

Apr 14th, 2019

L.A. Intergroup SLAA—P.O. Box 945, Venice, CA 90294-0945

Michael K called the meeting to order: 12:17pm

1. Serenity Prayer ("We" Version)
2. Readings
  - a. 12 Traditions (Glen)
  - b. Updated 30 seconds of silence policy (Max)
    1. Serenity committee volunteers: Joe, Claire, John
  - c. Reading of voting policy (?)
  - d. Reading of timer policy (?) (Timer volunteer: Michael)
  - e. Person to count votes - (Natalie)
3. Attendee Introductions
4. Take count of voting members (Natalie) - 35
5. Officer & Committee Reports
  - a. Secretary (Jenny)
    1. Welcome new positions. Greeting.
  - b. Record Keeper (Jayk)
    1. Jayk read the highlights of the minutes for 3mins 20. Rest of the minutes posted online.
    2. Voted Yes or No to approve the minutes - Voted Yes - 31.
  - c. Bottom Line Editor (Kevin)
    1. Made an announcement about getting Bottom Lines.
  - d. Meeting Registrar (Diane).
    1. Made announcement about signing in / people subbing etc.
  - e. Phone Line Announcement (Nick).
    1. Made announcement about calling in to the phone line. - Someone asked him a question about the Orange County website cuz it's down. Someone got a call that came through Nick, so "things are working"
  - f. Literature (Desiree)
    1. Thank you! Make sure you place your orders BEFORE the intergroup meeting. Get a start-up pack - \$80 value for \$36. You can get it for free if you register with FWS office on their site. Get group ID number.
    2. Prices are going up on literature - She read off the price increases. She gonna order stuff ahead of time to keep price low a little longer. Books not going up.
    3. GLEN - Adds in that we are going to have to start charging sales tax!
  - g. Treasurer (Dave)
    - 1) Before the meeting \$16900.77, \$6360 pre-pays for the retreat, we made a donation of \$1479.88 to FWS. SLAA Los Angeles INC has \$5995.85, today we have collected \$1995 for intergroup. \$53 for

J&T, and etc for FWS.

- h. Mail Clerk (Tim)
  - 1. All we got was junk mail this month.
  - 2. Lisa said someone keeps getting their mail returned when they're mailing them to the mail thing.
- i. Journal Rep (Lisa)
  - 1. Flyers for the next question of the day. Pass 'em out, y'all!
  - 2. Celebrating the 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the journal.
  - 3. Mail in a subscription card.
- j. Webmaster for SLAA website – Max B
  - 1. 13,340 views! A new record. 4,575 visitors.
  - 2. Having email issues- Officers need to go in and clean out the email boxes. Cuz that is creating mail issues.
  - 3. Officers need to give Max their email address so they can have their email addresses set up.
  - 4. Send us a splash page for your specific meeting.
- j. Workshops & Retreats (Glen)
  - 1 Filling in for Asher. Passing out flyers.
  - 2 Will not be small group sharing. Will be a panel of people talking about addiction. Then interactive responses. And then another workshop on withdrawal. And then one on freedom – What does freedom look like in SLAA?
  - 3 San Francisco has two retreats per year. He printed their May flyer. SF retreat is more fun than LA.
  - 4 Flyers for women's retreat –
  - 5 Alicia makes an announcement about the women's retreat – 30 total spaces at Sera retreat center. Less than a month away. Women from around the world.
- k. Jails and Treatment Centers Committee (Sammy)
  - 1. Sammy is filling in but doesn't know what to say.
  - 2. Andrea jumps in to say the J&T meeting will not be held today.
- l. ABM Delegate Announcements
  - 1. Carol – May is individual contribution month! You can donate up to \$20K!
  - 2. And the international fundraiser auction thing for the ABM – Los Angeles brought nothing last year. We need to bring something! Please announce this at your meeting!!!!!!
- m. Speaker List Keeper – Alex – Is not here.
- n. Literature Copier – Kevin – Simple announcement.
- o. Conference Literature Committee Conduit – Sheraz – Is not here.
- p. Sponsorship Committee – Lenore
  - 1. **The weekly monthly phone meeting number has been changed – 712.770.5537 – access code is 754522 Monday**

night at 5pm PST. Closed all gender meeting.

- q. Translation Committee Conduit – Unelected.
- r. Steps Traditions and Concepts Conduit – Mona – She not here.

6. Old business.

- a. Translation Committee Conduit – Michael reads the description. – Jayk talks about his personal experience with the position. –
  - 1. Tim volunteers for that position. He is currently the mail clerk. Tim steps out and we discuss.
  - 2. PROS n CONS – Glen says Tim does a good job and nobody wants to do the job. Another guy says “Tim is solid.”
  - 3. 38 people voted Yes for Tim to be it. – TIM ELECTED
- b. Non Profit Committee – Carol announces –
  - 1. She points out the minutes of the Trustees / Committee meeting. – Glen asks about the money getting deposited, and Treasurer says it was.
  - 2. Carol announces that the tax deadline was met, the money deposited, and now what remains is to elect the permanent Trustees.
  - 3. Discussion of how many people going to be elected Trustees. 5-7 people. We’ll see today.
  - 4. Carol reads the duties as we get into elections. – Meet at least once a year. Trustees will look at bylaws. Trustees will vote for corporate officers within the board of Trustees. Board does not make decisions about spending of money- Intergroup still will. Trustees will just file paperwork.
  - 5. Term is one year. Liability Insurance coming in the future. Using the spirit of rotation so people aren’t there forever. And it’s okay for people to do a second year.
  - 6. Carl volunteers his experience in non-profit governance. Questions are asked about Trustees electing themselves, whether Trustee meeting is open to Intergroup members. – Stuff like this will be voted on later. We just gonna vote on who gets elected as Trustees.
- c. Voting on a motion – Motion that the Intergroup elect 5-9 Trustees to the Trustee board. (2 years sobriety, 2 years in Intergroup, 2 years in program, must participate in IG meetings)
  - 1. Call for volunteers – All four people who are **Jenny, Diane, Carol, and Dave** are nominated and seconded. Carol nominates **Glen**, Jayk seconds.
  - 2. All the five people stand up and talk about themselves.
  - 3. Glen talks about himself. PROS and CONS. Tim PRO. Dave

PRO, everyone PRO. 34 vote YES. – GLEN ELECTED

4. Carol talks about herself. She steps out. PRO from Claire, and Joe and someone. Carol elected – 33 yes. – CAROL ELECTED
5. Diane talks about herself. She steps out. PROS from Carol, she was on top of everything, worked so hard. Dave says Diane has done a bunch of service. Martin says Diane is great and perfect. – 34 yes – DIANE ELECTED.
6. DAVE talks about himself. PROS and Cons. Tim- Great Treasurer. Diane- Dave has been great in working on the committee so far. Martin- yay! // 34 say yes – DAVE ELECTED
7. Adam representing JENNY. Adam talks about Jenny. Steps out. PROS – Carol has been an integral member of the committee. – Someone- She’s never left so that’s admirable. Diane- She’s great at organizing things. – 35 say yes – JENNY ELECTED

7. New Business.

- a. Natalie has a motion for LA intergroup to carry CDs audio for this. \$100 of next purchase to go to the purchase of the audio CDs. Also there was a list. – Reoccurring purchase as the CDs sell we get more of them. To add this into the literature commitment.
  1. People wonder if Lit lady should just execute this as part of her commitment.
  2. No need to vote on the motion because the lit lady can just do this herself. It’s at her discretion.
  3. Talk about updating the website to put the CDs on them. So literature can order these CDs.

8. Treasurer’s Final Report

- a. We sold \$1404 worth of literature. Final IG donation \$1386.15. \$402 going to FWS and \$53 to J&T.

9. Announcements for good of the order – Sunday May the 5<sup>th</sup> is the next IG. // Glen says all the flyers for workshops are on the website. // We need help with clean-up.

10. No motion to close meeting. Just closed.

11. “We” Version of Serenity Prayer. Meeting closed at 1:47pm