

CENTRAL VALLEY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 10/26/20

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 Phil S.

Chit Chat – Dan on vacation in Southern California; getting to see the grandkids.

Attendees: Dan S., Terri S., Eran S., Christina R., Kiana W., Phil S., Ruth T., Jim G., Jacqueline H., Kyle C., Bailey Ramberg, Beth S (Guest) and Carol S.

Tradition 10 “*Alcoholics Anonymous (and Al-Anon) has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.*” – discussed by Ruth T and Jim G. This is an important one because if we start endorsing things with the AA name we would not be focusing on our primary purpose. Public stands or policy positions is not what AA is about.

Minutes: Christina R. motioned to accept September 28, 2020, meeting minutes. Eran S. seconded. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report (Ruth T.): Total cash balance as of October 20, 2020, was \$14,075.88. Total income was \$1,641.89; total expenses were \$600.48 resulting in a net profit of \$641.41. Jim G. made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Kyle C. seconded. Treasurer’s report was approved.

7th Tradition: The CVIAA.org web page and noted that in the upper right hand corner there is a “passing the hat” icon to click on that shows the various ways one can donate to CVI - <http://cviaa.org/aa/7th-tradition/> .

GROUP REPORTS

No Representative - 12 X 12 – No representative,

Bert C. – Beachwood – Absent

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Eran S. – Winner’s Circle (Atwater) – Zoom meetings continuing. Even in this virtual world, all is well – handing out chips and literature. Good sobriety so please feel free to join us. Expenses are nil so doing fine financially.

Eran S. – The Herd (Atwater) – Zoom and in-person meetings in the park. Down to 6 days a week.

Eran S. – Los Banos – Serenity having noon meetings in the park in Los Banos. Meetings posted on CVI.

Ada L. – Freedom Weekend– Absent. Terri S. reported that the drive thru Spaghetti Dinner scheduled for October 24th was canceled.

Bryan H. - Friends Coming of Age – Absent.

Gail E. - Gateway – Absent.

Eric R.– Living Sober – Absent, But Jim G. reported that they have face-to-face meetings daily at noon, 6pm, and 8pm, including a men’s and women’s meeting. Elections are next week. Attendance is pretty decent. Birthday and business meetings are virtual.

Christina R. – Surrender to Win - Fellowship is doing great. Just had elections and we have a new CVI representative, Bailey R. Christina R. will be the new chair for the Wednesday evening meeting at Nirvana. Meetings on ZOOM because the church is closed. Doing fine financially.

Kyle C. - Modesto Fellowship –Face-to-face meetings at the Caesar Chavez Park at noon everyday and moved the 7pm evening meeting indoors. Birthday speaker meeting also moved indoors. No speaker yet for the November 14th meeting.

Kiana W. – Northside – Things is well at Northside. Event Coordinator and Speaker meetings are currently on hold. Discussing mini-birthday meeting mostly for newcomers and those with less than one year to help keep them motivated. Doing ok financially.

Theresa G. - Oakdale – Absent.

Chadd H. – Pass It On – Absent. Ruth T. Everything is still on hold.

Jim G. – Primary Purpose – The fellowship is doing well financially. Face-to-face and Zoom meetings. All face to face are open with COVID19 protocols in place; participation in the front office is limited to 10 people with up to 35 in the larger back room. In person meetings are everyday at 6:30pm.

Lois R. -Principle Study Group – Absent. Terri S. same as last month.

Wanda T. – Language of the Heart– Absent. Terri S. same as last month.

Newman Happy Hour –No representative.

Jacqueline H. – Serenity – Group is doing well financially. Face-to-face meetings. Currently dealing with threats of violence in the group and have reached out to the District representative (Beth S.). At the next business meeting, they will be discussing adding the AA Safety Card to the meeting script and discuss how we can better handle this in the future.

Ada L. – Simply AA– Absent.

Jessica J. – Turlock Group – Absent.

TRUSTED SERVANT REPORTS

Currently NO Representative – Outreach – N/A

Eran – Webmaster – The new group, New Beginnings, face-to-face meetings are all posted on the CVI website. I broke a couple of things and put them back together;) If you have changes, please email them to webmaster@cviaa.org. No open issues at this time that he knows of.

Norene A. - PI/CPC – Absent, Still no meetings as COVID limits outreach opportunities.

Terri S. – District Liaison– I missed the last meeting Beth S. current DCM reported that, like this meeting, attendance at district meetings has been low. The mini-PRAASA was poorly attended by our District and asked us to encourage our GSRs, as they are the link between District/Area and their fellowships, so it is important to show up to meetings and events. District is having a hybrid meeting like CVIAA with the opportunity to attend at the Alano Club in person or via Zoom. District meetings are now at 7:30pm. CNIA does have additional information on their website, including the new ACCENTS publication, which is a great resource. If GSRs are not being emailed the ACCENTS publication, they should contact the new person at CNIA (information available on the website).

Lois R. – Events Committee Chair – Absent. Ruth T. to confirm with Lois whether she has contacted the facilities for next year and when the next committee meeting will be.

Ada L. – CVI NCCAA Liaison – Absent. Christina R. said they are working on a virtual conference, but they are a little behind with technology. The virtual conference will basically be to discuss the spirit of rotation and positions.

Phil S. - H&I – Still no meetings, but literature is still going into facilities.

Phil S. - Literature – Office is NOT OPEN. However, if you need literature or chips, please contact Phil and they will coordinate a pickup and sale.

Phil S. - Hotline – We have an opening 9am-noon on Wednesday. If you are interested, please call Phil at 918-9160. You must have 6 months sobriety, have a phone and know how to use it.

Carol S. – Al-Anon – They had elections and there is a new District representative, Diana C., and alternate, April M., who will be attending the CVI meetings. They are planning a *Day in Al-Anon* event (Because You Loved Me) for November 7th. It will be a virtual event. The event flier and meeting information is available on the Al-Anon District 18 website <https://alanonsanjoaquinvalley.org/index.htm>. Most meetings still Zoom. This is her second to last meeting and she is going to miss us. We will miss her too!

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) None.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) None.

DISCUSSION (NO VOTE REQUIRED)

- 1) Reminder that elections are in January and the Recording Secretary and all of Phil's positions are up. If anyone has any questions regarding H&I, literature, and the office, please feel free to contact Phil S.
- 2) Beth S., current DCM, asked us to encourage our GSRs, as they are the link between District/Area and their fellowships, so it is important to show up to meetings and events.
- 3) Little more on Bailey R. from Surrender to Win – this will be a new support position for her and she is excited about this opportunity. She is in construction so is often in different locations, but the Zoom format will allow her to attend and represent.

Christina R.. motioned to close the meeting and Kyle G. seconded. Meeting adjourned and 6:44pm. 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.