

# **Los Angeles ACA Intergroup Meeting**

## **October, 2018**

Conducted on 10/7/2018

In Attendance: Libby, Rose, Stephen, April, and Guy. John (Riverside) was on the phone.

The meeting started about 5 Minutes late.

The Jabra Phone System was setup and open for calls.

John was on the phone once the Jabra was activated.

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

Last month's meeting minutes was handed out to the group.

Round table introductions were made.

### **Treasurer's Report - Ashok**

There is a balance of zero dollars in our checking account. We have \$183.00 in cash, \$459.00 in PayPal. However there appears to be discrepancies as to what the exact amount is. I will be investigating this. I have not yet reached out to the California Credit Union of Riverside regarding creating an account.

New Business: Investigating cashing checks into PayPal. I want to create a business account California Credit Union of Riverside. In process of investigating PayPal money discrepancies.

### **Webmaster Report - Guy**

Guy used his laptop and new video projector to give his report. The report was done via presentation software. The website's plugins were updated, monitored FMR Clicks, Updated Printed Meetings, and Updated Searchable Meetings. We have reached an all time high of 1,842 Unique Visitors to our website for the month of September. Most of our visitors are female and are from the ages of 25 to 34 years of age. Most of our visitors are from California and from within California the city of Los Angeles. The types of devices that visit our site are: 7.7% Tablet, 31.8 % Desktop, and 60.5% Mobile devices. The trend upward for mobile devices will continue. Most of our visitors visit our website on Sunday or Monday.

New Business: Fall Mountain Retreat is having a wrap up meeting on the 21st of October. I would like to go down there. My car is not ready for that long of a journey. Can someone drive me their if I offer to pay for gas there and back and pay for meals?

Rose: Offers to drive Guy to the FMR Retreat Meeting on the 21st of October.

### **Literature - Libby (She has not arrived yet, group discussion)**

Discussion regarding that books were automatically returned because no one picked them up. People could not meet the commitment. Ashok asks if he can make the purchase of books again. Rose volunteers to go if she can be reimbursed for gas. Stephen makes a motion for to reimburse Rose for 54.5 cents per mile. This was seconded by Ashok. The motion passes unanimously.

## **Social Media Report - Rose**

Rose found out that she got locked out of Facebook. She does not know what happened and will investigate this issue. The Sponsorship documentation is up to Step #5. We are still not done. The goal is to get all the steps done by the end of this year.

New Business: ????

## **Old Business - All**

Ashok - Wants Intergroup to get its own bank account. PayPal could be our de facto bank account. However, not confident regarding financial discrepancies with PayPal. Guy offers to send email to Ashok and Libby about a person who he knows in CoDA who could help.

Libby - Joins the meeting in progress.

Stephen - Asks for a combination lock instead of a key lock for the second drawer in the conference room.

Rose - Recommends a pattern lock instead of a combination lock. Group discussion entails regarding the merits of each.

Stephen - Wants a lock that is programmable.

Rose - Discusses having all of us having Google Voice and emails for our each of our positions. All contacts are already setup. That is, text voicemail and so forth. Rose asks for a vote to use this service or not. The vote was unanimous to use this service.

How about a ACA Hotline? Rose has already made one for us. This phone number can be turned on or off.

Libby - Asks for the current status of the Bridge to Sponsorship. What is the progress?

General discussion of the hotline.

Libby - Discusses emails that are coming into her asking for guidance. She talks about getting an email from Australia about what to do regarding disruptions during a meeting.

Guy - Advises Libby to copy and paste answers from our own Website FAQ to answer people's questions.

Libby - Asks to restore connect to another person fellow traveler idea.

Rose - Talks about the scalability and complexity of joining people.

Ashok - Talks about having Co-Sponsor.

Libby - Wants it to work. Connect A to B.

Rose - We created a way to respond. Bridge to Sponsorship. An ACA'er will do it themselves.

Libby - This needs to be transparent

Rose - We are doing Bridge To Sponsorship for a reason with ACA.

Rose - Asks Guy about giving his Feral Cat Theory to the group.

Guy - Tells the group, all ACA'ers are just a bunch of feral cats. They will get together as a group, but only if its for their own self interest. Normies are more like dogs. They are pack animals. We should be too, but we are not. If I, an oldster in program, hold out an open can of tuna (representing sobriety, fellowship, knowledge, spirituality, etc..) to a new comer the new comer will treat me as if I were someone not to be trusted and or an authority figure to hate. They will then get mad at me or bite my hand and then run away. However, If I take the open can of tuna, put it on the ground, and then walk away the new comer will come sniffing around, find the can of tuna, thinking they found the tuna on their own and say oh joy! and then eat the can of tuna. Also, if I spend time with new comer ACA'er for like about 3 years (3 years is the minimum for an abused person to trust someone) then offer them the

open can of tuna. The new comer will say, thank you sir for this nourishment. I trust you now, and I will happily eat this can of tuna.

### **New Business - All**

Libby - Asks if we should buy new books?

Rose - Offers to pickup the books. She can do it this Friday.

Libby - She will then buy the books.

Rose - Wants the her traveling money upfront.

Stephen - Says to give Rose an advance.

Stephen - Notices that there are many bad meeting contacts out there. Alot from WSO. Discusses various good and bad contacts in the Los Angeles area.

Libby - Mentions the Buena Park ACA Event and asks Guy to post it on the website. Guy says he will.

Stephen - Mentions about all the meetings clustered in the Los Angeles Area. Mentions there are no meetings located with concentrations of specific groups of people.

### **Goals/Tasks - All**

#### **Stephen**

- A. Finish he projects in regards to contacting people.
- B. Find a Flyer Creation Application so he can make flyers.

#### **Ashok**

- A. Work with Libby regarding making a new literature purchase.

#### **Libby**

- A. Re-order the ACA Books
- B. Make sure that Rose can pick up the books.
- C. Update the meeting directory.
- D. Update her internal contact list of meetings.
- E. Attempt to update contact information through WSO's Website

#### **Guy**

- A. Meet with the Fall Mountain Retreat people to solidify our relationship.

#### **Rose**

- A. Make the ACA Literature Pickup
- B. Continue working on the Co-Sponsorship Documentation.
- C. Purchase Lock?

#### **April**

- A. Wants to work with Bridge To Sponsorship
- B. Wants to help with the process

#### **John**

- A. Wants to start an Intergroup in the Riverside Area.

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

**NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018**

**Call In Number: 712-770-4700    PIN: 887877#**

*We are small, but we are feisty! - Libby*

