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WESTCHESTER UNITED INTERGROUP

MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2, 2003

The meeting started at approximately 7:47pm with the Serenity Prayer, the reading of the Preamble, Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and 1-6 of the Twelve Concepts.

Those Present: **Phil S.** chair, **Karen S.** Parliamentarian, **Mary T.** Recording Secretary & Region 6 Rep, **Carol C.** Friday Ossining, **Jonathan** Tarrytown Sunday, **Shirley** Mon Night WP, **Eleanor B.** Wed 7 pm Yonkers, **Beth T** WP Wed. 12:30, **Kathy D.** Mon 7:30pm Pelham, **Carol B.** Region 6 Alternate, **Rachel** WP Wed noon, **Larry F.** Region 6 Delegate, **Nicole R.** WP Thurs 12:30, **Priscilla** Corresponding Sec'y, **Bobbye** Vice-Chair, **Virginia** WP Fri am, **Carmela S.** Mt. Kisco Mon Night, **Betsy K.** Treasurer, **Patricia B** WP Sun am.

SIGN-IN SHEET CIRCULATED

RECORDING SECRETARY (*Mary T.*)

November minutes approved. There were no December minutes since the meeting was cancelled due to weather.

TREASURER'S REPORT (*Betsy K*)

There were three reports: •**October:** Very active due to the Convention--\$700 for the newsletter; since the checkbook and the back statement agreed, the ongoing balances were adjusted for overstatements. •**November:** Quiet month, nothing of note. •**December:** Quiet month, nothing of note. Question about donations: Do we send total donation or do we divide into WUIG, region and national? Answer: You can do either, just make note of what you did. Send donations to: WUIG, PO Box 125, White Plains, NY 10603 We are well under the prudent reserve of \$3000; tell your groups to send in their donations. The White Plains Ridgeview meetings need to make note of whether the donation is from the Mon or the Fri meeting. **MOTION TO FILE ALL REPORTS FOR AUDIT: APPROVED.**

A Verizon white pages bill was received for \$437. Apparently, the first bill was never received in that it was sent to another address rather than the WUIG PO Box. This bill represented years of advertising but Verizon has agreed to remove one year from the bill. Betsy has cancelled the ad going forward (apparently Brian, as past Chair of WUIG, placed the ad). Note to Everyone: All bills and correspondence should be sent to the PO Box, not member's homes or group addresses. If you receive anything for WUIG, please bring it to next meeting.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT (*Priscilla*)

Copies of the December meeting list are available at the back table. Other than that, nothing new to report.

PASS THE BASKET Basket Passed

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Speaker Bank (*Kathy*)

She has two new speakers on the list who approached her to sign up. No one has used the service yet.

Sponsor Bank (*Priscilla*)

We now have 13 names on the Temporary Sponsor List.

Hotline Update (*Jeanne*)

Jeanne was not here so Beth filled in. We have someone who is homebound and we are looking for people to bring meetings to her. Carol and Jonathan offered to call her. Maybe we can have some sort of outreach committee to handle these types of situations.

Public Information (PI) Update (*Carol B*)

In Carol's absence, Carmella updated us on PI. In February, they will present Internal and External PI Strategies for 2003. Phil passed along some the information he has received from WSO.

Newsletter (*Priscilla*)

The January Newsletter is out; copies on the table. Dee M has volunteered to be the graphics designer, Jim B and Steve F have volunteered to assist.

Webmistress (Beth B)

All emails have been coming to Beth instead of Karen. She needs the emails of all chair people. Website did get one email. Continue to pass out the word about the site and get someone from each meeting to send directions! We need to have directions available to all meetings for newcomers.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ◆ **WSBC 2003 Rep Elections:** The WSBC 2003 representative position Phil held is now vacant. We will need to fill the position again in October. There was a question about whether we wanted to send two reps to the meeting at approx. \$1800 per rep, but no one made a motion to send two delegates. There is really no significant voting advantage to sending two delegates and since our nominees are male and female, there would be no economy of scale since they can't share room. The advantage to sending two delegates is that they can each go to different committee meetings. There are two nominees: Larry and Carol B. Since Carol is not present, motion to table the vote until next month. Motion seconded and approved.
- ◆ **Service Body Questionnaire:** Motion to send back as discussed – seconded – Motion approved.
- ◆ **Bus to Niagara Falls:** Larry investigated and the bus will cost \$2650 plus the cost of the driver's accommodations; it will probably be about \$2950. Since it is a 55 passenger bus, the cost would be \$55 per person. We could charge \$65 per person. Motion to charge \$65 per person – seconded – motion approved. There was a discussion about \$65 not being enough since we haven't earned any money this year. It would cost \$350 to fly and at least \$200 by train so we should go for at least \$75 pp. Gas prices are going up but our rate is guaranteed when we book and pay. There was a motion to have the price be \$65 until September 1st when the price would increase to \$75 – motion approved. Motion to pay \$2650 plus driver's accommodation approved. Larry will get a check for half of \$2650 to book the reservation.
- ◆ **Vacancy of Chair Position:** Bobbye doesn't want the chair position once Phil resigns. Phil will continue through the February meeting and we will take nominations at the February meeting. In Phil's absence, Bobbye, as vice-chair, will chair the March meeting until we hold elections after the reports and then the new chairman will take over. Nominations will be in February and elections in March.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ◆ **Region 6 Convention:** We have received a full set of convention tapes and there was discussion about what to do with them. Suggestions that we donate to the highest contributing group (discouraged since some groups are not able to donate a lot of money but donate what they can) or raffle off as a fundraiser. This will be held over until the February meeting. Larry was given the tapes.
- ◆ **Summer Retreat :** Jonathan was approached by the Metro NY Retreat people at the convention to consider having WUIG take over the retreats since they said they couldn't get volunteers. We asked Jonathan to get more information. Karen pointed out that one reason they don't want to continue is that they can't get enough people to go on the retreats. Suggestion was made that perhaps we could sponsor retreats where there are only one or two people leading the retreat rather than having mini-conventions as they exist now.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ **East Coast Service Convention** will be held March 14-16, 2003
- ◆ **Ridgeview Friday Morning 10:30 am Meeting** is having their first anniversary on February 7th (upstairs).
- ◆ **Yonkers Wednesday 7:00 pm Meeting** just had a 3-year anniversary.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Seconded; APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mary T., Recording Secretary

**REMEMBER:
OUR NEXT MEETING IS FEBRUARY 6, 2003**