

# MINUTES

Arizona Serenity in the Desert Intergroup

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*Date | time 12/17/2016 1:00 PM | Meeting called to order by* Tori: Chair

## OPENING

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, followed by the reading of the preamble and standing rules. Introductions were made around the room. Board Members in attendance: Chair- Tori, Vice Chair- Marie D, Recording Secretary-Lisa M, Treasurer-Teri G. Communication Secretary –Halina B. absent with notice. Rep/Delegates present Dottie, Tori, and alternate Rosie. Halina absent with notice. Harlan and Bobbie absent without notice. Welcome and attendance Report: 20 present, 18 voting members, 0 new meeting representatives, and 2 visitors. The presented agenda was adopted.

## OFFICER REPORTS

Chair- Presented as written document provided to those in attendance.

Vice Chair- Presented as written document provided to those in attendance, included upcoming events. Upcoming events can be reported to Marie.

Treasurer- copies: provided to those in attendance. Teri reported and thanked Pat H for filling in while she was away. Total \$18,771.97. We are at the high end of our prudent reserve but will be sending delegates to Region conference in March and some costs/donations were not reflected.

Recording Secretary- Copies provided to those in attendance. November 2016 minutes were accepted.

Communications Secretary- Report distributed to members present.

## 7<sup>TH</sup> TRADITION \$27.00

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Retreat- Rosie presented. Fliers were distributed for June 2017 retreat at Embry Riddle. Payments will be accepted due to raised rates.

Office Operations- Pat J reported. Reports will not be printed but can be put in Ecares if members would like. Committee recommends that the office committee purchase programmable thermostats and lock boxes and price an electrician to install it. Large white board was redone. Rotation of service, need a volunteer to take over stocking the refrigerator. Office committee is relinquishing the responsibility of recycling cans due to cost of traveling to facilities. Recyclables will be combined into one bin. Board recommended ceiling fans, which will be donated.

PIPO- Gunnar absent, no report sent.

Finance- Pat H- Committee will meet in January to discuss budget. All are welcome.

12<sup>th</sup> Step Within- Mollie absent, no report sent. Greg reported that Mollie has booked a park in Peoria for February Unity Day event. There will be marathons at the office on the 25<sup>th</sup> of December and 1<sup>st</sup> of January.

Outreach- Linda reported. Both A/B meetings have closed. South Scottsdale meeting in the works hopefully starting in January, possibly at Alano Club. Someone wants to start a Friday night meeting in Ahwatukee. Committee has been making calls to meeting representatives. NSFC meetings have been small. Wednesday night meeting has standing OA open house twice monthly at 6:15. Linda wants to consider similar newcomer meetings in different parts of the valley. It does not need to be formal. Someone would need to commit to opening the space early.

Comm/Tech- Chair is vacant, no report.

Bylaws- Sheila reported. Several issues have been raised and committee is seeking consensus. Committee moved to change policy manual from current wording "seek and request travel funding from Region III and WSO" to "In the event ASDI does not have sufficient funds to send a minimum of one Region Representative to the annual Region Assembly, upon direction of the Intergroup, the Treasurer shall request funding from Region III. In the event ASDI does not have sufficient funds to send a minimum of two World Service Business Conference Delegates to WSBC, upon direction of the Intergroup, the Treasurer shall request funding from WSO." Motion passed unanimously. Several questions were asked about how many delegates to send. ASDI requires 1 year of abstinence and 6 months of service. WSO requires 1 year of abstinence and 2 years of service to be a delegate. They also suggest that in order to attend WSO, the delegate first attends a Region assembly. Chair is required to sign application affirming that all delegates meet criteria. If WSO finds out that a delegate does not meet qualifications, they can refuse to seat all delegates. Present delegates were asked if they meet the requirements of 1 year of abstinence and 2 years of service. Dottie does not meet criteria due to lack of 2 years of service experience and some absent members may not either. ASDI also needs to change requirements for delegates to correspond with WSO requirements. ASDI defines Rep/Delegate as one position. An email was sent to our trustee, awaiting response. WSO needs to know how many will attend by the end of this month, need specific names by February 20th. The committee recommends that we do not separate the Rep/Delegate position into 2 positions like some other intergroups have done because it is difficult to get people to fill the positions but many members want to do so. Committee will readdress the issue of separating rep and delegate positions with the possibility of crossover and other suggestions. Tori will find out which delegates are eligible to attend WSO before the deadline. We are entitled to 6 delegates. Mike moved to request that the bylaws committee write language regarding Rep/Delegate position being split into 2 positions and also make a suggestion. Committee is also working on changing the chair position requirements to not require attendance at all WSO/Region meetings.

Website- Greg reported that the website has been updated. He will be stepping down January 1<sup>st</sup>. Deb has agreed to consider stepping up into the position and will be discussing with Greg.

Newsletter- Emily is the new editor. Copies were provided.

Meeting List- Jan reported. Minimal changes to meeting list this month. Christmas day meeting on Thunderbird and 67<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 will be meeting. Monday night at 6pm at Mission and Bell is open.

Phone coverage- Sheila reported. Likely to experience higher call volume after New Year. 2 slots open for coverage.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Bylaws - Covered above.

b. Region 3 Assembly in Dallas March 24-26- Bobbi and Tori will attend. Fliers available.

## **Old BUSINESS**

a. Printing – Dianna no longer responsible for printing. ASDI no longer wants to be responsible for printing copies of reports for intergroup meetings. Copies are available in Ecares and people can print it themselves if desired. Those who would like to receive printed copies can contact Tori.

## **GOOD AND WELFARE- NOT TO BE RECORDED**

## **CLOSING**

Closed at 2:25 pm with "I put my hand in yours."

## **NEXT MEETING**

1/21/2017 1:00 PM, OA office 1219 E. Glendale Ave, #23 Phoenix, AZ