

CENTRAL VALLEY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 08/26/2019

Meeting was called to order by Michael L. @ 6:00 p.m.

A Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Twelve Traditions were read by Christina R.

Chit Chat – January Elections are coming and the Chair and Assistant Chair positions (1 year continuous sobriety, 2 year term). Gail has baby pictures and birth of a steer. Registration for the World Conference in Detroit will open on September 9th, 7am EST.

Attendees: Michael L. , Ada L., Philip S., Terri S., Art L., Mark B., Gail E., Dan S., Christina R., Carol, Carol S., Bryan H., Lyda P., Bert C., Veronica B., and Lyn with guests Delores and Melissa

Tradition 8 – discussed by Dan S. – We do pay people for the non-12th Step work that is needed to run the organization.

Minutes: Phil S. motioned to accept July 22, 2019 meeting minutes. Bert C. seconded. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report (Interim Phil): Total cash balance as of July 20, 2019, was \$9,698.17. District 36 contribution of \$300 yet to be recorded. Fellowship contributions continue to remain lower than in the prior year with only \$136 recorded in July. Dan S. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report with the request to review the \$500 expense listed under "Conference Related Expense". Bert C. seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.

7th Tradition: Taken.

GROUP REPORTS

Gary M - 12 X 12 – Absent.

Bert C. – Beachwood – Rousing resentment at their July business meeting and so they will not be meeting again until September. Main issue is children in attendance must be well behaved. Some are but some recently are not and are disturbing the meeting.

Bert C. – Eye Opener – Noon meeting still well attended. Note this group closes with the Serenity Prayer.

Bert C. -Merced Men's – Attendance is good and group doing well.

Ada L. – Freedom Weekend – Freedom Weekend group is doing well. Our first fundraiser is the Breakfast in the Park went well. Thank you to all who came and supported. The next fundraiser will be the Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, September 15, 2019, at the Harvest Hall from 12 noon -5pm. \$10 per Ticket, raffle prizes, speakers at 2pm (AA-Frank the Tank, Alanon-Sandi B.), fun and fellowship. Freedom Weekend Campout sponsorships will be changing, including completion of a form, limited number available and service commitment requirement. The next FW2020 planning meeting is 9/8 at 10am here at Simply AA and encourage all to attend. If you have any questions, please see Ada.

Bryan - Friends Coming of Age – Sorry for missing the last meeting. I came on the 5th Monday of the month. Mindy holding on to Monday morning 6am meeting, but attendance is limited. Noticed that the meeting is not on the internet. Bert to check. Group has applied for a GSO number, but due to technology upgrades, it seems to be taking longer than they state on the website. Phil said it will take at least three months.

Gail E. - Gateway – Attendance and finances are good. Didn't make it to the last business meeting and they did not have a quorum. Ian R. has finished his service positions and has moved. There are three (3) new people interested, but they will vote at next business meeting on 9/19/19. Moving the birthday speaker meeting to the 4th Saturday has worked well, even getting people from the Bay Area.

Eric R. – Living Sober – Absent.

Christina R. – Surrender to Win - Meetings are well attended. All good and still working with girls at Nirvana and could use some support. Their Birthday Chip meeting is this Friday at 7pm. Next business meeting is October 4th.

Modesto Fellowship– No representative. Absent.

Dina H. (Christina R. Reporting) – Northside – New carpet and paint look wonderful. Birthday speaker meeting is the 4th Saturday of the month. All going well.

Lyda P. - Oakdale – Things are going pretty good, but we have had some positions open up in the usual AA way. Just had our Resentment Campout at Woodward Reservoir. We are getting involved in Freedom Weekend 2020. Saturday night is game night after the meeting and all are welcome.

Dan S. – Pass It On– Meetings are still at Ruth's house and outside on the patio. Attendance continues to vary. One of our members (Karen) passed away suddenly. There was a concern with SRC bringing clients to Ruth's house, so they asked them not to bring clients, but they brought them anyway and were asked to leave. It was noted that if they do not want addicts at their meetings that they should be closed meetings. The following week there was a stranger roaming through her backyard going through the refrigerators and things. Authorities were called and he was apprehended. They do not know if the incidents were related. At the last business meeting, the group voted to start sending contributions to district, CVI, and GSO.

Stacie C. – Primary Purpose – Absent. Others said they had heard that they are looking for a new CVI representative.

Mark B. -Principles Study Group– All is going well with meetings very well attended.

Veronica B. – Language of the Heart– Group is growing and lots of new people. Their group normally has closed women's meetings, but quarterly they have an open women's speaker meeting. The next one is on Saturday, October 5th, at St. Joseph's starting at 8am with breakfast with bacon and speaker at 9 am. She has a check from the group for CVI contributions.

Lyn R. – Newman Happy Hour – Hasn't been at business meeting for three months due to family matters. Newman will be having the 3rd Annual Unity Day and currently working on the flier. Event will be on Saturday October 4th from 11am – 4pm and Bud A. will be the speaker. T-shirts will be \$15. Group is doing well and they have a new book study using the new "Our Great Responsibility" book. Birthday speaker meeting has removed the potluck portion.

Jim W. – Serenity – Absent.

Melissa M. (Art L. reporting) – Simply AA – Attendance is ok, but have lower 7th tradition during the summer, but we do have a lot of new faces. Business meeting is the second Monday of the month; next meeting is September 9th. New Birthday Speaker Meeting format, bringing in an Al-Anon speaker for 10-15 minutes before the AA speaker is going well. Our next birthday speaker meeting is Saturday, September 7th, with Cathy C. from Modesto with 3 years sharing her ESH and Pam C. from Turlock for Al-Anon . Potluck at 5:30pm, speakers at 6:30pm, with chips & cake following the speakers at the First United Methodist Church on the corners of Berkeley, Arbor and Main.

Bryan C. – Turlock Group – Absent.

TRUSTED SERVANT REPORTS

Chadd – Outreach – Absent

Eran (Bert reporting) – Webmaster – DCM District 36 – not much to report, but still dealing with the cumbersome format of the database.

Ian R. - PI/CPC — Absent.

Ian R. – District Liaison – Absent.

Christina Richie – Interim Events Committee Chair – First events planning committee meeting was well attended. Next planning meeting will be held at Ruth's house on Tuesday, August 20th at 5:30pm. Blessed to work with the people on the committee.

The next event is the OLD TIMERS PANEL which will be held on Saturday, August 31st, at the Memorial Medical Plaza at 1800 Coffee Road Rooms 61, 62, 63, in Modesto beginning with social time and check-in at 3 pm. Fliers provided. Dave M. from Northside will be this year's MC. Dan S. commented that when we do this event next year could we please not do it on Labor Day weekend. Christina let him know that has already been discussed and will definitely take into consideration next year.

The HOLIDAY SOCIAL will be Saturday, December 14th, at the Harvest Hall in Modesto from 2-5pm. Mike K. (16 years) our Area 07 Panel 68 Delegate will share his ESH. NEW YEARS EVE event will be at St. Joseph's again. Woody R. with 29 years (Area 07 Panel 50 Delegate) will share his ESH. Fliers to come on both events.

Ada L. – CVI NCCAA Liaison - Next Steering Committee meeting will be held on Sunday, August 25th in Stockton.

The next conference is October 11, 12, and 13 in San Ramon, CA. Debbie D. will be the main speaker on Saturday night. Please register as early as possible. Fliers provided. Each fellowship can have up to two delegates. Taco fundraiser to be held in Dublin on Saturday, September 14th. At this point there will be no ASL at this conference.

The NCCAA is coming to Modesto in May 29-31, 2020. Flier provided on planning meetings beginning on Sunday, October 27th at the Alano Club in Ceres.

Beginning 2022, the NCCAA will only have fall and spring conferences.

NCCAA completed a group inventory in 2015 and a 16 page document was provided so reps could bring and share information with their fellowships and provide feedback to her or the NCCAA via their delegates.

Phil S. - H&I –Need people to go to Public Safety facility; Stanislaus County is very strict. SRC has changed its requirements. Monthly meeting is the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the Alano Club on Herndon in Ceres, CA. We can always use help with H&I. We could use up to 2500 people for the guys in prison.

November meeting we will be voting on a regional chair.

Phil S. - Literature – Just placed an order. Has 30-40 copies of the new book - Our Great Responsibility. Slow progress on the new pamphlet rack.

Phil S. - Hotline – We can always use to assist with the HOTLINE. You must have 6 months sobriety, have a phone and know how to use it. For questions, please contact Phillip at (209) 918-9160. All HOTLINE spots filled; Lorri from Mariposa has been coming down to help out. Bert had four calls for Spanish meetings and we checked that there is a different number listed on our written schedules.

CVI Office Openings are:

Tuesday, Thursday OR Friday from 12 noon – 5pm

Carol S. – Al-Anon – Brought Yosemite Summit Conference forms. They should have some extra rooms. Al-Anon Merced is looking to get involved in Merced Unity Day. October 25th in Oakdale there will be “Day in Al-Anon” event..

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Proposed change was posted on the CVIAA.org website on July 21st, so we cannot vote on until next meeting. See the special box on website just above the events listing.

VOTING ON A MOTION:

The method of vote on any motion depends on the situation and the by-laws policy of your organization. There are five methods used to vote by most organizations, however, we will be using By Voice.

1. By Voice – the Chairman asks those in favor to say, “Aye”. Those opposed to say “no”. Any member may move for an exact count.
2. *In the event a substantial unanimity cannot be determined By Voice vote, a vote By Hand count or Ballot may be used to assure substantial unanimity of 2/3's vote.*

PROPOSED CHANGE

Christina R. motioned to accept. Bryan H. seconded. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Christina R. motioned to consider purchasing boots for Santa Claus costume for up to \$100. Gail E. seconded. Motion passed.
- 2) Ian R. has moved. It was proposed that Terri S. (recording secretary) be the interim District Liaison as she is currently attending meetings. Gail made motion to accept. Bert seconded. Motion passed.

- 3) Announcement – the last NCCAA conference in Modesto, the CVI sponsored the Hospitality room and a budget of \$600.. Did we want to consider doing that again this year? Dan S. suggested that we wait and see as our contributions from groups is down. Terri S. gave history of Modesto 2018 Hospitality room. It was also suggested to get in touch with Chadd to see if he was interested in helping again. No motion.

Ada L. motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. Phil S. seconded. Meeting adjourned and Responsibility Statement was read.

I am responsible
When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,
I want the hand of AA always to be there
And for that: I am responsible.