

SOUTHERN ARIZONA INTERGROUP OF OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

MINUTES

January 21, 2012

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Attendance: Emily R-S., Chair; Roni B., outgoing Chair; Wendy A., Vice Chair; Chris N., Secretary; Pam T., Treasurer; Rhonda S., outgoing treasurer; Neva S., Jr. Delegate; Beth M., member; Susan C., Telephone, IR; Rae S., PIPO; Janis R., IR Trainer; Nan B., Website; Cheryl L., Newsletter Co-chair, Lauren M., IR; Barbara M., IR; Debbie E., IR; Leanne F., IR; Nora G., IR; Melissa T-G., IR; Barbara A., IR; Nancy R., IR; Jonathan K., IR; Kara S., Meeting list contact and IR; Marie R., IR; Barbara S., new IR; Wanda C., new IR.

Call to Order: At 10:46AM Emily asked those in attendance to silence their cell phones and led the Serenity Prayer. Introductions were made while reading the Twelve Traditions and the Concepts of the Month. The sign in sheet was passed. Neva read the Standing Rules.

Secretary: The minutes from the December 17th meeting were accepted as presented electronically.

Treasurer's Report: The financial report was presented. Income from the previous month was noted as \$557.60. Expenses were \$203.99. Mail announced and passed around for reading, the 7th Tradition envelope was passed. We started 2012 with checkbook total of \$15,643.72. Audit Committee report: audit performed on 1/8/2012 and there were no unexplained errors or differences. 2012 budget was finalized and it was noted that there were surplus funds. Pam will present a motion next month to disperse these funds.

Committee Reports:

Delegates/Region Reps.: no report from Neva (new RR)

This is Janis' last written report as a Delegate/RR so she is giving a review of this year's work and the results.

- Efforts at the World Service level for our Finance Committee were to help boost donations in 2011 over 2010. We had hoped to achieve a 10% increase and year-end results showed a 6.1% increase over 2010 donations. Thanks to groups that sent in an extra donation to WSO. I think that is an extraordinary increase for a tough economic year.
- I chaired the Region 3 Finance committee most of the last 3 years and we decided on a refrigerator magnet as a 2012 fundraiser. I sat in on the Region 3 conference call last week and gave a report about the magnets, their ordering and cost, and that we start sales in March.
- This has been an exciting service position to hold and I thank you for allowing me to serve in it for three years. I have learned so much and hope to continue to bring to our SEAZ Intergroup the benefits of my service.

Public Information/Professional Outreach (PIPO):

- The PIPO Committee is having a meeting Feb. 4th at 3 p.m. at Crave Coffee Shop on Broadway. Anyone interested in PIPO is encouraged to attend.
- If groups haven't been able to discuss the qualifications, the committee would still like to get feedback from you. Please feel free to email Rae with the things that your group talked about. Thanks to all the groups who talked this over and offered us feed back. It is GREATLY appreciated.
- Just to let everyone what we are up to so far. We have an ad coming out in the Health and Fitness Section of the Sierra Vista Herald this month. We are also tabling at the Health and Fitness Fair at St. Cyril's on the 28th. Anyone interested in working with PIPO should please be in touch with Rae.

Lifeline and Resource Library: absent, no report.

Meeting List: Kara reports that some contacts have changed and asks IR's to check with their meetings and report back.

Newsletter: Report: The first issue of the New Year is done. It was difficult, as the editor did not know what she was doing despite the fact that Rae, the former editor, patiently explained it all! But for the next issue (which will be in March) things are running much more smoothly because the editor learned to *ask for help!* This issue cost \$63.01.

Telephone: Total calls: ? (Pam); Calls Reported: 3; Calls Returned: 2

Special Events: no chair, no report.

Twelfth Step Within: excused, no report.

Website: Nan: I worked with Emily to create a new Intergroup calendar and posted it on the site.

The website committee (myself, Beth, and Jonathan) will meet prior to Intergroup on January 21 to discuss division of duties and other aspects of site management. Routine maintenance was performed, action items updated, meeting list updated, current newsletter posted, and announcements updated.

Questions: Cheryl reiterated deadline for newsletter submissions is 2/15/12.

8:30pm Tuesday's Young Peoples Meeting is temporarily suspended pending acquiring a meeting room.

Kara stated she has reached her '6mo' IR qualifier for the Meeting List chair position and asked how to proceed. She was instructed to submit an application to Board/Intergroup.

IR Trainer: Janis went over the IG Address List to determine delivery of information from Intergroup to meetings, updated addresses and counted 14 IRs present.

Unfinished Business:

- Annual membership count: After receiving no further attendance updates from previous phone contact, Emily reports that we had two meetings open and three closed in 2011 with a 30% decrease in membership from 2010.
- Senior delegate election: no further applications offered or presented at Intergroup. Beth M. read application. She was voted in unanimously. She will serve out the remainder of this year.
- Intergroup Inventory: Roni will collect data and review last year, then look at vision/goals for this next year.
- Vision and Goals # 1 read, Strong meetings: (#4) Groups are encouraged to share group practices that help make their meetings strong. Janis will get new 'tricks and tips'. Strong Meeting checklist was distributed and each IR was encouraged to use this next month at their business meeting (#5). It was noted that our baseline (#6) has decreased in 2011.

New Business:

- WSBC motions were handed out in their condensed form with reference to the complete motion on the WSO website available to members wishing to read the entire motion. Neva reviewed the role of the IR at their business meeting and how to bring back the groups' vote to Intergroup. She then read the condensed motions and helped clarify for IR's.
- Read from the Group Handbook, question #23 (pg. 25) to How do Good Groups Get Better? (pg. 26)

Announcements: Calendar correction: Intergroup will meet 10/13/12 not 10/20, Nan will correct on website.

Sat Study Group meeting at St. James and Friday Fresh Start at St. Francis Cabrini are requesting support. Please add these meetings to your 'must visit' list.

Janis reported there is a new version of the Brown Book being created and submissions are being accepted.

Special Events Chair position open.

Retreat Chair needed.

February 18, 2012 Next SEAZ Intergroup meeting at 10:45am (Board meets at 10am)

2013 C&A Planning meeting is at 1pm after February 18th Intergroup.

Recap of Action Items done by Nan.

Adjourned at 12PM with The Responsibility Pledge.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Nunn

Secretary