

CENTRAL VALLEY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 02/24/20

Meeting was called to order by Dan S. @ 6:00 p.m.

A Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Twelve Traditions were read by Christina R.

Chit Chat – Dan S. has a new granddaughter and she makes number 6 grandchild. Victoria T.'s great grandchildren are moving back to California. Chadd moved to Oakdale and has changed home groups.

Attendees: Dan S., Philip S., Terri S., Bert C., Chadd H., Gail E., Jessica J., Norene A, Eric R., Jim G., Ada L., Kyle C., Christina R., Victoria T., and Carol S.

Tradition 2 *“For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority, a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.”* – discussed by Bert C. – We do not govern. Trusted servants and members can make suggestions for change or practices of the group, usually at a business meeting. Decisions for the groups “as a whole” are made by the groups. NOTE: Bert shared that he read about a Class A (amateur) Trustee who was a pastor by trade for thirty years. It wasn't until, as a trustee, he decided to work the steps of AA did he have his first spiritual experience.

Minutes: Christina R. motioned to accept January 27, 2020, meeting minutes. Ada L. seconded. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report (Interim Phil): Total cash balance as of February 20, 2020, was \$10,724.17. Norene A. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Victoria T. seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.

7th Tradition: Taken.

GROUP REPORTS

No Representative - 12 X 12 – No representative.

Bert C. – Beachwood – Everything is doing well, so status quo. Hobby House is still on our schedule, but Bert will research to see if it needs to come off.

Bert C. – Eye Opener – Everything is doing well.

Bert C. -Merced Men's – Everything is doing well.

Ada L. – Freedom Weekend– Freedom Weekend group is doing well. The next event is Pie in the Face on Friday March 6th at 7pm at the Harvest Hall in Modesto. The next event after that is the Corn Hole Tournament and Taco Bar on Sunday April 5th at 12 noon at the Harvest Hall. Speakers start at 1pm with Al-anon Clarice K. and then AA Missy L Tournaments start after speakers. If you have any questions, please see Ada.

Bryan H. - Friends Coming of Age – Absent.

Gail E. - Gateway – Things are going well. Attended last business meeting. Still do not have a GSR. New Treasurer is in the midst of this business adventure. We are doing well financially. They had voted on adding an Activity Chair previously but canceled that. We are checking the lease agreement regarding holding activities/events other than meetings. Also need to check on liability insurance.

Eric R.– Living Sober – Sorry I missed the last meeting, but the car is working now!! Glad to see we are donating to CVI. We had bingo last Saturday and heard it went well. Meetings are well attended.

Christina R. – Surrender to Win - Everything is fantastic.

Kyle C. - Modesto Fellowship – Dan S. (CVI Chair) attended our last business meeting. He was nice, but persuasive that we needed to have a CVI representative, so Kyle stepped up. We are having Make Your Junk My Junk Bingo on Saturday, February 29th from 2-5pm. On Saturday, March 14th, our monthly speaker meeting will be at 5pm followed by a Pie In The Face event at the Alano Club. So no food or snacks at fellowship; come to Alano Club for more fun. Fliers provided.

Victoria T. – Northside – Northside still pretty quiet with regards to the homeless disruptions. Elections will be held at the next business meeting, so this is her last CVI meeting. We will see how the meeting slots are filled at the business meeting; we have a lot of slots. Meetings are going okay.

No representative - Oakdale – No representative.

Dan S. – Pass It On – Dan spoke to Gallo Union Hall representatives about possibly renting their meeting hall in the Airport District. Our next birthday speaker meeting is Friday, March 6th and we have Ruth T. with 52 years sharing her ESH. No host dinner at the China Buffet at 5:30pm followed by speaker at 7pm. Next business meeting is Monday, March 2nd. As the CVI Chair I cannot vote, so we are looking to get a representative (Chadd H. on the ballot ☺).

Jim G. – Primary Purpose – Last birthday speaker meeting was February 21st and Ron H. from Portland, Oregon, was incredible. Finances are good, Attendance is good; newcomers are staying. Had elections and all positions are filled.

Lois R. -Principle Study Group– Absent.

Marian – Language of the Heart– Absent.

Lyn R. (Gail E. reporting) – Newman Happy Hour – Everything is good. Next speaker meeting is Friday, March 13th, with Eran sharing (5 yrs). Fellowship at 6:30pm and speaker at 7pm. No longer hosting potluck.

Jim W. – Serenity – Absent.

Ada L. – Simply AA– The next business meeting is Monday, March 9th. Next Birthday Speaker meeting will be Saturday, March 7th, with Dave C. (Manteca) sharing his ESH and Bill B. (Turlock) for Al-Anon. Potluck at 5:30pm, speakers at 6:30pm, followed by chips, cake, and raffle at the First United Methodist Church on the corners of Berkeley, Arbor and Main.

Jessica J. – Turlock Group – Motion was made at the last business meeting to start donating and brought a check for \$30. Still looking for cost saving measures.

TRUSTED SERVANT REPORTS

Currently NO Representative – Outreach – N/A

Eran (Bert C. reporting) – Webmaster – Still running on all cylinders and staying on top of things.

Norene A. - PI/CPC – We went to Linda A.'s shed and did inventory and we will not be ordering pamphlets. We meet the 3rd Sunday of the month at Northside Fellowship at 2:30pm. Everyone is welcome. Please note that we are dealing with the public and professional communities, so we are looking for volunteers that will present and represent AA well. In the upcoming NCCAA conference in San Jose, Norene will be on a panel representing PI/CPC.

Terri S. – District Liaison– At our last meeting, the primary discussion was around the agenda items that will be going to New York in May 2020. Groups were looking to schedule time with members to discuss agenda items. Our Area 07 delegate, Tom A., will be presenting an Agenda Review Workshop on Sunday, March 1st, at Northside Fellowship from 1:30-3:30pm. Snacks will be served. All are welcome!

Lois R. (Christina Reporting) – Events Committee Chair – CVI Events Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 3rd, at 5:30PM at Ruth's House on Chadwick Court. We will be discussing the final details of the CVI Annual Softball Tournament. We would like to know if your fellowship is considering fielding a team for the tournament. Please call Lois or Christina; their numbers are on the flier.

Ada L. – CVI NCCAA Liaison- As you know, the event loss at the San Ramon conference was devastating to NCCAA and has put the future of NCCAA in jeopardy. The next conference will be in San Jose Conference in March 13-15, 2020. As of the last notification, San Jose has met its room count. YEAH! There are shooting for 600 registrations but currently have 222. Please register. There will be elections at the San Jose Conference and they need a new chair; please have your delegates show up to the meeting on Saturday, March 14th, to vote.

If San Jose is a success, the NCCAA is coming to Modesto in May 29-31, 2020. There will also be a pre-conference dinner on Sunday, May 3rd, at Harvest Hall with Jason P. (Turlock) speaking to help raise money for the May conference. At the conference, Bud A. will be sharing his ESH on Friday night (May 29th). The planning meetings are well attended. Lots of volunteers are needed; some chair positions were filled but others are still vacant. Everyone is welcome to attend. Modesto hotel booking requires 110 nights booked between Friday and Saturday.

Phil S. - H&I – Things are pretty normal. Went to meeting in Visalia, CA, and the prison sponsorship program has expanded from 28 to 40 inmates. They are now discussing the possibility of branching out to another facility. Please ask your group treasurers to make sure that the checks that they send to H&I include AREA 81 and the Fellowships information, so that the group can be recognized and tracked. Apparently some fellowships do not have accounts and checks are coming from private individuals without additional information.

Phil S. - Literature – Lots, lots, lots of literature and chips. Note – we do not have Spanish literature in the downtown office.

Phil S. - Hotline – We lost a person today, so we need help on Tuesday’s 10pm-6am. Kathy is moving to Morgan Hill. We can always use to assist with the HOTLINE; call Phil at 918-9160. You must have 6 months sobriety, have a phone and know how to use it. For questions, please contact Phillip at (209) 918-9160. Office hours are covered.

Carol S. – Al-Anon – Hosting a “How to Help Your Children” at Doctors Hospital on march 1st at 3pm. Ada L. is on the panel.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) None.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Christina R. – Events Committee needs approval for \$1,200 for the annual CVI Softball Tournament. In 2019, the event made \$2.16. Dan S. indicated that these are supposed to be “fund raising events” per our bylaws. There were some challenges last year due to changes and the binders didn’t really have all of the information that was needed. They need six (6) teams to cover the bulk of the costs. Looking to reduce costs of umpires by getting some to do it for free. Kyle from Serenity Fellowship in Turlock will be sharing his ESH. Gail E. motion to accept. Victoria T. seconded. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION (NO VOTE REQUIRED)

- 1) None

Phil S. motioned to close the meeting and Jim G. seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm. 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.