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MINUTES OF THE INTERGROUP SERVICE BOARD MEETING OF 17 March 2021

Call to order and Serenity Prayer – by Jason A. at 7:00 PM

Silence Cell Phones (please)

Twelve Traditions – read by Richard M.

Quorum- satisfied= 13/19 present

PRESENT:

Officers: Chair – Amber E., Ex-Officio – , Chair-Kevin O., Chair-Elect – Jason A., Secretary – Geri M., Treasurer – Lydia M., Office Manager – Irene L.

Committees: Public Information – Norma Jean W., Isabel C., Marni C.; Institutions – Tina T., Ginger C., Sophia F. ; Round Robin/Phone Coverage – Anna Marie S.; Alateen – Vicki M., Keli M.; Orange Blossom – Glenna F., Rachelle A. ; World Service- Brandon C., Richard M. ; Alateen Liaison – Position Open; Foreign Language Liaison – Tania V/Spanish, Ben P./Farsi ; Historian/Nominations – Matt St. M.

REPORTS:

Secretary/ Geri M. – Minutes of Service Board meeting, January 20, 2021, read by Geri M. **Motion** to approve minutes as written by Tina T. Seconded. **Carried.**

Treasurer – Lydia M. See report. Seventh Tradition- online contributions through ocalanon.org encouraged.

Office Manager – Irene L. See report. Summary: revisit discussion regarding OC AIS Zoom account , large meeting option (up to 300 participants). Office has changed to Stamps.com for shipping. Farmers & Merchants bank will send a debit card linked to the primary checking account to facilitate electronic payment requirements. Irene reported that she created a COVID-19 Prevention PPlan, as required by CA law; a document signed by Chair, now on file.

Motion by Rachelle A. to approve monthly expenditure of \$59.99 plus tax for Zoom license. Seconded. **Carried.**

Chair – Amber E.- presented proposal to form a *Thought Force* to explore enhancing the Zoom meeting experience. Volunteers for TF: Kevin O., Rachelle A., Marni C., Jason A.

Amber reported on the proposal to hire a law firm to review specific operational procedures and bylaws to ensure compliance with current law in regard to non-profit organizations. Discussion followed.

Motion by Geri M. to approve up to \$5000 for legal fees for review of operational procedures and bylaws of the organization. Seconded by Matt St.M. **Carried. No- 1 vote.**

Chair-elect- Jason A.- No report.

Ex-Officio – Kevin O.- No report.

Alateen – Keli M. (not present), Vicki M.- reported that Alateen panels are being formed.
Alateen Liaisons – Resigned/not present.

Foreign Language Liaisons- Tania V.(not present), Ben P.- No report.

Institutions – Tina T., Ginger C., Sophia F. (not present)- Ginger reported that she is in conversations with her contact for CA City Correctional in regard to sharing and distributing Al-Anon information. Tina T. reported on outreach efforts to Inmate Correspondence Service (ICS), working within WSO guidelines to protect anonymity. Tina also reported on a WSO-approved letter that she will be sending to battered women shelters.

Nominations/Historian – Matt St M.- stated that nominations during the February meeting went well. Also stated that elections in April will likely proceed electronically much like previous year elections.

Orange Blossom – Glenna F., Rachelle A.- reported that recent issue just mailed. Nominees for the service board will be listed in the upcoming OB.

Public Information – Norma Jean W., Isabel C., Marni C.- Isabel reported on distribution of Al-Anon literature along with *Dear Neighbor* letter (see report). Marni reported on Google ad words and images (see report). Norma Jean stated she made phone calls with offers of Al-Anon bookmarks and pamphlets to:

Irvine PD

Irvine Family Resource Center

Judge Lo of North Justice Court

Law office of Robert Farzad- does pro bono work for domestic violence cases in OC.

Round Robin/Phone Coverage – Anna Marie S.- read personal message regarding stance on support for office manager.

World Service – Brandon C., Richard M.- Richard stated that he attended District 66 meeting reporting on decline of contributions. Brandon stated that District 63 has a new rep. Focus is on being more engaged and productive, the theme, *Al-Anon in the Age of COVID*.

Old/Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Announcements: District 63 workshop- April 17, 2021

Birthdays – None!

Motion to close by Jason A. Seconded. Meeting **adjourned** at 9:07 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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