



Al-Anon Family Groups
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Minutes of the Intergroup Service Board Meeting- September 15, 2021

Meeting was called to order by the chair, Carol G., who led the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Traditions were read by Isabel C.. Laura B. continued the spiritual reading started at an earlier meeting—the essay on Leadership by Bill W., which is included in the Service Manual section on Concept Nine.

Nancy R. substituted for Acting Secretary, Chip G. She established the presence of a quorum.

Officers Present: Carol G., chair; Laura B., chair-elect; Sarah G., treasurer; and Amber E., ex-officio- (non-voting)

Committee Chairs Present: Breck F., Ginger C., Isabel C., Lauren H., Marni C., Mary M., Nancy R., Rachelle A.

Foreign Language Liaison (non-voting) Present: Ben P. (Farsi)

Absent: Chip G., acting secretary; Keli M., committee chair

Approval of July 21, 2021, Service Board Minutes (labeled “final” to indicate the final draft) —
Approval moved by Rachelle A., seconded by Lauren H—Aye: 11; No: 0

Treasurer’s Report, Sarah G.—

Total group contributions of \$2,207.70 were reported; Income and expenses were presented. A seasonal dip in income was indicated.

Pause for 7th Tradition Contributions

Bylaws Reading Continued—-Article II through Article V.2.B., Readers: Lauren H., Marni C., Rachelle A., Nancy R.

Office Manager’s Report, Irene R.—-The report noted that despite an announcement she was about to make, a previously announced Labor Board claim was to remain in effect. Then she announced her resignation, effective immediately, noting that she was returning to work in the science field.

Closed Session as Scheduled on the Agenda for Performance Review and Compensation Discussion (Office Manual, Appendix III)—-Kevin O., ex-officio, conducting

The Open portion of the meeting resumed with reports from officers and committee chairs as follows:

Chair-Elect: Laura B.—

Suggested that we might do a handbook for each Board member with operational information she had to ask about on her visits to the office as staff liaison, such as how things are done and what vendors we use.

Ex-Officio, Amber E.—

Amber reported plans for the 47th anniversary celebration of the office's creation. The September 26 event will include a talent show. Kevin has lined up nine past chairs to speak on the Do's from our Do's and Don'ts.

Farsi Language Liaison, Ben P.—

Ben reported on plans to help start a Farsi meeting in San Diego and said that the Orange County meeting continues to attract people from outside the United States. In order to continue participation of people from other countries where there are no AI-Anon meetings, he said the meeting will be hybrid when the Orange County meeting returns to face-to-face meetings.

Institutions, Breck F. And Ginger C.—

Ginger spoke about outreach challenges and the need for help to move forward. She said reference and historical information had been received from the outgoing chair.

Orange Blossom, Rachelle A. And Nancy R.—

The editors reported that they have just wrapped up the October issue of the newsletter. Nancy requested help with upcoming editions while Rachelle is out on maternity leave.

Public Information, Marni C. And Mary M.—

Marni reported that they are seeing if it is possible for us to participate in an A.A. outreach project.

World Service Liaison, Isabel C.—

Isabel said she would have information about the Southern California Area's study of the electronic meeting issue to report after an October Area meeting.

Chair, Carol G.—

Carol said she will be asking at the October Intergroup meeting for approval to sign a letter of engagement with the attorney to whom our request for bylaws review has been assigned by the Public Law Center, which provides pro bono assistance to non-profit organizations. She said she has asked a member who made a presentation on Knowledge-Based Decision-Making at the Area meeting on electronic meeting issues to make a KBDM presentation at our October Intergroup meeting. The presentation will use an issue confronting our Intergroup to give members real-time KBDM experience. The issue is whether out-of-area participants in electronic OC/GLB meetings can serve as Intergroup Representatives. Carol asked for a volunteer to use guidelines on the SCWS Web site to prepare a framing document for the KBDM demonstration. Marni C. volunteered to prepare the framing document.

Suggested consensus vote on allowing a volunteer to take a collection of minutes from the office to organize them for scanning and posting on the Website as Board directed directed staff more than a year ago.—Tabled.

Issues not addressed because of lack of time—

Zoom Task Force Report—ISR term length—Spanish translation on Zoom—Bylaws review plan—Board member spending limit without Board approval—oversight committee—offer of World Service District officer to serve on Board as suggested by Service Manual—earlier distribution of minutes.

Motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.—

Moved by Lauren H., seconded by Sarah G. Passes with unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy R.,

Substituting for acting secretary, Chip G.