

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA INTERGROUP  
MEETING MINUTES,  
April 23, 2024,  
6:00 pm**

**OPENING MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by Michele G, Intergroup Chair, at 6:00 pm. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions were read by Heather L and the Statement of Purpose was read by Lisa S.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** By all in attendance: PJ V, Carmel M, Bob L, Sam M, Greg G, Larry T, Lisa S, Chris M, Michele G, Jenn S, Nancy C, Jude H, Debbie D, Tina H, Heather L, Nichole M, Kathy A.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH'S MEETING:** Carmel M. moved to accept the March minutes. Jude H. seconded and the motion passed.

**REPORTS FROM BOARD:**

**CHAIRPERSON:** Michele G.- updated the agenda to include Founder's Day Picnic Chair position is vacant.

**SECRETARY:** Jenn S. passed Intergroup Contact list around for updating. A decision was made by the group to provide the Contact List upon request. Google Drive access will require monthly updates of contact list and those who will have access to it. It's too much maintenance for the few who request having it.

**TREASURER:** Nichole provided an overview of financials for March. March income was \$3196 up from February by \$1009.32, due to a substantial increase in Group Donations. Group donations were \$2268.84. PayPal/Venmo donations/sales totaled \$13.72. Literature, Coin and Literature sales totaled \$885.25. Total expenses were \$2627.71(up \$856.46 from February). March's ending balance was \$16,154.35 (up \$568.35 from February). The prudent reserve to date is \$6783.81 up \$90 from February. The ending balance for March is \$22,938.16 (up \$657.91 from February).

**OFFICE MANAGER:** Lisa S.- Lisa circulated the March Intergroup Office summary report for the group's review. Total income from book, coin and book cover sales was \$823.25. A total of 68 encounters occurred in March including 12 Step Calls, Al-Anon/NA calls, general and meeting information (staff and answering service), and visitors. A new policy and procedure contract is being developed for Intergroup office volunteers. Intergroup members will review the contract at the May meeting.

**OFFICE VOLUNTEER CHAIR:** Nancy C reported that a few people have stepped up to volunteer at the Intergroup Office. She is still looking for Volunteers to work 2-hour shifts on Thursday, Fridays, and Saturdays. Nancy trains new volunteers on Tuesdays. 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 up and running. 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 after training and volunteering in the office to get a sense of how the list is being utilized.

**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:** Jude H. volunteered for the position. See under “New Business.” Jude brought copies of the April and May Newsletters for the group to distribute in meetings.

**BIRTHDAY/SPEAKER MEETING:** Position vacant. Chris M. stated that he will continue to help with the Speaker meeting until the position is filled. The Westside group will host on May 4<sup>th</sup>. No speakers are scheduled for June at this time.

**FOUNDER’S DAY PICNIC CHAIR:** Nichole M. reported that she has taken on this role and needs a Co-Chair to help with planning and needed tasks. Most of the chair positions have been filled.

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

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. Nichole submitted a request for \$1000 to cover the cost of food and supplies. A motion was made and seconded and passed. Next planning meeting will be on April 27, 2024 at 11:00 at Alano Club upstairs meeting room.

**HOLIDAY CHAIR-**Rob T. Absent. He sent a report that the committee will start meeting in July. Chair positions are being filled. He will attend Intergroup meetings every other month until September or October.

**REDYPAA:** Position vacant. Michele G. reported that plans for May Day, Movie at the Park are underway. The day will include a picnic, meeting, and a movie. The event will take place on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Alano Club. They are looking for people to fill service positions.

**PI/CPC:** Position Vacant

**OUTREACH CHAIR:** Larry T.-no report.

**ARCHIVES CHAIR-** Bob reported that the Committee of 12 members will have their first meeting on May 15 at Shasta County Library. The goal of the first meeting is to establish goals, search out local history, histories of local meeting groups, and interview people with at least 25 years of sobriety. The committee will be working with GSO workbooks as guidelines.

**WORKSHOP CHAIR:** Chris M. reported that he will be 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.-Absent.** She reported that H & I programs are running smoothly, and rosters are full. Jail meetings are still conducted behind the glass. H & I is planning Unity Day for the Fall and will be looking for Intergroup support.

**DISTRICT 11:** Absent, no report.

**DISTRICT 9:** Debbie D. Intergroup Liaison from Siskiyou County reported:  
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“We have 24 meetings in our district. I am prepared to meet with Lisa and give updated gso#, treasury and group information for each meeting. Thanks to our DCM and alternate for area 7 work.

- DCM, alt-DCM and 2 GSRs attended April conference. This was the event that we all worked so hard to carry the agenda items to our groups and return with reports for the delegate. Our DCM reports “that it was very interesting to hear the group’s conscience. The experience provided an opportunity to view some of the agenda items in a different lens. The delegate stood at the podium for hours listening to each group in area 7 provide their group conscience” Our trusted servants of district 09 hand carried some of our groups’ conscience in writing to the delegate and provided 2 group conscience word for word at the microphone. In addition, two of our GSRs attended their first conference and had the opportunity to fellowship and go to the microphone for their groups.
- These four people also plan to attend the post conference on May 18th and 19<sup>th</sup>.
- At this assembly, our area 7 delegate Matthew will share his experience from the General Conference and share some of the decisions made.
- We are currently looking at potential local facilities for the pre-conference assembly April 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 that we are co-hosting with District 11.
- NO SNOW = Our district members are soon to be opening their homes to have informal unity gatherings with 3 F’s: Food, Fellowship and Fun.
- H&I has a new coordinator, and we are carrying the meetings into the jail.
- New recording secretary: YEAH
- Our treasurer stepped down, so now we have a temporary person to do our budget, and help us until we have this position filled again.”

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Double Winners meeting donation**-Double Winners, a combination AA/Al-Anon meeting would like to donate to Intergroup, but it violates traditions 5, 6, and 7. Renee P. reported that GSO recommended that Intergroup accept funds from individual donors rather than Double Winners group. Tina H. made a motion to remove Double Winners from Group donation spreadsheet and accept donations from individuals only. Heather L. seconded and the motion passed. Lisa S. will send a letter to Double Winner’s regarding this issue.
- **GSO Safety Card**-As a reminder, the GSO Safety Card, found on our website, was presented as a tool to encourage safety in meetings. The use of the Safety Card will be determined at the group business meeting level. Intergroup members were encouraged to share the Safety Card option at meetings so that the group conscience can decide on its use.
- **Newsletter Chair**-Jude H. volunteered to take on this position. She has been sober since 1992 and has held many leadership service positions. Tina H. made a motion to nominate Jude for Newsletter Chair. Nichole M. seconded and the motion passed.

- **Open Positions:** Newsletter Co-Chair, Speaker Meeting Chair and Co-Chair, REDYPAA, PI/PCP, and Founder's Day Picnic Co-Chair.

### **What's on Your Mind?**

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm and was closed with the Responsibility Prayer. The next meeting will be held on May 28, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at All Saints Church.