

MONTEREY BAY ACA INTERGROUP IG#654 MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 4:00 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 89897977526 PC: 792214

ATTENDEES: INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVES					
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			
CA1308	MON 7:00 pm "Authentic Men"	Charlie	X		1
CA1233	TUE 12:30 pm "Inner Loving Parent – Inner Child"	She'a Shaunna			
CA1416	TUE 6:15 pm "Tony A Meditation"	Carol	X		1
CA1601	TUE 7:00 pm "New Love ACA Group" – Monterey	Megan	X		1
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	Stephanie	1

ATTENDEES: OFFICERS/VISITORS					
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	X		1	
Visitors					

ATTENDEES: COMMITTEE CHAIRS/COORDINATORS					
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	Shari/Evie	X		

OPENING

- Evie opened meeting at 4:01 pm with Serenity Prayer
- Carol volunteered to provide Zoom meeting security
- Members read Mission Statement, Commitment to Service, 9th Tradition, 9th Concept and Guidelines for Business Meetings
- Carol is serving as secretary today with the help of zoom recording and AI Companion.
- Roll taken by Renee, voting rights clarified, quorum established at 10, with 10 voting members present. One more person arrived later for a total of 11 voting members.

MINUTES

- Evie asked if there were any changes to the minutes of the July meeting and called for a motion to approve.
Motion to approve July meeting minutes made by Renee, 2nd by Peg Vote: (10-0-0)

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Chair Evie – Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She mentioned that her term of service ends in January, so that others might think about stepping up for service as chair next year or announce at meetings.

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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. There have been 2 checks (as yet uncashed) to VFW for a deposit and rent for our October 19 speaker meeting. A deposit of \$180 to Koinonia for our May 30, 2026 retreat. Also some literature sales and purchases, and donations from Tuesday Tony A, Monday 9:30 Scotts Valley, and Saturday Heart Circle. Currently have General Fund: \$2457.51, Reserves: \$1780.52 which totals \$4,238.03. Shari noted that we usually make a donation to WSO in March and September. We donated \$1268 in March. Carol had not prepared a recommendation but noted we have no upcoming expenses.

Motion: Donate \$1,000 to WSO. Motion by Shari/ Peg Vote: (9-0-1)

Minority opinion had already been expressed during discussion – that we might have as-yet-unidentified expenses related to the May 2026 retreat.

WSO rep: Peg had attended the first 8-hour Conference Business Meeting) workday today, before our Intergroup meeting. She provided a written report document in the chat so we could follow along. Highlights:

- WSO financial report – running at a deficit of \$72,000 as of midyear, projected to end the year at a \$40,000 deficit. WSO has only 10 full time and 2 part time staff plus 4 contractors. This is a very small staff compared to AA, AlAnon and NA. We need the staff to handle literature sales etc. There have been prior deficits.
- It was noted that only ¼ of meetings contribute to WSO.
- Literature: Literature Assessment Project Team has subcommittees: Literature evaluation – 3 projects and Literature in development – 6 projects
- ACA has literature in 68 countries. BRB 20th anniversary is in 2026. ACA 50th anniversary is 2028.
- Charter Committee reports to the board of trustees
- ABC Committee reports to board of trustees
- Concepts Committee reports to board of trustees; working on Concept 2, to send for Fellowship Group Vote
- Starting with the first “**Fellowship Group Vote**” on the name change, the hope is to garner more membership involvement via Fellowship Group Votes. WSO is are very interested in the comments that are submitted with the votes.
- The individuals who are listed as meeting contacts (or maybe as WSO reps) were sent an email from WSO about the name change vote. Carol received one and will forward to Evie to send out to the rest of our IG members so their meetings can participate in the vote.

INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- **Sunday 3:30 pm “Adult Loving Parent” Sophia absent, no report**
- **Sunday 6:00 pm “Laundry Lists” Peg** reported its “the coolest meeting” with strong core and many drop-ins. Each meeting focuses on one aspect of a trait, using the questions from the Laundry Lists Workbook.
- **Monday 9:30 am “ACA of Scotts Valley” Jeannie**
Meeting is strong, with 11-20 at the last meeting. No recent zoom bombing. Needs a treasurer (Dottie is interim).
- **Monday 5:30 pm “Stepping Up in ACA” Beverle absent, Shari reported**
4 core members rotate secretary duties. Attendance varies from 4-10.
- **Monday 7:00 pm “Authentic Men” Charlie**
Healthy attendances with 20+, newcomers. Working out getting regular contributions to IG and WSO. New secretary.
- **Tuesday 12:30 pm “Inner Loving Parent-Inner Child” She’aShaunna absent, no report**
- **Tuesday 6:15 pm “Tony A Meditation” Carol**
Steady participation 6-10. Guided meditation and reading from Tony A book.
- **Tuesday 7:00 pm “New Love ACA Group” Monterey Megan**
Going well, with 12-20 attending. St John’s chapel is beautiful location. Solidifying plans for secretary commitment.
- **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 about 20 attending, lots of literature, good finances, rotating topic each week, strong core group. Had a picnic at Jose Ave Park, about 12 attending, people loved it and want to make it quarterly.
- **Thursday 7:30 pm “ABCs of ACA” Krista absent – no report**
- **Thursday 5:30 pm ‘Women in Recovery’ – Kerri no longer IGR; no report**
- **Friday 8:15 am “8:15” Shari**
Meeting going great. 17-27 attend. People from all over. Some regulars, many newcomers. They read Chapters 8 & 15 of BRB, meeting lasts 45 minutes with 2 minute shares.
- **Saturday 9:00 am “Heart Circle” Patt – Stephanie proxy**
Meeting lately 8-10 in the room and several more online. Had a social gathering which went really well.

COMMITTEE / COORDINATOR REPORTS

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- **Literature Depot – Caryn** presented the literature report for August and September. Inventory started and ended around the same. Mailed 4 newcomer pamphlets, sold literature to Tues Tony A., Getting the Band Back, Tues. Inner Loving Parent, Authentic Men. Two literature purchases totaling \$572.38.

Website – Carol displayed web activity for the last week. Jetpack not currently allowing us to see history because they think we are a commercial site.

Hybrid Speaker Meeting ad hoc committee– Evie reported the committee did a successful test at the Tres Pueblos VFW hall with our equipment for the hybrid meeting on **Sunday, October 19**. Bob reported we have 3 speakers, all live in-person. Renee will bring the IG supplies (paper plates, utensils, napkins etc); Carol bought tablecloths based on Renee’s inventory assessment.

We will need help with setup and cleanup. Renee volunteered to help.

Setup will start at 4:30pm on Sunday October 19.

Anyone interested in helping with setup / cleanup can contact Bob. Please announce at meetings.

Virtual Speaker Meeting – Bob See Hybrid Speaker Meeting above

- **Workshops – Bob** no report
- **Retreat Committee – Shari, co-chair** Shari reported the retreat “Fun in Fellowship” will be May 30, 2026 at Koinonia in Corallitos, from approximately 8am to 4:30pm. Evie is creating a save the date flyer. Price will be \$45. This includes lunch and a snack. There is a pool, hiking trails etc. For an additional fee, participants will be able to play laser tag. We may begin ticket sales 3 months in advance of the date. We have not yet determined if we will have a hybrid options for speaker/workshops. Evie is co-chair; Renee, Jeannie, Carol, Dottie are the other committee members. Renee said we will accept raffle prize donations at any time.
- **Outreach – vacant and no volunteers**

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- **Liability insurance**
Megan reported that St John’s has informed the Tuesday New Love meeting that they will need to get liability insurance. Registering as 501c3 nonprofit is complicated and cost prohibitive.
Renee mentioned that in the Bay Area some of the meetings that needed insurance got together to share an insurance policy. Jeannie has a copy of the certificate from the 3 meetings (a few years ago).
Megan will find out if the church has stated how much insurance is specifically needed.
Renee volunteered to contact other meetings and Intergroups to see how they have handled this. She stated some Santa Cruz meeting venues require insurance but we do not have meetings at any of those locations.

CONCLUSION

- **Next meeting Saturday, October 25 at 4pm.**
- **Motion: Adjourn (Renee/Shari) Vote: 11-0-0**
- Evie closed the meeting at 5:00 with the Unity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted ,
Carol G
Substitute / Temporary Secretary 9/29/25