

DA HOW INTERGROUP MEETING

13 May 2016, 10:30 am EST

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer

Reports:

Treasurers Report:

- April: \$10 in savings, \$411.77, \$46.65 in donations, paid \$2.11 paypal, interest income \$0.01 – 60% higher donation rate since last month!
- March: \$10 in savings, \$367.22 in treasury, \$29.00 income, \$1.16 paypal fees, \$0.01 interest income

DA HOW PMI ISR Report:

- A new Board of Trustees member has been appointed, and that this person is a member of DA HOW (face-to-face meeting in Minneapolis, MN) – Dayton L.
- There should be close to enough money for the PMI Intergroup Representative to attend the WSC in Dallas in August, combining funds from the three groups she represents. She will submit spending plan to PMI for review and approval at the June 2016 PMI meeting.
- The Literature Committee has been working hard to complete their work by July 2016. They are working on several projects, including an outline for the basic text of DA, pamphlet updates and reviews, responses to Issues & Concerns and other projects given to Lit Com by the Literature Publications (GSB Board Committee).

Agenda Items:

Old Business:

- Issue: “How to Start a Meeting”: a group of DA HOW members met to discuss this issue.
 - Background: April 13, 2016 – group putting together language for suggestions on how to start a DA HOW meeting
 - Action Update: Group met and had a ‘great meeting.’ Discussed focus of meetings: Primary purpose: to bring the message to the newcomer – discussion of how best to accomplish this. NY members may be starting a face-to-face meeting. There will be follow-up on this issue and the participants will continue to work on this.
- Issue: Phone line issues. (Allison offered to be the Liaison at April 2016 Business Meeting).
 - Background: Some people are experiencing problems with being ‘dropped off’ the calls multiple times during meetings, while using the current phone line/number. This is happening to at least several individuals on multiple meetings. It has been sporadic, but has been reported on enough occasions and by enough members to warrant investigation. There has been no trend identified, so far, (i.e.: it does not seem to related to using cell phone v. landline, a particular phone carrier, location of caller, etc.).

- Action Update: Allison contacted freeconference.com: current line that we use - (freeconference.com?) – is unable to release any information because of anonymity and privacy issues. We are unable to reach the person who was the signer on the original account. One option would be to get a new phone number. There is another phone service that other groups have used successfully – freeconferencecallhd.com – it has international calling, as well (more information needed).
 - Email set up for new number: dahowpmiphone@gmail.com.
 - For announcements: “We have created this account and new number for the Phone Meeting Intergroup calls and for any group who would like to use it.”
 - Question: Can the group have the call if the leader has not signed on?
 - Answer: There are multiple issues that can be addressed by looking at the settings (i.e., the line can be set up so that the group can start without the ‘host,’ etc).
 - Allison has set up the account so that the new email address will receive communications and there will be multiple people on the account, so that the PMI will always be able to have access.
 - Question: How many people is this happening to?
 - Answer: More than one person on multiple meetings: not clear how often this is happening.
 - Some members are also getting ‘bounced off’ on the Wednesday PM meeting, as well.
 - **Motion:** That the DA HOW PMI Intergroup adopt the new phone number 712-775-7035, access code 295072#. Host code 590144#. Motion seconded, passed without objection.
 - If anyone has any questions or issues with this information or with accessing the number, they can call Allison at 612-751-4616.
- Issue: How do groups get documents (such as meeting format updates) on to the PMI website for members to access?
 - Background: a group has questions about getting meeting format updated on the PMI
 - Discussion: Some meetings use google docs, which are updated automatically, so they never need to be updated. Others create other type of documents, which do need to be updated and sent to the PMI webmaster to be put on the PMI website. If group representatives have questions, they could email the PMI webmaster @ rfmoir@yahoo.com.

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 am Eastern Time.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 10 June 2016, 10:30 am Eastern (9:30 am Central, 8:30 am Mountain, 7:30 am Pacific)