

# SLAA Los Angeles IG Agenda – August 8, 2021

## √1. Serenity Prayer

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## √2. Readings

- Twelve Traditions
  - Updated Thirty Seconds of Silence POLICY
  - Voting Policy (Volunteer for vote counter)
  - Timer Policy (Volunteer for announcing the Time every 15 minutes)
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## √3. Attendee Introductions

From Registrar (in chat)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd144hhTEmlg2iZnznzVhb48iK3SyL06v-ZcyDFETI\\_NZ\\_ZMRw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd144hhTEmlg2iZnznzVhb48iK3SyL06v-ZcyDFETI_NZ_ZMRw/viewform)

- people introduced themselves
  - only one person per meeting gets a vote
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## √4. 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 43 voting members
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## 5. Officer & Committee Reports

√Secretary – (Mona) – [secretary@slaalosangeles.org](mailto:secretary@slaalosangeles.org)

I'd like to welcome all of the new Intergroup Reps! Thank you for your service! As a reminder, the SLAA Los Angeles Service Manual (*in the Intergroup google drive*) is a great resource to answer all your questions about service at the intergroup level, all the "hows" and "whys" of what we do at the intergroup meetings. Check it out!

Just a heads up, due to a scheduling conflict, I will be unable to attend the September Intergroup meeting. The meeting will be run by Dave G., our previous Intergroup secretary, on that day. However, I will still be sending out the agenda and other documents, so your reports should still be submitted to me in advance, as usual.

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Lastly, the following month, beginning in October, I'd like to get started with the elections for Intergroup officers for next year. Many of you already know what an arduous task that can be (we have over 25 positions to fill!), so I'd like to try to streamline the process as much as possible. Please start thinking now about what positions you might like to take and/or who you might want to nominate. More info will be coming soon!

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√**Record Keeper** – (Katie)

*See last month's minutes in Google Drive Intergroup folder.*

*Marsian is filling in*

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√**Treasurer (DeTria)**

*See detailed report in Reports folder.*

# JULY TREASURY REPORT

### BEGINNING BANK BALANCE

**\$24,897.40**

JULY INCOME				
	Intergroup	FWS	H&I	Literature
Monthly Total	\$7,460.51	\$194.23	\$134.03	\$1,333.46
	\$9,122.23			

### JULY EXPENSES

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CA Assoc.	FWS	ABM	Lit Purchase	Zoom	Other
Expense Total					
-\$75.00	-\$141.15	-\$190.00	-\$452.50	-\$16.34	-\$243.45
-\$1,118.44					

**ENDING BANK BALANCE**  
**\$32,901.21**

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### √ **Bottom Line Editor – (Jamie)**

To distribute printed copies of The Bottom Line at your in-person meeting(s), email your request to [bottomline@slaalosangeles.org](mailto:bottomline@slaalosangeles.org).

The August/September 2021 publication is in the IG google drive flyers folder. Share this digital copy at your virtual meetings.

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### √ **Meeting Registrar – (Dave)**

*See separate report in Reports folder, with instructions for getting new in-person meetings listed, plus an up-to-date list of ALL current in-person meetings!*

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wv3eaPfbNZSAUySGFOp5o\\_STQlyzgY3N/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wv3eaPfbNZSAUySGFOp5o_STQlyzgY3N/view?usp=sharing)

There's 27 meetings happening in person, Woodland Hills has been temporarily suspended

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### **Virtual Meeting Registrar – (Matt)**

No report submitted.

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### √ **Phone Line – (Kev)**

there were 8 or so calls

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### √Literature – (Claire)

Total literature stock: \$8057.65

In the last 30 days we've sold: \$1521.35 We have 86 different items for sale

We have 2558 items total in stock

LIT. REPS. - I have a suggestion to improve literature sales, if you do not already, maybe try highlighting one piece of literature you like in your announcement and then of course always sharing the link in the chat to our order page [slaalosangeles.org/order](https://slaalosangeles.org/order). Thanks!

THE MORE YOU KNOW: We buy in bulk for max discount and our Intergroup covers taxes and shipping so In-Person literature is the best deal if you live in LA, but you can still always buy directly

from [slaafws.org](https://slaafws.org) where there are more items like audio converted literature options, or all the spanish literature (that we in LA Intergroup do have for free available upon request,

email [literature@slaalosangeles.org](mailto:literature@slaalosangeles.org) if you would like some).

\*I have heard some Amazon options being announced but I am not sure that they should be suggested?

Attached is a literature inventory pdf of our current stock, the 2021 quarterly(April-July) and July only .cvs reports.

- There were some questions about chip distribution and amazon
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Link to Literature Cost and Inventory Value 8.8.21

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/12HBFAqY5wGpMMAqo8tyWVvTCco-5PIHN/view?usp=sharing>

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### √Journal Rep – (Lisa)

Position needs to be filled

Journal question of the day regarding pink clouds

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### √ **Webmaster – (Jayk)**

submitted orally:

there is a new spreadsheet of in person meetings

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1r3mh7yCON8xkKxTwPN9I0cJ3T5z5k\\_MCx3LkJmWwek/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1r3mh7yCON8xkKxTwPN9I0cJ3T5z5k_MCx3LkJmWwek/edit?usp=sharing)

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### √ **Workshops & Retreats – (Gil)**

The SLAA Los Angeles Workshops & Retreats Committee Presents: BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

‘...we came to find intimacy with ourselves, intimacy with God, and then intimacy with others.’

Saturday, September 18th from 1:00 to 4:00PM (PST) via ZOOM

\*FREE to Attend; Workshop opens @ 12:45pm & starts promptly @ 1:00pm (PST)

Our Basic Text suggests that a major sign of recovery is the ability to form trusting ‘partnerships’ with ourselves, God, and with others. However, fear, resentment and our character defects can undermine this task. Join members of SLAA as we explore barriers to healthy relationships. There will be a speaker on each topic and each speaker will be followed by small group discussions. The workshop won’t focus on building primary-exclusive partnerships but rather on the daily relationships we have with ourselves, God, and with others.

For more information: contact your Intergroup Rep or [gglind@yahoo.com](mailto:gglind@yahoo.com) or [gilh.recovery@gmail.com](mailto:gilh.recovery@gmail.com)

ZOOM Meeting ID: 843 0633 4257 Password: wrkshp4

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### √H&I Committee – (Rachel W, and Rachel in a car)

There were 2 Rachels representing H&I

oral report

check the flyer in the drive folder

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1N6T0rB9dQ4rNKWjWFic8KMFSvgnETHfo/view?usp=sharing>

SLAA H&I COMMITTEE MEETING on ZOOM

Time: This is a recurring meeting Every 2nd Sunday at 2:00 PM after intergroup

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87972190670?pwd=aVgyUHpGZGF0SEdKN091aWQrRkJKZz09>

Meeting ID: 879 7219 0670

Passcode: Service

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### √Noah

may submit a written report

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### √ Speaker List Keeper – (Matthew)

no report

12 inquiries for volunteer speakers, 6 people requesting list, look at flyers folder

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### Literature Copier – (open)

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### **Audio Library Committee – (Terhys)**

\*carried over from June\*

- Recorded speaker shares available at: <https://www.slaalosangeles.org/audio>
  - • the language in the release form has been updated to include an ask for consent to have a transcript made of the share
  - • still working out how to get the auto transcript done
  - Please consider recording new shares for this library! SLAA needs them!
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### **√ ABM Delegates – (Glenn S, Jayk, Dianne, Gil, Robin (alternate), Rachel (alternate))**

Jayk submitted oral report and will put a written report in google drive:

Jaky and others attended the Annual Business Meeting with delegates from all the SLAA meetings. Contact them for details.

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### **FWS Conference Committees:**

#### **Literature Committee Conduit – (Grayson)**

\*carry-over report from May\*

We meet on the 4th Saturday of the month at 9 am Pacific Time, the next regularly scheduled CLC meeting will be Saturday, May 22, 2021.

At our last meeting in April, we edited and discussed our “Letter to Newcomers to CLC.”

We are meeting for extra meetings during the week for 1.5 hours each to edit a document called “Making the Most of Meetings.” This is a draft S.L.A.A. document. It is currently in review & is not currently conference-approved literature, but the Conference Literature Committee hopes it will be reviewed by the Conference summer 2021.

Our next meeting to edit and discuss this document is Wednesday, May 12, 2021 (1.5 hours) 5 pm PST; 6 pm MST; 7pm CSD; 8 pm EST  
Meeting ID: 853 1624 4315

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### **Sponsorship Committee Conduit – (Kev)**

Working on a new sponsorship pamphlet and possibly a sponsorship booklet.

### **Steps, Traditions, & Concepts Conduit – OPEN**

### **Translation Committee Conduit – (OPEN)**

### **Diversity Committee Conduit – (Ellie)**

1) The CDC typically meets **the first Saturday of the Month** at Pacific 9:00am; Mountain 10:00 am Central-11:00 am; Eastern 12:00 pm; UK 5:00 pm. We also meet during the S.L.A.A. Annual Business Meeting.

2) **ABM** dates are August 3-6, 2021, Tuesday- Friday. This committee will have 2 meetings during the ABM. Here is when we will have elections for next Chair and Vice Chair. Though Vice Chair position is currently open.

3 ) Workshop Subcommittee – Working on Diversity and Inclusion workshop slides. Expected to finish by end of the year.

a. Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Please reach out to [elliefortwelve@gmail.com](mailto:elliefortwelve@gmail.com) if interested.

b. Live Captions For Zoom Subcommittee starting up

4) Trying to gather stories of experience, strength and hope for the Diversity Focus Journal

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### **Special Announcement from SLAA FWS regarding the Annual Business Meeting:**

The Board Technology Committee (BTC) has out an urgent request for tech savvy fellowship members to help at this year's Annual Business Meeting (ABM). The level of technology required to produce a full ABM, including Items for Discussion (IFDs) and Motions, requires much behind the scenes assistance. Volunteers would have the opportunity to witness the ABM and gain understanding of the process. This experience would be extremely valuable to those who volunteer!

We are only three and a half weeks away from the ABM, please get the word out to your committee members so they can spread the word to their groups and Intergroups.

Anyone interested can send the BTC chair, Christina, an email at [christinajoyempowered@gmail.com](mailto:christinajoyempowered@gmail.com). They would need to have good zoom experience and availability on Tuesdays at 10am PST to test with the BTC.

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**SLAA Los Angeles, Inc. Board of Trustees – (Dave G, chair)**

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### **6. Tabled Business**

Motion B - The physical meeting location will get tabled till next month

Motion C will be postponed as well

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### 7. New Business

#### Motion A - Operating Reserve

- Motion (SLAA LA Board): Establish an operating reserve of \$15,000, based on six (6) months operating costs (\$10,000) plus literature reserve (\$5000). Each year at the end of the third quarter (9/30), after all ABM expenses have been paid, the Treasurer will donate any amount over \$15,000 to S.L.A.A. Fellowship- wide Services. (See attachment for details)

#### MOTION:

Establish an operating reserve of \$15,000, based on six (6) months operating costs (\$10,000) plus literature reserve (\$5,000). Each year at the end of the third quarter (9/30), after all ABM expenses have been paid, the Treasurer will donate any amount over \$15,000 to S.L.A.A. Fellowship-wide Services.

#### Financial Analysis:

	12 Mos.	6 mos
Fixed Operating Costs		
ABM Registration (4 delegates @ \$3,000)	12,000	6,000
Liability Insurance	2,155	1,078
Room Rent	1,440	720
Sales Tax	1,200	600
Literature copying	1,200	600
Zoom Rent, Telephone, PO Box rental, PayPal fees; website hosting; Literature tracking software, misc.	2,005	1,003
<b>TOTAL FIXED COSTS</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>
Literature		
Basic Texts - minimum order for discount		1,940
Other		3,060
<b>TOTAL LITERATURE RESERVE</b>		<b>5,000</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING RESERVE (6 mos.)</b>		<b>15,000</b>

There were no questions.

#### Pros:

Diane - we don't want to hoard money

Dave - seemed to be a good number

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Jayk - self supporting goes beyond bills and having a prudent reserve

**Cons:**

no cons

**Vote:**

In Favor: 47

Against:

Abstain:

Unanimously passes

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### **Motion B - Meeting Location**

- Motion (Max B.): To change the location of our 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month meeting to SHARE! Culver City. (See attachment for details.)

To change the location of our 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month meeting to: SHARE! Culver City

Details:

SHARE! Culver City  
6666 Green Valley Circle  
Culver City CA, 90230

<https://goo.gl/maps/u5qCBmKY5vw77UQb7>

The room will accommodate 100 people.

The rent will be \$25 a month but our group conscience may increase that amount as a donation. We will have a 4 hour block from 12:00pm to 4:00pm if needed.

We will have access to a Hi-tech video conference system to enable the continued use of zoom if needed. We would need a setup and breakdown crew to adjust the room for the meeting.

The location is close to public transportation Metro 110 bus and the 405 and 90 freeways. It has ample parking. We will be able to start our meeting as of Sep 12, 2021.

### **Questions**

Jayk, Rachel - is the old place available? The old place has no reopening information

Jamie - question about 100 people, never been but asking if there's open windows - No, just a door, ventilation system updated

Max B - spacious, same amount of space as previous, may need to adjust lit table

Glen and Lisa - have we voted to go back to face to face? No

Sarah - we need to vote about vaccination

James - is there parking ? parking lot, street parking, includes ramp

Can people stand outside? yes

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### Pros:

Rachel - we will follow LA county guidelines

Diane - it's a nice space, concerns about going in person, door only goes to a hallway

Dave - good to get back to in person meetings, parking is a problem, zoom helps

### Cons:

Sarah - theres a 4th wave of COVID - motion needs to be more specific about distancing and masks, concerned about vaccination proof (with retreats specifically)

Andy - concerned about distancing to the extreme edge of LA (thinking of people from Pasadena)

Glenn - not sure if we've explored other options

### In Favor:

43%

21

### Against:

35%

17

### Abstain:

22%

10

Max if we table this they, might not have the room

### **Motion: Rachel W moves that we revisit next month, Sarah S seconds**

the majority of people want more time to revisit the topic next month

Additional Comments:

Jayk felt there should be more options and an informed group conscious

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Glenn and Lisa - we could give Max \$25 to hold space. this should be a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote, we never used to do abstentions

Kev - it seemed like we were voting on 2 things

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### **Motion C**

- Motion (Jayk): Each year, in advance of the ABM, a 1.5 hour separate Intergroup meeting would be scheduled so that the delegates can share the agenda items with the Intergroup members and record the members' feedback. Attendance by Intergroup members would be optional. The order of the items and motions to be discussed, as well as the time spent on each, would be determined by the delegates.

This motion will be tabled until next time

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### **8. Announcements for the Good of the Order**

None

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### **9. Adjournment**

adjourn meeting at 1:45 PM PST, unless a vote is called to extend. Close meeting w/ “WE” version of the Serenity Prayer.

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