

OA IG Meeting 7/17/21

Present: Deborah, Laura B, Kyra, Curtis, Jim, Nancy N, Aida, Shannon,

Committee Board/Committee Reports

Chair: Kyra reports recruiting Aida for our new Treasurer; contacted Beth who handed off materials to her and she handed off to Aida. Ran into a snafu with the bank. Status as 501c3 has expired. The notices were sent to Cynthia who has passed away. She was still the contact agent of record. Aida explained that we just have to renew our status, and it's a failure to file the current information needs correction. As long as we update that, it will be fine. Kyra and Aida and Laura will meet to clear this up. Kyra had a talk re insurance, and it was suggested we need something like "blanket liability" to cover whatever size the meetings are, and the price won't be reflective of fluctuation in size, but will be a flat fee. More about that next meeting. In conversation with Nancy, she agreed to step up as Zoom manager. Marcy is struggling with health issues and can't attend the meetings. We need to discuss whether we still need her committee position or whether we need to find someone else for 12th Step Within. Reporting for Jill, she is working on role descriptions for our committee positions and we'll post them as soon as we have them.

Vice-Chair: Jill not present

Secretary: Laura will contact old IG reps to determine who has taken their place, so information can be updated on the website.

Treasurer: As acting treasurer, Aida reported an Ending Balance as of 6/30/21 of \$5611.86 and June transactions of Vonage-\$24.11, Website-\$50, PayPal donations +154.94. The Zoom annual Fee is being paid in July for \$149.90. She has all records from Beth and access to the banking website. Has everything she needs to do her job. At her suggestion we gave Aida approval to move away from Quicken in favor of using Excel at a savings of \$50 per year.

Outreach: Deborah reports July 30-Aug 1 virtual retreat, WSO Convention Aug 26-28 in person; has gotten some phone calls that couldn't hear and thinks they were spam. Only a few questions came through, which she answered. Kyra mentions we don't have a World Service Rep. We asked for a volunteer to go last time; she suggests we do that again this year so that we have some connection to the conference. Curtis questions if they will be doing Zoom as well as in person. It turns out the World Service Business Conference isn't until April. Aida suggests we try to get a rep early because it involves a lot of work. **CALL TO ACTION:** Have IG Reps announce our need for a World Service Rep. Ellen reminds us that position requires service for 2 years above meeting level as well as one year of abstinence, and this should be included in the recruiting announcement.

Public Information: Shannon has included the requirements for the service positions on the website.

Twelfth Step Within: We discussed how we feel about 12th step within not being represented on the Board. It was acknowledged that there are people in the fellowship that need special support, and a Sunday meeting was created to meet this need. Curtis suggests a rep would have to come out of that meeting. Deborah attends the meeting on a regular basis and will bring this issue to them. Ellen suggests the position could be more than just the meeting – putting on events, etc. Deborah will report back at next meeting. Curtis raises the question whether we want to put energy into it as an Intergroup.

Women's Retreat: Ellen has nothing new to report. The retreat has been going on for 15 years with a few exceptions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Voting-in Aida as IG Treasurer – Deborah moves to accept Aida as Treasurer and Curtis seconds. Kyra suggests amending to say for what period she's Treasurer. The question is whether she is finishing Beth's term or starting her own 2 year term. Aida is to do either. Curtis raises the issues of the value of overlapping positions. Ellen says it used to be in the by-laws. Nancy says on website it says 2 years beginning in January. Aida agrees to her term being from now, finishing out Beth's term and then starting her 2 year term in January 2022. Deborah clarifies this in an amendment to her motion. Curtis seconds. The vote is unanimous to affirm.

Voting-in Nancy as Zoom Manager – Nancy thinks is an important position even though more groups will be going in person. Kyra points out that since it's a new position, we don't have a job description or abstinence requirements or term of office. Curtis asks if someone will do a job description and bring it back to us. Kyra thinks this will be an ongoing need. Curtis thinks

this would require an amendment to our by-laws, requiring an action item at a future meeting. Kyra asks Nancy to work with Jill Stevens to come up with a description: abstinence requirements, term, etc. to get it official. Curtis nominates Nancy to the position, Jim seconds, the vote is unanimous to accept her in the position. Kyra asks Aida and Nancy to connect off-line to give information necessary for Nancy to perform the role.

Status of In-Person/Hybrid Meetings – Kyra announces Sat 10:15 meeting has been invited back to the church, will discuss how the fellowship feels about that, she guessed it will happen in August and may include a hybrid component. Jim (the new Sat IG rep) will report back on this next month. Curtis mentions the tricky issue of insurance: are locations demanding we have insurance before we meet? Monday 9:30 will have one in-person meeting this coming Monday, they will not try the hybrid option. There will be a parallel virtual meeting hosted by Aida. Friday 9:30 meeting will meet July 30th as one-time thing. The Thursday evening meeting will remain virtual. Monday evening wants to go to in-person in August and the Wednesday evening will stay virtual. Shannon asks that all this information be sent to her so she can update the website. Sunday afternoon is going to remain virtual. Ellen reports that Sunday morning meeting is for now virtual, will discuss in person in September, Tuesday morning 7am is leaning toward virtual and Friday night meeting at 6:15 is wanting to go back to the church, discussing that with the church, but the church is contemplating a major renovation, which may delay the process.

Ongoing Business: Kyra notes we need a Region 2 rep in addition to a World Service Rep. **CALL TO ACTION:** IG Reps should recruit for both Region 2 and World Service reps. Descriptions of each position can be found on the OA Marin website. Curtis says our budget doesn't reflect the cost to send reps to those events. Kyra asks if Region 2 will have the meeting in person or virtually; no one knows. That would make a difference budget-wise.

Open IG service positions – Region 2, Special Events, World Service Rep, Young Person's Rep

Closing – Responsibility Pledge and Serenity Prayer

Next IG Meeting – Saturday, August 21, 2021