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v1. Serenity Prayer

v2. Readings

- Twelve Traditions
 - Thirty Seconds of Silence Policy
 - Voting Policy (Volunteer for vote counter)
 - Tammis Volunteered to be Vote Counter
 - Timer Policy (Volunteer for announcing the time every 15 minutes)
 - David Volunteered to be Timekeeper
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v3. Attendee Introductions

- From Registrar (also available in chat)
 - Please sign in for your meetings at: <https://forms.gle/gqqWH83oaKAmw6cv7> If you represent more than one meeting, please fill out the form for each meeting.
 - If you are present in person, please sign in with the registrar in the front of the room.
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v4. Take Count of Voting Members

- Voting members are either intergroup reps (representing a meeting) or committee representatives. People representing multiple meetings or committees count as only one vote.
 - There were **[19]** voting members on Zoom and **[11]** in the room, for a total of **[30]** voting members.
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5. Officer & Committee Reports

vSecretary – (Jayk) – secretary@slaalosangeles.org

- “Really glad to have so many people here in person”!
- There is free Pizza today.

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- Secretary explains that he wants to make intergroup fun and effective. Wants others to give him feedback or ideas, if they have any, on how to make it both fun and effective.
 - Excited for Sunday June 26th ABM Delegate Townhall on Zoom!
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√Record Keeper – (Danny)

- Minutes from last month **[MAY]** were approved.

See last month's minutes in Google Drive Intergroup folder:

√Treasurer (Anonymous)

- Income:
 - May: 3546.16
 - YTD: 10418.47
 - Expense
 - May: 2468.37
 - YTD: 9218.10
 - Received 186.21 for FWS, will be paid in June
 - New Totals:
 - HI: 1965.46
 - LA Retreats: 2977.76
 - ASL Access Fund: 27.25
 - Prudent Reserve: 15000
 - IG Cash Balances is 2523.36
 - Total Cash:
 - 22680.04
 - NO questions for the treasurer
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√Bottom Line Editor – (Eoin Thomas)

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- This month we spent 55.13 on 250 copies of the Bottom Line
 - It is a great free resource for newcomers
 - Currently we have 36 meetings, and we have had 11 meetings pick up their ten free copies
 - Please encourage your IG reps or someone in your group to pick up the Bottom Lines
 - Questioned asked about being received via Email.
 - Response that it is located on slaalosangeles.org
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Meeting Registrar – (Michael)

- If you have any changes to meetings, please email registrar@slaalosangeles.org
 - Please sign up in person, sign in online in the chat
 - [35] In person meetings, plus intergroup for [36]
 - 23 Email conversations since last intergroup
 - There is a breakdown by day in the report
 - There is a breakdown of an email report
 - Nonprofit Tax ID number and address with number is needed for a meeting trying to be started up
 - Most updated list of meetings on the report
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 - Question/Statement: About insurance that SLAA has for starting meetings?
 - We don't have insurance for meetings
 - Email secretary@slaalosangeles.org about starting a meeting and questions surrounding logistics
 - Question about Spanish Speaking meetings in the Los Angeles area.
 - Answer: Even before pandemic, SLAA only had one registered Spanish-speaking meeting. It is international. We have not had any in-person meeting in SLAA intergroup, but the only in-person meetings are in Argentina and Spain.
 - Statement: Webmaster would love to get some information on Spanish-Speaking meeting and would be put on the website right away.
 - Statement: There is Spanish literature for free at the Literature Table. Available on FWS website as well.
 - Statement: Julie is going to make herself available to talk about this issue.
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Virtual Meeting Registrar – (Kelsey)

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- If you have any changes, please email virtualmeetings@slaalosangeles.org or fill out the form online. You can also email the webmaster and/or secretary.
 - Updated 4 things. Working with someone to reach out to all meetings to update passwords and info.
 - Please email secretary for any questions.
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✓ Phone Line – (Sarah S.)

- 20 people called this month.
 - Topics about starting meetings in Hermosa Beach and West Side.
 - Call about meeting space available in downtown LA.
 - Sarah S. resigning from her commitment as Phone Line representative.
 - Election will be held later this year
 - Katie M would love to take over, but election will come soon.
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✓ Literature – (Claire)

- Lit sales for May 2022 \$470.95 (spreadsheet attached)
 - Claire thanked the pre-order individuals. Makes it easier for her to spend time on meeting.
 - Come buy literature here at Intergroup or schedule an in-person meet up with our one lit assistant Adam.
*All info, how to order, inventory and costs on our website slaalosangeles.org under the literature drop down menu.
 - 3 free pamphlets on our Slaa LA website.; 40 Questions, Addicted to Sex? Addicted to Love?, & For the Professional.
 - Sober Dating Questions for Discussion booklet available for \$9.99 or you can order it through Amazon/Kindle digital or paperback, proceeds still go to SLAA.
 - Now carrying Newcomers packet for sale \$4.40 - 40 Questions self-diagnosis pamphlet, Welcome pamphlet, Questions Beginners Ask pamphlet, Welcome chip, Pocket Toolkit, Basic Text Bookmark.
 - SLAA FWS (fellowship wide services) has more / all possible literature as well as many digital options and ships to you from their headquarters in Texas.
 - Free Spanish literature available at the literature table at Intergroup.
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✓ Journal Rep – Mona

Journal Flyer:

- Journal is the SLAA magazine. Shares and stories shared via literature. Written by fellows.
- Flyer was posted in chat and in person here at intergroup. Please bring back to your groups!
- You can subscribe to Journal as well, and have it mailed to you.
- You can now get PDF journals (and past journals) for free on slaafws.org
- You can write and be a part of the journal

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- Current Topic: “Defects High Power Let Me Keep” -> Deadline is July 15. Info for submitted is on slaafws.org/thejournal

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√ Webmaster – (Dave G.)

- **[7710]** visits to our website in May
- Average time on was 5 Minutes 11 Seconds
- **[77]%** were new visitors
- **Increases from numbers of last month**
- Over half of all visits found site through Google Search
- **[61]** Countries visited our website (Almost our new high)
- 8 Audio Files were updated
- Bottom Line page was updated
- Meeting notices page was updated as well
- Workshop page updated with July Workshop
- Problems with JotForm so some issue with updating some parts of the website.

√ Workshops & Retreats – (Glen L)

- Last workshop about 105 people
- Brought in 150 dollars
- Expenses were around 60, so donation to IG coming soon
- Next two will be on Zoom. There are too many people from out of town and venues are too expensive now
- If you want a live workshop, and it meets our guidelines with low outside issues, we can try to publicize it for you
- Retreat is on. Covid situation is all over the place, but should be able to go to Malibu again. Flyers being handed out in meeting.

√ H&I Committee – (Rachel W)

- The H&I committee need panel facilitators and speakers especially for the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month.
- Meeting is at 5 today after this meeting.
- If you know a place that wants a panel, please let the committee know! Please elect an H/I representative to your meetings.

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- Please reach out to h-and-l@slaalosangeles.org to offer service and attend a short meeting on zoom right after intergroup to get involved in service!
 - Zoom Meeting: SLAA H&I Committee
 - Every month on the 2nd Sunday after Intergroup
 - Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87972190670?pwd=aVgyUHpGZGFOSEdKN091aWQrRkJKZz09>
 - Meeting ID: 879 7219 0670
 - Passcode: Service
 - Full Report: <https://bit.ly/35XUBFG>
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✓ Speaker List Keeper – (Alex)

- Representative not present
 - Please send an email to spakerslist@slaalosangeles.org if you want to be added or want the list
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Literature Copier – (Open)

Audio Library Committee – (Kye)

- Audio Library is a great resource. We have limited recordings in relation to other programs and we are trying to get more to catch up.
 - Audio Library Link: <HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/AUDIOLASLAA> (instructions on how to submit)
 - Website: <https://www.slaalosangeles.org/audio>. Library of speaker mp3s there.
 - Please contact the Audio Committee if you would like to get your share up on the website.
 - To contact audio library committee, email audio@slaalosangeles.org.
 - Secretary making announcement to encourage meetings to bring up the idea of recording at meetings. However, agreements are needed to have shares uploaded.
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✓ ABM Delegates – Jayk, Rachel, Gil and Robin, Claire (alternate), Sarah (alternate)

- Delegates have been meeting and planning an upcoming town hall.
- Sunday June 16 from 3-4:40 on Zoom. Zoom info to come.
- ABM delegates will go over five topics that will be voted on at ABM, all fellows will have opportunity to discuss with ABM delegates how you think.

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- Some of the topics to be covered, Motion from CPIC to put people on Youtube, Talking about change in Literature Making, Editing Basic Text, may be other topics available as well
 - Request to add topics, and what ABM is, on Flyer.
 - Will this info be in the bullets?
 - Yes, this can be included in the bullets
 - Bullets will be sent at the closing of this meeting.
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FWS Conference Committees:

Literature Committee Conduit – Alex H

- Not Present

Sponsorship Committee Conduit- Clark

- Not Present

Steps, Traditions, & Concepts Conduit- Noah

- 2nd Sunday each month at 2pm on Zoom
- Lots of fun stuff at meeting last time
- Discussed and read literature like the Outreach and Phone Calls Pamphlet

Translation Committee Conduit- Joe

- Not Present

Diversity Committee Conduit – Erin

- Danny filling in for Erin
 - Please email recordkeeper@slaalosangeles.org for more info on last meeting
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SLAA Los Angeles, Inc. Board of Trustees – (Mona, chair)

- N/A,
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SLAA FWS Board of Trustees (If Rep Present... Christina M or other)

- No Report/Update
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6. Old Business

7. New Business

- **Motion “For Intergroup to create a committee to plan and host an SLAA LA Intergroup Dance Party to take place in September”**
 - **Question:** Is this a fundraiser:
 - **Answer:** Not a fundraiser, just for the purpose of “dancing”.
 - **Question:** Can this be an a legitimate event sponsored by SLAA?
 - **Answer:** The motion is to just create a party. As written, the motion is separate from workshops and retreat.
 - **Question:** Can we heard more about how these fits in with our primary purpose?
 - **Answer:** Person who made this motion is not here.
 - **Question:** Does anyone want to assume the lead for this motion?
 - **Answer:** Oscar said he will do it
 - **Questions:** Do you want it to be separate from Workshops and Retreats and make it one single dance party?
 - **Answer:** Yes, separate and make it a fundraiser. Tickets should be five dollars.
 - **Questions:** how would throwing this part be in line with our primary purpose?
 - **Answer:** Thinks it will help by getting everybody in the program in the same room, by doing a behavior that is fun with your fellows.

Motion is Seconded:

- **Question:** Is this closed event?
- **Answer:** Yes, but questions about partners will be spoken about at a later date.
- **Question:** Is there an idea of how big the committee should be?
- **Answer:** Three-person committee
- **Question:** Curious if this will cost SLAA money, how will fundraising be figure out?
- **Answer:** Funded by IG, proceeds go back to IG
- **Question:** Are we going to have Business and Dancing at the same town?
- **Answer:** We are just going to be dancing. The event is “sponsored” by LA Intergroup. It is put on by intergroup. Different time than intergroup. Concern brought up about newcomers, but committee will be addressing it.
- **Statement:** Historically have had talent show fundraisers, and other fundraisers, but those functions were autonomous and raised their own money, and IG had nothing to do with it.
- **Question:** Will this committee decide if there is alcohol and a code of conduct?
- **Answer:** Committee will decide that. But alcohol most likely not. Code of conduct will be most likely followed like IG Code of Conduct but will be discussed by committee.
- **Pros and Cons:**

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- **Pro:** We can have. Having a committee to run this is a good idea
- **Pro:** It is a safe environment for fellowship. People would appreciate the camaraderie.
- **Con:** Attraction rather than promotion. We need to also respect the committees that we have in place.
- **Pro:** As someone who is an addict, their normal MO is to isolate, but the opportunity to interact with others is an “Amazing opportunity”.
- **Con:** Dancing is something that can be grey areas for a lot of people. This is something that can lead to high risk and intrigue and can trigger a lot of people.
- **Con:** Wants to remind people that newcomers may have a hard time navigating the event, especially with SLAAs stamp of approval. Hope to warn newcomers that just because it is a SLAA event, doesn't necessarily make it safe.
- **VOTE COUNT:**
 - **15 for 16 against, close vote, vote again.**
 - **17 for and 18 against**
 - **Motion Does Not Pass**
- **If an ABM Alt Delegate has not officially taken Robin's place, choose one to officially take Robin's place as an ABM Delegate**
 - Robin and Gil are on fence about attending, they will let us know about their status on Thursday.
 - Two alternate delegates now, but secretary says we should probably elect a third.
 - Alternate Delegate is two-year commitment. Must go to ABM if the elected delegate cannot.
 - Dates are August 9, 10, and 11. It is a Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
 - 10 Months of Sobriety at Time of ABM is the requirement.
 - **Oscar nominates himself.**
 - **28 for and 2 Against.**
 - **Oscar is elected ABM Alternate.**
- **IFD – Intergroup has paid for the Journal Editor to upgrade to a single room at the ABM for the last five years. Any objection that we do it again?**
 - **Any Objections to the 180 Dollar Upgrade?**
 - **Clarification:** For the Journal Editor, not representative
 - **Clarification:** At the ABM, IG pays for delegates to have rooms. Also pay for delegates to travel there. Also, we usually pay for Journal Editor to have a single room. (Tradition for past five years). It has been the precedent, but just want to see everyone's opinions.
 - **Clarification as to why we do it:** Every year the journal editor is required to go to ABM, and they have a vote. It is stressful at ABM, and that is why LA has set the precedent to get a single. Can also be triggering to room with a stranger.
 - Secretary making statement about the amount of money we have. Pulled info from the aforementioned treasurers' report.
 - **No Objections, Motion is Approved**

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8. Announcements for the Good of the Order

- No Announcements
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9. Adjournment

- Meeting was ended at 5:00 PM PST. Close meeting w/ “WE” version of the Serenity Prayer.
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