**Green Mountain North Intergroup**

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**Sunday, March 15, 2020 Intergroup meeting minutes**

Attending: Sue (S Burlington), Nance (Treasures; Rutland), Ramona (Middlebury), Cathleen (Burlington), Carol (St Johnsbury), Mary (Bristol), Patti (Colchester), Judi (Chair; Burlington)

Minutes from 1/19/20 were not distributed in time to approve.

Reports:

\*Treasurer: Nance gave the treasurer’s report (click link below)

<https://www.oavermont.org/app/download/969838465/TreasurerReport1-Jan-Feb2020-8Mar2020.docx>

The current balance is $4457.40, including $400 prudent reserve. We discussed reducing the prudent reserve since the new yearly phone expenses (Freedom Voice) are $406 lower than the previous provider, Consolidated Communications. A $300 prudent reserve was suggested – we will revisit and vote on this at the May meeting.

Nance reminded meetings to distribute Trad 7 donations as follows: 60% to GMNI, 30% to Region 6, and 10% to the WSO.

Nance submitted changes to the Treasurer Job Description – these were unanimously accepted by vote. Nance will send the final version of the job description to the webmaster.

Nance presented the 2020 budget (click link below):

<https://www.oavermont.org/app/download/969838359/GMNITreasury2020Jan09NWK.pdf>

Discussion followed and consensus was to accept the budget, however no vote was taken. We will need to formally accept the budget at the May meeting.

\*Phone: Cathleen reported that Katrine (Rutland) is checking/responding to calls. 2 calls were received in January, 1 from R6 from the PIPO committee and 1 with a meeting question.

\*Sponsorship Workshop: Judi & Sue reported on January’s sponsorship workshop. Attendance was poor, likely due to the storm, however feedback from attendees was very positive. The workshop committee has extra material for future sponsorship workshops, and may schedule a 2nd workshop in July,. A suggestion was to avoid scheduling future workshops in January due to uncertain weather. Nance suggested sending a donation to the Fletcher Free Library for use of their facilities; $20 was agreed on and Nance will send a check.

\*Board Positions: Linda resigned as Secretary. We need a new GMNI Secretary – please spread the word. Judi volunteered as acting Secretary for this meeting.

New Business:

\*Judi proposed purchasing a Pro Zoom license for member groups to meet under, as hospital meeting locations are no longer allowing outside groups to use their facilities. Sue explained Zoom features allow video or phone connection. After discussion we decided by consensus to purchase a monthly license for 2 months and re-visit this at the May meeting. Judi, Sue and Delyn will try out Zoom and help setup Zoom meetings for interested groups.

We also discussed how to handle donations in a virtual meeting. Nance requested that members not send donations directly to GMNI, as it would add significant effort to track. Sue suggested asking meeting attendees to remember to donate for the virtual meetings once in-person meetings resume.

\*Cathleen raised the issue of GMNI attendance. She suggested finding the group contact list and call all group contacts to ask for help. Ramona suggested individual outreach to each group. Mary volunteered to call group reps, but needs the representative contact list; Judi agreed to send one to Mary. Sue suggested asking the reps to find out what factor(s) keep people from attending intergroup meetings.

\*The next GMNI meeting is May 17 @12:45 and will be held over Zoom.

**In service, Judi**