

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA INTERGROUP
MEETING MINUTES,
March 26, 2024,
6:00 pm**

OPENING MEETING: The meeting was called to order by Michele G, Intergroup Chair, at 6:00 pm. The 12 Traditions were read by Ken W. The Statement of Purpose was read by Rob T.

INTRODUCTIONS: By all in attendance: Chris M, Renee P, Michele G, Jenn S, Nancy C, Jude H, Debbie D, Gayle S, Claudia H, Heather L, Ken W, Nichole M, Rob T.

REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH'S MEETING: Jude H. moved to accept the February minutes. Chris M. seconded and the motion passed. Jenn S. informed the group that edits to minutes were made after they were sent out and are available to the group.

REPORTS FROM BOARD:

CHAIRPERSON: Michele G.- no updates reported.

SECRETARY: Jenn S. passed Intergroup Contact list around for updating.

TREASURER: Nichole M. announced that the Declaration of Non-Profit statement is due in May. She will be contacting Number Crunchers, our accounting firm, to have quarterly taxes done. Carmel M. will start training with Nichole this month preparing to take over as Treasurer in June. Nichole provided an overview of financials for February. February income was down from January by \$655.14. Group donations were \$914.58. PayPal/Venmo donations/sales totaled \$147.16. Literature, Coin and Literature sales totaled \$1122. Total income for February was \$2183.74. Total expenses were \$1771.25(down \$1846.08 from January). February's ending balance was \$15,586 (up \$412.49 from January). The prudent reserve to date is \$6694.25 for a Total Balance of \$22,280.25 (up \$412.24 from January).

OFFICE MANAGER: Lisa S.-absent, sent the February report with Nancy C. Nancy C. circulated the Intergroup Office summary report for the group's review. Total income from book, coin and book cover sales was \$618.50. A total of 86 encounters occurred in February including 12 Step Calls, Al-Anon/NA calls, general and meeting information (staff and answering service), and visitors.

OFFICE VOLUNTEER CHAIR: Nancy C reported that Intergroup Office is still looking for Volunteers to work 2-hour shifts on Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays. Nancy and Lisa S. are creating a training protocol on office duties and 12 Step call for volunteers. Nancy reported that Intergroup office received a letter entitled, "A Call for Stories" for the AA Pamphlet. She asked Group Representatives to announce to group members that GSO is asking for individuals to submit stories for their "Do You Think Your Different?" series. Anyone with multicultural backgrounds, alienating factors, and from diverse populations can submit experiences that are not addressed in current AA literature. For more information, interested parties can contact Nancy at the Intergroup office. Nancy also reminded all group reps to make Intergroup announcements to their respective groups on a regular basis.

12 STEP CHAIR: Jenn S. reported that the 12 Step Call List is updated and in use for 12 Step calls and has been sent to the list of resource agencies. Lisa S. sent the 2017 12 Step Call List for Jenn to

review and contact people who are not on the current list. Jenn will follow up by contacting those people.

WEBMASTER: Heather L. continues to update events and meeting list. She announced that the “Printable Meeting List” is now available and updated weekly. She recommended that the group view the website and encourage others to do so.

NEWSLETTER CHAIR: Position vacant. Rob L. stepped down. Heather L. volunteered to take over this position temporarily and will get the next newsletter out by April. Jude H. expressed an interest in taking on this position. She will look at the job description and work with Heather.

BIRTHDAY/SPEAKER MEETING: Position vacant. Chris M. stated that he will continue to help with the Speaker meeting until the position is filled. The Happy Hour Group will host on April 6 and the Westsiders will host on May 4th. The March 2nd meeting, featuring Band of Brothers, was a great success with attendance at 80+. Rent is paid through June and the account balance is \$40.

FOUNDER’S DAY PICNIC CHAIR: vacant. Lauralyn D. sent notification that she is stepping down from chair position due to personal family health reasons. Nichole stated that the first planning meeting went well. Most of the chair positions were filled:

- BBQ-Chris M.
- Potluck/Food-Jude H.
- Speaker/Music-Jenn S.
- Kids/Adult Activities-Gayle S and Nichole M.
- 7th Tradition and 50/50 Raffle-Julie
- Intergroup Bookstore-Lisa S.
- Archives-Bob L.

Donation cans and sign-up sheets for food will be circulated in meetings. Much emphasis was put on the need to make FDP a kid-friendly, family picnic. Several ideas for children and adult activities are in the works. Requests have been made to a potential speaker, an MC and a clean-up crew. Nichole will submit a food/supplies budget in April Intergroup meeting.

HOLIDAY CHAIR-Robt T. reported that the committee will start meeting in July. Chair positions are being filled.

REDYPAA: Position vacant. Michele G. reported that Easter Egg Hunt in March went well. Plans for “Speed Fellowship” and potluck are underway. The event will take place on Saturday, April 20th after the 8:00 pm meeting at the Alano Club. BUTTEYPAA will cohost the event.

PI/CPC: Position Vacant

OUTREACH CHAIR: Absent. No report.

ARCHIVES CHAIR-Absent. Sent report: Bob is working with GSO to establish an Archives Committee of 12 members. Twelve members have been identified. The goal is to acquire the history of each group for the Archives. The committee will meet at Shasta County Library.

WORKSHOP CHAIR: Chris M. reported that he is still working with Bob L. to plan “Origin of the 12 Steps” workshop. Plans are on hold temporarily while Chris continues to help with Speaker meeting (his former chair commitment) activities.

H&I-Renee P. reported H & I programs are running smoothly. Jail meetings are still conducted behind the glass. The Women's side of the jail is looking for one woman and Restpad is in need of volunteers.

DISTRICT 11: Gayle S., DCM and Liaison for District 11 reported:

- The Mock Conference on March 9 provided information on the inner workings of AA and how the GS Conference decides on making changes or not.
- Delegates provided a series of 3 Zoom meetings with Q & A sessions on the proposed "Plain Language Text" of the first 164 pages of the Big Book.
- On March 24, the Area Meeting in Weed was a success.
- The Pre-Conference is scheduled for April 6. The Conference is scheduled from April 12-18, 2024. Next year, the Pre-Conference will be in our area.

DISTRICT 9: Debbie D. Intergroup Liaison from Siskiyou County reported:

- Nearing completion of meeting update project. Originally thought I'd complete it by end of March but realize that it will not be completed before May. Will work with Lisa and update intergroup records of district 09 active/inactive/GSO #s/treasurer.
- The March 24th Area meeting in Weed was very successful. Area 07 Matthew, his wife (past delegate) and Claudio (Alternate Area 07 Delegate) presented as a panel to review Agenda items. There was attendance from Redding, Red Bluff & Fall River to name a few. We learned there are 3 words to assist in understanding a proposed agenda item. For example, when an item begins with CONSIDER, it means it has not been on the agenda before. It is for GSRs to take to their group and get Y or N and why on each item. When an agenda item begins with REVIEW, this means the item has been on the agenda before. There is no business for the GSR; the group's work has been done and it is being sent to the committee for their review. When an item begins with DISCUSS, it is for the group to talk about, and GSR reports this conversation of the group conscience. All in all, we had several GSRs, and much unity.
- We have DCM, alt-DCM and 2 GSRs attending April conference.
- Our district is looking forward to unity gatherings among other cities within District 11 so that we can work together.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Extending the meeting time to 90 minutes**-Michele G. proposed that meeting times be extended to 90 minutes to allow time for discussion on bigger agenda items like Holiday Party, FDP and elections. A group discussion led to a compromise of 1 hour and 15 minutes for meeting time on an as needed basis. Jude H. moved to change the meeting time from 6:00-7:15. Chris M. seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Newsletter Chair and Co-Chair, Speaker Meeting Chair and Co-Chair, PI/PCP, and Founder's Day Picnic Chair
- **Distribution of Contact List Intergroup members**-Jude H. requested that Intergroup Contact List be available to the group. There were some concerns about the monthly updates required to keep it current and control over the anonymity of members. Heather L. suggested that we post the contact list on Google Drive so that members would have access to it and the document could be edited and viewed in the same format. This will be distributed on an "as

needed basis". Rob T. offered to help Jenn S. set it up. Heather L. made a motion to post Contact List in Google Drive. Gayle S. seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

What's on Your Mind?

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm and was closed with the Responsibility Prayer meeting will be held on April 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at All Saints Church.