# Los Angeles ACA Intergroup Meeting February, 2019

Conducted on 02/03/2019

In Attendance: Rose, Stephen. Ashok, Guy, and Libby. Lotara (GSR - Eagle Rock)

The meeting started at 8:08PM.

The Jabra Phone System was setup and open for calls.

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

Last month's meeting minutes was forgotten. Guy will email out to group.

Round table introductions were made and on the phone.

Yellow Meeting Pads and instructions for the Jabra are missing. Guy will replace.

## Treasurer's Report - Ashok

**Old Business**: We got 2 PayPal transactions for \$583. 92. PayPal needs a Social Security (SS) number or a bank account to transfer funds to it. We need to get this resolved. Balance: cash \$275.68, PayPal \$531.66. In reserve we have \$800 Dollars. The meeting rent was payed for January. Libby states that we got \$190.00 from a meeting as a donation. It was sent to world service then sent to SHARE!. We also got from the 7:30PM night Monday meeting a \$75.00 dollar check. We also sold a Yellow Book and Big Red Book. Total of \$290.70 for the 3 amounts together. Libby talks about depositing it in the account. We could put it in PayPal or purchase books or rent. We could pay for a scholarship to Sweden. Guy proposes that we could pay a scholarship for the retreat for Camp de Benneville Pines.

Libby talks about a scholarship to the world convention. Ashok wants to figure out a better accounting system. How about creating a new column orders spreadsheet. We could put the money in Libby's Bank account. We need a SS or business ID now. Or We would have to create a DBA. Rose says we can get a DBA. Libby says we have to get our own bank account. Rose has instructions. Stephen: A 95 number WSO should have one for us. Libby states that she has talked with them, and we have to do this ourselves. Ashok says getting a business ID is not hard. Discussion of the business ID Issue. Ashok does not have time to research this. He needs this by February, 11th. I don't know what will happen past this date. What we could do is link bank account to it. We could transfer money to do it. Rose happy to do this. Libby likes idea of PayPal account.

Libby says we can pay rent through PayPal. Our two main expenses are buying books and to pay rent. We can do this only with PayPal. Ashok, asks how to keep PayPal alive. Could be because we went above 500 dollars? Libby says to keep the PayPal account working. Rose states that people can have multiple savings accounts. She is a student. have a separate savings and channel it through there. Libby could start a second account in a credit union. Ashok says we should do all cash or we can pay rent and ACA Literature to lower our cash reserves. Libby will take that action. Stephen says we should buy new comer's packets. Rose spoke to young people in AA. Their chair wants to work with her.

Rose try to link with AA for outreach. Libby is concerned about over committing. We need to be aware of the what time commitment.

New Business: N/A

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#### Webmaster's Report - Guy

**Old Business:** For January, 2019 we had 1,739 Unique Visitors And 6,033 views. Compare this to same time last year. 890 visitors and 2,995 views. We are going like gang busters. I have reorganized the website from the back-end. All pages have been nested in hierarchical order. This broke a bunch of stuff on the site, but this was expected. Made changes to not to impact SEO. I posted Ashok's Documents. I am toying with the idea of increasing the font size on specific web-pages and breaking the paragraphs down so they display better on phones.

**New Business:** Idea to send out thank you cards to meetings that donated to us last year? I can do this? ACA Regional has a form for me to fill out as well as for the treasurer. Also, was I voted in to be the main contact for our Intergroup. That is, was I voted in? If not vote me in now to make things official. Rose states that WSO's Webmaster wants to talk to me.

#### Literature's Report - Libby

Old Business: We have the Yellow Laundry List books, Yellow Books and the new comer's pamphlets. Is anyone going to buy books? I am trying to keep records. Libby wants to create receipts for the books instead of little pages on cardboard. Libby is going to buy some more books. What books should we buy?. Rose says to buy pamphlets emotional sobriety pamphlets. Stephen says to get new comer booklets. Rose says lets put it on the website. Have a page with a list of stuff that we can sell. A list of what literature we have to sell. To just to have it. Libby says we need a price-list for all items. Ashok says we can offer scholarships for the Big Red Books. A lot of people cannot afford books at all. There is talk about what should we charge for books, yellow books, etc.. Stephen likes idea but individual meetings take it on. Stephen says sponsor new meetings with ring binder with sample meetings. Create a kit to give to meetings that are starting out. Make it cheaper than WSOs.

New Business: N/A

#### Social Media's Report - Rose

**Old Business:** I'm still on the sponsorship committee. I have nothing to report. There is nothing on our social media. People are looking at it though. Nothing super active. Thats all that happens. We are also doing H& I to start. Rose trying outreach. I'm trying to create a new format, need speakers etc... on too many committees. APB Group to make a safety net. A print out a card if you feel unsafe. One can also email a committee. Make a safety meeting. Making new Yellow Book.

New Business: N/A

## Meeting Outreach Report - Stephen

**Old Business:** I am contacting a lot of people and sending out emails, but people are ignoring him. Got chased out of a Women's Meeting! The Sunland meeting is now defunct. Monday Morning's at 7:00AM. CA1106 wants to be North Hollywood. CA1270 and CA868 are the same meeting. Not sure if meeting is happening. Rose says anger release is still active. Redundant meetings. Libby talks about having issues updating meetings via the WSO

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Website. The links constantly go down. Ashok says that this is an issue between world service and meetings.

Stephen talking to secretaries to send notices holds up the 2019 events sheet. He discusses the sheet. Ashok states that Esau wants to do a meeting at SHARE!. We need to book a space. We should make a date and time to come here to do the workshop here. Stephen goes the bathroom.

Stephen new meeting at Farmers Market in February at 5:30PM on and on Saturday, February, 23rd. Yellow book study. The meeting wants to be listed until Step 4. They want to spread the word.

**New Business: N/A** 

#### **General Discussion:**

Rose states that email is great for reaching out but about 7 or 8 months ago I had the idea for a hotline. Rose can take action for the hotline. ACA'ers can send emails to us and leave voice mail. etc... this is a resource to have. Rose will be sending Guy the number to put on the website. Rose made a bubble. Rose discusses how the email accounts work. Stephen will help Libby with her workload.

Ashok wants use to promote Esau's Workshop. He is writing a new book for world service and wants our help. Libby says does he have a letter to distribute? Libby is concerned about bandwidth. Guy asks for 6month lead time for the workshop. Libby says, have it during the Saturday Afternoon between the two ACA Meetings. Santa Barbara and Ventura merged as an Intergroup.

Guy talks about asking for more money from FMR? For last year we asked for \$40.00 Dollars or should we ask for more this year? Libby offers that we ask FMR to pay the \$40.00 dollars again for this year and also ask them for a donation.

## Goals/Tasks - All

#### Stephen

- A. Reach out to the other 46 Meeting. Contact now at 60%.
- B. Do more outreach.

#### Rose

- A. Fix the Social Media Account.
- B. Get the hotline up and running.
- C. Sponsorship et al.

## **Ashok**

- A. Make a purchase of books and pay our rent.
- B. Get a Tax ID Number.
- C. Give Guy the Treasury Reports

#### Libby

- A. Use PayPal to buy literature.
- B. Tell people about the books.

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## Guy

- A. Continuing changing the font size on the website.
- B. Work with Ashok regarding organizing the treasurer's reports.
- C. Send this months and last month's meeting minutes to the group.
- D. Table the FMR request for more money for next month's meeting.
- E. Add the hotline to the website.
- F. Add the new workshops to the website along with the 2020 Women's Retreat.

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

NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY, March 3, 2019
Call In Number: 712-770-4700 PIN: 887877#

We are small, but we are feisty! - Libby

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