

SOUTHERN ARIZONA INTERGROUP OF OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

MINUTES

March 16, 2013

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Attendance: Marilyn B., Chair; Deb E., Vice Chair; Nancy R., Secretary Pro Tem; Pam T., Treasurer; Jill S., RR/Jr. Delegate; Barb S., Telephone & IR; Wendy A., IR Trainer; Cheryl Lundgren, Website & IR; Cris P., IR; Susan C., IR; Barbara B., IR; Barbara M., IR; Paula T., IR; Terre J., IR; Mike F., IR; Darlyn R., IR; Wanda C., IR; Sally H., IR; Barbara B., IR; Roni B., Convention Co-Chair; Janis R., Co-Chair; Bev, Guest; and Jeny, Guest.

Call to Order: At 10:46 a.m. Marilyn asked those in attendance to silence their cell phones and led the Serenity Prayer. Nancy R. was appointed as Secretary Pro Tem. Introductions were made while reading the Twelve Traditions and the Concept of the month. The sign in sheet was passed. Deb read the Standing Rules.

Secretary: The March 16, 2013, meeting minutes were accepted as presented electronically.

Treasurer's Report: *The financial report was presented with current scholarship amount and note was made that groups should be reminded of this fund since no donations have been received in 2013 for this fund. *Income from the previous month was noted as \$1075.23 Expenses were \$1726.13. Current checkbook total is \$15,069.55. *The annual Arizona Corporations Commission report has been filed for 2013.*Marilyn and Deb will be going to the bank after the meeting to update check signers. *Pam is mentoring Sally H. for service as the Intergroup Treasurer. *Mail was announced and passed around for reading. *7th Tradition envelope was passed.

Committee Reports:

Delegates/Region Reps.: *Beth was excused. *Jill S. reported that registration for the Spring Assembly (April 5-7) in Houston has been completed. The Region Reps will be considering motions to move ARTICLE XVI - PRUDENT RESERVE and ARTICLE IV – DUTIES OF STEERING COMMITTEE from the Region III Bylaws to the Region III Policy Manual and a motion to correct the banner and motto (ARTICLE III – BANNER AND MOTTO). *Beth and Jill are both registered for the World Service Business Conference (WSBC) in Albuquerque, April 30-May 5, 2013. *Changes need to be made in the SEAZ Bylaws to be in conformity with OA, Inc. Bylaws. The Board will present the proposed amendments soon after the WSBC. *The PI Committee at WS is introducing a "Service Body Mentoring Program." The plan is to have members who have had experience and been successful in outreach to the public, either currently or in the past.

Public Information/Professional Outreach (PIPO): [OPEN] no report (Currently, Rae S. is the contact and requests that someone else become the contact.)

Lifeline and Resource Library: [OPEN] no report

Meeting List: Marie R. was excused but submitted a written report. *As of March 7, there were no changes submitted to her. She requested that if there are changes, the IR should email or call her. *Printed March/April meeting lists were available for distribution.

Newsletter: Rae S. was excused but submitted a written report which Wendy A. presented. The next newsletter deadline is May 5. Please submit articles, sponsor words, and birthdays! *Anyone willing to be on the Newsletter Committee who

could commit to making copies and bringing them and the report to intergroup should contact Rae. *The newsletter will go out electronically in the next couple days.

Telephone: Barb S. reported: Total calls 32; Calls Returned: 1; Hang-ups: 1. A volunteer is needed to receive Wednesday phone calls.

Special Events: [OPEN] no report; however, Wanda C. will provide 2013 Unity Day report next month. *Marilyn reminded everyone that any group can host a special event or workshop, even if we do not have a Special Events Chair.

Twelfth-Step Within: [OPEN] no report

Website: Cheryl L. reported that routine maintenance was performed. The 2013 Intergroup Calendar is now posted. *Cris P., a member of the committee, passed around a request from a Behavioral Health professional for help with a client.

2013 Convention Planning: Roni reported that she and the committee had updated the contact list, reviewed the planning timeline, and shared reports. *Treasurer Pat reported funds of \$980.00. The only expense paid thus far was the rent to St. James Church for the meeting room. *The Registration Committee has distributed 200 more brochures to IRs to take to their meetings. *Volunteer sign-up sheets are to be returned to Cheryl L. each month. More volunteers are needed. *The Program Committee has sent out confirmation letters to all speakers. *The Entertainment Committee has begun work on the game night to follow the Saturday banquet. *The next meeting is today at 1 p.m.

Questions for Committee Chairs: *Sally H. inquired about the duties for the Wednesday phone contact. After Barb S. explained the process, Sally H. volunteered to serve. *Marilyn was asked to explain the process for a group to host a workshop. The information should be brought to the Board for approval. After that flyers should be provided for the IRs and for the website. *A member volunteered to contact the client at the request of the Behavioral Health professional. *An explanation was given about the Ways and Means Committee funds, which go through the Convention treasury and not through the SEAZ IG treasury. *Jill volunteered to donate magnets to the Ways and Means Committee. She will contact Chris N. *When asked if convention volunteers must be registered for the convention, Janis and Roni stated that they would give the answer at the next intergroup meeting. *An IR can vote only for his/her group. An officer cannot vote for his/her group. If an IR cannot be present at the meeting when a vote is taken on the WSBC Agenda Questionnaire, a vote can be sent in writing. This is the only time that a written vote can be submitted.

IR Trainer: Wendy A. went over the IG Address List to determine delivery of information from Intergroup to meetings, updated IR information, and counted 13 IRs present. *New IRs will meet with Wendy after the meeting. *Sally H., Bev C., and Barbara B. volunteered to help Wendy in contacting groups and IRs to encourage attendance at the intergroup meetings. *Each IR was given a "Fall We Care" list to update for the "Spring We Care" list. These are to be returned to Wendy next month.

Unfinished Business:

*Wanda C. submitted an application for Intergroup Secretary. She addressed the IRs. After the opportunity for discussion, ballots were distributed. Wanda was elected unanimously.

*A plea was made by Marilyn for Committee Chair positions to be filled. The SEAZ Bylaws do allow for qualification waivers to be made on a case-by-case consideration.

*Wendy A. asked to table until April the Ad Hoc Committee for Annual Membership Count Procedures report.

*Janis R. stated that the Ad Hoc Retreat Process document should be ready in April. The committee is working online by email. The next step is to verify and update the monastery information and review the changes in committee interaction and communication that were suggested by a previous Retreat Chair.

*Marilyn discussed the 2012 Intergroup Inventory document process and requested that ideas and suggestions from the groups be emailed to her or submitted at the April meeting. Deb E. will compile the information for the Ad Hoc Vision and Goals Committee, which will be appointed at the April meeting.

New Business:

*Vision and Goals #3 was read.

* *Group Handbook for Members, Groups and Intergroups: Recovery Opportunities*, p. 1 to top of p. 3 were read.

Announcements: Next SEAZ Intergroup meeting at 10:45 a.m. (Board meets at 10 a.m.)

*2013 C&A Planning meeting at 1 p.m. today in this room

*2013 Spring Region III Convention & Assembly, April 5-7, Houston

*2013 WSBC, April 29-May 7, Albuquerque

*2013 Fall Region III Convention & Assembly, August 16-18, Tucson

Recap of Action Items

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:15 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Rea
Secretary Pro Tem