



MONTEREY BAY ACA INTERGROUP IG# 654 MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, May 27, 2023 @ 4:00 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 898 9797 7526 PC: 792214

ATTENDEES: INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVES					
GROUP #	INTERGROUP MEMBER MEETING	IGR REP	PRESENT	PROXY	VOTES
CA1277	SUN 3:30 pm PAMF "Adult Loving Parent"	Matthew/Sophia	Sophia		1
WEB0287	SUN 6:00 pm "Laundry Lists"	Peg	X		1
CA1107	SUN 7:00 pm "Red Book Meeting" – Monterey	Abe	X		1
CA1264	MON 9:30 am Scotts Valley "ACA Scotts Valley"	Need			
CA1371	MON 5:30 pm Scotts Valley "Stepping up in ACA"	Beverle	X		1
CA1308	MON 7:00 pm Quaker House "Authentic Men"	Need			
CA1233	TUE 12:30 pm "Inner Loving Parent – Inner Child"	Wendy	X		1
CA1416	TUE 6:00 pm "Tony A Meditation" Quaker House	Carol	X		1
CA 1169	WED 9:30 am Live Oak "Serenity Seekers"	Di	No	No	
CA1241	WED 6:00 pm Salinas "Freedom from the Past"	Need			
CA1373	WED 7:00 pm "ACA@UCSC"	Need			
CA1170	THU 5:30 pm "Women in Recovery"	Victoria	X		1
CA1553	THU 5:30 pm "Getting the Band Back Together"	Bob	X		1
CA1504	THU 7:00 pm Red Church "Serenity Seekers"	Need			
CA1313	FRI 7:15 pm Barn Studio "Friday Night ACA"	Need			
CA1276	SAT 9:00 am Barn Studio "Heart Circle"	Lorna	X		1

ATTENDEES: OFFICERS VISITORS					
TITLE	NAME	PRESENT	PROXY	VOTES	VISITORS
Co-Chairs	Evie and Paul	Evie/Paul		1	
Vice-Chair	Renée	X		1	
Secretary	Jeannie	X		1	
Treasurer	Dottie	X		1	
WSO Rep	Peg	X			

ATTENDEES: COMMITTEE CHAIRS					
COMMITTEES	STATUS	CHAIR	PRESENT	PROXY	VOTES
Website / Zoom	Active	Evie	X		1
Workshop Coordinator	Active	Open			
Quarterly Virtual Speaker Meeting	Active	Shari	X		1
Literature Depot Host	Active	Carol	X		
Outreach Committee	Active	Rosa	No		
Retreat Committee	<i>Hiatus</i>	Open			
Fun Task Force	<i>Hiatus</i>	Open			



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OPENING

- Evie opened meeting at 4:00 pm and announced it was being recorded
 - Welcomed everyone and our newest rep Abe
 - Apologized for not sending final agenda earlier
- ACA Serenity Prayer was recited. Members read aloud Mission Statement, Commitment to Service, 5th Tradition, 5th Concept, and Guidelines for ACA Business Meetings
- Roll call taken by Renée, Vice Chair, and voting rights clarified. A quorum was established, *as above*. (IGRs, proxies, officers and committee chairs vote, visitors do not. One vote per person even if filling multiple roles.) 15 voting members, meeting one-less-than-2/3 quorum requirement of 9.

MINUTES

Evie asked if there were any additions or corrections to the April 22nd meeting minutes. Paul corrected a typo and requested an acknowledgement of Bob be reflected in the minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of 04/22/23 meeting as corrected

Motion made by Carol, seconded by Beverle and passed in favor unanimously (15-0-0)

REPORTS

- **Co-Chairpersons** – Paul and Evie – Evie Chairing
 - No report
 - Evie apologized to sending this meeting’s agenda out late and said she would send them out earlier going forward
 - **Vice Chairperson** – Renée – No Report
 - **Secretary** – Jeannie - No Report
 - Requested that the IGRs & Chairs look at the Intergroup Contact List (circulated with April minutes) and any changes be sent to her
 - Suggested IGRs go onto WSO website to make sure their meeting information is correct
 - **Treasurer** – Dottie screen shared Treasurer’s Report circulated earlier via email (and posted on website)
 - May 7th Tradition donations thru 5/16 were \$9.00
 - May Literature Purchase was \$190.57
 - May Literature Sales were \$12.50
 - April subtotal \$1,171.63 in addition to following reserves

Prudent Reserve	\$800.00
Outreach	\$ 65.56
Events	\$ 56.41
Travel	\$150.00
- [Total Reserves \$1,071.97] bringing the total to \$2,243.60

Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report of 05/23 as submitted

Motion made by Renée, Seconded by Carol and passed in favor unanimously (15-0-0)



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REPORTS – CONT'D

- **WSO Rep** – Peg reported on her participation in the May 6-7, 2023 ACA WSO Annual Business Conference
 - There was one vote regarding diversity and inclusion language which was passed and will be reflected in the future
 - The next topic being addressed by WSO is Spirituality making sure all spiritual views are included
 - Mentioned an Oklahoma policeman who is currently a Trustee who said there are really no criminals, there are people who need help
 - Peg said she felt very safe at this Conference and suggested we think about serving as WSO Trustees since the Board is lacking in representation
 - Peg thanked Jeannie for suggesting she take this position – she is enjoying it

IGR REPORTS

- **Sunday 3:30pm “Adult Loving Parent” – Sophia**
 - Sophia mentioned she and Matthew were alternating Intergroup representation
 - Slightly lower attendance lately
 - Matthew has been the meeting secretary for a long time and the meeting is exploring co-leadership
 - Treasury is solvent since there are no major expenses
- **Sunday 6:00pm “Laundry Lists” – Peg**
 - Peg will be IGR for this meeting until July
 - Meeting is looking for a secretary and IGR – Carol and Lorna doing a great job as temporary secretaries
 - This meeting attracts newcomers and new ACA members from all over the country
- **Monday 9:30am “ACA of Scotts Valley – No IGR**
- **Monday 5:30pm “Stepping Up in ACA” – Beverle**
 - Meeting going pretty well- few core members
 - Attendance fluctuates between 8-10 weekly
 - Quite a few newcomers that come once and don't return
 - New secretary, Victoria, a relative newcomer who is doing a great job
 - Meeting enjoys a rotating format
- **Monday 7:00pm “Authentic Men”: No IGR**
- **Tuesday 12:30pm “Inner Loving Parent-Inner Child” Wendy**
 - Meeting going well
 - Attendance fluctuates a lot with a big group lately
- **Tuesday 6:00pm “Tony A Meditation” – Carol**
 - Changed to in person at Quaker Meeting House originally held at 7:00 pm now 6:00 pm
 - 6-8 in attendance
 - Moved to Fellowship Room to waylay noise from street traffic
 - Guided meditation format and reading from Tony A's Laundry List book
- **Tuesday 6:00pm “Breathe Easy” – Monterey - Abe (Name Change “Red Book Meeting” per WSO website)**
 - This meeting has been moved to Sunday at 7:00 pm
 - More comfortable seating in meeting room where AA meets at 419 Hartnell facing Trader Joe's parking lot
 - 4 core members attracting newcomers and out of towners
 - They have a new secretary
 - Hopefully increasing in size in near future



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IGR REPORTS – CONT'D

- **Wednesday 9:30am “Serenity Seekers” – Di** Absent No Proxy No Report
- **Wednesday 6:00pm “Freedom from the Past”- Salinas - No IGR**
- **Wednesday 5:30pm “ACA @ UCSC” – No IGR**
- **Thursday 5:30pm “Women in Recovery” – Victoria**
 - Meeting going strong with core attendees and newcomers
 - Meeting is closed at 5:45 to prevent zoom bombers – closure means no one admitted after 5:45 and if attendees lose internet connection, they are unable to be re-admitted
 - Meeting closure explanation made at beginning of meeting
- **Thursday 5:30 pm “Getting the Band Back Together” – Bob**
 - 18-25 attending weekly with core of about 15 attendees
 - Rotating format
 - Discussions being held about having a literature chairperson and hoping to have one in the future
- **Thursday 7:00pm “Serenity Seekers” – No IGR**
- **Friday 7:15pm “Friday Night ACA” – No IGR – Carol gave brief report**
 - 10 in attendance
 - Hasn’t been zoom bombed lately
- **Saturday 9:00am “Heart Circle” – Lorna**
 - 15-20 showing up every week
 - One secretary right now but exploring possibility of co-secretaries
 - *Strengthening My Recovery* read each week
 - Not an in person meeting yet
 - Zoom bombing hasn’t been an issue
 - Literature Chairperson needed

MEETINGS WITH NO CURRENT INTERGROUP REPRESENTATION

Monday 9:30 am “ACA in Scotts Valley”	Monday 7:00 pm Quaker Meeting House “Authentic Men”
Wednesday 6:00 pm “Freedom from the Past	Wednesday 7:00 pm “ACA @ UCSC”
Thursday 7:00pm “Serenity Seekers”	Friday 7:15pm Barn Studio “Friday Night ACA”

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Literature Depot – Carol Host

- Screen shared spreadsheet showing May sales and purchases leaving current inventory
 - 8 Big Red Books
 - 5 Yellow Step Workbooks
 - 8 Strengthening My Recovery
 - 5 Laundry List Workbooks
 - 7 Loving Parent Guidebooks
 - 29 Newcomer Booklets

Motion to accept the Literature Report as of 05/26 as submitted
 Motion made by Renée, Seconded by Dottie and passed in favor unanimously (15-0-0)



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COMMITTEE REPORTS – CONT'D

Website/Zoom - Evie

- Website domain registration renewal of \$34.99 due in June – auto renewal
- Website being taken down for maintenance on May 31st from 1:00-4:00 pm with this information posted on the website in red and yellow to update plugins such as the Event Calendar, etc.
- Evie doesn't expect any problems during normal maintenance window
- May website graph revealed the most hits were on 5/27 122 hits, Best Overall 7/11/2020 327, cumulative total 105,361

Quarterly Virtual Speaker Meeting - Shari Chair

- Next Virtual Speaker Meeting scheduled Sunday July 16 with 3 speakers, game, giveaway, sponsorship corner at 7
- Flyer to be distributed and posted on the website in June

Workshop Coordinator – Active – No Chair

- See Below – New Business

Outreach Committee – Rosa Chair – Not in Attendance – No Report

- May meeting was held
- Meetings held first Friday of the month via Zoom as posted on the website Events Calendar

Retreat Committee – On Hiatus - No Chair

Fun Night Task Force – On Hiatus – No Chair

OLD BUSINESS

Workshop poll from members – Carol

- Member Survey was re-sent to 160 email addresses receiving *Conscious Contact* and Survey listed on *Conscious Contact* but link not posted with request to fill out and return Survey
- Survey posted on Intergroup website
- Carol screen-shared this year's Survey responses (27 responded - 5 during this re-send with total of 17% response) and went over results
- Discussion ensued regarding workshops being offered by Intergroup
- Renée stepped up to give a Step Workshop and Jeannie volunteered to assist her
- Evie is thinking about giving a Non-Dominant Handwriting Workshop for the Inner Child and asked for assistance
- Renée volunteered to assist Evie in scouting out possible in person sites

Zoom “Bombing” protocol for this meeting and as a template for other ACA meetings. Link provided from Vanderbilt University (text provided as Reference Document at the end of Agenda)

- Paul was thanked for providing this information
- Discussion about Zoom bombing and the safety effect on meetings
- It was pointed out this reference does not contain up-to-date information regarding the security button on Zoom
- Carol mentioned a new Zoom feature where Zoom account owner can prevent attendees from using videos on their screen pictures and she volunteered to tutor anyone interested in learning more about this feature - her cell phone number to be listed for tutoring purposes in the *Conscious Contact*
- Suggested this link be given in the *Conscious Contact* as a suggestion for how to handle Zoom bombing occurrences
- Also to be found on Website
- Victoria appreciated Paul bringing up Zoom Bombing and protocol to address this important issue and mentioned Women in Recovery protocol of closing the meeting for precaution
- Lorna mentioned closing meetings meant no one to re-enter if Zoom connection was lost and no one can enter after the meeting has been closed



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NEW BUSINESS

Intergroup Open House six year anniversary - possible committee formation

- Evie suggested a committee be formed to research possible six year anniversary celebration
- Renée volunteered to lead a committee to organize a picnic celebration for this year's fifth year anniversary
- Six people volunteered to assist Renée

Volunteer Workshop Coordinator

- Paul gave a thumbnail sketch of the reason the Intergroup needs a Workshop Coordinator recognizing scheduling and format issues
- Shari being the previous Workshop Coordinator volunteered to assist getting information to perspective Coordinators
- Bob stepped up to be Workshop Coordinator indicating he would solicit Shari's assistance

Evaluations

- Paul reiterated the value of Evaluations and Acknowledgements to the meeting
- Renée mentioned her trouble accessing the agenda on Google Docs and would prefer a pdf be attached to an email
- Jeannie thanked Dottie for sending the Treasurer's Report in advance of the meeting and asked all who were sharing reports to send her a copy for the meeting records/minutes input
- Evie apologized again for not getting agenda out and will in a timely manner

Acknowledgements

- Lorna acknowledged Carol for her diligence in preparing and disseminating the Workshop Survey
- Evie reiterated appreciation for Bob stepping up to be Workshop Coordinator
- Shari acknowledged that everyone is doing their best at any given time in their service to the Intergroup and that this is a team effort and Evaluations and Acknowledgments might not need to be a part of the minutes

The next Intergroup meeting scheduled - Saturday, June 24, 2023 4:00-5:30 pm
Zoom 898 9797 7526 passcode 792214

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

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Renée seconded by Shari passed unanimously in favor (15-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm following the ACA Serenity Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie
Intergroup Secretary
5/28/23