

Intergroup Meeting Minutes
 May 2018 Meeting held 5/25/18
 Recorded by Carol G., Secretary

Attendees: Intergroup Representatives:

Group#	Group	IGR Name	Present	Proxy
CA1170	Women's	Renee H	X	(also Chair)
CA1277	Sunday	Patt H	X	
CA1264	SV	Darren	X	
CA1276	Sat Barn	Carol G	X	(also Secretary)
CA1241	Salinas	Susan E	X	
CA1169	Wed	Judy J	X	
CA477	PA Wed	Peter H	X	
CA1258	BC	Pat H	X	(also Treasurer)
CA1313	Fri Barn	David E	X	
CA1308	Men's			
CA971	Thur 7pm	Michael	X	
CA1075	Fri pm Los Gatos	Karen & Amie	X	

Officers and Committee Chairs:

Visitor ACA Members

Title	Name	Present	Proxy
Chair	Renee H	X	
Vice-chair	Clarissa B	X	
Secretary	Carol G	X	
Treasurer	Pat H	X	
Web chair	Evie		David
Literature chair	Beverle	X	
Events chair	Jeff, Karen, Stacey	X	Karen

Name
Kerry
Chris
Sarah
Daniella
Carol McD

- **Opening:** Renee H. opened the meeting with the ACA Serenity Prayer, followed by a reading of our Mission and Service statements, 12 Traditions & Concept 5. Roll Call / see attendance above. IGR's, proxies and officers vote; Visitors and committee chairs do not. 12 voting members present after traffic delays.
- **Minutes:** Motion: Approve minutes of April 21 meeting: Patt, Pat H. seconded; Vote 9-0-1abstain
- **Resources to learn more about ACA:** Renee briefly discussed resources described in the agenda and read a list of ACA SLACK channels, including #addrsng_mtg_safety, #addrsng_pred_behavior
 - To get emails on local activities, send an email to acamontereybay@gmail.com.
 - Members can also use the above email to request an invitation to join SLACK, a service platform for ACA.
 - quarterly downloadable 'ComLine' newsletter, open for member contributions. Includes poetry, stories etc. ComLine is now accepting submissions until July 1.
 - New website wp.adultchildren.org available for viewing and feedback.
- **Meeting process:** Renee asked that we raise our hands to speak so that all can be heard one at a time.

REPORTS

- **Chair:** Renee
 - A red folder titled 'ACA Monterey Bay Intergroup' is provided for each IGR, intended as a 'newcomer's packet' to the IG for each meeting. It contains a copy of the Charter, the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts, and suggested commitment to service.
 - Red Church meeting relocations continue
 - How to submit information to the Chair that needs to be included in meeting materials: Send email to acamontereybay@gmail.com and also send a text message to Renee to let her know to look for that email.
 - Following the example of ACAWSO, Renee started a 'Motion Record' of all the motions entertained by Monterey Bay ACA Intergroup. The secretary will maintain it.
- **Vice-Chair:** Clarissa distributed an updated meeting schedule with all meetings in our Intergroup

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- **Toronto ABC:** There were no questions and no discussion about Renee's report, which was emailed in advance. ACAWSO is looking for a 2020 host city.
- **Spring ACA retreat:** Peter, who had organized the event, reported that it sold out with 40 enrollees. Although he was unable to attend due to illness, it was apparently a big hit. Peter received thanks from many participants. Another will be announced in the fall (last week of October); he is making arrangements with Westminster Woods.
- **Treasurer:** Pat H. distributed a report showing a balance of \$783.65 including the prior meeting's 7th Tradition. She later reported the balance including today's 7th Tradition is \$832.94.
- **IGR (InterGroup Representatives):**
 - 7pm Tuesday Boulder Creek: Pat H. reported continued small but strong membership of 5-6.
 - 9:30 Wednesday "Serenity Seekers" meeting at Live Oak Family Resource Center: Judy reports the meeting is usually very well attended; they are seeking another meeting place since their rent is doubling in July.
 - "ACA Women in Recovery" Thursday 5:30 meeting: Renee reported this meeting has strong attendance, is discussing ways to deal with crosstalk.
 - Scotts Valley Monday meeting: Darren reported this meeting had lots of representation in Toronto. They need a treasurer and a literature person.
 - Salinas "Freedom from the Past" meeting: Susan reported consistent attendance of 9. The group donated \$72 to IG. As Susan will be moving away in about a month the group will have a new IG representative.
 - Sunday "Adult Loving Parent": Patt reported the meeting is discussing funds to help send a representative to next year's international meeting. They are also discussing the topic of dogs at meetings, will be discussing crosstalk and meeting safety.
 - Friday 7:15-8:30 pm Barn meeting: David reported this meeting is well attended with 15-20+, service positions filled.
 - Saturday 9:00 "Heart Circle" Barn meeting: Carol reported meeting is well attended and has service positions filled.
 - "Friday Freedom" Los Gatos 7:30 pm meeting: Amie reported steady participation, new faces at every meeting. Their service positions switch at the end of June.
 - Palo Alto Monday meeting: Peter reported attendance of 17. They will probably move to a larger room in the same building in June.
 - Thursday 7:00 pm meeting – Michael reports the meeting is doing well with typical attendance of 12.
- **WSO Representative:**
 - Pat H. further described the open office manager position at ACAWSO at Signal Hill. It is a full time, benefited position paying in the range of \$75-100k. They seek someone with inventory management experience, ideally with accounting and book publishing experience as well.
 - The 2019 business conference and world conference will be in Malmo, Sweden.
 - A new "Little Red Book" condensed version of the BRB is being written.
 - "Ready-Set-Go", which scripts a workshop for ACA newcomers and a new pamphlet, "Finding Emotional Sobriety" with a target audience of AA members, are available for review and comment on the website. They will be released for distribution after the review period.

Committee Reports:

- **Literature:**
 - Beverle thanked Renee for joining the Literature Committee, offering her garage as a depot location, and writing up the draft procedure manual, order form, pricing options and inventory form that were emailed in advance of the meeting for us to review.
 - The group discussed the materials and some clarifications were given.
 - Once the depot is established and stocked with literature, the proposed process is that meetings will be able to order in quantities of at least 3 of any particular item.

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They will pick up and pay for their order at the next IG meeting, or earlier by arrangement with members of the Literature Committee.

- The pricing options spreadsheet offered for review included pricing with and without tax/shipping and with discounts ranging from 0 to 30%.
- A key decision point is about how to charge the participating meetings for books.
- **Motion:** Pass tax and shipping expenses to the meetings as part of their purchase price. Carol moved; Clarissa seconded. Vote: 11-0-0
- **Motion:** Pass entire 30% discount on to the meetings. Peter moved; David seconded. Vote: 9-2-0
- **Initial purchase of books** As described in the draft procedure document, the 4 committee members have offered to each loan seed money of \$400 for the initial purchase of inventory, and suggest that IG also contribute \$400. Considerable discussion ensued, as it was evident that with the pricing we voted on (no markup on the books), the depot would forever run at break-even and could not accumulate funds to repay the proposed \$1600 loan. Others suggested such a loan is not in keeping with tradition of not accepting outside funds. With IG currently holding approximately \$800, will need to make a slower start and prioritize our literature purchases.
- **IGR's to check with meetings to see what they want and report back at next meeting:**
 - IGR's are asked to discuss with their meetings what they want from Intergroup: Is there a priority on literature, do they want speaker meetings, seminars on sponsorship, other?
 - If they want IG to offer discounted literature, what items do they want stocked?
- **Web:** Evie was unable to attend but David shared her report indicating she will make the Bluehost.com purchase shortly and spend more time on site development next week since school is out.
- **Events:** Karen, the only co-chair present, reported that the committee has not yet met.

Old Business:

- Quorum definition in Charter: Renee asked that each IGR read the charter and think about whether we now want to define a quorum.
- Communication with Greater East Bay IG and San Francisco Bay Area IG: Renee is exchanging emails with them.

New Business:

- **Meeting safety and predatory behavior –**
- Renee distributed handouts for discussion and sharing with meetings:
 - Crosstalk pamphlet from ACAWSO
 - Crosstalk handout – excerpted comments from other intergroup newsletters etc.
 - 13th Step and Safety in ACA pamphlet (from Lone Star Intergroup)
 - #MeTooACA handout from ACAWSO with the story about an anonymous member who experienced predatory behavior from another member
- **Recap: Action Items for Intergroup Representatives:**
 - Discuss with your meeting what they want from Intergroup:
 - Is there a priority on literature, do they want speaker meetings, seminars on sponsorship, other?
 - If they want IG offer discounted literature, what items would they like to see stocked?
 - Ask members to submit Monterey Bay – themed images / photos to for website.
 - Announce IG meetings for remainder of 2018 will be 4th Saturday 2pm at PAMF, all invited
 - Read the Charter and submit any suggested updates to Renee, including quorum definition.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol G. / Secretary 5/27/18 corrections 5/29