

Aug 11th, 2019

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

Mike K called the meeting to order: 12:15pm

1. Serenity Prayer (“We” Version)
2. Readings
 - a. 12 Traditions (Paul)
 - b. Updated 30 seconds of silence policy (Richmond)
 1. Serenity committee volunteers: Chris, Claire, Bart
 - c. Reading of voting policy (Richmond)
 - d. Reading of timer policy (Richmond) (Timer volunteer: Jordan)
 - e. Person to count votes – (Donna)
3. Attendee Introductions
4. Take count of voting members (Donna) - ~45
5. Officer & Committee Reports
 - a. Secretary (Mike K Filling in for Jenny)
 1. Welcome new positions. Greeting.
 - b. Record Keeper (Jayk)
 1. Jayk read the highlights.
 2. Voted Yes or No to approve the minutes – Voted Yes - 44
 - c. Bottom Line Editor (Kevin)
 1. Usual announcement. Come grab em. November Retreat on the front page.
 - d. Meeting Registrar (Diane).
 1. Made announcement about signing in / people subbing etc.
 - e. Phone Line Announcement (Kevin filling in for Nick).
 1. No announcement.
 - f. Literature (Desiree)
 1. Thank you! Make sure you place your orders BEFORE the intergroup meeting. Starting a new 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. A couple packets remain to be picked up.
 - g. Treasurer (Dave)
 1. Before the meeting \$7919 in old intergroup account. Not made donation to FWS that was authorized last month because haven’t reimbursed the retreats yet. New non-profit account is \$4336 after ABM expenses and lawyer fees. \$150 in reserve for J&T. — (END OF MEETING — Taken in today - \$961 for intergroup / \$572 for FWS / \$44 for J&T / \$928 worth of Literature Sales)
 2. Diane interjected - We don’t need to worry about going into a new tax bracket.

h. Mail Clerk (Tim)

1. Absent.

i. Journal Rep (Kirsten)-

1. Changes to the journal. App on the phone to read journal. Exciting.

2. Questions of the Day - Anorexia and Acting Out- Please describe any experiences that anorexia and acting out can be regarded as the same thing? They are two sides of the same coin. — Can fill this out online too.

j. Webmaster for SLAA website – Max B

1. 12891 views, 4680 visitors. Motion to create a speaker shares upload thing in new business.

k. Workshops & Retreats (Asher & Glen)

1. Glen- Workshop area in perfect condition after the fire damage. The Malibu Buddhist spot. Fri Sat Sun November leaving Noon for this. 20 ppl registered, retreat going to fill up fast. No dogs at all. No bringing of ppl that don't identify yet as SLAA. Must pay for the whole thing no matter attendance. Secluded, gated community. Single rooms, double rooms. Food - standard retreat food... nothin' fancy. Fri dinner 6pm, meeting 7pm get a schedule. Retreat Focused on Spirituality of the Program. No discounts. No scholarships. Prices go up by Nov 1st. Cap is 80. **November 29th thru Sun Dec 1st.** Serra Retreat Center. \$240 for shared room, \$300 single occupancy room. Only check and only money order. NO REFUNDS.

2. Asher - Final workshop of the year about finding a relationship with yourself etc — Building a Partnership - Koreatown, St. ___ Catholic Church. Sat Sept 14. \$10 at the door, no cash, free parking - don't pay for the parking separately. - Partnerships with ourselves, God, others are great but heyyy shame and character defects so... workshop!

l. Jails and Treatment Centers Committee (Jayk filling in for Katie)

1. 3 books to inmates in MCJ, four new fellows started the application process to join the jail meetings, email slaajandt@slaalosangeles.org if you want to participate.

m. ABM Delegate Announcements —

1. **ABM Happened!** Mona - Delegates from all over the world. Sweden, France etc. Pamphlet approved at the ABM - For the new ___. Motion to change bylaws to make trustees not able to hold multiple offices - rejected. — create 18 months sobriety medallion - overwhelmingly approved. Also approved overwhelmingly, the Steps and Questions Workbook. Huge document may be in editing for quite a while.

1. Mona - 10 Items for Discussion, not voted on. — A 12X12 in the works. An HOW Workbook in the works. A super service dog brochure discussed. A dating workbook discussed. Add social media wording to the 11th step. Ways that committees allocate funds. Amending conference service manual to limit the editing of literature to 3%. Removing gendered pronouns in the bylaws. Creating archivist position. Timeline for how literature is created - is it quality enough before it comes out? Also a Board of Trustees election.

2. Questions - We got a draft of the Step n Questions Workbook - Can we use it? — Terese - How do we find out about committees and such? Want to help with pronouns in by-laws. Glen - Talk about convention for next year? No confirmation. Supposed to be in Sacramento.

3. Christina - ABM - Board of Trustees report - Thanks!! Personal connection to the position. **Christina elected to the Board of Trustees!** Started cuz of Diversity Committee meeting and the training workshop. Upside down pyramid. 2 open positions on the board currently. She's on two board committees, supposed to chair one or two. Board Finance Committee. Board Development Committee. (Speak to the board monthly) Liason to multiple committees. Please advocate for joining these boards at your meeting. Someone says she's interested. Christina - Look at the list of committees! Join up!

4. Kirsten - Congrats to Christina! - FWS Annual Budget \$400K, approved reserve \$200K. 27 page report we can get to you. 3rd of the income come sfrom contributions, 2/3 from literature. Be aware that buying literature from FWS keeps it going. Amazing opportunity, grateful. Hugely impactful. Next year big convention.

5. Mona hands out flyers for Member Retention Committee - Working on pamphlet for Long Term Members - Tangible solutions to keep them involved.

n. Speaker List Keeper (Alex. Absent.)

o. Literature Copier (Kevin) No announcement.

p. Literature Committee Conduit (Sheraz. Absent.) - Dave said that this thing went through several edits. Obtained red-line copy. Benign edits. Capitalization. Affirmations changed to Manifesting, so asking for things to change.

q. Sponsorship Committee Conduit (Lenore) -

1. **Monday nights Sponsorship phone meeting 712.770.5537** and it's on the Bottom Lines and FWS website. Access Code: 754522. Closed phone meeting.

r. Steps Traditions and Concepts Conduit (Mona) -

1. I'll report next month cuz there's quite a bit.

s. Translation Committee Commit - (Kirsten for Tim) - Tim is not here, but Kirsten saw it at ABM. They are trying to connect all the delegates from the separate countries. 8am call now instead of 5am.

t. Diversity Committee Conduit - (Julie) -

1. Half of the group met at 9 and half at 8. Breakout during the ABM. Healthy yet uncomfortable conversation. Bring these committees back to the meetings and let people of color know that they can join this Diversity Committee and others. We have a new chair. POC pamphlet. SLAA POC meeting. Diverse forms of the disease.

u. SLAA Inc Board of Trustees Report - (Diane) -

1. **We are officially tax exempt per the IRS!**

1. Old Business - None

2. New Business -

1. Natalie - **MOTION to create spot on our website for speaker**

recordings. Could include creating a committee to investigate.

Mike K - Has done a lot of research on this, and would love to talk to Natalie. Motion Seconded.

2. Questions/Discussion - Amanda - Is this just meeting speakers? Regular meetings or? — Regular shares. Meeting speakers leader shares.

Natalie - Some prefer to put SLAA shares on website rather than Youtube.

Glen question / Natalie answers - Meetings are

autonomous so we could only offer this service to meetings. Max

Web Master - We have the capability to do this. - Max- Anyone

could come to this website, so should be careful with minors finding these mp3s. Natalie - Maybe we could create a password to access

the speaker mp3s.

3. Mona proposes amending the motion to create a committee to look into this because we don't have enough information and the format yet. /

Natalie accepts the amendment motion.

4. Vote - 43 Yes / 3 Against - **Motion Passes.**

3. End of Meeting - Meeting Ends, Mike leads us out in Serenity Prayer at 1:45pm