

Minutes May 6, 2017 at SHARE! Culver City

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

No one called in for conference line 712-770-4700 access 887877#

Reports:

ACA Convention: Several people attended and enjoyed the convention. Workshops on “Twelve-stepping a Problem” and “Inner Drugstore” were discussed.

Ed met Ken from the Kaiser Hospital meeting who might be willing to go in on a literature order in the future. He also learned that Bill is the new WSO treasurer. Next year’s convention will be in April in Toronto, Canada.

Ed held an ACA meeting at the Festival of Recovery, about 9 attended.

Regional:

The next conference call for Regional will be on Saturday, May 20. Ed agreed to attend.

Sponsorship workshop:

A mini-marathon workshop on sponsorship is proposed for Sunday June 25, at SHARE! Culver City at 6666 Green Valley Circle, Culver City CA 90230. It will include the 2 pm Anger release, a sponsorship meeting, followed by 6 pm Red Book meeting (with a reading from part of Chapter 11 on sponsorship during the meeting.)

--Possible handouts: Appendix B on Fifth Steps, Sponsorship pamphlet, Red Book affirmations for sponsors & sponsees, writing exercise for sponsors linking the Laundry List to the 12 Steps. Ed suggested we could do the 12 steps in 12 minutes (system developed by an ACA in Santa Barbara at convention) to help people feel ready to sponsor. Libby suggested that we encourage people from L.A. area come to be available to sponsor. Guy suggested reaching out to other ACA sites in other countries to see how they handle sponsorship.

~Considering the fear and resistance to authority figures, Kim suggested that it may be better accepted, having an event where people who were interested in finding sponsors/fellow travelers

attended. This would provide the opportunity to connect with other ACA members interested in finding a fellow traveler(s) rather than being assigned to a group.

Intergroup admin:

Discussion was held over which roles Intergroup should have. Libby suggested Co-chairs, Treasurer, Secretary, Literature, Webmaster, Events. Guy created instructions on how to call in on the conference line.

1) Regarding the discussion of establishing a bank account for :
~ Kim suggested that we consult with CODA Intergroup for feedback on how their bank account was set up.

Meetings:

There was discussion over whether to list meetings for other Intergroups, such as Orange County or San Diego, and that such collaboration could help pay for the website. Ashok noted that our mission is to support Los Angeles meetings and suggested the Intergroup should stay focused on that for now. Discussion was held over whether such collaboration was against the Traditions.

Libby announced a new meeting: Weds. 6 pm at SHARE! for Spanish speakers. The Red Book is available in Spanish also.

The Weds. Night meeting in Torrance is private, Guy agreed to take it off the web site.

Guy reported on the website:

- A. Attended the ACA World Convention on Saturday April 22, 2017.
- B. Actively handed out over 412 Website Flyers to Convention Attendees.
- C. Met two women who wanted to meet with Libby. One lady ran a speaker's meeting in San Diego and wanted to share speakers with us. The other lady wanted to join our Intergroup. Was able to have these two women meet with Libby for extended discussions.
- D. Sent email to FMR Committee regarding working with them on a higher level. Sent a two tier request. Tier 1, is free support and Tier 2, is paid expanded support.
- E. Answered questions and changed display of FMR - 2017 on our website, per FMR Member's request.
- F. Sent email to ACA OC Intergroup asking them, when they are ready, to

work us regarding posting their meetings.

G. Updated Meetings List for May, 2017 and made changes to individual meetings.

H. 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.

I. Statistics for the Month of April, 2017: 1,781 Views with 516 visitors. This is the highest monthly amount for both since statistics tracking has been enabled for the website.

Parking lot questions:

How much time in ACA should people have before they can be Intergroup rep? Should people who are not elected Intergroup reps be allowed to be service and/or vote at Intergroup? How should the Intergroup handle money and getting a bank account?

Libby brought some ACA pamphlets and meeting directories and encouraged all to distribute them.

Next meeting: Sunday June 4, at 8 pm at SHARE! Culver City, 6666 Green Valley Circle Culver City CA 90230