

June 4 Minutes, Los Angeles ACA Intergroup

In attendance: Libby, Guy, Ed, Ashook, Hillary (by phone)

Sponsorship workshop report:

Target audience: ACA members who are interested or in need of a sponsor & ACA members who wish to work the steps.

Message: The message I wish to communicate is that ACA unlike a lot of other 12 steps groups utilizes the fellow traveler and co-sponsorship method to work through the steps. To help members realize that the power is within themselves to work the steps. By showing up and having the will to work the steps and help another fellow traveler is all that is needed to work the steps.

Objectives: On Sunday, June 25 there will be an ACA afternoon at SHARE! Culver City, 6666 Green Valley Circle, Culver City CA 90230 from 2 pm to 7:30 pm

The 2PM meeting will be normal meeting format (Anger Release)

The 4PM workshop will have the focus on the following: ACA Sponsorship Pamphlet & ACA Sponsorship section in the Big Red Book; Introduce the co-sponsorship network and form; Have the attendees work all 12 steps in 12 to 20 minutes.

The 6PM meeting will be the normal meeting format, but the reading will be from a section in the Big Red Book which deals with sponsorship.

Description of event: This description is for the Sponsorship workshop at 4PM. Suggested donation \$5, no one turned away for lack of funds.

4:00 - 4:10 (Welcome, prayer, and meditation)

4:10 - 4:35 (Speakers sharing their experience about sponsorship in regards to the pamphlet or BRB)

4:35 - 5:00 (Introduction to the Co-Sponsorship Network)

5:00 - 5:30 (12 Steps in 12 Minutes)

5:45 - 5:50 (closing prayer and wrap up, to set up for next meeting)

Webmaster report:

A. Statistics for the Month of May, 2017: 1,998 Views with 606 visitors. Higher than April!!! This is the highest monthly amount for both since statistics tracking has been enabled for the website.

B. Have not heard back from FMR regarding them voting on expanding their relationship to us. Was able to reach out to one of their members at the LA CoDA Convention. They will assist in looking into this.

C. Received email, directed to Webmaster, from an ACA Member asking about meetings in Huntington Beach. Met member at LA CoDA Convention and she was able to show me the issue. Advised member that it was a O.C. Location and issues involved with this. Took the location down off of the website.

D. Libby and I received email from ACA WSO Chair. The WSO Chair advised us that two of the documents listed on our website were not free and we were advised to take them down. This was done. The meta of this tells us that WSO has noticed us and we are on the map!

E. Last month, was notified by Libby that closed meetings get extra text. "This meeting is closed; only those who have a desire to stop drinking may attend." Notified Wordpress Plugin creator about removing this text. Was notified by plugin creator that a setting needed to be changed. This was done and now the

closed meeting text looks correct.

F. Noticed that the pictures in some of the Topic Readings were too large. This is probably due to a plugin update. In process of rectifying this.

Additional: Outside Scope of this report.

I am also currently a member of another step group, CoDA. CoDA used to have a yearly retreat in Malibu. I have been to this retreat and it was amazing. I want to run this retreat in 2018. But, I have a better idea. To help put our Inter-group on the map why don't we team up with LA CoDA and present this retreat together? We can combine forces and get maximum bang for the buck!

WESTERN REGION report: Ed attended by phone. They discussed how to get a bank account by becoming a nonprofit unincorporated assn. They discussed getting a web site.

ACTION ITEMS:

Ed to design ACA Sponsorship Workshop flyer

Libby to write back to Denise from Orange County to let her know the format needed to post O.C. meetings.*

Libby to inform WSO of Intergroup policy to ask permission for all postings as a living amends.

Libby to update new meeting contact for Reseda meeting (Patricia)*

Libby to distribute ACA Sponsorship Workshop flyer to all meetings and call Lancaster meeting.

Libby and Ed to work together to buy some literature for Sponsorship Workshop.

Libby to update Meeting directory and send to Guy.*

Guy to do Western Regional call for June

Guy to start conversation with CoDA about possible joint retreat in Malibu, encouraging them to include program content relevant to ACA fellowship