

MONTEREY BAY ACA INTERGROUP IG# 654 MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, January 22, 2022 @ 2:00 pm
Zoom Meeting ID: 898 9797 7526 PC: 792214

Attendees: Intergroup Representatives

Group#	Intergroup Member Meeting	IGR Name	Present	Proxy	Votes
CA1277	SUN 3:30 pm PAMF "Adult Loving Parent"	Jazmin			0
WEB0287	SUN 6:00 pm "Laundry Lists"	Peg	X		1
CA1264	MON 9:30 am Scotts Valley "ACA Scotts Valley"	Beverle	X		1
CA1371	MON 5:30 pm Scotts Valley "Stepping up in ACA"				0
CA1308	MON 7:00 pm Quaker Meeting House "Authentic Men"				0
CA682	MON 7:30 pm Palo Alto "Monday Night Book Study"				0
CA1233	TUE 12:30 pm "Inner Loving Parent – Inner Child"				0
CA1416	TUE 7:00 pm "Tony A Meditation"	Meegan	X		1
CA 1169	WED 9:30 am Live Oak "Serenity Seekers"	Dottie	X	Paul	1
CA1241	WED 6:00 pm Salinas "Freedom from the Past"				0
CA1373	WED 7:00 pm "ACA@UCSC"				0
CA1170	THU 5:30 pm Quaker Mtg House "Women in Recovery"	Jeannie	X		1
CA971	THU 7:00 pm Red Church "Serenity Seekers"				0
CA1313	FRI 7:15 pm Barn Studio "Friday Night ACA"	Carol G	X		1
CA1276	SAT 9:00 am Barn Studio "Heart Circle"	Rosa	X		1

Attendees: Officers, Committees and Visitors

Title	Name	Present	Proxy	Votes	Visitor's Name
Chair	Shari	X		1	Donna
Vice-Chair	Carol G	X		0	Denise
Secretary	Renée	X		1	Lorna
Treasurer	Clare	X		1	
WSO Rep	Victoria	X		0	
Committee	Chair	Present	Proxy		
Website / Zoom	Evie	X			
Workshop Coordinator	Open				
Potluck Speaker Meetings	Shari	X			
Literature Depot Host	Carol G	X			
Retreat Committee	Jeannie	X			
Fun Task Force	Open	0			

Opening: Shari opened the Zoom meeting at 2:01pm. Shari announced this meeting was being recorded. She welcomed all to the January Intergroup Meeting, the first meeting of 2022, especially the new IGRs. The ACA Serenity Prayer was recited. Members read aloud the Mission Statement, Commitment to Service, 1st Tradition, 1st Concept, and the Guidelines for ACA Business Meetings. Roll call was taken and voting rights clarified. A quorum was established, see attendance above. (IGR's, proxies, and officers vote; visitors and committee chairs do not. One vote per person even if filling multiple roles.) 9 voting members were present, meeting our one-less-than-2/3 quorum requirement of 7. Peg showed up later in the meeting, which made the number of voting members 10.

Minutes:

Motion: (Carol/Renée) Approve the minutes of the 12/18/21 meeting with correction of the new Intergroup Zoom number. (9-0-0)

7th Tradition: Clare announced and posted in the chat the two ways to contribute to the Intergroup's 7th Tradition: Venmo @Clare_treasurer and PayPal mbacatreasurer@gmail.com.

REPORTS

Chairperson – Shari conducted officer and committee chair elections by reviewing each position’s nominations and asking for any other volunteers or nominations for each position: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Shari was elected Chair unanimously. Carol was elected Vice Chair unanimously. Renée was elected Secretary unanimously. Clare was elected Treasurer unanimously. Shari opened up nominations/volunteers for the WSO Representative position and Victoria volunteered. Victoria was unanimously voted in as the new WSO Representative.

Vice Chairperson –Carol reported that an Intergroup Representative Orientation was conducted last Saturday.

Motion: (Renée/Rosa) Post the IGR Orientation materials from the workshop on the website. (9-0-0)

Secretary – Renée is waiting for the contact information from the new IGRs and will distribute the new contact list once it’s updated.

Treasurer – Clare submitted two reports: an end-of-year 2021 report and a 2022 report. She reported an ending balance as of 12/31/21 of \$1,203.73 and a balance of \$1,440.73 as of 1/22/22. The reserves, not included in these balances, provide \$800.00 prudent, \$65.58 Outreach, \$56.41 Events, and \$150.00 Travel. Claire said the WSO donation of \$500 was made 12/22/21 as voted on last meeting. Rosa asked if there were any large expenditures expected in the near future and the answer was none.

Motion: (Carol/Beverle) Accept the Treasurer’s Reports. (9-0-0)

Clare shared the two ways to contribute to Intergroup in the chat and suggested each IGR take these instructions back to their groups to facilitate donations. @Clare_treasurer for Venmo and mbacatreasurer@gmail.com for PayPal.

Clare’s email is mbacatreasurer@gmail.com for all communication regarding the Intergroup Treasury.

WSO Representative – Shari welcomed Victoria as our new WSO Representative. Shari will help get Victoria registered with WSO to receive the necessary emails.

IGR (Intergroup Representatives) Reports:

- **Sunday 3:30pm “Adult Loving Parent”:** Jazmin was absent.
- **Sunday 6:00pm “Laundry Lists”:** Peg was absent until later in the meeting.
- **Monday 9:30am “ACA Scotts Valley”:** Beverle reported the Secretary position is in transition. The meeting is small but has gotten a little bigger. Each week they feature a speaker (not always planned in advance) and the speakers are free to use non-Conference approved literature and speak for 10 minutes. The meetings last 75 minutes except on the first Monday of the month when they last 60 minutes to accommodate the business meeting.
- **Monday 5:30pm “Stepping up in ACA”:** Beverle reported this meeting is not well attended and needs support. Dottie is Secretary and this meeting conflicts with the Bonfire Meeting on the 2nd and 4th Mondays each month, negatively impacting attendance.
- **Monday 7:00pm “Authentic Men”:** No IGR. The meeting is now held in person at the Quaker Meeting House and this change is reflected on the website meeting list.
- **Monday 7:30pm “Monday Night Book Study”:** No IGR.
- **Tuesday 12:30pm “Inner Loving Parent-Inner Child”:** No IGR.
- **Tuesday 7:00pm “Tony A Meditation”:** Meegan reported this meeting has grown a bit in the month of January to 9-12. The Secretary position rotates as does leading the meditation part of the meeting. A reading from Tony A literature follows and then sharing.
- **Wednesday 9:30am “Serenity Seekers”:** Paul was proxy for Dottie today. Paul is the current Secretary and he reported that he is receiving lots of support and appreciation in that position. The average attendance is just under 20 people. Discussion at the business meeting involved going back to in person meetings and the group was divided on the subject. Paul feels good about the general health of this meeting.
- **Wednesday 6:00pm “Freedom from the Past”:** No IGR.
- **Wednesday 7:00pm “ACA@UCSC”:** Beverle reported in lieu of an IGR. This meeting’s Secretary has been ill and the meeting is faltering in attendance. She said the meeting is in dire need of support and is currently on hold for the moment. The college has been severely affected by the Covid omicron outbreak and she’s hoping the meeting will come back in the Spring.

- **Thursday 5:30pm “Women in Recovery”**: Jeannie reported 7-9 attending. They read the BRB and the meeting could use some support. They will discuss a donation to Intergroup and WSO at their next business meeting.
- **Thursday 7:00pm “Serenity Seekers”**: No IGR. Paul attends and there are 3-5 in attendance. The meeting is still struggling and cannot afford to return to in person meetings. He mentioned a concern that there is another meeting listed on the acamontereybay.org website happening at the same day and time.
- **Friday 7:15pm “Friday Night ACA”**: Carol reported one newcomer last night and 4 members rotating as Secretary, which seems to be working very well. It’s a good little meeting. Shari thanked Carol for recommending one of their secretaries to speak at the last Virtual Speaker Meeting.
- **Saturday 9:00am “Heart Circle”**: Rosa reports the meeting is going strong with 13-20 attending. This Zoom meeting format includes reading from Strengthening My Recovery followed by sharing. They will discuss going back in person in March.

Meetings with no current IGR:

- Monday 5:30pm “Stepping Up in ACA”
- Monday 7:00pm “Authentic Men”
- Monday 7:30pm “Monday Night Book Study”
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Literature Depot** –Carol reported sales were quiet in January. Current inventory is 4 BRB, 8 12 Step workbooks, 5 Strengthening My Recovery, 7 Laundry List Workbooks, 3 Loving Parent Guidebooks, and 18 Newcomer Booklets. Please order literature on mbacaliterature@gmail.com if you are in the Santa Cruz area, otherwise it is recommended to order online from adultchildren.org as the Literature Depot is not equipped to ship literature.
- **Website/Zoom Committee** –Evie, Website Committee Chair, said the new committee members met last week to discuss the committee’s operations. They discussed job duties, titles, a vision statement, experience, roles, and the purpose of the committee. Ideas for the website were brainstormed, including a link for donations, a contact page for all the IG committees, and an email address for the website Chair. Evie also demonstrated the website update process to the Committee members and set up a test environment so they can practice. Backing up of the website was discussed as the website recently was offline for a time due to an updating problem. A backup was restored by the host service but it took several hours. The Committee discussed this and recommended that the hosting service be contracted to provide backup service at the cost of \$4.99/month, approved by the Intergroup.

Motion: (Renée/Rosa) Purchase the backup services of the website hosting company at a cost of \$4.99/month. (9-0-0)

It was suggested that the Website Committee Meetings be posted on the website calendar and be open for anyone to attend. Minutes of the Website Committee were requested to be posted on the website. This subject was tabled until next month’s meeting due to time constraints to complete today’s agenda items. Questions and website updates can be directed to acamontereybay@gmail.com.

Peg signed in at this point in the meeting, increasing the voting members to 10.

- **Virtual Speaker Meeting** –Shari reported 47 people attended the January 16th Virtual Speaker Meeting. She had it listed on the WSO calendar to attract more attendees. Thank you to Lorna, Peg and Kyle for speaking and thank you to Carol for her MadLibs game. So much fun! This Committee has an open Chair position and Shari volunteered to fill this position. The group unanimously voted Shari into this position (10-0-0).
- **Workshop Coordinator**–Open position. Shari has been filling after Kira’s resignation mid-year, she but does not wish to continue. There is a current job description for this position as the result of an ad hoc committee formed last year. Rosa and Jeannie requested this information be sent to them to review. Intergroup will be sending out a survey to the fellowship to collect information on desired workshops for 2022. It is hoped that a Workshop Coordinator will be able to continue the monthly workshop schedule through this year.
- **Retreat Committee** –Jeannie reported the January 13th Retreat Committee meeting was not well attended so discussion on whether the committee members would be required to attend all 3 days of the Retreat was tabled until the next meeting.

Jeannie contacted Koinonia for more available dates in 2022 and 2023 in an attempt to reschedule the Retreat. One weekend was available in 2022 and was reserved by Jeannie for November 11-13, 2022, and nothing yet in 2023 is open (will be available in March). We are under no obligation to hold a retreat on this weekend, and our deposit is secure and refundable at any time. Jeannie will do more research on other venues for different sleeping accommodations, not a bunkhouse setting. The Google docs for the Retreat Committee are up to date.

- **Outreach Committee** – Open position. This committee has not been active in a while due to Covid. Lorna expressed some hesitant interest in the Chair position. Jeannie, who is the past Outreach Chair, will direct Lorna to the Outreach information available so she can get a better idea on what the position entails. Shari mentioned there may be another fellow traveler interested in the Chair position, possibly as a co-Chair. Lorna liked that idea and will return to IG next month.
- **Fun Night Committee** – Shari tabled the Fun Night Committee topic until next month.

OLD BUSINESS

- Paul followed up on his presentation last month on the subject of anonymity and privacy in meeting contact lists. Last month's IG minutes gave some suggestions on tools to use to protect oneself in the cyber world. He received very little feedback. In speaking with Shari, Paul decided it makes sense to offer a workshop to the fellowship on this topic. Paul debated as to whether or not to reveal the name of one of the websites used for reverse identity lookup using phone numbers, and he decided if you are interested in learning about these websites, please contact Paul directly at pfrankwho@gmail.com. Paul's cyber safety workshop will be listed as an option on the upcoming workshop survey.

NEW BUSINESS

- The ABC Ballot Proposals were released by WSO this week in a letter to the fellowship. The 13 ballot proposals are being reviewed in two 90-minute online workshops happening in the next few weeks and will be recorded for future use. Of interest, the name of Adult Children of Alcoholics is again requesting to include "Dysfunctional Families" and two of the proposals are looking to include some of Tony A's work in Conference Approved literature. The link to read the proposals and all supporting documentation is: <https://acaswo.org/category/ballot-prep/>. If you have any suggestions on how to disseminate this information to the fellowship, please contact acamontereybay@gmail.com.

Please send any future agenda items to acamontereybay@gmail.com.

The meeting was closed with the ACA Serenity Prayer.

Motion: (Renée/Carol): Adjourn the meeting. (10-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Renée H.
Recording Secretary 1/23/22