

**Intergroup Meeting Minutes**  
Meeting held 8/25/18  
Recorded by Carol G., Secretary

Attendees: Intergroup Representatives:

Group#	Group	IGR Name	Present	Proxy	Votes
CA1170	"ACA Women in Recovery"	Renee H	X	(also Chair)	1
CA1277	"Adult Loving Parent"	Patt K	X		1
CA1264	"ACA Scotts Valley"	Darren	X		1
CA1233	Tues 12:30 Red Church	Emily	X		1
CA1276	Sat Barn: "Heart Circle"	Carol G	X	(also Secretary)	1
CA1241	Salinas: "Freedom from the Past"	Kim & Lisa	X	(Kim)	1
CA1169	Wed: "Serenity Seekers"	Judy J	X		1
CA477	Palo Alto "Wednesday Night Book Study"	Peter H			
CA1258	Boulder Creek "Healing the Past"	Pat H	X	(also Treasurer)	1
CA1313	Fri Barn meeting	David E	X		1
CA1308	Mon: "Authentic Men"	Not participating in Intergroup			
CA971	Thur 7pm: "Serenity Seekers"	Michael	X		1
CA1075	Fri pm Los Gatos "Friday Freedom"	Karen & Amie	X	(Amie)	1
CA1337	"Scotts Valley Quiet Fellowship"	Joanne	X		1

**Officers:**

Title	Name	Present	Proxy	Votes
Chair	Renee H	X		
Vice-chair	Clarissa B	X		1
Secretary	Carol G	X		
Treasurer	Pat H	X		

**Visitor ACA Members**

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**Committee Chairs**

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Web chair	Evie	X	
Literature chair	Beverle	X	
Events chair	Jeff, Karen, Stacey	X	Joanne

- **Opening:** Renee H. opened the meeting with the ACA Serenity Prayer, followed by members reading our Mission and Commitment to Service statements, 12 Traditions & 8<sup>th</sup> Concept. Roll Call / see attendance above. IGR's, proxies and officers vote; visitors and committee chairs do not. 12 voting members initially present. One more arrived later.
- **Minutes:**  
**Motion:** Approve minutes of July 28 meeting with 1 correction  
Pat, Patt seconded; Vote: 12-0-0

**REPORTS**

- **Chair:** Renee announced a fall retreat (flyer says: "Serenity in the woods near Bodega Bay – with 4 ACA speaker meetings, cabin accommodations and inner child playtime" at Occidental, October 26-28. <https://5thACAFallRetreat.eventBrite.Com>). The literature order form has been updated to include Laundry List Traits workbook.
- **Vice-Chair:** No report
- **Treasurer:** Pat H. distributed a report showing a balance of \$947.16. Columns for literature purchased and literature sold have been added, and group numbers associated with contributions.
- **IGR (InterGroup Representatives):**
  - 7pm Tuesday Boulder Creek "Healing the Past" has 5 core members, recently as many as 10 attendees. They read from BRB and share.
  - 9:30 Wednesday "Serenity Seekers" Judy reported 13-20 attendees. They are reconfiguring the room to accommodate the size of the group.
  - "ACA Women in Recovery" Thursday 5:30 meeting: Renee reported attendance is smaller lately with 20+ attendees. The group is seeking input on how to welcome non-cis-gender, trans & non-binary gender women to the group.
  - "ACA Scotts Valley" Monday meeting: Darren reported 12-15 attendance with a newcomer almost every week.

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- “Scotts Valley Quiet Fellowship” – Joanne reported this new, small meeting has 6-8 participants. They meet for an hour which includes 30 minutes of quiet time for inner child work, reflection etc.
- Salinas “Freedom from the Past” Kim reported 8-12 attendees with 10 regulars. They do not pay rent.
- Sunday “Adult Loving Parent”: Patt reported attendance of 16-18. Because of strong attendance and no rent, this group has been able to donate substantially to Intergroup.
- “Friday Nite ACA” 7:15-8:30 pm Barn meeting: David reported this is a vibrant meeting with 18-25 attending, many newcomers and lots of recovery.
- Saturday 9:00 “Heart Circle” Barn meeting: Carol reported strong attendance of 12-18 or more. Secretary will be open at the beginning of September.
- “Friday Freedom” Los Gatos 7:30 pm meeting: Amie reported the group is having trouble filling service positions. A new meeting is starting in San Jose on Saturday 9/1 10:00. It will be a step meeting. It was not registered yet with WSO at the time of this meeting.
- Palo Alto Wednesday meeting: IGR was not able to attend today.
- Thursday 7:00 pm “Serenity Seekers” meeting: Michael noted this as the first ACA meeting in the area. It usually has about 13 attendees.
- Tuesday Red Church “Inner Loving Parent” meeting – Emily reported attendance is up and they are talking about extending the meeting 15 minutes longer.
- Monday “Authentic Men” meeting: not represented.
- **WSO Representative:**
  - Pat H. reported WSO is planning the April 2019 conference in Sweden. Translation to English will be available. Registration is all in English.
  - The new general operations manager at Signal Hill, is doing very well.
  - WSO will be working on defining what an Intergroup is, as well as how to enforce the proper use of copyright-protected material, ACA logo etc.

### Committee Reports:

- **Events:**
  - None of the Events Committee co-chairs were present; committee needs a chair
  - Joanne reported there have been no committee meetings since the speaker meeting in July.
  - Speaker meeting had about 55 attendees.
  - Renee reported suggestion box ideas from speaker meeting included: Santa Cruz area retreat, hikes, camping weekend, ‘bowling for boundaries – stay in your own lane’, talent show including acts, music & crafts, game night, roller skating, sandcastle party, voodoo doll workshop.
- **Literature:**
  - Beverle reported the current inventory which now includes Laundry List workbooks.
    - BRB hard cover: 12
    - 12 step yellow workbook: 14
    - Strengthening Our Recovery daily reader soft cover: 13
    - Newcomer booklet: 58
    - Laundry List workbook: 15
  - Evie and Clarissa will create an online form that can be filled out online and emailed, to make ordering easier for people who do not have printers.
  - Michael observed that BRB commemorative edition has nice features (including index color markers to find sections) and is priced lower than the other BRB editions.
  - **Motion:** When next ordering BRB’s, order the Commemorative Edition  
Michael / Pat seconded 13-0-0
- **Web:** [acamontereybay.org](http://acamontereybay.org)
  - Evie reported that she has posted treasurer’s reports for May-July and would like feedback.

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- When the new San Jose meeting is registered with WSO, Amie will send the information for Evie to add to our website
- Question was raised about postings being reviewed for anonymity. Henceforth Pat will use roles rather than names in the treasurer's report.
- Send announcements to acamontereybay@gmail.com

### Old Business:

- **Quorum for Intergroup Meetings**
  - Charter revision was submitted by Renee per our vote last month for 2/3 of potential voting members, however the charter does not explain how we act if a quorum is not present.
- **Motion:** If a quorum is not present, either physically or virtually, at an Intergroup meeting within the first 10 minutes after the scheduled time, the meeting will be cancelled.  
Joanne, Kim seconded Vote: 13-0-0
- **Sponsorship Workshop development:**
  - Clarissa is leading the development of a workshop which will be held Sunday October 21 1:30-3:00 PM at PAMF 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room
  - Please get more feedback from our groups about what members want from this workshop
  - Purpose is to invigorate the sponsorship culture in our area
  - Initial idea is to facilitate an interactive community event to discover what sponsorship is
  - Discussion included suggestions:
    - Describe what ACA / BRB recommends
    - Worksheet for exploring boundaries
    - Speakers on elements of sponsorship
    - How to gracefully enter / exit a sponsorship relationship
- **What do members expect of Intergroup? IGR's please poll meetings on this**

### New Business:

- **What is an "Event"?**
- Joanne from Events Committee asked if we have a definition of an event. Since we have none, she will bring a draft to the next meeting for review and discussion.
  - One suggestion: "An ACA Monterey Bay sanctioned gathering that fosters fellowship"
  - Is it a meeting?
  - Can non-ACA's (friends, family) participate?
- **Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)**

Pat would like to start an H&I committee in Santa Cruz to pursue bringing the program to jails and treatment centers.

  - Please announce at meetings: if anyone is interested in participating let Pat know.
  - Evie will put a notice on our website.
- **Motion:** Adjournment  
Renee moved, Joanne seconded Vote: Unanimous  
The meeting was adjourned at 3:30

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol G. / Secretary 8/31/18