



Al-Anon Family Groups
Orange County/Greater Long Beach Information Service
12391 Lewis , Suite 102
Garden Grove, CA 92840

May 18, 2022, Service Board Meeting

NOTICE: As decided at the November 17, 2021, Board meeting, this meeting is being recorded as a potential aid for the Secretary. The recording will be destroyed when minutes of this meeting have been approved.

*Call to Order and Serenity Prayer

*Twelve Traditions (read by a volunteer)

Spiritual Principles Reading: Lois writes on “obedient to the unenforceable,” page 2, *Many Voices, One Journey*—

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION FOR PERSONNEL ISSUES.30 Minutes

Secretary Chip G.:

Obtain quorum count: _____

Determine number of votes needed to pass motions _____

Approval of Minutes of the March 16, 2022, Service Board Meeting:

Moved by _____ . Seconded by _____

Additional Information

Treasurer Sarah G.: Submission of financial report (Income and Expenses)

Additional verbal information/comments:

*****7th Tradition Announcement*****

New Business:

1. TOPIC:

OC/GLB AI-Anon Participation at the 2022 Orange County (OC) Fair

Should the OC/GLB AI-Anon Intergroup participate in the 2022 OC Fair?

Framing the Topic

The OC Fair has long been considered the largest public outreach activity for the OC AI-Anon intergroup. There is an estimated \$75.00 cost for the booth, literature costs, any giveaways, bottled water costs, and the effort required to facilitate the booth.

Background information includes 2021 costs.

2022 Fair attendance is likely to be higher than in 2021. We should increase the literature budget accordingly.

Possible positive considerations: Several visitors and volunteers report that their first introduction to AI-Anon was at the OC Fair.

Possible negative considerations: It's impossible to track the fair traffic and the booth's effectiveness directly.

As our board size decreases and online meetings continue, should we consider different outreach activities? Will our fellowship support the commitment?

Background Information

2021 OC Fair Costs \$844.50

\$125 Spanish literature

\$75.00 Booth fee

\$26.50 Postage costs (mailing tickets)

\$618.00 Pens (give away)

\$400.00 estimated AI-Anon and Alateen English Literature costs *(2021 English literature was held over from previous years as found in storage)

Water was donated by committee members

KBDM Guidance

What do we know about our members (and prospective members') needs, wants and preferences that relate to this issue? What do we wish we knew but don't?

What do we know about the resources and our vision for Al-Anon and our meetings that are relevant to this issue? What do we wish we knew but don't?

What do we know about our "culture" and "environment" that is relevant to this discussion? In other words--Will our decision be consistent with our principles, policies, and legacies: The Twelve Steps, Traditions, and Concepts? What are the implications of our choices? What do we wish we knew but don't?

What are the ethical implications of our choices? Would we be practicing our "principles in all our affairs"? What do we wish we knew but don't?

Motion: _____

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ No _____ Abstained _____

2. TOPIC:

Use of outside bookkeeping service for estimated monthly fee of \$250-275 per month

An analysis of AIS office operations by our Oversight/Continuity Committee resulted in a best-practices recommendation that bookkeeping be separated from office operations.

Motion: _____

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ No _____ Abstained _____

3. TOPIC:

Begin work with Webmaster/technical services volunteer to provide Board access to the list of Information Service Representatives' email addresses to enable the Intergroup Service Board chairperson to communicate directly with ISRs.

Motion: _____

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ No _____ Abstained _____

4. TOPIC:

Determine a policy for use of the AIS Zoom account for Groups' fundraising events benefiting the AIS when we are able to arrange use without incurring additional staff payroll expense.

Motion: _____

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ No _____ Abstained _____

5. TOPIC:

Determine a policy for responding to requests to use the AIS Spanish language translation equipment. The policy should address the issue of security deposits that might be required if use is granted.

Motion: _____

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ No _____ Abstained _____

6. TOPIC:

Consider changing Orange Blossom distribution from US Mail at a cost of \$2,000 per year and six hours of staff time per month to free email distribution involving minutes instead of hours of staff time.

About 15 per cent of our ISRs responded (13 of 82 ISRs). Four preferred US Mail; nine preferred email. Some ISRs polled their own members before responding. If we were to go to email delivery, we could provide a free subscription to any member who wanted his or her own copy. Members would be able to print out copies or read the newsletter on their electronic devices.

Motion: _____

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Ayes: _____ No _____ Abstained _____

Reports:

Acting Office Coordinator Kevin O.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Chair-Elect Laura B.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Ex-Officio Amber E.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Alateen Activities Chairperson Keli M.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Foreign-Language Meeting Liaisons*:

***Spanish Language Liaison—Position Vacant: (carries information to District 64 and other Spanish-speaking groups:**

***Farsi Language Liaison Ben P.: (carries information to Farsi/Iranian-speaking groups):**

Additional verbal information/comments:

Fundraising and Telephone Coverage Chairperson Lauren H.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Institutions Chairperson Ginger C.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Orange Blossom News Editors Rachelle A. and Nancy R:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Public Information Chairpersons Marni C. and Mary M.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

World Service Liaison Isabel C.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Service Board Chairperson Carol G.:

Additional verbal information/comments:

Motion to Adjourn:

Made at _____ p.m. by _____ 2nded by _____