

MONTEREY BAY ACA INTERGROUP IG#654 MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, July 26, 2025, at 4:00 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 89897977526 PC: 792214

| ATTENDEES: INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVES | | | | | |
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| GROUP # | INTERGROUP MEMBER MEETING | IGR | PRESENT | PROXY | VOTES |
| CA1277 | SUN 3:30 pm "Adult Loving Parent" | Sophia | | | |
| WEB0287 | SUN 6:00 pm "Laundry Lists" | Peg | X | | 1 |
| CA1264 | MON 9:30 am "Scotts Valley ACA" | Jeannie | X | | 1 |
| CA1371 | MON 5:30 pm "Stepping Up in ACA" | Beverle | X | | 1 |
| CA1308 | MON 7:00 pm "Authentic Men" | Charlie | X | | 1 |
| CA1233 | TUE 12:30 pm "Inner Loving Parent – Inner Child" | She'a Shaunna | X | | 1 |
| CA1416 | TUE 6:15 pm "Tony A Meditation" | Carol | X | | 1 |
| CA1601 | TUE 7:00 pm "New Love ACA Group" – Monterey | Megan | | | |
| CA1169 | WED 9:30 am "Serenity Seekers" | Need | | | |
| CA1373 | WED 5:30 pm "ACA @ UCSC" | Need | | | |
| CA1170 | THU 5:30 pm "Women in Recovery" | Need | | | |
| CA1553 | THU 5:30 pm "Gettin' the Band Back Together" | Bob | X | | 1 |
| CA1469 | THU 7:30 pm "ABCs of ACA" Los Gatos | Krista | | | 1 |
| WEB1329 | FRI 8:15 am "8:15" | Shari | X | | 1 |
| CA1276 | SAT 9:00 am "Heart Circle" | Patt | X | | 1 |

| ATTENDEES: OFFICERS/VISITORS | | | | | |
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| TITLE | NAME | PRESENT | PROXY | VOTES | VISITORS |
| Chair | Evie | X | | 1 | |
| Vice Chair | Renée | X | | 1 | |
| Secretary | Need | Carol temp substitute | | | |
| Treasurer | Carol | x | | | |
| WSO Rep | Peg | | | | |
| Visitors | | | | | |

| ATTENDEES: COMMITTEE CHAIRS/COORDINATORS | | | | | |
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| COMMITTEE | STATUS | CHAIR | PRESENT | PROXY | VOTES |
| Website/Zoom | Active | Carol | X | | |
| Workshop Coordinator | Active | Bob | X | | |
| Quarterly Virtual Speaker Meeting | Active | Bob | X | | |
| Literature Depot Host | Active | Caryn | X | | 1 |
| Outreach Committee | Active | Need | | | |
| H&I Committee | Inactive | Need | | | |
| Retreat Committee | Active | Evie/Beverle | X | | |

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| OPENING |
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- Evie opened meeting at 4:00 pm with Serenity Prayer
- Carol volunteered to provide Zoom meeting security
- Members read Mission Statement, Commitment to Service, 7th Tradition, 7th Concept and Guidelines for Business Meetings
- Carol is serving as secretary today with the help of zoom recording and AI Companion. Renee agreed to name all attendees and roles when taking attendance.
- Roll taken by Renee, voting rights clarified, quorum established at 10, with 11 voting members present. One more person arrived a few minutes later for a total of 12 voting members.

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| MINUTES |
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- Evie asked if there were any changes to the minutes of the June meeting and called for a motion to approve.
Motion to approve June meeting minutes made by Renee, 2nd by Jeannie Vote: (11-0-0)

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| OFFICERS' REPORTS |
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Chair Evie – Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting on a beautiful Saturday afternoon, and apologized for sending out the agenda late.

Vice Chair – no report

Secretary - open position, no report. Evie asked if anyone wanted to volunteer for the position.

Treasurer – Carol - Carol screen shared the Treasurer's report with a minor correction from the one that was emailed with the agenda. She thanked Caryn for noticing the error. Displayed only the current (year to date) report. Per last meeting vote, \$888.55 has been moved from the General Fund into the Events Reserve and the \$60 cash was deposited in the bank. Currently have General Fund: \$2326.89.52, Reserves: \$1960.52 which equals the bank balance of \$4287.41.

Motion: Accept the corrected Treasury Report for July. Motion by Renee/ Caryn Vote: (12-0-0)

WSO rep: Peg The first "group membership vote", with each registered meeting having a vote, Sept 18-January 18. Groups can change their mind during this time. The group membership vote this fall is about changing the name of ACA to ACAD – Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families. 67% approval is required to pass. They are very interested in the comments that are submitted with the votes.

INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- **Sunday 3:30 pm "Adult Loving Parent" Sophia absent, no report**
- **Sunday 6:00 pm "Laundry Lists" Peg** reported strong core and many drop-ins. Finished the appendices and starting with Trait One. We will be experimenting with posting the questions for the segment in the chat as a stimulus for sharing topics.
- **Monday 9:30 am "ACA of Scotts Valley" Jeannie**
Meeting is strong, with 22 at the last meeting, one from India. Strong core. New secretary started a 3-month term. With over \$300 in treasury they will discuss making donations to IG and WSO.
- **Monday 5:30 pm "Stepping Up in ACA" Beverle**
Meeting is still on life support. Thanked Shari for keeping it going this summer. They read Strengthening My Recovery.
- **Monday 7:00 pm "Authentic Men" Charlie**
Healthy attendances with 25, may need to find a larger meeting space. The meeting is financially stable, planning regular donations to IG and WSO. There is a lot of hunger for fellowship. They are considering a service position of fellowship coordinator. There was a question if it's appropriate to use 7th Tradition funds for that, will continue to discuss at business meeting. Pleased with enthusiasm and turnout at this meeting.
- **Tuesday 12:30 pm "Inner Loving Parent-Inner Child" She'aShaunna**
As many as 25 attendees. People feel safe. Fine financially, lots of literature. Meeting does Inner Child work, has lots of literature.
- **Tuesday 6:15 pm "Tony A Meditation" Carol**
Good attendance. Someone has stepped up to cover for secretary business trip and will likely continue as regular secretary when that term ends soon.
- **Tuesday 7:00 pm "New Love ACA Group" Monterey Megan absent/no report**
Renee mentioned Eric from that meeting had asked about insurance.
- **Wednesday 9:30 am "Serenity Seekers" Need IGR**
- **Wed 7:00 pm "ACA @ UCSC" Need IGR**
- **Thursday 5:30 pm "Getting' the Band Back Together" Bob**
The meeting is healthy with 18-25 attending, lots of literature, good finances, rotating topic each week, strong core group. They circulated a vote on an outside activity and chose a potluck at a park on August 23. They will invite the Saturday workshop participants also.
- **Thursday 7:30 pm "ABCs of ACA" Krista absent – Jeannie reported**
Meeting had going strong at its new location. Some people were asking about insurance for meeting rooms; Jeannie found an informational document and will share it with anyone who wants it.
- **Thursday 5:30 pm 'Women in Recovery' – Kerri no longer IGR; Evie reported**
Zoom meeting, with a speaker on the 4th Thursday. Usually 12-15 attending, rotating secretary duties.
- **Friday 8:15 am "8:15" Shari**
Meeting has been going for a year. 27 attended yesterday with several regulars. They read Chapters 8 & 15 of BRB, meeting lasts 45 minutes with 2 minute shares.
- **Saturday 9:00 am "Heart Circle" Patt**
Meeting is strong with many regulars and deep shares. People talk about solutions. Attendance is good with 15-18 people.

COMMITTEE / COORDINATOR REPORTS

- **Literature Depot – Caryn** presented the literature report for July.
Caryn also reported she had updated the literature order form / price sheet to reflect the new Connections pamphlet, and that it has been updated on the website. She also reported a new more compliant way for our workshops to get their literature (by buying from a member meeting). She asked that anyone has contact information for the newest newcomer at the speaker meeting, to please give her that information. She bought more postage for mailing Newcomer Pamphlets. She noted someone from UK requested one but it is too expensive to ship to UK!

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Website – Carol displayed web activity report. She and Evie updated PHP, some underpinning software for the website that was out of date. GoDaddy assisted with refreshing our staging site so we could test the PHP update before doing it on the live site. Carol also cancelled renewal on Events Tickets Plus, as we voted last month.

Hybrid Speaker Meeting ad hoc committee– Evie reported she and Carol are looking at some other potential sites besides Resource Center for Nonviolence for information. Carol displayed a comparison of 3 viable sites, with costs ranging from \$200 to \$375. RCNV has us tentatively scheduled for Saturday October 18. Each site has internet access with wifi and a large flat screen monitor which Evie can connect her laptop to via HDMI cable. This will allow the local audience to see and hear a potential remote / Zoom speaker.

The group opted not to use London Nelson Community Center because of the very limited and scattered parking. Evie agreed to notify London Nelson on Monday.

Tres Pueblos VFW hall offered to sponsor our room rent; they do not require insurance for a small event like this which does not have alcohol, but we would need to pay \$200 for their cleanup / janitorial crew after the event. IG members want to make sure there will not be other activities there, especially with bar which is noisy. Tres Pueblos has a large parking lot. We will need to specify 'no alcohol' although nobody has brought alcohol to a potluck so far. We could also make a donation to the VFW.

Two members also mentioned the Mid-County Senior Center in Capitola, which we have not checked with. Carol will pursue. We need to decide soon in order to secure a facility. Someone suggested that since we are not meeting in August, we authorize the committee to proceed. Clarified that Ad Hoc Hybrid Speaker Meeting Committee is made up of Evie, Bob and Carol.

Motion: If Tres Pueblos does not have bar/other activities during our event, secure that location for October 19 Sunday potluck. If not, Committee is authorized to proceed with RCNV, or whatever other location such as Mid-County Senior Center it deems best. Carol/Renee (11-0-1)

Virtual Speaker Meeting – Bob stated July 20 meeting went well but attendance was lower than usual fluctuating from 25-32. 7th Tradition was \$21. We discussed screen-sharing something to encourage 7th Tradition donations and asked Shari to provide a copy of what she used in the past. Evie encouraged IG members to attend our speaker meetings if they can.

Workshops – Bob

Bob reported someone expressed interest in offering a workshop but they did not come to the meeting today to present it.

Renee mentioned that Sven is looking at starting a men's in-person step study workshop using the 16-week format. This is an offshoot of the Monday night Authentic Men meeting. No start date yet.

Shari reported 82 people came to the first meeting of the Laundry Lists workshop which started this week.

Shari asked IG to sanction her upcoming workshop on Sunday, August 17 3:00–4:30 PM Pacific Time which will be "The Spiritual Piece." It is about Step 11. She will provide a flyer in the next 4-5 days.

Motion: Sanction Shari's August 17 workshop "The Spiritual Piece" on step 11 Shari/Renee (Vote: 12-0-0)

- **Outreach – open position.** Shari reported she is posting on the Facebook page that Rosa created for Intergroup.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- **Retreat?**

Evie floated the idea of having another retreat. It is too late to reserve a space for this fall, but Jeannie volunteered to start looking at potential locations for a spring or summer 2026 all-day event. Some of the Retreat Committee members from the last retreats (Evie, Shari, Renee) offered to assist. It is a lot of work to put on a retreat and the committee asks for new participants. Several people mentioned that fellow travelers would like another retreat. The couple presenting was one of the highlights of the spring retreat.

One idea is to do a half-day retreat which would not have as many activities and would be less work to put together.

As Speaker Meeting Chair, Bob also suggested that since we are moving to hybrid speaker meetings, that affords an opportunity for people to socialize. The format could include having a pair of speakers and/or having an interactive section and only one speaker.

CONCLUSION

- No meeting in August per vote last month. Next meeting scheduled for **Saturday, September 27th at 4:00 pm.**
- **Motion: Adjourn with a prayer (Shari/Renee) Vote: 12-0-0**
- Evie closed the meeting at 5:15 with the Unity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted ,

Carol G

Substitute / Temporary Secretary 7/27/25