

MINUTES

Arizona Serenity in the Desert Intergroup

Date | time 2/20/2016 1:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Marie : V Chair

OPENING

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, followed by the readings of the standing rules and preamble. Introductions were made around the room. Board Members in attendance: Vice Chair-Marie D. Treasurer-Teri G. Recording Secretary-Bobbi S. Communications Secretary-Christina S. Absent with notice: Chair-Kayla W. All Rep/Delegates present except Donna-gave notice. 0 new meeting representatives welcomed. The presented agenda was adopted with addition of summer retreat as #7 Agenda Discussion Topics.

REPORTS

Chair- Marie standing in, copies provided to those in attendance.

Vice Chair- Provided to those in attendance a full page of information regarding OA's events: Local: www.oaphoenix.org. Regions 3 Events. www.oaregion3.org. Region 2 events: www.oar2@org. Worldwide: www.oa.org

Treasurer- Copies provided to those in attendance. \$16,302 in account. 7th Tradition donations are lower in comparison to this time last year. Teri took questions from the floor regarding report. Energy costs for the office have risen from 105.52 to 162.00 per month (level payment plan). Discussion regarding appropriate use of air conditioner. APS recommends we keep the temp in the 85-90 degree area when no meetings are taking place. The practice of turning it OFF between meetings is NOT suggested. It takes too much energy and time to get the room back to comfort. Please follow the Office Committees suggestions posted above thermometer.

Recording Secretary- approval of last month's minutes with edits: Halina to Rep/Del in attendance

Communications Secretary- moving E-cares to a new format. Also changing to Wednesday delivery instead of Thursdays. 29% open rate is an increase from the previous already good 25% rate.

Welcome and Attendance- 20 Attending, 19 Voting, 1 Visitor

7TH TRADITION \$35.00

AGENDA DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Treasurer- An example of an AA 7th tradition envelope was passed around. It looks professionally printed. Should we create something similar for us? Or continue to use stamp on envelope? No decision was made.
2. Is there interest in hosting a Region 3 Convention in the future? Please return to your meetings and ask if membership is interested and willing to support one in the future. Fall 2017 is the soonest available. 2018 is more appealing.
3. Unity Day- no local large events, each meeting is encouraged to celebrate Unity Day in a way that suites them. Tucson has an event, info can be found online.
4. Bylaws and Policy Manual requirements for Rep/Delegate. - A concern was expressed about costs/value of expenses. As well as what Rep/Delegates do at conferences and thereafter. Marie informed group of details from policy manual and

bylaws, and many of us shared about the continued yearlong commitment to participate in committee work at the region and world service levels. No one is aware of our team not fulfilling their responsibilities to committees.

5. Lease - 6 comps for area properties were researched. It is the boards feeling that we are paying fairly for our size and location. The lease was signed. New ownership of our property is possible. Prospective new owner spoke with Marie. Prospective Owner would desire to have our space. And assured that if we agreed to a move, the new space would be made similar, if not an improvement over our current space. Fellowships' concerns discussed and clarified. It is his intention to honor our current lease. Therefore we would have to agree to a move and a lease addendum.
6. Rep/Delegate position available- voting takes place March meeting. All Requirements listed in bylaws. Short version is 1 yr. of current abstinence. 6 months of service work beyond the meeting level. Familiarity with 12 steps/traditions/concepts.
7. Summer retreat: Rosie-Title: Big Book Solutions...Stop slip sliding away! June 24, 25, 26 2016 Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. Prescott AZ. Flyers available and with great excitement we now have ability to Register and Pay ONLINE! Subject focus will be how a chronic slipper, found continuous abstinence. REGISTER EARLY and RECEIVE 2 Free Raffle tickets!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ByLaws- Sheila- Absent no report

Office Operations- Carol H- Carol is our new office chair. The next meeting is scheduled for April 6th @ 10:30. Please consider joining committee your voice is needed.

Outreach/Lifeline-Linda P. – Absent no report

PI/PO-Vacant position. Volunteer needed to lead this committee.

12 Step Within-Donna- Absent, emailed report. Unity Day2/27 Greg is handling this. There is a handout and meeting recommendations. Body image workshop postponed to April/May. 12 step workshop from WSO format- Greg organizing - 1 ½ hr. length session. Tentative for March date.

Newsletter-Dianna- Keep those articles coming! Encourage your sponsees to submit writings! Due by 1st of each month.

SERVICE REPORTS

Literature-Marian- Absent, no report.

Website-Greg- Moved E-cares sign up to the front page of website. We are hoping to reach the younger demographic with Online registration for events. Always willing to accept suggestions and comments on the website.

Meeting List-Bobbi-. New meeting starts WED March 2 @ 630 pm Mesa Red Mountain Library.

Phone Volunteers-Sheila- absent no report

GOOD AND WELFARE- NOT TO BE RECORDED

CLOSING

Closed at 2:43pm reciting "I put my hand in yours".

NEXT MEETING

3/19/2016 1:00 PM, OA office 1219 E. Glendale Ave, #23 Phoenix, AZ