

**ANNAPOLIS AREA INTERGROUP
AAIG “Virtual” INTERGROUP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Zoom Meeting Held – Tuesday, December 21st, 2021**

Meeting Called to Order at 7 pm. Roll call performed by the Secretary.

IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Offices

Chair, Val B.
Vice Chair, Richard Y.

Treasurer, Tim H.
Secretary, Megan J.

Standing Committees

Activities, Stan A.
Bulletin, Cierra “CiCi” S.
Coop. Prof. Com., Val B, Peggy G. (absent)
Corrections, Jim O.
Facilities, Richard Y.
Finance, Aaron W.
Grapevine, Suzanne L.
Literature, Erin M.

Outreach, Tim and Megan J
Public Information, Dan H. (absent)
Co-Chairs, Red House Desk
In-House Desk, Cybele D.
Rollover Phone [Digital
Communications], Sean M.
Treatment, Jorge B.
Website, Jochen H.

**Intergroup Representatives
(bold members were present)**

#	Group	IG Council Member
1	Arnold - As Bill Sees It	Tammy / Erin M
2	Arnold Asbury Group	Sean M
3	Back to Basics	Aaron W
4	Bowie Friday Night Speakers	Chris L
5	Crofton Friday Night	Jim W
6	Crofton Open	John B
7	Fri Noon Step - Woods Memorial	Peggy M
8	Galesville 12x12	Tim H
9	Going To Any Lengths Group - Sat 8 pm	Daniel G
10	Herald Harbor Step Group	Clayton U (late join)
11	Keep It Simple	Jochen H
12	Ladies' Night @ Club 164	Megan J
13	Mayo 5:30 pm Wed Group	Anthony B
14	Misfit Women	Becky
15	One Page at a Time (Mondays)	Pam M

16	Quiet Waters Group	Allison T (Ally)
17	Red House Annapolis Morning	Cybele
18	Red House Beginners	Steve M
19	Red House Nooner	Donna
20	Sat Morning Big Book	Morgan / Diane
21	Sat Night Young Peoples	Stan A
22	Serenity at 7	Dan H
23	Severna Park Tues 12:30	Val B
24	Sunday Any Lengths	Dick M
25	The Hatchery	Susan D / Linda J
26	Tuesday Night Pasadena	Stu B
27	Turkey Point - Women Lit Up	Teresa M
28	Turkey Point 12x12	Dawn K
29	Wednesday 12x12 6 pm	Richard Y
30	Women's Spiritual Freedom - Tues Bowie	Amy B / Betsy C
31	Zoom - Women Lit Up	Heather W

Intergroup Liaisons

Tim H - District 6

Betsy C - BAYPAA Liaison

Guests

Matt F - Guest (BAYPAA Event Chair)

Jeff M - Area 13

Andy W - Guest (future IGR taking over for Aaron at Back to Basics)

Mike T - Guest

Michelle G - past delegate for Area 13

Erick F. - Guest

Claire O - Guest

AAIG Executive Committee Vote

Chair introduced Michelle G, who was the non-partisan host for the elections.

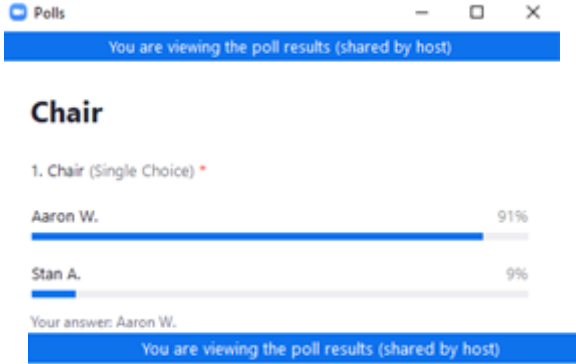
Each nominee qualified themselves for two minutes or less. Suzanne L acted as the timekeeper.

A vote was held for each of the four positions using secure poll functionality in Zoom and orchestrated by Michelle G. A “vote by acclamation” was held for those that ran unopposed.

Screenshots were taken of the results of each poll. The outcome of the vote was as follows:

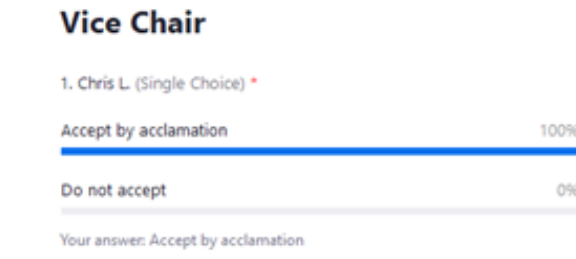
Chair - Two Nominees

- Aaron W. - 91%
- Stan A - 9%



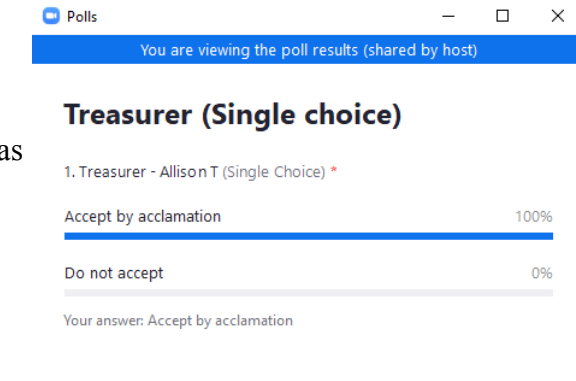
Vice-chair - Vote by Acclamation

- Chris L. - 100%



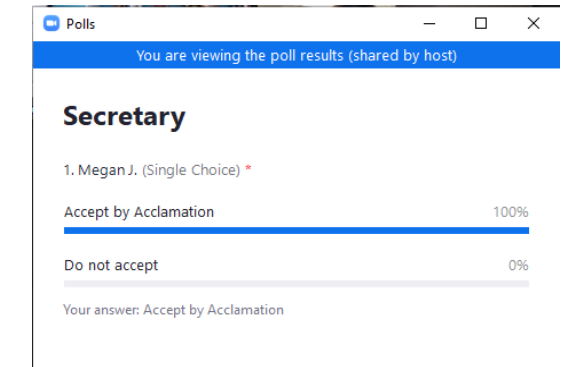
Treasurer - Vote by Acclamation

- Ally - 100%
- Aaron W. - N/A (Aaron W. was voted in as Chair)



Secretary - Vote by Acclamation

- Megan J - 100%



Group thanked Michelle G and Jeff M for hosting the election.

Secretary read the minutes. Jochen made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Suzanne. Council PASSED MOTION.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Chair, Val B.

Val read her report in the form of a letter, which has been included below.

First, I want to thank you all for allowing me to participate and serve in the capacity of chair. It's been a heck of a ride and I've learned so very much. You taught me to finish my commitments and lean in on God's Will, a Service Sponsor, and the Group Conscience. Even if it may seem wrong, it will always work out, God is very strong, and the Group conscience is far more valuable and knowledgeable than anyone, single, person could possibly be. So again, thank you for allowing me to try to do something, I have never done before!

Second, I have to address the council about recent events. I received a variety of calls and complaints regarding emails, texts, and phone calls, including raised voices, yelling, disrupting others' events, and unceasing correspondence that AA Council members and friends of AA were subject to over this holiday season. It has made it very difficult to focus on what mattered and separate out what was time consuming and unprofessional, especially during an as usual hectic holiday season. On behalf of AAIG, I contacted the church and SOHL to apologize for the behaviors from some of our members and to reflect our feelings that members of AAIG were especially sickened and saddened by these behaviors. AAIG does not condone some of its members, taking matters into their own hands. That is why we have a Council and a group conscience. We do not consider this sober, serene behavior; it is not unifying, does not consider our common welfare, per Tradition 1, does not help attract new members, nor does it reflect the values of AAIG or AA as a whole.

Anger and the alcoholic are mentioned many times throughout our literature. To the alcoholic, it has been said:

- *We must avoid quick tempered criticism and furious, power-driven argument, [12x12, p. 91]*
- *Argument and fault finding are to be avoided like the plague. [BB p. 98]*
- *We avoid retaliation or argument. [BB, p. 67]*
- *We "constructively criticized" someone who needed it, when our real motive was to win a useless argument [12x12, p.94]*
- *And finally, from [BB, p. 66] We found "the world and its people were often quite wrong. To conclude that others were wrong was as far as most of us ever got." and...*

- *“If we were to live, we had to be free of anger. The grouch and the brainstorm were not for us. They may be the dubious luxury of normal men, but for alcoholics these things are poison.”*

With that said, we may disagree with one another, however, our ultimate priority is to help the still sick and suffering alcoholic, of which this behavior disrupts.

Several members asked me to relieve such Committee Chairs, telling them that their services are no longer required, effective immediately. Taking in counsel and returning to our AAIG Bylaws... per article 19 on the Committees, the [AAIG] Chair appoints the Committee Chairs, and those chairpersons serve at the pleasure of the Executive Committee. That means that removing someone requires the Executive Committee (which include the 4 Officers and 16 Committee Chairs).

At this late date, the simplest method to resolve this issue, is for the next Chair to select their Committee Chairs, as I did at the beginning of this year.

Again, on behalf of AAIG, we apologize to the members and/or friends of AAIG, that were subjected to such treatment.

With that said, we will resume reports by the officers.

In the interest of time, the Chair asked if there was anything that the group would like to call out.

[If nothing was called out by a committee chair, it was noted below with the statement “Nothing new to report.”]

Vice Chair, Richard Y. - Nothing new to report

Treasurer, Tim H.

Tim provided two attachments which will be sent to the group after the call. With 2021 coming to a close, the Close-out report will be shared with the group.

With Morgan’s help, the budget was put together last year (\$40K) for 2021, and the group successfully spent all but about \$2K.

Secretary, Megan J - Nothing new to report

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ad Hoc Red House Steering Committee, Aaron W. – Will reconvene as needed.

Ad Hoc Bylaws Steering Committee, Valerie B. – Will reconvene as needed.

Ad Hoc Safety Committee, Richard Y – Will reconvene as needed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities Committee, Stan A.

Christmas Extravaganza hosted at Club 164 was a success, with 128 people attending and 101 donating.

Stan advised that the Thanksgiving event at Club 164 was hosted by AAIG who performed most of the work.

Bulletin, Cierra S. - Nothing new to report.

Cooperation with the Professional Community, Val B, Peggy G. (absent) - Nothing new to report.

Corrections, Jim O. - Nothing new to report.

Digital Communications Committee, Sean M. - Nothing new to report.

Facility, Richard Y. - Nothing additional to report.

Finance, Aaron W. - Nothing new to report.

Grapevine, Suzanne L. - Nothing new to report.

Literature, Erin M. - Nothing new to report.

Outreach, Megan J. and Tim H. - Nothing new to report.

PI (Public Info), Dan H. (absent)

Red House Desk, Cybele D. - Nothing new to report.

Treatment, Jorge B. (Absent) – Provided to AAIG Chair prior to meeting for report; however, not reported.

Providing in-person meetings at five treatment centers:

1. Hope House, Mon & Wed, In person, 7 pm
2. Tranquility Woods, Wed & Sat, In person, 7 pm
3. Pascal Crisis Stabilization Center, Wed, In person, 7 pm

4. Pathways, Thurs & Fri, In person, 7 pm
5. New meetings in the works for 3 Project Chesapeake Treatment Centers, Tues & Thur, 7 pm

Website, Jochen H.

Jochen gave a shout out to Megan J and Tim H, who worked to update the meeting list and get a new W&W printed before Jan 2022. This update has been posted on the website.

New Business

Stan A brought up a concern that there is a violation of the third tradition by including the SOHL (Society of Hope and Love) Christmas event flyer on the website. SOHL is a third-party and takes corporate donations.

Discussion ensued.

Motion made by Betsy to keep SOHL Christmas Event flyer on the website, due to the fact that AAIG is not putting on an alcathon on Christmas.

Discussion ensued

Motion was seconded and passed with majority vote.

Motion to adjourn by lots of people, seconded by lots of people. Council PASSED MOTION.

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm with Responsibility Statement.