

October 11, 2015

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

Glen (filling in for Chris) (secretary) called the meeting to order: 12:33 PM

Serenity Prayer (“We” Version)

- Readings
- 12 Traditions
- Policies
- 30-Second – Read by Fiza
- Voting - Gene
- Timing
- Timer (David W) volunteered
- Attendee Introductions

Officer Announcements (3 min each)

Chair Announcement

Glen — Explained the voting policy and briefly discussed the role of IG and to coordinate with each individual meeting’s Treasurer for proper reporting of donations.

Intergroup Record Keeper

Tia — Read the minutes from last month.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 26. Minutes approved by a vote of 26. Minutes are posted on the website for intergroup reps to use for meeting reporting.

Bottom Line Announcement

Matt — Standard announcement made.

Each meeting is 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 left corner, their meeting name/s and how many copies they need for each meeting. Check off any meetings you represent on the clipboard he passes around. Reps. should make sure to write their names, 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 a coding system Red/Yellow/Green. Though he has them, August Bottom Line did not sent out. Rent for IG has been paid.

Phone Line Announcement

Jennifer

There were 24 calls this month, one of which inquired about a Glendale meeting. Jennifer also promoted the “Healing Hearts” retreat; the second annual SLAA International Women’s Retreat - October 23 – 25, 2015 at Serra Retreat Center.

Literature Announcement

Shari (Suzanne & Riaz) - **Shari made an announcement on all unpaid orders that still need to be picked up; Friday morning (7:30am) West Hollywood, Wednesday (7:30pm) Santa Monica, Monday (7:30pm) Santa Monica, Sunday (7:30pm) Hollywood, Wednesday (6:30pm) Santa Monica.**

Mailbox Announcements

Gene (filling in for Dave G)—We received one piece of mail for Newell, which Gene handed over to him.

The Journal Announcement

Lynda - Standard announcement made.

The Journal is the magazine of SLAA that gets published every other month. Linda 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.htm

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).

Journal Audiobooks are now also available on the FWS website (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-year subscription. She has subscription cards available at this meeting. **This month's journal question: Anorexia and Dating: Is the plan of dating different when an SLAA member is acting-in instead of acting out? Submission due date November 15.**

Website Announcement

David W—Standard announcement made.

The LA Intergroup website (www.slaalosangeles.org) is a great place to find information and resources for the recovering Sex and Love Addict. Current meeting, new meetings fliers, committee and ABM info. Journal Question of the day, other service information, literature, magazines, and fliers are all available. FWS.org also has more information available.

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. There is also now a New Meetings entry-form page on the site.

Intergroup reps confirm your meeting information is correct, especially on the meeting group page, which is downloadable and listed on the bottom lines. If it's not correct, please contact Dave with corrections.

The SLAA website had 3,701 visits in September and about 18 emails, including five requests for information about meetings. The website was down for seven

times for a total of 19 minutes.

Workshops & Retreats Announcement

Michael

Last half-day workshop of the year, September 19th – Relationship with Self was a success with 60 people in attendance. Michael thanked everyone for passing out flyers and promoting all the workshops.

19th Annual Spiritual Renewal & Recovery Retreat. November 27 – 29, 2015 at Serra Retreat Center, Malibu, California. They're been 25 slots filled with an additional 50-55 slots still available.

Julia made an announcement on a New Year's Retreat, December 29-January 1 in Santa Cruz. It's titled "Intimacy with Self".

All information is available on website under "events".

Treasurer Announcement

Newell - Standard announcement made. **Also reiterated that he will be stepping down from his position in December and urged members to consider being of service to that role.**

H&I Committee

Trudie

H&I Committee is having teleconference meetings the first Sunday of the month. Their first meeting is November 1, 2015. Flyers were passed out with additional information for anyone wanting to participate. Another flyer requesting panels leaders was given out for IG to distribute during meetings.

Conference Committee Reports

Literature Committee

Lisa - Standard announcement made.

The Conference Literature Committee provides drafts to fellowship for comments and then review for approval at the ABM each year. You can join the conference call on monthly topics, give feedback, or even write a chapter.

Calls for the new 12 & 12 are the second Monday of every month at 6 PM PST.

Dial-In: [\(209\) 255-1000](tel:(209)255-1000), Access Code: 138103#. **"Companion to Chapter Four Basic Text" is currently being worked on. Lisa brought in draft with material to read, questions to answer and exercises to fill out for each step. Asked IG to submit their names if they want an electronic version, which they can print and bring to their meeting (s). Fellows can also receive an electronic copy if they're interested in participating in this committee.**

Translation Committee

Not present, no announcement made.

Sponsorship Committee

David (filled in for Kathy) – Standard announcement given.

LA ABM/IRC Committee

Trudie – Committee has not met since the initial meeting. She explained our responsibilities should we decide to go forward with submitting LA for upcoming committee. The next two year's conference will be held in Boston. Should we submit and get elected, Los Angeles would hold the conference in 18'-19'. FWS will plan the entire event and all we have to do is implement.

FWS ABM Delegates Announcement

Suzanne

Not present, no announcement made.

Old Business - both were tabled.

- Election for the Assistant Treasurer and ABM Delegate Chair person – Moved to New Business – IG Elections

New Business

- 1. Motion to make the Literature Committee Conduit a voting position (Lisa). It was argued that the Literature Committee Conduit have a vote and motion is passed 13:3.**
- 2. Motion to create a position called "Vice Chairperson"; to rename the current Secretary the Chairperson and to have these changes reflected in the version of the Intergroup Service Manual the next time it is published (Carroll). The following requirements were discussed: 1. Three years continuous sobriety time. 2. Service experience at the Intergroup level with at least two years within the last five years. 3. Willingness to serve as Chairperson if elected to the following term. 4. Read and be knowledgeable of the Los Angeles Intergroup Guidelines. Duties of the Vice Chairperson were also discussed: 1. Perform Chairperson's duties in the absence of the Chairperson. 2. Stay informed of all Subcommittees' and Ad hoc committees' activities and be available for any related problems. 3. Available to assume the duties as needed on a temporary basis in the event there is no subcommittee chairperson. 4. Cosigner on all Intergroup bank accounts. 5. Shall serve as Executive Committee Chairperson & Intergroup Parliamentarian. 6. Shall be available as a resource to Ad hoc committees. Motion to table until the Executive Committee is voting upon was passed 17:5.**
- 3. Motion from H&I requesting to receive funds from IG until the committee has the ability to be self-supporting. Anticipated expenses are the purchase of tin cans marked "Hospitals and Institution Outreach" which would be**

circulated to meetings by way of the IG reps. Reps would bring the IG collection and the H&I collection to IG clearly indicating separation of collected funds. Other anticipated expenses would be printing and panel/meeting supplies. Motion was tabled.

Other tabled “New Business”:

- 1. IG Elections: Chairperson, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Bottom Line Editor, Record Keeper, Phone Line, Literature, Literature Assistant/Inventory, Copier, Mailbox Person, Journal Rep, Webmaster, Workshops and Retreats, Literature Committee Conduit, Sponsorship Committee Conduit, ABM Delegate Chairperson, ABM Delegates (4).**
- 2. Motion to create an Executive Committee – headed by Vice-Chair, includes IG Chair, Treasurer, Workshops and Retreats Chair, H &I Chair, Public Information, Delegate Chair (Carroll).**

Motion to extend the meeting to 1:50PM failed 7:13.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:45 PM
“We” Serenity Prayer to Close