

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Call to Order:** 12:31 PM

Glen filling in as Secretary

Serenity Prayer (“We” Version)

- Readings
  - 12 Traditions (Amy)
  - Policies (Riaz)
    - 30-Second
    - Voting
    - Timing
- Timer Chosen (Rachel)
- Attendee Introductions

### **Officer Announcements (3 min each)**

#### **Chair Announcement**

Glen—Welcomed new Intergroup Reps, and encouraged us to find the IG Service Manual here, at meetings, or online. Explained what we do at this meeting—how we donate and vote and conduct motions, etc.

#### **Intergroup Record Keeper**

Madeline—Read the minutes from last month.

- **VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 33.** Dave volunteered to count voting members at this meeting. Minutes approved by a vote of 32. Minutes are posted on the website for Intergroup reps. to use for meeting reporting.

#### **Bottom Line Announcement**

Matt—Standard announcement made.

- Bottom Lines are mailed the last week of the month.
- BL’s are also available on the website.
- **Apologized to group for absence last month!**
- **There is a new sign in sheet to simplify our process,** with a NEW Red/Yellow/Green coding. On the clipboard he passes around, Reps. should please make sure to write their names and phone numbers and which meetings they represent. If they have changes to what’s printed, they should just cross out the old info. and write in the correct info. He needs this information to be written LEGIBLY on the clipboard, so please take care! There is
- Meetings are entitled to 10 free copies each month, but may purchase an additional 10 for \$3. Money can be placed inside the mailing envelopes he passes around. On the envelopes, Reps. should write their home address for mailing, and on the bottom, their meeting names and how many copies they need.

- Meeting Directory—Reps. from new meetings must attend Intergroup for two consecutive months before they are added to the Bottom Line Meeting Directory.
- **The Meetings List is getting quite long, and it's hard to fit them all into the Bottom Line publication. He asked for suggestions on this.**

### Phone Line Announcement

Jennifer—Temporary fill-in. **4 people called in, and she changed the announcement to redirect callers to the website. The Farmer's Market also called to clarify arrangements for a Monday meeting. A woman wanted to know if she could bring her sex paraphernalia to a meeting; a warning to the group!**

### Literature Announcement

Sherry (and Linda)

- **A lot of orders were made. Next year, there will be a replenishment of all materials!**
- **Linda always appreciates our patience, and reminded us again to please close the door as you exit the meeting.**

### Mailbox Announcement

Jennifer

**She found the key! She also just picked up a couple of items. Someone needs to fill out a contact form for our P.O. Box.**

### The Journal Announcement

Lisa—Standard announcement made.

- The Journal is the magazine of SLAA that gets published every other month. Lisa is in charge. SLAA meetings and individual members can subscribe. You can contribute stories, poetry, artwork, and answers to the Question of the Day. For more info: [www.slaalosangeles.org/thejournal.html](http://www.slaalosangeles.org/thejournal.html)
- They are looking for a Journal Rep. They also still need a new Conference Journal Committee Outreach Director.
- Four copies of the Journal are usually available for \$4 each at every other IG meeting, but must be ordered in person (they are not on the order form). **“Sober at the Holidays” is the new issue.**
- Journal Audiobooks are now also available on the FWS website ([www.slaafws.org](http://www.slaafws.org)). For an extra \$2.50, you can download the book as read by another SLAA Member.
- An e-version (with color pictures) of the journal is now available! \$19 per year or \$30 for two years for subscriptions. She has subscription cards available at this meeting.
- **Journal Question: Has SLAA helped you understand the difference between secrets and privacy? Submission Deadline January 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## Website Announcement

David—Standard announcement made.

- The LA Intergroup website ([www.slaalosangeles.org](http://www.slaalosangeles.org)) is a great place to find information and resources for the recovering Sex and Love Addict. Current meeting, new meetings, committee and ABM info., other service information, literature, magazines, and fliers are all available. FWS.org also has more information available.
- **Statistics for November 2014:**
  - **Analytics still not working properly. 3 persons emailed with questions.**
- If you would like to have flyers posted, are experiencing technical problems, or you need to update your information on the website (meeting locations, announcements of new meetings or workshops, events, projects, etc.), please email [webmaster@slaalosangeles.org](mailto:webmaster@slaalosangeles.org). There is also now a New Meetings entry-form page on the site.
- **He changed the passwords for Officer Email addresses; they should have received notification from him. Would like to set up a Google Group for a mailing list, as long as the group is OK with it.**

## Workshops & Retreats Announcement

Glen and Glen

- **The Malibu MEMBER'S ONLY retreat (the 18<sup>th</sup> annual), a quiet series of meetings and a recovery panel, was a roaring success! All people on the waiting list were able to attend. Next is a mini-marathon meeting on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Fliers are being passed around with contact information, and both marathons are potluck. There will also be two Women's Retreats upcoming at Sierra Retreat Center. Fliers are will be passed around next month for these, also.**

## Treasurer Announcement

Newell

- **There was a profit of about \$2,700 on the Malibu Retreat! Newell may be interested in taking on an assistant sometime next year.**

## Conference Committee Reports

### Literature Committee

Lisa

- The Conference Literature Committee provides drafts to review for approval at the ABM each year. You can join the conference call on monthly topics, give feedback, or even write a chapter. You can always receive electronic copies; just ask Lisa. Calls for the new 12 & 12 are the second Monday of every month at 6

PM PST. Dial-In: (209) 255-1000, Access Code: 138103#. There are also other calls, including a Mediation Book conference.

### **Translation Committee**

Not present, no announcement made.

### **Sponsorship Committee**

David

- Co-sponsoring (“Recovery Partners”) and temporary sponsoring is available for those who cannot get a sponsor in their area (the “Long Distance Sponsoring” program). The committee also develops draft literature in coordination with the Literature Committee. The Conference Committees page online has a flier available with more info. You can also join their monthly call or Google Group. You can always ask for more information after a meeting, or at his officer email address.

### **Prison Outreach Committee (POC)**

Trudie and Glen

- The conference POC only matches PenPals with inmates.
- They are discussing expansion—to existing IGs and lone groups, and also to other types of facilities that promote recovery from addiction.
- There are only currently three cities with local Outreach Committees: Los Angeles, Philly, and Boston.
- LAPOC is the current model for local outreach, and has meetings.
- **LAPOC will be expanding to serve treatment centers, as well as prisons! This will not require clearance. All new names for the group are being considered. This will serve as a model for other expansions.**
- **There is also motion floating to make LAPOC a standing committee, allowing them to receive direct information from the website.**
- **Two meetings are up and running at the Men’s Central Jail. The Gay Meeting starts at 9 AM and the Crimes Against Youth starts at 10 AM.**
- **There is a whole new system of applications to get into the jails. They just got the new forms in. Contact Glen or Suzanne, and they will make the process as easy as possible.**
- **Women’s Meeting is at 10:30 AM.**

### **Finance Committee**

Not present, no announcement made.

### **FWS Delegates Announcement**

Not present, no announcement made.

### **Fellowship Wide Services Announcements**

Not present, no announcement made.

### **Old Business**

- **NEW LOCATION:** We will try the Rio de Los Angeles Park location for our January meeting. In January, we will vote on whether we should change locations permanently. There are fliers for IG Members, and separate fliers to offer information to newcomers at your meetings. Located at the intersection of the 2 and the 5 (in Glassell Park) freeway for rent for \$15. Glen paid rent for 3 months, but we can be reimbursed if we decide to move back to Café Tropicale. The room is available 11:30-3:30pm, and we should aim to start at noon. Free parking and booked every three months in advance. Need to book quarterly but doesn't seem to be an issue. Located at 1900 San Fernando Rd. Los Angeles, CA 90065

### **New Business**

- **Chris is our incoming Secretary, Sherry is our new Literature Rep., Matt is our ongoing Bottom Line Editor and Newell is ongoing Treasurer.**
- **NEW OFFICER ELECTIONS:**
  - **Phone Line Representative: Jennifer was nominated to continue in the position.**
    - Jennifer was elected for a full term.
  - **Literature Copier: Suzanne was nominated to continue her commitment.**
    - Suzanne was elected for a second term.
  - **Assistant Literature Person: Riaz was nominated for the position.**
    - Riaz was elected for his first term.
  - **Journal Rep.: Linda was nominated.**
    - Linda was elected.
  - **Webmaster: David was nominated to continue his position.**
    - David was reelected for another term.
  - **Mailbox Person: Dave and Jennifer were nominated.**
    - Dave was elected.
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### **For the Good of the Order**

- No announcements made.

**Meeting Adjourned: 2:05 PM**

“We” Serenity Prayer to Close