# Martha's Vineyard Intergroup PO Box 1058 Oak Bluffs, MA 02557 Help Line 508-627-7084

Website: <u>aaonmv.org</u>
Minutes of the meeting held May 17, 2017

Seven members present.

Meeting brought to order by the Chairman

The minutes of April 19, 2017 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report 4/19/17 - 5/17/17

Opening Balance: \$2,340.30

### Debits:

4/28/17	Verizon41.88	phone
4/24/17	One Box49.95	answering service
4/30/17	Karen C. (Breakfast Speaker) 225.00	travel expenses
5/1/17	Harborview Hotel1,900.36	Unity Breakfast
5/1/17	Santander7.50	bank fee

#### Contributions:

Ticket Sales.....2,100.00

Balance: ......\$2,015.97

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

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## Meeting Minutes 5/17/2017 cont.

#### **Old Business:**

The secretary made a correction to the minutes of April 19, 2017. Steph P. And Suzanne M. arranged for Karen C. of New Jersey to speak at our Unity Breakfast and secure free housing for her. Many thanks for their service.

# Unity Breakfast Financial Report:

Ticket Sales		2,700.00
Expenses:		
Harborview Hotel	2,850.39	
Karen C., Speakertravel expenses	225.00	
Total expenses	3075.39	
Balance:		(375.39)

Kathy K. reported via email the following:

"At this point I have 3 mtgs identified that are no longer in existence and need to be taken off the schedule. They are:

- Sun 6:30 Open Grapevine @ the Good Shepard Parish Ctr,,OB
- We'd 6:30 Came to Believe @ the Good Shepard Parish Ctr., OB
- Sat 6:00 Young People in Recovery @ Grace Church, VH (this mtg is still listed on the website)

Please confirm that these mtgs are in fact disbanded and if there are any others that may have changed. People can email Kathy at Parakits@qmail.com directly. I plan to go to DaRosa's after I get back with corrected copy and have the new schedules printed. I should have them to distribute by our June mtg."

It was determined they indeed have disbanded. Our website coordinator will be notified.

It was reported the Unity Breakfast did not sell out this year. Ninety tickets were sold compared to 110 last year. Some tables were empty. Intergroup expended \$375.39 on the event. The reasons for this were discussed and ideas for boosting attendance explored. There will be more discussion at future Intergroup meetings.

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### Meeting Minutes 5/17/2017 cont.

#### **New Business:**

Steph P. raised the idea of having the first ever AA convention on Martha's Vineyard. He reported that some members wondered why there has never been one. The treasurer responded by stating that the Intergroup treasury has never had the sufficient funds to sponsor such an event. The secretary also pointed out the low attendance rate at Intergroup meetings and the amount of work involve in organizing a three day event on the island. Steph went on to say that NA had been able to sponsor their events and they used seven members to handle various tasks. The consensus was that Steph and Suzanne M. should research the feasibility of staging a convention in March, 2018. They will report back at next month's meeting.

In order to gather support for a convention it is suggested that all group representatives attend upcoming Intergroup meetings. If a group has no representative, then it is suggested one be elected. Staging an AA Convention is a three day event and requires as much support and service our substantial AA community can give. It is important that all group oreps report current meeting minutes at their respective meetings.

The next meeting of Martha's Vineyard Intergroup will be held on June 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the Pat Gregory Conference Room at Vineyard House, Short Hill Road, Vineyard Haven, MA.

Meeting adjourned 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

David S., Secretary