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## Minutes of the Orange County/Greater Long Beach Intergroup Service Board Meeting of July 19, 2023

The Intergroup Service Board meeting of July 19, 2023, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chair, Ajit S. The Serenity Prayer was recited.

## Readings:

Twelve Traditions – Eric N.

Twelve Concepts of Service – Marilen H.

Spiritual Reading – none

#### PRESENT:

Officers: Chair – Ajit S., Chair-Elect – DJ K. (absent), Ex-Officio – Sarah G., Secretary, Cherie E., Treasurer, Sam M.

<u>Committees</u>: Alateen – Theresa M. (absent) and Tawny T. (absent), Institutions – Morgan M., Nominations/Historian – Julia G., Orange Blossom – Jon M., Public Information – Linda T. and Eric N., Fund Raising Liaison & Phone Coverage – Dan P., World Service – Kay W. (absent) and Veronica B.

## Non-Voting Liaisons:

Farsi Language Liaison – Ben P. (absent)

Spanish Liaison – Cindy R. and Marilen H.

## Office Staff:

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#### **REPORTS:**

Treasurer: Sam M.

Full monthly reports are linked under calendar of events on the website. As of June 30, 2023, the current period total sales were \$7,510.73. The total cost of sales was \$5,081.3, resulting in a gross profit of \$2,429.43. Total operating expenses were \$753.91, leaving a net operating profit of \$1,675.52. Total assets as of June 30, 2023, from checking/savings/other equals \$156,071.65.

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition - Please continue to make contributions through ocalanon.org. There is a button to click for contributions. Please include meeting information where indicated.

## Secretary: Cherie E.

Happy to be serving as the Secretary and has a lot to learn. Cherie met with Chip on a Zoom meeting and in person for some training and turnover reports. She stated she has a lot to learn.

Quorum: A majority of the Service Board was present to satisfy the quorum requirement. Of 13 voting members, 9 were present. (I think there were 14 voting members, 10 were present.)

The minutes of May 17, 2023, were reviewed.

**Action:** Motion made by Dan P., seconded by Jon M., and carried to approve the minutes as submitted.

**Decision:** Ayes = 8, Nays =zero, and Abstentions = zero. **Motion carried**.

Old (unfinished) Business, if any, is addressed on Page 3 of these minutes.

New business is listed under the Oversight Committee report, Chairperson's report and New Business sections of these minutes.

Office Oversight & Continuity Committee (OCC): Teresa F. (filling in for Julie S.)

Julie, along with Josefa (Prior District 64 DR), made a presentation regarding the Spanish speaking meetings that were removed from the OC Meeting Directory on the website. District 64 was created in 1991 as an Overlay District for Spanish-speaking meetings in order for them to be able to have better representation in the Area World Service. Spanish-speaking meetings can decide upon registration of their group whether they want to belong to the District that they physically reside in or to District 64. After detailed review of the records, it was found that a) some Spanish-speaking meetings were listed on both the District 64 website's directory of meetings and on the Orange County website's directory of meetings. Meetings should only be listed in the District to which they are registered. Those meetings were removed from the OC website directory. Additionally, a large number of Spanish-speaking meetings were not registered with WSO as an Al-Anon group. Those meetings were also removed from the website directories.

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A discussion and Q&A followed the presentation, with a number of comments about reasons why a group might want to be listed on both websites and about the need to inform the groups about registration with WSO. A subcommittee was formed, consisting of Teresa F., Josefa, and the OC Spanish Liaisons, Cindy R. and Marilen H., to further discuss and develop and plan possible solutions to the concerns and to communicate with the groups and Intergroup offices.

## Office Staff: Sam C. and Mike F.

Sam and Mike were introduced and reported on their desire to be of service to the Service Board – contact the office by phone or email with any questions.

The new Daily Reader is nearly sold out. Twelve cases were purchased and they were selling them at nearly one case per day.

## Service Board Chair: Ajit S.

Thanked the outgoing board members and thanked Sarah G. especially for being a mentor to him. Welcomed the incoming board members.

A question was posed about how new board members should get turnover reports to complete the transition. Answer: Connect with the previous board member and work with him/her to get up to speed.

<u>Chair-Elect:</u> DJ. K. (absent) – No report.

## Ex-Officio: Sarah G.

The OC Service Office Anniversary event is being planned for September. Sarah is working on getting a list of registered meetings in OC put together, along with the ISR for each meeting.

Alateen Activities Coordinator: Theresa M. (absent) and Tawny T. (absent) – No Report.

## Spanish Liaison: – Cindy R. and Marilen H.

Marilen expressed her gratitude to be of service. Both she and Cindy plan to attend the District 64 meeting in August.

Farsi Liaison: Ben P. (absent) – No report.

#### Institutions: Morgan M.

Alejandra M. asked whether she was finished with her commitment or still had a year to serve. It was reported that she had completed her term. Morgan reported that she will work with Alejandra to get a turnover report and she will be pursuing starting some panels.

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Nominations/Historian: Julia G. - No report.

Orange Blossom/News Editor: Jon M.

Jon will be working with Nancy R., outgoing News Editor, to get up to speed.

Public Information: Linda T. and Eric N.

Eric is happy to serve on this committee. Linda reported the OC Fair is coming up August 2-6 (for the Al-Anon booth). All of the positions were filled and they have back-ups.

Fundraising Liaison and Telephone Coverage: Dan P.

Dan will work with Lauren H. and is happy to serve.

World Service Liaison: - Kay W. (absent) and Veronica B.

Veronica is looking forward to learning about the position and will work with Kay on her responsibilities.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

A 2023-2024 Service Board roster, with names, positions, and emails, and phone numbers, will be distributed to the board members via email.

Birthdays:

Veronica B. – 24 years Cherie E. – 29 years

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Next scheduled Intergroup Service Board Meeting is September 20, 2023.

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. was made by Sam M. and seconded by Eric N. and passed by a majority of those present.

Respectfully submitted,

Cherie E., Secretary