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**Minutes of the Adjourned Orange County/
Greater Long Beach Intergroup Service Board Meeting of
August 4, 2021**

The adjourned Intergroup Service Board meeting of July 21, 2021 was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by the Chair, Carol G. Serenity Prayer was recited. The purpose of the meeting was to review agenda items from the July 21, 2021 meeting that were not presented due to lack of time for discussion. These minutes will be appended to the July 21, 2021 minutes.

Reading: Marni C. read page 195, paragraph 6 of the Alanon/Alateen Service Manual (2018-2021, version two) on leadership.

Reading of the Bylaws: In preparation for Board discussion of the Office Manager Review and Compensation, Lauren H. Section IX from the Bylaws.

PRESENT:

Officers: Chair – Carol G., Ex-Officio – Amber E. (no vote), Chair-Elect – Laura B., Treasurer, Sarah G.; Acting Secretary, Chip G. (no vote).

Committees: Alateen – Keli M., Institutions - Ginger C., and Richard M., and Sophia F. (absent), Nominations – Breck F., Orange Blossom (and Zoom Co-Host) - Rachelle A., and Nancy R., Public Information- Marni C. and Mary M., Fund Raising Liaison & Phone Coverage - Lauren H., World Service - Isabel C.

Non-Voting Liaisons: Alateen Liaison - Keli M., Ben P. - Farsi Language Liaison; Spanish Liaison – Tania V. (absent),

Also present: Irene R. – Al-Anon Information Service Office of Orange County/Greater Long Beach; Zoom Host - Silvia L.

Quorum: A majority of the Service Board (13 of 14 voting members) were present to satisfy the quorum requirement.

The following items were presented for review and discussion from the adjourned Intergroup Service Board of July 21, 2021.

Motion for volunteer (not a Service Board member) to conduct surveys on the following:

- Why does District 57 have low participation?
- Why is there difficulty filling Service Board seats?
- Why 50+ women are not more involved in Intergroup service?

9 Yes; zero No and zero Abstentions. **Carried.**

At this point in the meeting, Tannis S., who has voice as an ex officio (she was Chairperson when the office manager was hired), suggested that (1) the issue is the Board's direction and (2) that the Chairperson's report of July 21 has caused dissention. (The July 21 Chairperson's report noted that the pandemic had created problems in maintaining effective oversight of the office.). Other members echoed the sentiment and indicated they had no confidence in the process the Board is following. There was also concern voiced that we are not following the Knowledge Based Decision Making (KBDM) process and that important relative information is being withheld from members that would aid in the decision process.

Listing hybrid and concurrent meetings with both electronic and in-person sessions was approved, subject to formatting requirements. Motion by Marni C.....Put a period after August 11, 2021. Then add the word, Carried. *(Delete the reference to. August 18. No one else has notes or reference to the ISR meeting August 18. Breck was apparently not intending present the information)*

Motion made by Marni C., seconded by Richard M. with a vote of 8 Yes; 1 No and zero Abstentions for Breck F. and the Office Manager to mock up a formatted form that would allow the addition of Hybrid and Concurrent meetings on the website. Form to be posted on the Board members' ocalanon web addresses by August 11, 2021. **Carried.**

Group Number assignment (WSO vs. AIS) and the SCWS Group Information Change Form were discussed: It was noted that these are two different issues. Members discussed how the number assignments were done. One of the differences is the SCWS numbers are reused and AISO numbers are not. The Co-Chair stated that the Guidelines indicate that we should cooperate with SCWS Group Records Coordinator and she supports following the guidelines.

As the discussion became heated, the Ex-Officio Chair pointed out that the Board needs to focus on procedures not personalities and act in a loving manner. The Office Manager said that she had researched the issue and found that a previous Board had considered changing to the WSO Group numbers. Carol G., Chairperson, was on the Board at the time and recalled that the Board did not make the change because it was too big a job to ask of the former volunteer who programmed the cash register in use at the time. Another member pointed out that if the WSO number system was adopted

there would be one place to access all information. Teresa F., the Southern California World Service Area Records Coordinator told members that the last year has been extra challenging for everyone. She is willing to work with the AISO Manager to facilitate changes.

Motion to add the following items to the list for consideration of addition to the Bylaws:

1. ISR terms should be a matter for meetings to decide when the Office Manager said ISR terms are outlined in the bylaws,
Motion made by Marni C., seconded by Nancy R. to refer to Bylaws for review. 8 Yes; 1 No and zero Abstentions. **Carried.**
2. Adding World Service District Alternate/District Representatives to the Service Board. SCWS Coordinator to Service Board.
Motion made by Sarah G., seconded by Nancy R. to refer to Bylaws for review. 8 Yes; 1 No and zero Abstentions. **Carried.**

Next scheduled Intergroup Service Board Meeting is September 15, 2021.

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Intergroup Service Board was made by Lauren H. and seconded by Rachelle A. 9 Yes; zero No and zero Abstentions. **Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Chip G., Acting Secretary
(As edited by Carol G., Chairperson)