

Mar 10th, 2019

L.A. Intergroup SLAA—P.O. Box 945, Venice, CA 90294-0945

Jenny D called the meeting to order: 12:15pm

1. Serenity Prayer ("We" Version)
2. Readings
 - a. 12 Traditions (John)
 - b. Updated 30 seconds of silence policy (Kirsten)
 1. Serenity committee volunteers: Glen, Chris, and Colin
 - c. Reading of voting policy (Kirsten)
 - d. Reading of timer policy (Kirsten) (Timer volunteer: Claire)
3. Attendee Introductions
4. Take count of voting members (Peter) - 44
5. Officer & Committee Reports
 - a. Secretary (Jenny)
 1. Welcome new positions. Greeting.
 - b. Record Keeper (Jayk)
 1. Jayk read the highlights of the minutes for 3mins 40. Rest of the minutes posted online.
 2. Voted Yes or No to approve the minutes – Voted Yes.
 - c. Bottom Line Editor (Kevin)
 1. Made an announcement about getting Bottom Lines.
 - d. Meeting Registrar (Diane).
 1. Made announcement about signing in / people subbing etc.
 - e. Phone Line Announcement (Nick).
 1. Made announcement about calling in to the phone line. He started answering the calls.
 - f. Literature (Desiree)
 1. Thank you! Had a glitch with orders online. Get a start-up pack - \$80 value for \$36. You can get it for free if you register with FWS office on their site. Get group ID number.
 2. Also come get your orders if they are not fully fulfilled etc.
 - g. Treasurer (Dave)
 - 1) Still counting. We'll come back. Gonna hit a new record. Thanks.
 - h. Mail Clerk (Tim)
 1. All we got was junk mail this month.
 - i. Journal Rep (Kirsten)
 1. Journals available on FWS website.
 2. Question of the day – Submit to Kirsten. "How do you handle negativity? Due the 15th of this month. Due May 15th – New Question – "How has the journal helped in your recovery?"
 3. Always seeking writings from members to publish in journal.
No journals this month, but the topic is on Newcomers from

the last one.

4. Currently working on an app for the journal.
 5. We will want to interview you – Lisa doing interviews. Let them know you want to get interviewed. Journal Rep link on FWS website for email.
 6. We need subscribers – Subscribe on the FWS website. \$15 for an issue every other month. On the website!
- j. Webmaster for SLAA website – Max B
1. Issues with webmail. He didn't purge the mail. No auto purge. He fixed it. No more bouncing.
 2. 12,110 Views for the month. Average of 433 views per day. Lots of traffic!
- j. Workshops & Retreats (Asher)
- 1 Workshops are coming. Sat Mar 16 is the Powerless to Surrender one. Theme is 'Clarity'. Great speakers, mini-marathon.
 - 2 May 18, July 20, Sept 14, week after Thanksgiving are the upcoming events.
- k. Jails and Treatment Centers Committee (Katie)
1. Thanks to all the people who made announcements. Sign-ups are up.
 2. Panel last Tuesday of every month at 9am and we compiling list of these people.
 3. slaajandt@slaalosangeles.org – Is the email for the H&I J&T sign ups.
 4. Please announce in your meetings about J&T committee meeting – It's after the intergroup meeting every month.
 5. Men's Central changing approach to rehabilitative approach. Maybe program sponsor will talk to someone about this.
- l. ABM Delegate Announcements
1. Carol – End of July is ABM. We have a charity auction. LA had zero things to auction off. We should do plenty. Let's talk about having a bunch people help with this.
- m. Literature Copier Report – Kevin
- 1) Basic announcement.
6. Old business.
- a. Speaker List Keeper Election – Alex Volunteers – 394 Days off bottom lines!
 1. Three pros and Three Cons /// Katie Pro /// Glen Pro // Colin Pro /// No Cons /// 40 vote for yes. /// ALEX is elected.
 - b. ABM Alternate Delegate – 2 year term – July 23-27 ABM – Sheraz volunteers – Mona nominates Jayk – Carol nominates Glen – Move

to close nominations. Voted Yes to move into voting.

1. Sheraz – 1 year off Bottom lines. Jayk – 4.5 years off BL. Glen – Very experienced, has been an ABM delegate /// Sheraz 18, Jayk 18, Glenn 8 // revote - Sheraz 18, Jayk 24 – JAYK the new ABM Alt Delegate.
- c. Conference Literature Committee Conduit Election – Dave talks about why the conduit is so great. – Jenny no time requirement.
1. Diane volunteers. Colin nominates Sheraz. // Diane 3 years sober in the program. Sheraz almost one year.
 2. Pros n Cons – PRO for Sheraz / Second PRO for Sheraz / Third PRO for Sherz. / -- Kirsten PRO for Diane. / Second PRO / Cons – Diane quit a committee cuz overcommitted. Second Con // Call to vote.
 3. 40 in favor of Sheraz – SHERAZ is new conduit.
- d. Sponsorship Committee Conduit – be on the committee, year term, report to the group.
1. Lenore volunteers. 3 years off BL, has sponsees around the country. She steps out.
 2. Pros n Cons – PRO experienced / Carol PRO Really fantastic and helpful and international sponsee. / Katie PRO She does what she says . – Call to vote.
 3. No down votes so approx. 43 yes. LENORE is new conduit.
- e. Steps, Traditions and Concepts Conduit –
1. Mona accepts Carol’s nomination. She’s already on the committee and she’s an ABM etc.
 2. Pros n Cons – PROS Dave says she’s contributed a lot to this committee. / PROS Kirsten – She does a lot of research and puts her heart into it. / Call to vote –
 3. Vote – no down votes so approx. 43 yes. MONA is new conduit.
- f. Translation Committee Conduit – Discussion on what the conduit does.
1. No one volunteers for this so... Does Jayk keep doing it? Or who is doing it?

7. New Business.

- a. NON PROFIT - SLAA Los Angeles is now formally registered non-profit. Still waiting for IRS approval for tax exemption. – Dave, Jenny, Diane, and Carol are the committee.
 1. Went over bylaws. Mission statement.
 2. As a committee went over what we want to do with Trustees. Min of 1 and Max of 7 Trustees. Hoping for 5-7

Trustees with One Year Term with rotating changes of terms. 2 years sobriety, 2 years in program, 2 years in Intergroup service (non-consecutive). First time Trustees elected by Intergroup, from then on, elected by existing Trustees. Function of board of trustees to oversee financial reports, fill out IRS forms, make sure book revenue sent to right space. Trustees probably going to meet once a year.

3. Questions – We didn't agree board of trustees when voting? Michael H – Fear of what the Trustees will do. Let's write it down and put it in service manual. / Second question – at FWS level how do THEY handle Trustees? Michael – Let's do it the same way they do at FWS? / Diane – Our Trustees are different from their Trustees. Carol – Ditto. It's just paperwork.
4. Mona Questions – Trustee one-year term. Wording is off. One meeting a year? Changing trustees different years? / Diane – We can meet more than the amount of meetings in the by-laws. // Mona suggestion – Add requirement that Trustee must participate and attend in Intergroup.
5. More Questions – Staggering not gonna work. / Glen – Why don't we say FWS in the by-laws for where money goes if we liquidate. – and – The board electing the following board, we don't like it. Shouldn't do that way.
6. Jenny intervenes. Splitting up motions. First motion – To accept the Trustee requirements. Second motion – To nominate the Trustees. / Questions and concerns relating to nominating process. / Diane takes a friendly amendment to her motion. / Diane says we need board officers to open the account before end of the month to pay sales tax.
7. Jenny extends meeting by 5 minutes. Everyone votes yes.
8. Diane re-states by-laws. Re-states Trustee requirements including Mona's friendly amendment.
9. Votes – PROS and CONS – Pros – “We need to get it done.” / Cons – Three cons. – Third CONS – Jayk says that this is too messy and it's not spiritual, and Jayk suggests that we make the committee the trustees temporarily for a month so that we can discuss this again next month.
10. VOTE – 18 in favor of passing motion – 11 against the motion – MOTION PASSES to have the trustee requirements statements get accepted.
11. Moving on to second motion about electing Trustees. //
12. Jenny decides that the Committee will move forward as

an ad hoc group of Trustees to get things covered this month, and time to close meeting.

8. Treasurer's Final Report

a. IG/FWS: \$----- IG FWS \$----- \$125 was for Jails and Treat - Total 2995.30

b. Literature: \$1965.75

9. Announcements for good of the order - Nothing.

10. No motion to close meeting. Just closed.

11. "We" Version of Serenity Prayer. Meeting closed at 1:57pm