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## MINUTES OF THE INTERGROUP MEETING OF 16 October 2019

Call to order and Serenity Prayer – Kevin O. at 7:31 pm Silence Cell Phones (please) Twelve Traditions – read by Tran

## PRESENT:

Officers: Chair – Kevin O., Ex-Officio – Tannis S., Chair-Elect – Amber E., Secretary – Geri M., Treasurer – Mary N., Office Coordinator – Irene L.

Committees: Public Information – Norma Jean W., DJ K. (not present); Institutions –Dean G.(not present), Scott M. (not present), Tina T.; Round Robin/Phone Coverage – Anna Marie S.; Alateen – Vicki M.(not present), Sammy B.; Orange Blossom – Brandon C., Glenna F.; WS Liaison – Lupe M., Marque H.; Alateen Liaison – n/a; Foreign Language Liaison – Isabel C.; Historian/Nominations – Matt St M.

## **REPORTS:**

Secretary – Geri M.- presented minutes of August 21, 2019 meeting. **Motion** by Vaughn to accept minutes with corrections: Next WS meeting scheduled for <u>November 16, 2019</u>; 2019 Holiday Alathon scheduled for <u>December 7, 2019</u>. Seconded. **Motion carried**. Geri read motions from September 18,2019 meeting (see report).

Treasurer – Mary N. See report. Seventh Tradition collected. Mary also reported on transition to new bookkeeping system to increase efficiency.

Office Coordinator – Irene L (see report). Content includes: office now accepting credit/debit card payments with 3% convenience fee added; email has been migrated to new computer system; reminder to membership that office is open first Saturday of each month.

Chair – Kevin O.- reported on proposal for renewal of lease of OC Information office space (see report). **Motion** by Vaughn to approve renewal of 5-year lease with no increase in rent for 2020 and 3% annual increase in 4 subsequent years, new lease to commence on January 1, 2020. Seconded. **Motion carried.** 

Kevin also addressed Resolution process by So. CA WS office regarding a previous agenda item about de-listed meetings. Discussion still in progress. Noted that the So. CA WS delegate is Marcia.

Chair-Elect – Amber E.- led group through gratitude activity, "Al-Anon and its Many Gifts." Invited sharing.

Ex-Officio – Tannis S. (not present- see report). Thanked all for a successful Anniversary celebration.

**Al-Anon-related Announcements:** chair of AFG Convention/Suzie spoke to the need for additional volunteers; planning meetings are 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month in Yorba Linda. Kevin O. encouraged participation in Alathon opportunity drawing.

Alateen – Vicki M. (not present) and Sammy B.- reported that coordinated efforts with So. CA WS office are ongoing to plan and host an Alateen picnic event.

Alateen Liaisons – positions are open for four OC districts

Institutions – Dean G. (not present), Scott M. (not present), Tina T.- stated that efforts are ongoing to reach out to facilities, including homeless shelters, to host panels. Visits made to senior and youth guidance centers to distribute Al-Anon literature.

Nominations/Historian – Matt St. M. reminded all that a Thought Force has been established to focus on streamlining Nominations process to attract more members to service.

Orange Blossom – Brandon C., Glenna F.- reminder to write name and contact information on Orange Blossom submissions.

Public Information – Norma Jean W., DJ K. (not present)- "Carrying the Message" – stated that line item on proposed budget will include request for funding continuing work on public information displays.

Round Robin/Phone Coverage – Anna Marie S.- (see report) Encouraged membership to consider Round Robin opportunity in home meeting groups. Stated that she is covering phones in OC office on weekends, but number of calls has been minimal.

World Service – Lupe M., Marque H.- stated that next meeting is November 16, 2019. District 60 held meeting on October 4, 2019 where workshops of service were announced (March 2020).

Foreign Language Liaison – Isabel C. (see report)- continues to promote translation services at intergroup meetings and Al-Anon events.

Old/Unfinished Business: Amber reported that since new credit card system is now operational, donations app (Square) should soon follow. "New Meeting" chairperson idea still being discussed by Thought Force. Bylaws revision Thought/Task Force- has not yet met.

## New Business:

Birthdays – five celebrated from 1-38 years in program.

Next Intergroup Meeting: December 4, 2019 at 7:30pm.

Motion to close by Vaughn. Seconded. Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Geri M., Secretary, Al-Anon Information Service of Orange County