

SOUTHERN ARIZONA INTERGROUP OF OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

MINUTES

July 20, 2013

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Attendance: Marilyn B., Chair; Pam T., Treasurer; Beth M., RR/ Sr. Delegate; Jill S., RR/ Jr. Delegate; Marie R., Meeting List Chair; Marj M., Retreat Chair; Wendy A., IR Trainer; Cheryl L., Website Chair & IR; Susan C., IR; Allison M., IR; Barbara M., IR; Barb S., Phone Chair & IR; Beverly C., IR; Paula T., IR; Terre J., IR; Sara J., IR; Sally H., IR; Wanda C., IR; Nancy R., IR; Mike F., IR; Mike A., IR; Peri J., IR; Jan F., IR; and Janis R., Convention Co-chair.

Call to Order: At 10:45 a.m. Chair Marilyn B., called the meeting to order and opened with the Serenity Prayer; she asked for those present to silence their cell phones and appointed Nancy R. as Secretary Pro Tem. Introductions were made during the reading of the Twelve Traditions and the Seventh Concept. The sign-in sheet was passed. Beth M. read the Standing Rules.

Secretary Report: The June 15, 2013, IG meeting minutes were sent electronically and were accepted as presented.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Pam T. had sent the financial report electronically. Copies were available in hard copy. The report was received for audit. Pam T. reported that the Convention Planning Committee had returned the \$700.00 seed money.

Committee reports:

Delegate/RR report: Sr. Delegate/RR Beth M. reported that they had no report. The Fall Assembly and Region III Convention will be held in Tucson, August 16-18. Beth and Jill will attend the Assembly.

Public Information/Professional Outreach (OPEN/Jill S.): *Susan C. reported that she had staffed an OA table at the "LaFrontera Meet Yourself" event on June 21, 2013. Approximately 40 employees were in attendance for the event. About a dozen people stopped by the OA table to ask questions and to pick up information. Marilyn B. thanked Susan for gathering materials, providing a tri-fold display board for the event, and doing this service. *Marilyn B. reported that the Benson group will be staffing an OA table at a SEABS event in their community on August 10. Darlyn R. will be chairing this service. A second health fair may occur in Benson in September. Sierra Vista groups will supply the necessary materials. *Marilyn stated that Rae has requested a volunteer to store the PIPO materials. Pam T. volunteered. She will arrange for the transfer of the boxes of materials.

Lifeline and Resource Library (OPEN/Pam T.): We were reminded of the need for a Chair or Co-chairs. Pam T. reported that she had the requested copies of the newest CD from WSBC. Everyone was urged to consider volunteering to learn how to copy CDs and care for the Resource Library.

Meeting List – Marie R., Chair: Marie reported a new meeting was added and IR information was updated. Copies of the meeting list were available for distribution. *Please return the member count postcards to the WSO. *IRs should be sure meeting information is updated on the OA website. *Mike F. reported that the Saturday 4 p.m. meeting has not found a new meeting place as of this date.

Newsletter – Angela N., Chair: Angela was excused but submitted a written report. The July/August 2013 newsletter was completed and emailed on July 15, to all who have requested electronic copies. Hard copies were brought by Sally for distribution to the IRs. The receipt for \$97.69 and reimbursement form will be mailed to the treasurer. The next deadline is September 5, 2013. The Newsletter Committee is seeking original poetry and artwork, along with Big Book and other recovery reflections.

Phone Chair: Barbara S., Chair - Calls reported: 2 with 4 hang-ups; 2 calls returned; total calls for the month of June: 33.

Special Events: Marj M-M, Chair - The annual retreat will be in St. David, November 1-3, 2013, with the theme "Abstinence Awareness," subtitled "What it is, Why you want it, How to get it." A planning meeting is today, 1 p.m., Room 5. Next month's meeting will be September 21, 1 p.m., Room 5. It is critical to have volunteers from our groups; Marj may be contacted 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. One hundred copies of the registration form will be available at the convention. Angela N. will include information in the newsletter.

Twelfth Step Within: (OPEN/DebE.) no report

Website: Cheryl L., Chair – Routine maintenance and updating was performed. The committee member who has been checking the website messages has been unable to check them for a month and needs a replacement. *Wanda C. volunteered to serve.

2013 Convention/Assembly Planning: [Co-Chair Roni B. was excused.] **Co-Chair Janis R.** reported: 87 full registrations; 6 scholarship requests; 3 extra banquet tickets and 23 tee shirts ordered so far. *Registration will be sent including updated program, transportation list, and directions to the venue. For room-sharing or ride from the airport, the contact is Ros V. at: amrosvilla@hotmail.com or (520) 343-9504. Online registration will be closed several days before the convention. *Roughly 22 people have signed up for welcoming; they will have two orientation sessions at the hotel on August 3 and 10. *No PIPO sessions are scheduled on either Friday or Sunday since we have no PIPO Committee to organize them. *Nine groups donated literature, and two groups donated a total of \$150. *Ways & Means will order a total of 55 shirts in assorted sizes; charge for each shirt, regardless of size, will be \$15. The final construction meeting was July 14. There will be 15 auction items and one basket. *Gold background was chosen for signs and menus. *The Hotel Liaison reported: As of July 13, 30 of the 34 rooms were sold; so we will have free use of meeting rooms. *The Treasurer reported the balance, as of July 12, was \$6,228.47. A motion was passed that the CPC pay back the \$700 that was given as seed money by the Intergroup.

Questions for the Committee Chairs:

- 1) A question was asked of the Jr. Delegate about OA's theme of "2013 Year of Abstinence Awareness."
- 2) Questions about the new "We Care" list to be distributed (Draft is available today.) and the monthly "Name/Address" list (Since we have no Secretary, Marilyn emails the current list after each monthly meeting.).
- 3) Sally apologized to Wendy for not getting "We Care" updates to her since she was waiting for some calls to be returned.
- 4) A question was asked about Special Events and whether the committee has a budget. (Yes, it does.)

IR Trainer: Wendy A. counted 17 IRs present. The "We Care" list was updated and hard copies are on the table. Inform Wendy of any final changes next month or email her. A final copy will then be published and distributed. Wendy made arrangements for the distribution of today's meeting materials.

Unfinished Business:

- *Revised Intergroup Inventory 2013 (Deb. E.) postponed until the August meeting.
- *Ad Hoc Vision and Goals Committee (Deb E., Chair) postponed until the August meeting.
- *Ad Hoc Committee for Annual Membership Count Procedures (Wendy A., Chair) postponed until the August meeting. Wendy did request that IRs with suggestions for this procedure email her. Cheryl was asked to list this as an action item.
- *Janis read the "Service Skit" outline. The skit will be given at the opening of the retreat on November 1, 2013.

New Business:

- *Marilyn B. introduced the topic of Newsletter Guidelines since the current newsletter did not have the Meeting List as presented by the Meeting List Chair. After a lengthy discussion, the Chair made the decision to appoint an Ad Hoc Newsletter Guidelines Committee, with Marie R. as Chair. Committee members are: Angela N., Newsletter Chair (designated by Marilyn) and volunteers: IR Wanda C., IR Susan C., and IR Paula T.
- ***Motion:** Unless there are new guidelines in place by September 2013, that the Newsletter Editor publish the Meeting List content as prepared by the Meeting List Chair. [The group agreed by consensus to waive the requirement to present a motion in writing prior to the meeting so it can be included on the agenda, per Standing Rules.] **Motion was passed unanimously.**
- *Vision and Goals: #3 was read. "Vision and Goals 2013-2014" will be available at the August meeting.
- *Since "anonymity" was mentioned earlier in the meeting, Sally suggested that we read page 30, "When Is 'Breaking My Anonymity' Not an Anonymity Break?". Page 5 will be postponed until the August meeting.

Announcements: The next Intergroup meeting will be the second Saturday, August 10, because the Assembly and Convention are the third weekend, August 16-18. The Retreat at St. David is November 1-3, 2013. There is no Convention Planning meeting today, but the committee will meet on August 10, 1 p.m. The Retreat Planning Committee meets today, 1 p.m., in Room 5.

Recap of Action Items: Cheryl L. reviewed the action items.

Adjournment: Adjourned 12:32 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Rea, Secretary Pro Tem