

October. 9, 2016

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

Gene called the meeting to order: 12:15 PM

Serenity Prayer (“We” Version)

- Readings
  - 12 Traditions
  - Policies
  - 30-Second
  - Voting (Dave volunteered to count)
  - Timer (Christina volunteered)
  - Attendee Introductions. Welcome to the new representatives
- 30-second committee announcement

**Chair Announcement (Gene)**

Standard Announcement

Welcome to new IG representatives — announced 2 new motions, donations, literature orders, and voting

**Intergroup Record Keeper Hanne**

Read the minutes from last month.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 39. Minutes approved by a vote of 35, 0 opposed. Minutes approved and posted on the website for intergroup reps to use for meeting reporting.

**Bottom Line Announcement (Suzanne)**

Standard announcement made.

Please fill out name (first name and last initial/ YOUR address (not your meeting address)/ mtg representing) for Bottom Lines to be sent to.

Every meeting receives 10 copies.

Only indicate if you want extra and not for the initial 10. Only 30 fit in 1 envelope. If you need more than that, please fill out an additional envelope. New meetings get added to the website after 3 months. Add a contact list for your meeting so the bottom line rep can make sure the meeting exists

List of meetings also passed around. Please check off your meeting and write your name on top of meeting name

Each meeting is entitled to 10 free copies each month, but may purchase an additional 10 for \$3

**Phone Line Announcement (David W)**

8 calls, all hang ups.

**Literature Announcement (Greg)**

**Please bring in large plastic bags.**

**Please make orders prior to the meeting at SLAAlosangeles.org at least 24 hours prior to IG mtg.**

Intergroup service books passed out to new IG reps.

**Mailbox Announcements (Lynda)**

Received a reimbursement check for fellowship wide service handed over to Shari.

**The Journal Announcement Erica (Lisa filling in)**

Standard announcement made.

New question: share experience strength and hope around setting bottom lines. Please ask people to contribute in meetings. We are lacking contributions.

Journal calendars are now available. Calendar comes with new subscribers (first 40 people to subscribe)

Step 6 journal available for \$5

For more info:

[www.slaalosangeles.org/thejournal.htm](http://www.slaalosangeles.org/thejournal.htm)

**Website Announcement (Michael)**

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 fliers, committee and ABM info. Journal Question of the day, other service information, literature, magazines, and flyers are all available. [FWS.org](http://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 meeting 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.

Intergroup reps verify that 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 submit form with corrections.

The workshop flyer for the Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Signs of Recovery Workshop was added to the website.

20<sup>th</sup> annual spiritual renewal and recovery retreat online.

1324 visitors to the website this month. Roughly 10 emails received this month, FWS.org is a separate website with information pertaining to FWS.

**Workshops & Retreats Announcement (Glenn)**

Last workshop was on the 17<sup>th</sup>, 60+ people attended, the smallest we've had this year.

Four more dates for workshops next year will be announced soon.

This is our 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Thanksgiving retreat. It's almost full. Call Glenn to find out if there is space (number on the flyer). November 25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup>, Serra Retreat Center, Malibu: For SLAA people only, **no pets**. Not a 'how to' retreat. Mainly meetings and sharing, really about "Letting go, letting god," and community. Big highlight: Sat afternoon is free time to walk on beach, do yoga, womens/ mens mtgs, etc. There is also a 25 Minute silent meditation at Sunset. Flyers passed around.

**Treasurer Announcement (Shari B)**

Standard announcement made.

Your name, mtg name, time and date should be on donation form

Money orders have to be made out to Augustine Fellowship

Today's tally: Collected \$2014.84

### **H&I Committee (Oliver)**

H+I meeting today at the same location as Intergroup and the room will be made available until 3:30 for the next three months. Need people to be of service, all are welcome.

### **Sponsorship Committee (Glen F)**

Still in stasis as to how to proceed. Leaning towards phone meetings that will be more geared towards sponsorship, but still up in the air as a result of some legal concerns at the FWS level. IG reps hold off on making announcements for participation on this committee until things start moving forward.

**The aim is to bring sponsorship to meetings and people around the world. The committee is working to come up with new model. The objective is for FWS not to be held responsible for liability of sponsee/sponsor relationships.**

### **FWS ABM Delegates Announcement (Glenn)**

Trying to get H+I established in other fellowships around the country.

Talking to the journal about doing an H+I version of the journal.

The Diversity Committee, looking for peoples' stories that are of a diverse nature. Recordings of long shares, creating some literature that is more accessible to people of diverse backgrounds.

Dave: Steps, traditions and concepts could use more volunteers. Try to offer thoughtful answers to questions that arise.

Suzanne: We need translators. Contact Suzanne if you can be of service in translating in writing into Dutch, Swedish, Polish, French and Spanish.

Healthy relationships committee has a pamphlet out. IG reps please ask Suzanne for more information to share with your meeting.

### **Social Committee (Dirk)**

Hike at Solstice Canyon Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> (flyers passed out)

Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> in N Hollywood next committee meeting.

### **Old Business – Gene**

Gene, Newell and Lynda are the exploratory committee to see about the cost and feasibility of making us a non profit.

### **Motion — Dirk**

To reimburse Jeanie for the printing of social committee flyers

Gene clarified that IG does not sponsor SLAA.

Glenn (amendment): budget \$50 every month for the social committee and the flyers always have to say it is not an SLAA or intergroup sponsored event.

Amendment approved and seconded

Lynda (con): violates the traditions by saying SLAA has no opinion on outside issues

Ken (amendment): add language that says SLAA assumes no liability

Back to the original motion (seconded)

Motion to reimburse the \$41.86

(Pro) she didn't know, moving forward we'll make a new decision

(Con) we're setting a precedent if we agree to this.

Call to vote.

In favor: 29. Opposed: 8.

Motion carries.

**General:**

Question about ABM: we need to vote on 2 old delegates and 2 new delegates for next year.

Decision made to start elections in October for group officers and upcoming positions, so they

can shadow for the month of December for the positions that require more detail or work.

**New Business**

Begin the process of voting on IG positions for 2017

**Chair:**

Nominees: Suzanne and Christina

Suzanne: 24, Christina: 12

Suzanne is the new chair.

**Literature:**

Nominee: Kevin

For: 34. Opposed: 0

Kevin new literature rep.

**Literature copier:**

Nominee: Rachel

In Favor: 34. Opposed: 0

Rachel new literature copy rep.

Literature Assistant:

Nominee: Nick

In Favor: 32. Opposed: 0

Nick new literature assistant

Motion to extend the meeting 10 minutes.

In favor: 10. Opposed: 14

Meeting Adjourned: 1:44 PM

“We” Serenity Prayer to Close