

Los Angeles ACA Intergroup Meeting

September, 2018

Conducted on 9/2/2018

In Attendance: Libby, Ashok, Rose, and Guy. Sarah (Malibu Meeting) was on the phone.

The meeting started about 20 minutes late.

The Jabra Phone System was setup and open for calls.

Sarah was on the phone once the Jabra was activated.

Meeting format documents were handed out to the group (created by Rose).

Meeting was led by Rose. The meeting was started with the ACA Serenity Prayer.

Round table introductions were made.

Treasurer's Report - Ashok

Ashok reports about PayPal donations and PayPal's cut of 2.9% of every transaction. Apple Pay etc.. also take 2.9% of transactions. Are we okay with this? Investigation of the California Credit Union of Riverside is only open to teachers. Ashok asked about a business account setup. Investigation of DBAs and Non-Profits to see if this would be a good direction to go. A DBA costs about \$30.00 to create. While a non-profit setup has many fees and government over-site issues.

Ashok states we have a balance of \$520.00 and he wants to be able to scan checks into our PayPal Account. Rose volunteers and states that she can assist with that.

New Business: Getting monies from book sale, donation from Esau, etc.. Discussion of other donations to our group. Question: Do we create a DBA? Is the group okay with a 2.9% service fee from PayPal?

Webmaster Report - Guy

At the end of August, 2018 we had 5,750 Website Views with 1,714 Unique Visitors from 38 Countries! Guy gave out Google Analytics Reports to show the other members of what we are getting now. One of the reports discusses viewer hits in the greater Los Angeles Area.

Guy is currently the webmaster for <https://gwuregion.org> . Guy is the representative for the Greater Western Region. ACA is in the process of forming a region level of service. The site is officially done. We are still in the process of integrating Google Drive with the website. The GWURegion Chair is supposed to provide this access in the near future.

Guy shows the updated, changed posters to the group and asks for discussion. Guy had mini-website posters and Intergroup Posters printed out and is asking for reimbursement. Guy was reimbursed for these items by Ashok. Guy received an email from an ACA Member in Japan who is asking for advice. Guy reads it to the group. The group decides that this is not an Intergroup issue and advises Guy to respond to the email himself. During the month of August Guy (1). Reached out to GWURegion and asked them how they banked. This information was handed over to Ashok and Libby, (2). Guy has brought book money from the Torrance Monday and Wednesday Night Meetings, (3). Guy has seeded the purchased BRBs/Yellow Books/Daily Affirmations books.

Literature - Libby

We are selling out of our books; BRB/Yellow Book/Affirmation Books. Libby advises that we should buy another case of the Big Red Books and of the Laundry List Workbooks. They seem to be in high demand. She would like to make this purchase via PayPal. There is the question of where to store the cases of books so Intergroup Members can get access to them so we can sell them. Rose offers to put the cases of books in her car. The discussion turns to getting another cabinet drawer to store the books. We will need another lock and hasp along with extra keys for the new drawer and for the old drawer. Rose requests a key for both drawers. Ashok asks Libby if she has access to the PayPal Account. Ashok will give Libby access so she can order the books.

New Business: Libby states that Stephen wants to do outreach on the Day Of Recovery. He has asked for literature for the event. Libby wants to print out copies of our meeting directory and a tri-fold for him. The group gives the okay to go ahead with this request.

General discussion about our meeting list. Rose proposes that we add telephone meetings to our current printable meetings list. There are many types of telephone meetings and we need to promote them. Libby will look into this. Discussion of new Los Angeles area meetings. There is a new meeting in Malibu and at the Farmers Market.

Social Media - Rose

On social media we have exactly two friends. They are Libby and Stephen. Currently, no new content has been provided. Rose has some personal issues that she is dealing with that will soon be under control. Sarah (Malibu Meeting) asked Rose about the setup of the Social Media Page and how it works and what it has. Rose discusses the social media page and all the things that are on it. It is a friends page. It is used to post face-to-face meetings. It is a person, not a group. We accept friend requests and it is locked down for anonymity.

Sponsorship Report: This is currently on a pause for now. The idea is to create a mini-yellow book style information for new-comers to bridge to become a sponsor.

Old Business - All

Guy - Discusses a way to reach out to our 50 odd meetings in the greater Los Angeles Area. He talks about the mass mailing of postcards using a service called VistaPrint.

Rose - Recommends calling the institution that hosts the meeting to have them reach out to the meeting contact.

Ashok - Adds that we could do a two-step method, that is, call the meeting location and then send out a mailing.

Rose - How about sending out a mass text and include a photo of the poster?

Libby - I called 10 meetings, but this is not working.

Rose - Recommends doing a group text via Google Voice.

Ashok - We need to get an updated list of phone numbers.

Rose - Sending out texts gives us access and we can all reach out with our own Google Voice Numbers.

Goals/Tasks - All

Ashok

- A. Call California Credit Union of Riverside about opening a business account.
- B. Get Rose's help with getting the PayPal account to scan our checks.
- C. Purchase a new padlock and latch and install on another meeting drawer.

Guy

- A. Type up this meeting's notes and post them on our website.
- B. Reply to the email from the ACA'er from Japan.
- C. Add new meetings and meeting directory to the website.

Libby

- A. Order a case of Big Red Books and a case of Laundry List Workbooks.

Rose

- A. Work on the Sponsorship Course.
- B. Work on Social Media.
- C. Help Ashok with scanning checks into PayPal Account.
- D. Create Google Voice Phone Numbers for Intergroup Members.

The meeting ends with ACA Serenity Prayer, led by Rose.

NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018
Call In Number: 712-770-4700 PIN: 887877#