

Minutes April 2, 2017 at SHARE! Culver City

Attending: Libby (secretary), Kim, Ashok, Guy (webmaster), Solomon, Ed (literature & co-sponsorship)

Could not get the Polycom to work, but Ed called the host line on his phone. No one called in.

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Reports:

Ed emailed Bonnie at WSO to find out more about bulk literature orders.

Guy reported on many updates to the website, including updating the meeting list, adding the Laundry List and changing some of widgets (got the idea from ACA Minnesota)

Events posted include:

WSO conven

WSO Convention in San Diego,

Spring Camp April 29

Fall Mountain Retreat September

SHARE! invited ACA to hold a meeting at the Festival of Recovery. Ed checked it out and agreed to hold a meeting at 10 am. Libby will invite email list to attend. Everyone committed to spread the word about this and invite people to participate.

Libby: So Cal ACA has been invited to be on the Western Regional group, which means being on a phone call once a month on Saturdays. the structure is:

World Service Regional Intergroup Meetings

Libby and Guy visited Orange County intergroup to see if they want to partner on the website, but they're not interested.

Libby announced a new meeting: Tues. 10:30 at Venice Recovery Center.

Solomon said he wants to start a new meeting, perhaps at Farmer's Market.

He noted that ACA in D.C. is more organized and sends people to support struggling meetings. A discussion was held of having a "meeting support" service position in which people agree to attend struggling meetings.

In discussion, members noted several desires for better service from WSO:

1. Easier search feature (map?)
2. Links to intergroup web sites

Discussion was held as to how to encourage and support sponsorship and step work. Ed mentioned that co-sponsors can make step work feel safer.

Kim recommended that we link to Tony A's talk on the ACA Arizona web site.

Ashok said he may talk to the Sunday 6 pm meeting about having a meeting focused on sponsorship. Solomon suggested using the sponsorship workshop outline in the BRB--suggested that should perhaps be on web site?

All urged to spread the word about the WSO world convention as a prime time to support the ACA fellowship.

Solomon mentioned a Ted Talk on Rats that avoid heroin water when they have lots of friends--
https://www.ted.com/talks/johann_hari_everything_you_think_you_know_about_addiction_is_wrong/transcript