooners – Pete:** doing well

**Riverland Terrace – Weezie:** doing great

**District 72 – Brian:** working on contacting the other district intergroup reps

Motion to close was passed

Closed with the “Lord’s Prayer”

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Emily G.