



Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2009

Present: Miller – Chairperson
Pamela – Secretary
Jacob – Public Information
Robin – Region 2 Rep/Thursday PM Rep
Christy – Special Events
Kathy – Tuesday PM Meeting Rep
Lillian – newly elected Vice Chair

Absent: Ashley – resigning Vice Chair
Ellen – Treasurer
Mary, Rainbow Newsletter/Webmaster
12th Step Within Needs Rep
World Service Needs Rep
Sunday PM Meeting Needs Rep
Curtis – Monday AM Meeting Rep
Monday PM Needs Rep
Kim – Saturday AM Meeting Rep
Tawna – Friday AM Meeting Rep

Meeting opened at 9:15 am with the Serenity Prayer

Read 12 Traditions

Read 12 Concepts

Pamela read the minutes for the April meeting. Revisions were offered and accepted.

Board Reports:

Chair – Miller had no report.

Vice Chair – Miller reminded the group that we are still looking for a Vice Chair; the abstinence requirement is 6 months and when the Chair is absent, the Vice Chair would receive an agenda and merely stand in. Then, Lillian was nominated by Miller and unanimously elected to fill the Vice Chair position.

Treasurer – Ellen was absent so there was no Treasurer's Report and no mail. Miller said that Ellen had told her that nothing was time sensitive.



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Secretary – Pam had no report.

Day in OA – Christy arrived at the meeting during the Day in OA segment of the meeting which was addressing the issue of Samuel P. Taylor Park as a venue for an event over the summer months. Jacob hadn't been able to connect with anyone yet. Christy said that there's a permit to download, fill out and mail in. Other parks had been suggested, including Paradise, Piper Park, Pioneer, Stafford Lake and Muir Beach. Finally, the backyard of the JCC was suggested. Robin used to work at the JCC and said they have all sorts of facilities. Miller told Jacob, who had volunteered to look into the JCC, Pam Day is the Events person.

Christy had planned to turn in the funds made at the previous event - \$98 dollars. (Ellen, Treasurer, was absent) She reported that they had gone through the first three steps, shared, and written; people went deep and some shares were fabulous.

Christy also said that the Special Events is really a two person job. Christy can't do anything until July because of a personal work matter. It's hard to get help for the set up and clean up at the events. In addition, the stairs at the Lutheran Church in Corte Madera pose a problem for many people. So maybe we have to change venues for this reason. We need a place to be wheelchair accessible with no stairs.

Region 2 – Robin reported that Region 2 now has a Young Person's Committee: Robin, Laura, Mary, Sara and Alice. She had nothing additional to report.

Meeting Liaison – Jody was absent, but had sent the beginning of the Intergroup inventory, which Jacob brought to the meeting. Miller deferred that until the end of the meeting, as had been agreed.

Rainbow/WebMistress – Mary was absent. Miller said that the Web site is so beautiful and that people are signing up for the email service. She reminded the group that if groups need copies of the Rainbow, they should contact Mary.

Public Information – Jacob reported on several versions of wording of announcements to attract people to OA. Various changes were offered. He will return with the revisions made next month. Pam offered to get him the names of all the local radio and TV Community Service Directors for PSAs.



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Group Rep Meeting Status Reports:

Monday 9:30 am – Curtis, the rep, wasn't present, but Jacob said the group was the same.

Monday 6:00 pm – There is no Monday PM Rep.

Tuesday 7:15 pm – Kathy said the group is going well.

Thursday 7:30 pm – Lillian said it was doing great.

Friday 9:30 am – Tawna was absent. Jacob said that she was giving up the service and that he had volunteered for today only. Therefore, Friday AM is looking for an IG Rep. The meeting is bursting at the seams and may need to move upstairs.

Saturday 10:45 am – Kim was absent.

Kathy volunteered to give an Intergroup report at the Saturday meeting. Miller reiterated that the group had chosen the World Service version of the crosstalk definition. Pam said she wished she had known about the World Service crosstalk definition because she wouldn't have written a new one. Miller said that that exercise had created good conversations about crosstalk at groups. Lillian said there was a new crosstalk definition at Thursday's meeting. Lillian said they got feedback from two people and wondered how to handle it. The answer: Steering Committee. Christy said that the Sunday 6 pm group had chosen to bring it up on successive weekly meetings and finally voted on it later, listening to the group conscience. Miller said that each group is autonomous; members need to attend the steering committee.

Sunday 6:00 pm – There is no Sunday meeting rep.

Retreat Liaison Report – Robin said they had a meeting and the planning is going well. Plans for a Saturday "gala" are unfolding. There will also be a clothing exchange. Miller asked if the retreat would be on the Web site. Robin said it would. Anyone interested in being part of the planning for the retreat is welcome to attend the monthly Saturday lunchtime meetings at the Wild Fox Restaurant in Novato.

World Service – this position is still open.

12th Step Within – this position is still open.

Old Business – The Intergroup Inventory. To be done at the end of the meeting.

New Business – There was no New Business.



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Of the Preliminary Inventory Questions that were sent to us by Jody, we asked ourselves this first question:

1. Are we satisfied with the function of our intergroup/service board? To which Jacob answered yes we are! Robin continued with her impression of OA Marin Intergroup as a body of enthusiastic, committed individuals, who are interested in getting things done.

Next meeting is June 13, 2009 at 9:15 am

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 with *I Put My Hand in Yours*.