MONTEREY BAY ACA INTERGROUP IG# 654 MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, December 17, 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"				0
WEB0287	SUN 6:00 pm "Laundry Lists"	Peg	Х		1
CA1264	MON 9:30 am Scotts Valley "ACA Scotts Valley"	Beverle	Х		1
CA1371	MON 5:30 pm Scotts Valley "Stepping up in ACA"				0
CA1308	MON 7:00 pm Quaker Meeting House "Authentic Men"				0
CA1233	TUE 12:30 pm "Inner Loving Parent – Inner Child"	Troy			0
CA1416	TUE 7:00 pm "Tony A Meditation"	Carol	Х		1
CA1107	TUES 7:00 pm "Breathe Easy" - Monterey	Shannon			0
CA 1169	WED 9:30 am Live Oak "Serenity Seekers"	Dottie	Х		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	Х		1
CA971	THU 7:00 pm Red Church "Serenity Seekers"				0
CA1313	FRI 7:15 pm Barn Studio "Friday Night ACA"				0
CA1276	SAT 9:00 am Barn Studio "Heart Circle"	Rosa	Х		1

Attendees: Officers, Committees and Visitors

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

Opening: Shari announced the next Intergroup meeting will be held on January 28, 2023. Shari opened the Zoom meeting at 2:02pm and announced this meeting was being recorded. The ACA Serenity Prayer was recited. Members read aloud the Mission Statement, Commitment to Service, the 12th Tradition, 12th Concept, and the Guidelines for ACA Business Meetings. Shari welcomed everyone to the meeting, announcing Lorna as the new IGR for Heart Circle in 2023 and Paul as a visitor. 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 6.

Minutes: Shari thanked Renée for her service as the Intergroup Secretary. Shari asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the November 26th meeting.

Motion: (Carol/Rosa) Approve the minutes of the 11/26/22 meeting as written. (9-0-0)

7th Tradition: Shari reminded the group there are two ways to contribute to the Intergroup's 7th Tradition: Venmo @Clare_treasurer and PayPal mbacatreasurer@gmail.com.

There will be more about the 7th Tradition later under New Business.

REPORTS

Chairperson – Shari asked for nominations for the five 2023 Intergroup officers' positions. Elections will be held at the January meeting. Carol was nominated as Chair and declined. No other nominations or volunteers occurred. Renée volunteered to serve as Vice Chair. The vote was (9-0-0) to elect Renée as Vice Chair. Jeannie volunteered to serve as Secretary. The vote was (9-0-0) to elect Jeannie as Secretary. Clare was nominated as Treasurer and declined. Carol was nominated as Treasurer and declined. Clare explained the duties of the Treasurer position. Dottie was nominated and was hesitant to accept and would like to gain more clarity on the position before accepting. Rosa was nominated and declined. Shari said a vote by email of those voting members present today may happen between now and the January meeting if Dottie accepts the nomination before then. Paul was nominated for the WSO Representative position and declined. Paul was nominated as Chair and said he would like to talk offline about this possibility.. Peg was nominated as WSO Rep and accepted the nomination. The vote was (9-0-0) to elect Peg as the WSO Representative. Evie expressed an interest in possibly being the Chair and will consider this position further.

Vice Chairperson – no report.

Secretary – Renée thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve as the Secretary for the past three years and for being a part of the Intergroup since the beginning.

Treasurer – Clare screen shared and reviewed the Treasurer's Report for December. The ending balance was \$1,681.93 in addition to the following reserves:

Prudent Reserve	\$800.00		
Outreach	\$ 65.56		
Events	\$ 56.41		
Travel	\$150.00		

Intergroup donated \$1,600 to WSO in 2022.

The November Treasurer's report was also presented and reviewed. Ending balance was \$1,421.42 with the same reserves. Motion: (Renée/Carol) Approve the December Treasurer's Report. (9-0-0)

Motion: (Renée/Beverle) Approve the November Treasurer's Report. (9-0-0)

Clare was thanked for her service as the Treasurer for the past two years.

WSO Representative – No report, Peg will be serving in this role in January 2023.

IGR (Intergroup Representatives) Reports:

- Sunday 6:00pm "Laundry Lists": The group voted to go back to reviewing only one Laundry List each week. It was felt that two lists per week was too much information to process. Dottie and Ella alternate being Secretary and Carol and Lorna do the screen sharing. Carol is the Treasurer. There are some newcomers and 8-9 regulars with up to 15 attendees at some meetings. This meeting will always be on Zoom.
- Monday 9:30am "ACA of Scotts Valley": Beverle reported she is stepping down after 2 years as IGR for this meeting and transferring her service to the Monday 5:30 "Stepping Up in ACA" meeting. This meeting is rock solid and Jeannie is the new Secretary. We read from the daily reader with a speaker on the last Monday. Please join us next Monday.
- Monday 5:30pm "Stepping Up in ACA": Beverle will be the new IGR.
- Monday 7:00pm "Authentic Men": No IGR.
- **Tuesday 12:30pm "Inner Loving Parent-Inner Child":** Troy was absent. This meeting is in person (no longer a hybrid meeting) and sells ACA literature from the Literature Depot.
- **Tuesday 7:00pm "Tony A Meditation**": Carol reported this is a small (9-10 attending) pleasant meeting with some newcomers. They have a guided meditation and read from Tony A's book, followed by member sharing.
- Tuesday 7:00pm "Breathe Easy" Monterey: Shannon was absent. This is an in-person meeting.
- Wednesday 9:30am "Serenity Seekers": Dottie said this meeting is also rock solid with 12+ attending. It's no longer a hybrid meeting, it's only held on Zoom. Their Treasurer is from Alaska. It's a great meeting and service positions will be in transition at the end of December.
- Wednesday 6:00pm "Freedom from the Past"- Salinas: no IGR.
- Wednesday 5:30pm "ACA @ UCSC": no IGR. This meeting is a hybrid and the students are now on winter break. Sheryl is doing a great job reviving this meeting and is looking for someone to handle the Zoom portion of the meeting.
- **Thursday 5:30pm "Women in Recovery":** Jeannie reported that Victoria has been added to the Secretary rotation. There are usually 6 attending this BRB study/discussion with a speaker at the end of each month.
- Thursday 7:00pm "Serenity Seekers": No IGR. Paul shared this meeting continues to struggle with low attendance. Jerry has been the Secretary for more than a year, but is afraid the meeting will dissolve if he gives up his service position. Average attendance is 3-4. The group will look at the Covid statistics after the New Year to see if they could safely begin meeting in person again, but Paul said paying rent will be a problem with low attendance. Shari suggested Intergroup <u>may</u> be able to assist Santa Cruz's oldest ACA meeting by paying rent, if the meeting continues to struggle.

- Friday 7:15pm "Friday Night ACA: no IGR. Carol reported several newcomers came last night. The meeting follows a rotating format and has rotating Secretaries.
- Saturday 9:00am "Heart Circle": Rosa will be stepping down as IGR and Lorna will be taking over in 2023 as IGR. Rosa reported this is a sweet meeting with an average of 15 attending. They read from Strengthening My Recovery and share after. They are in need of a Secretary and Donna is the new Treasurer. Rosa was thanked for her service.
- Member meetings with no current IGR: Monday 7:00pm "Authentic Men" – in person Wednesday 7:00pm "ACA @ UCSC" – hybrid Friday 7:15pm "Friday Night ACA

Wednesday 6:00pm "Freedom from the Past" Thursday 7:00pm "Serenity Seekers" Sunday 3:30pm "Adult Loving Parent"

COMMITTEE REPORTS

• Literature Depot –Carol shared the Literature Report for December and reported light sales. Current inventory is 8 BRB, 16 Step workbooks, 3 Strengthening My Recovery, 5 Laundry List workbooks, 3 Loving Parent Guidebooks and 13 Newcomer Booklets. Carol will continue to serve as the Literature Depot Host.

• Website/Zoom Committee –Evie shared the website report. Our best day has been July 11th with 326 views. The cumulative total is 96,658 views. The busies time this past month was November 27-29. Yesterday had very low hits and today there have been 44 so far. Evie showed us that the committee changed the word "Region" to "Area" on the website title page as requested last month. Carol corrected a glitch in the online literature ordering form which missed a group's literature order a few weeks ago. The Professional Packet which is outdated will be removed from the literature order form. The delivery options for literature orders will also be updated. The committee discussed scheduling monthly maintenance while the website is down. Meeting access was considered and after discussion a motion was made:

Motion: (Shari/Renée) Perform monthly website maintenance on the last Wednesday of each month from 1:00 – 4:00pm while the website is offline. (9-0-0)

A notice will be posted on the website indicating these scheduled downtimes.

• Virtual Speaker Meeting –The next Virtual Speaker Meeting will be on January 15, 2023 at 5:30pm PST on Zoom. The theme is "Action Coming From Love." A flyer has been mailed out, posted on the website, and WSO will be informed. Contact Shari if you would like to speak at a future Speaker Meeting.

- Workshop Coordinator–Open position.
- **Outreach Committee** on hiatus. Rosa is considering volunteering for the Outreach Committee Chair.
- Fun Night Task Force on hiatus.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Whether or not to collect 7th Tradition funds for the Intergroup Meeting

Carol brought this topic up because she thinks that volunteering our time and energy to serve on the Intergroup is enough without financially supporting this meeting.

Motion: (Carol/Dottie) Remove the topic of 7th Tradition from the Intergroup Meeting Agenda. (8-1-0)

The minority opinion was stated and no votes were changed as a result. The motion was approved.

Should the Committee Chairs have a vote at the Intergroup level?

Carol stated the same logic applies to Committee Chairs having a vote at Intergroup. If the Committee Chairs are willing to devote their time and energy to the Intergroup, Carol thinks they deserve a vote. Discussion ensued and it was suggested that a Chair should attend every Intergroup Meeting or send a proxy to the meeting if they are unable to attend.

Motion: (Renée/Rosa) Elected Committee Chairs have a vote at the Intergroup Meeting. (9-0-0)

This motion was passed with more than the required 2/3 majority vote required to change the Charter, so the Charter will be updated and posted on the website.

Evie, as Website Committee Chair, now has a vote, so the total voting members increased to 10 for the remainder of this meeting.

Should the Record of Motions be posted on the website?

Discussion was held on how transparent the Record of Motions should be and how often it should be updated. It was noted that there have been no requests for any research on the Record of Motions.

Motion: (Carol/Jeannie) Add a .pdf file of the updated Record of Motions twice a year (June & December) to the website. (9-0-1)

Shari requested that any newly elected IGRs attend the <u>New IGR Orientation</u> with Q&A on Saturday, January 21 at 2:00pm. Zoom dial instructions are the same as the Intergroup Meeting: ID:898 9797 7526 PW: 792214. Contact information (First name, meeting name, telephone number, and email) for the new IGRs should be sent to <u>acamontereybay@gmail.com</u>. Mentorship will be available for new IGRs by the outgoing IGR or another IGR volunteer.

Shari asked those present to share what being a part of this Intergroup has meant to them.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 3:33pm following the ACA Serenity Prayer. Motion: (Carol/Rosa) Adjourn the meeting. (10-0-0)

Respectfully submitted, Renée H. 12/18/22