# SoAZ Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous Board Meeting Minutes January 11, 2020

Attendance: Emily R-S., Chair; Linda J., Vice Chair; Chris N., Secretary; Cheryl L., Treasurer; Randi F., Sr. Delegate; Cynthia N. Jr Delegate

Call to Order: By Emily R-S, chair at 10:00 AM, Serenity Prayer said and 12 Traditions read.

The minutes from the December 21, 2019 board meeting were accepted as presented electronically by Chris N.

## Chair [Emily R.S.]:

- Emily mailed IG letter to PO Box in Phoenix with attention to Convention 2020 chairs (see below).
- Emily following up with St. James pastor concerning room reservation for 2020 Board/IG meetings with the church. He had responded that he was being contacted by multiple OA members and Emily noted it was different groups (Sat AM, IG, 12n12, C+A, retreat) requesting clarification for their separate meetings. Room locked today from entrance thru larger room so unable to use. It was reported that 12n12 past Saturday was too cold to meet in there so moved to bigger room. Preliminary discussion started about continuing to use St. James as the facility (specifically room 5) is not consistently being able to be warmed or cooled sufficiently.

Vice Chair [Linda J.]: No report

Treasurer [Cheryl L.]: \$4185 is monies to be disbursed by end of January beyond the 6mo budget and roll over budget items (prudent reserve, scholarship fund, C+A budget line). Emily will ask for volunteers at IG for the ad hoc committee for this distribution. Cheryl mentioned last year's division of funds was a carryover from just changing budget 2018 and policy reads 'After final figures for the year-end are accounted for, <u>all</u> monies above the needed current year's <u>Operating Reserve</u> will be disbursed by a mechanism to be determined by the Fellowship (<u>donating or spending</u>). This should happen by the end of <u>January</u> when final year-end figures can be determined.' She asked for time frame to change to February as need time for committee to present motion to fellowship. Multiple forms placed in January 2020 file on drive for groups/committees to use for donations, requesting funds, etc.

Region Rep/Delegates [Randi F., Sr; Cynthia N., Jr.]: Randi reports that WSBC agenda questionnaire was published yesterday and spent the evening creating an answer sheet for IR's to take to their groups. Due to need for IG vote to be in to WSBC by Feb 15, she will ask IR's to have business meeting and give results to her via phone/email or at next IG (2/15). States that she under budgeted due to not including WSBC registration fee for both delegates in her original budget (\$150x2). Cheryl and she agreed to wait until later to request further funding based on past spending by RR/Delegates.

### Unfinished Business/Other

- Collecting IG Inventory from IR's will be done at IG by Emily.
- Treasurers audit report on the drive and no discrepancies found for bookkeeping 2019.

#### **New Business**

- Randi will distribute WSBC agenda questionnaire and explain process and return plan to IRs.
- Emily will ask for volunteers for an ad hoc Accumulation of Funds committee to present for February IG.

#### **Announcements**

Please refer to the Intergroup Agenda for announcements

Meeting adjourned with the 3 rd Step Prayer at 10:33 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Nunn, Secretary

January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Mollie and Stacy Alyse,

Thank you for sharing the letter you received from the Tucson fellows regarding convention speakers and their abstinence. We would like to clarify that our SoAZ Intergroup did not write or condone the letter that was sent from Tucson. At our December board meeting, we discussed the letter that was sent from Tucson as well as the letter you sent back to us. We felt that it was important to let you know that the feelings expressed from some unidentified

Tucson members don't reflect our board or Intergroup's feelings.

We support members and their desire to stop eating compulsively and we believe all are welcome. We are also aware that personal recovery can look different for every member and that we are not the arbiters of a person's abstinence and to judge them is not consistent with OA's Tradition 3; 'The only requirement for OA membership is a desire to stop eating compulsively.' We are looking forward to attending your Region 3 Convention and Assembly this year and we hope to see you the following year in Tucson.

Thank you,

Emily, Linda, Chris, Cheryl, Randi and Cynthia

SoAZ 2020 IG Board