***KC Area Gamblers Anonymous Minutes of Meeting***

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| Group: | InterGroup |
| Date: | **MARCH 8, 2016** |
| Location/Time | FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SHAWNEE, KS / 6:15 PM |
| Meeting Chair: | Kevin C, Chairperson |
| Opening: | Moment of Silence and Sought My Soul Prayer |
| Secretary Report: | Distributed minutes from February, 2016 for review and approval. Minutes approved with correction of bank balance. Correct total should be $3806.58. |
| Attendees: | Linda J, Larry W, Kathy M, Martha N, Brian J, Dawn J, Kevin C, Joe S |

**News from Area Meetings:**

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| ***Sunday***  **By**: Larry W **IR(s):** Larry W **TS:** Larry W  5-10, 2 new returning.  Anniversaries: none |

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| ***Monday***  **By**: Linda J **IR(s):** Sarah C **TS:** Michelle J |
| Averaging 4-6, 1 new. **The group has discontinued the journaling format, as that may be a deterrent for some members to attend. Have switched to a 1 hour format, unless attendees wish to continue beyond that time**  Anniversaries: MICHELLE J 18 YRS, 3/17/98 |
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| ***Tuesday*** **By**: Dawn J **IR(s):** Dawn J **TS:** Bill H  Averaging: 12-2. 4 new members, 2 returning  Anniversaries: PATRICK W, 12 YRS, 3/17/04 | |
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| ***Wednesday*** ***Noon*** **By**: Martha N **IR(s):** Martha N **TS:** Martha N  Averaging 3, but a couple of meetings have been only Martha in attendance. One attendee was a woman resident at the home  Anniversaries: none |

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| ***Wednesday*** ***Evening*** **By**: Marti J via EMAIL **IR(s):** Marti J **TS:** Marti J  Averaging: 20-25, good meetings, focusing on Step 3 in March  Anniversaries: ERIC   3/31/06 10 years; Connie T  3/21/15   1 year |
| ***Wednesday Evening KANSAS CITY KS By:*** *Kathy M* ***IR(s):*** *Kathy M* ***TS:*** *Kathy M*  Averaging 5-6  Anniversaries: none |

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| ***Thursday*** **By**: Brian J **IR(s):** Chris D **TS:** Duane M  Averaging 14-18, 5 new members, 2 returning  Anniversaries: none | |
| ***Friday*** **By**: Joe S **IR(s):** Joe S **TS:** Doug P  Averaging: 12-18, going well  Anniversaries: none |

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| ***Saturday AM*** **By**: Larry W **IR(s):** TBD **TS:** John C  Averaging: 12. After negotiating with Unity, we are able to keep Room B instead of moving to Room A   |  | | --- | | Anniversaries: RICK W 11 YRS 3/23/04, CYNTHIA N 19 YRS, 3/15/97, CAROLYN P 3 YEARS, 3-6-2013 | |  | |

**Additional Reports:**

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| **Chair** By: Kevin C  Kevin C stated that his travel schedule should be more predictable going forward for the next few months so he will be able to attend Intergroup regularly. |
| **Secretary** By: Linda J  February minutes approved as submitted, but secretary later found an error in the Treasurer Bank Balance. Should be reported as $3806.58. Correction has been made.  Because Linda will be traveling for several months, after April Intergroup we will need to find a new Intergroup Secretary to attend Intergroup, take minutes, type into template and distribute to email list. Please ask at meetings and refer any questions to Linda J | |

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| **Treasurer** By: Dawn J  Current balance is $3223.77. **Dawn will get with Brian J as to how much should go to Gam Anon, as he has the final sign up sheets of when they worked.**  Discussed setting up the hotline recurring monthly payment as an automatic payment, so that the Hotline Chairperson doesn’t need to pay with their credit card each month and wait for reimbursement from Intergroup. Dawn J. will look into this.  Linda J submitted cash for literature sold at mini conference of $143.35  Linda J submitted a receipt for reimbursement for purchase of 2 coffee makers of $83.98 and it was approved and passed for payment  **A reminder that dues from some meetings may not have been received for the first quarter – see Dawn J if you are in question. DUES FOR 2ND QUARTER ARE DUE APRIL 1ST. RECOMMENDED AMOUNT FOR EACH MEETING/GROUP IS $30 QUARTERLY ($10 PER MONTH)** |
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| **Pressure Relief** By: Linda J  After discussing PRGM with Larry from New York, a member who lists his contact information in the ISO bulleting to assist with PRGM, he informed me that not many in the Midwest, South and West areas participate in PRGM as strongly as they do in the East. We can continue to explain the worksheets to any new members, and we do have people (Tom W, Marti J, Michelle J) that can go through a PRGM if anyone in interested, or they may contact Larry in New York for his help. |
| **Public Relations** By: Linda J    The 2015 MCPGSA (Midwest Council on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse) is **June 22-24 at the Hilton Kansas City Airport.** It is proposed that GA participate by having a booth where the attendees will be able to obtain literature, talk to GA members during this 3-day conference. Linda J attended last year where GA shared part of a table provided by Sunflower Recovery (through Kevin B) and was able to make several connections that led to starting a new meeting in Western Nebraska and re-establishing a meeting in Topeka. Attendees come from all over the Midwest and include counselors, state gambling commissions, problem gambling experts, etc. with many informative presentations about problem gambling. The cost for a Nonprofit table is $325. It was voted and approved to register GA for a table. Linda J will follow up with Dawn to see if we can pay by check or need to pay via credit card on line.  We would also like to invite any members that could assist in manning the booth to be available for questions, etc. Kevin B may also be able to get some scholarships for a few members to also attend the presentation sessions.  The conference information can be accessed at:  <http://www.888betsoff.org/links/midwest_conference.shtm> | |

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| **Social Committee** By: Kevin B via email  Kevin B mentioned he is working on another Royals outing, expecting to increase the number of tickets to 60.  A discussion of when and where the next potluck should be resulted in Martha N wanting to host a Saturday afternoon potluck at the Journey House – where our Wednesday noon meeting is held – to allow members to see the facility there that provides housing for women exiting prison, and provides meetings for various addictions, etc.  Martha N will check as to what date in the future will work. Wednesday Shawnee meeting (Kathy M) has offered to co-host the potluck. |

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| **Hotline NATIONAL NUMBER 855-222-5542** By: Joe S via EMAIL |
| 20 calls, 5 conversations. Joe is going to check into some outgoing calls showing up in the call logs. Joe spoke with Jim from Oklahoma at the mini-conference – he is a member of the GA hotline committee and offered to help with any questions or issues we have. |

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| A**rea Trustee** By: Linda J and Brian J   * Next Trustee Conference is in Phoenix, AZ in May, both Brian and Linda will be able to attend. Costs will be minimal since both will be in the area for business or vacation during that time. * Our Area 8B (Kansas, Nebraska, Western Iowa, Western Missouri) is allowed to have 2 Area Trustees. Marty R is a long-time GA member from the Omaha meeting. He is interested in being an Area Trustee to represent the Nebraska and Western Iowa region of our Area 8B. This would give better support and representation to that part of our area. They have Intergroup in the Omaha area that could financially support an Area Trustee (conference travel, etc.). The KC Intergroup would then continue to support just one Trustee that would focus on Kansas and Western Missouri. The next Area Trustee 2-year terms start in July, 2016, with nominations in May and elections in June. Linda, Brian and Kevin will follow up on the correct voting procedures and coordinating communication with Marty R. |

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| **Literature** By: Linda J   * Literature sales at the mini conference were good ($143.35), due to many workshops making reference to the materials GA has available. * Literature prices have gone up effective in February, making the cost of a new member packet $5.00 (previously $4.00) * A new price sheet has been updated and Kevin C will post on [www.kcga4u.com](http://www.kcga4u.com) * Kathy M (Wednesday Shawnee) now has the Intergroup literature and is the contact for any meetings or individuals needing supplies (see order form). Meetings and members are encouraged to order directly from [www.gamblersanonymous.org](http://www.gamblersanonymous.org) – anyone can order literature and have it sent directly to their home. |

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| **Fundraising** By: Brian J  Will discuss possibility of doing Hendricks Toyota Fundraiser again in the Spring |

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| **KC Website** By: Kevin C  Averaging 8 visits to site per day. [www.kcga4u.com](http://www.kcga4u.com) is currently # 2 result when gambling searches are done – this is a result of the re-indexing and additional keywords Kevin added a couple of months ago. |
| **Mini Conference** By: Kevin B via email  Kevin and Wendy said there would be a follow up meeting within the next 2 weeks. We’ve received good comments about the conference, workshops, food and speakers. | |
| **Old Business** By: No Report | |
| **New Business** By: Group/Chair  The next Intergroup will be held on **FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH AT THE FRIDAY MEETING LOCATION IN SHAWNEE, KS AT 6:15 PM** | |
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**Anniversaries:**

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| **Meeting Day**  **MONDAY**  **TUESDAY**  **WEDNESDAY**  **WEDNESDAY**  **SATURDAY**  **SATURDAY** | **Name**  **MICHELLE J**  **PATRICK W**  **ERIC**  **CONNIE T**  **RICK W**  **CYNTHIA N** | **Clean Date**  **3-17-1998**  **3-17-2004**  **3-31-2006**  **3-21-2015**  **3-23-2005**  **3-15-1997** | **Years**  **18**  **12**  **10**  **1**  **11**  **19** | **Location**  **OVERLAND PARK, KS**  **SHAWNEE, KS**  **LEES SUMMIT, MO**  **LEES SUMMIT, MO**  **KANSAS CITY, MO**  **KANSAS CITY, MO** |

**Next Inter Group Meeting: FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH, 2016**

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| **APRIL 8TH, 2016** | **HOPE LUTHERAN – SHAWNEE MISSION PARKWAY AND QUIVERA, SHAWNEE KS** | **6:15 PM** |