

SLAA Los Angeles Intergroup Agenda – Sunday, 13 October, 2024

3:15 P.M. (Start the Check-ins & Literature pickups)

3:30 P.M. (Meeting comes to Order)

All times in this agenda are Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)

1. Serenity Prayer

2. Readings

- a. Twelve Traditions- read by Jose
 - b. Thirty Seconds of Silence Policy - read by Kelly
 - i. Elect volunteers for 3-person Serenity Committee: Eric, Glenn, Dale
 - c. Timer Policy - read by Eric
 - i. Volunteer for timing announcements and announcing time every 15 min.: Kelly
 - d. Voting Policy - read by Eric
 - i. Volunteer(s) for vote counter: Eric
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3. Attendee Introductions

4. Take Count of Voting Members: 28

- a. Intergroup reps (representing a meeting)
 - b. Position holders & committee representatives
 - c. People representing multiple meetings or committees count as only one vote
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5. Officer & Committee Reports: (1 min. each) Written announcements/reports/minutes available in our shared Google Drive here, or here: https://bit.ly/2024-10_Reports_and_Flyers

- a. Secretary (secretary@slaalosangeles.org) – Michael
- b. Record Keeper (recordkeeper@slaalosangeles.org) – Miriam
 - i. Previous month's minutes available [here](#).
- c. Treasurer (treasurer@slaalosangeles.org) – Mona (Asst Treasurer – Claire)
 - i. Intergroup funds are stable but we need to continue asking for donations
 - ii. \$10,572 donation to FWS
 - iii. \$800 reserved for committees
 - iv. Request made by Glenn to specify amounts of donations made digitally vs in person.
- d. Bottom Line Editor (bottomline@slaalosangeles.org) – Donald
 - i. New edition available and includes information about the Thanksgiving retreat
- e. In-Person Meeting Registrar (registrar@slaalosangeles.org) – Katrina
 - i. New Intergroup sign-in is now on the SLAA LA website [here](#).
 - ii. QR code requested for future meetings and may be available next month.
- f. Phone Line – Miriam and Scott (sharing commitment)

- i. Spanish voice mails to be addressed by Jose.
- g. Literature (literature@slaalosangeles.org) – David H. (Asst Literature – Dale)
 - i. \$1,352 restock order from SLAA FWS
 - ii. \$1,188 sales from last month
- h. Journal Rep (journalrep@slaalosangeles.org) – Lisa
 - i. Journal submissions [here](#).
 - ii. “How did you get through the pandemic sober? Dealing with grief, isolation, uncertainty, impatience.”
- i. Webmaster (webmaster@slaalosangeles.org) – Matt
 - i. Literature orders are now linked to Wix.
 - ii. Data presented for time spent on various sections of the website. Email Matt for specifics.
 - iii. Intergroup meeting physical address updated on the website (it was incorrect)
 - iv. Working on solution for bilingual web access for Spanish speakers.
 - v. Automating access to update website for specific committee members.
 - vi. Audio recording waiver and submission form may be added to the website.
- j. Spanish Language Liaison (spanish@slaalosangeles.org) – José G.
 - i. Basic Text Spanish translation is with the board of publishing and distribution (no ETA)
 - ii. Seeking spanish speakers to help translate the Step Workbook
- k. Workshops & Retreats (workshops-retreats@slaalosangeles.org) – Jessie
 - i. Glenn filling in for Jessie
 - ii. 4 workshops completed for 2024
 - iii. November retreat is fully booked with a waiting list of 10 people
 - 1. For the waiting list, make a payment and you will be reimbursed if you don’t get in.
 - iv. X-MAS and NYE workshops still TBD by Fred R
- l. H&I Committee (h-and-i@slaalosangeles.org) – Max B.
 - i. Accepting more volunteers for the committee and (2) panels
- m. Speaker List Keeper (speakerslist@slaalosangeles.org) – Gregory
 - i. Absent, no update
- n. Audio Library Committee (audio@slaalosangeles.org) – Jayk G.
 - i. Accepting more MP3’s for the website.
 - ii. Suggest a motion at your home meeting to record speakers for the website.
 - iii. Any languages are welcome.
- o. ABM Delegates – Jayk G. (24), Alex (24), Max, Gregory (24), Nikita (24), Roberto (24) (Alt Delegates – Lenore)
 - i. ABM virtual for next year. - Jayk
- p. FWS Conference Committees:
 - i. Literature Committee Conduit – _____
 - ii. Sponsorship Committee Conduit – _____
 - iii. Steps, Traditions, & Concepts Conduit – Jessie

1. Absent, no update
- iv. Translation Committee Conduit – Jose interested, to be voted in next month
- v. Diversity Committee Conduit – _____
- vi. Public Info Committee Conduit – Max B.
 1. CPIC working on PSA's
 2. Email Max if you want to volunteer
- q. SLAA Los Angeles, Inc. Board of Trustees – Chris (24), Clair, Dave G., Diane, Glen F., Michael (24), Mona
- r. Special Announcement from SLAA FWS Board Member Chris D.
 - i. Big thank you for our generous donation to SLAA FWS.
 - ii. Contributions
 1. 2022 = \$151K (matching ended in 2022)
 2. 2023 = \$123K
 3. 2024 = \$95K
 4. Biggest drop in individual donations vs meeting donations
 5. Please consider setting up a monthly, recurring payment on the SLAA FWS website.
 6. SLAA FWS needs to notify monthly subscribers when their subscription payments will end and to remind them to re-register.
 7. Some literature sales may be able to count towards 501(c)(3) so that SLAA doesn't lose nonprofit status.
 8. Decline in donations across all 12 step meetings, not just SLAA.
 - a. Pandemic to blame? Zoom meetings and lack of in person meetings led to decline in donations.
 9. Social media committee at the FWS level? Could help with donations (links directly from Youtube, Facebook, Reddit)
 - iii. Suggestion for coworking space for SLAA LA delegates

6. Old Business:

Motion submitted by Jayk G. (tabled from September 2024 IG meeting):

1. To make the "Audio Library Committee Chair" commitment into simply the "Audio Library Commitment"
2. To add a description of the commitment to the Service Manual, with the duties described below.
 - a. Background: When the Audio Library Committee was created it was three people who probably met twice total before they mostly stopped meeting. Since then, which is at least four years back, the commitment has only really been done by one person. Since there really is no Audio Library Committee, and the commitment is easily doable by one person, the commitment should just belong to one person.
 - b. Description of Commitment:

- i. Duties: Periodically check Audio Library email address for newly-submitted audio files.
 - ii. Upload those audio files to the SLAA LA website.
 - iii. Promote both the use of the audio library by listeners, as well as the important necessity for new audio files. The new audio files can be submitted by solo speakers who record themselves at home or at meetings, or by meetings who have decided in their business meeting to add the option to record their speakers. Make sure that a signed waiver is obtained for all uploaded audios.
- c. Questions:
- i. Jayk not planning to step down from the commitment, willing to continue the service position.
 - ii. Questions/concerns about discretion and judgment regarding the nature of the recordings.

Motion PASSED with 24 votes (0 opposed, 4 abstained)

7. New / Future Business:

Elections. Service makes Intergroup happen.

Without people filling service positions, Los Angeles Intergroup will cease to exist. Rotation of service is a very important component of service, in general. Terms are for one year, unless otherwise noted in the Service Manual—that means terms begin in January 2025 and run through December 2025. Today, we will endeavor to fill positions for the upcoming term by starting with Secretary, Literature, and Bottom-Line Editor, and then more or less working our way down the list in the upcoming months.

1. Secretary
 - a. Nominations: Matt (accepted), Mona (declined), Scott (declined), Max (declined), Miriam (declined)
 - b. **Matt NOMINATED with 20 votes, 1 opposed, 2 abstaining**
 2. Literature
 - a. Nominations: David (current literature rep, keeping the position)
 - b. **David NOMINATED (no vote)**
 3. Webmaster
 - a. Nominations: Katrina (accepted)
 - b. **Katrina NOMINATED with 24 votes, 0 opposed, 0 abstained**
 4. Bottom line editor
 - a. Tabled to next month
 5. Remaining service positions
 - a. Tabled to next month
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8. **Announcements for the Good of the Order:**

- a. Retreat in the Bay Area for NYE weekend - David
 - b. 24 service positions available at the Intergroup level, please consider taking a position or nominating someone from your home group. - Mona
 - c. Continue asking home groups for additional donations. - Glenn
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9. **Adjournment:** adjourn meeting at 5:00 P.M., unless a vote is called to extend. Close meeting with the "WE" version of the Serenity Prayer.