

**SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE GROUP  
STEERING COMMITTEE AND BUSINESS MEETING  
MINUTES FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> 2011**

The Group Chair opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The roll was called and the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition basket was passed. The December minutes were unavailable and will be presented at the February meeting for group approval.

**REPORTS**

**Chairperson, John H:**

He extended thanks to all who participated in January's meeting with meeting coordinators. He remarked that good ideas were exchanged January's Group Inventory meeting and that close to 50 people in were in attendance. He is still trying to work out a schedule so that we can have a group conscience review --probably, in March. He encourages folks to continue using the suggestion box to help us become a better AA group. Unequivocally, our landlord has stated that he does not want pets on the premises. We still need to consider a new facility for SNL, for the rent may go up soon.

**Secretary, Randy N**

There are no minutes for December, and they will be presented to the group in February.

**Treasurer, Kim A:**

Our monthly income for January was \$5,302.06, and our monthly operating expenses were \$5,210.63. What we currently have on hand after a donation of \$100.00 is 16,283.34.00. We had no coffee in our operating expenses, so next month's report will show an additional amount of over \$1,000.00 for last month's coffee expense. The basket donations are getting low

**Finance Coordinator, Jennifer:**

We need to emphasize basket contributions. Our basket income is barely covering expenses. We need to increase basket contribution, or we need to cut expenses. Currently, we have COH of \$16,283.34 which includes prudent reserve and COH for big ticket items (e.g. taxes, so forth).

**Alternate GSR:** (no report)

**GSR, Mani:**

We had a great Group Inventory meeting, and he suggested that more Women should attend. There is currently a motion with Santa Cruz district requesting that a formation of an area standing committee be known as the Corrections Treatment Committee which is linked to the General Service office.

**Intergroup Representative Jasmine:** (no report)

**H&I. Theresa**

There is the 40<sup>th</sup> annual H&I conference in May. There is a list on the sideboard for all volunteer H&I positions. Interested persons should contact Theresa.

**PICPC:** John H (on behalf of KC).

There is a PICPC Event in March in San Jose (cf.aasanjose.org). Also, there will be an information only event for professionals who deal with H&I.

**Birthday Coordinator, Corina:**

Birthday donations have allowed us to not ask the group for money. And, we are out of 24 hour desire chips.

**Events Coordinator, Rachael:**

There was co-hosted Valentine's dance that was preceded by a three person speaker meeting that was open for questions.

**Refreshments Coordinator, Dan:**

He was not here when his budget was cut by \$205.00. The first thing he cut was decaf coffee expense of \$130.00. He thanked those who stepped up with donations. If a secretary wants decaf coffee for their meeting, they can bring it themselves.

**Facilities Coordinator, Jeremy:** (not present)

**Announcements Coordinator:** (no report)

**Archivist, Gary O:** (no report)

**Recording Coordinator, Wilimina:** (no report)

**Speaker Coordinator, Lenore:** (not present)

**Literature Coordinator, Sarah:**

We are really low on funds. Getting calls daily about books, so we all need to know that we are getting low on funds. Already knows we need books; she checks every day.

**Female Sponsorship Coordinator: Brandi** (not present)

**Male Sponsorship Coordinator: Tim:**

The third Saturday of January, we had a sponsorship coordinator meeting; twenty-five people showed up.

**Secretary Workshop Coordinator: Raymond:**

He had a secretaries' workshop in the week prior. He extended thanks to the group for suggestions that were placed in the suggestion box. He also extended thanks to the meeting coordinators for their help re the secretaries' workshop.

**Noon Meeting Coordinator, Tray:**

He announced that his term is up, and he thanked the group for allowing him to be of service. He, too, suggested using the suggestion box.

**6pm Meeting Coordinator, Robert:**

He noted that attendance was extremely low at the Spanish speaking meeting.

**8 p.m. Meeting Coordinator, Chris W:** (no report)

**Midnight Meeting Coordinator, Jacob:**

(cf. attached meeting minutes)

**Old Business:**

There was no old business.

**New Business:**

Proposal 1: There was a motion to end business meetings with the Responsibility Pledge instead of the Lord's Prayer.

The motion was voted on with 24 in favor and 18 against.

There was not a two-thirds majority, so the motion **failed**.

The Minority Opinion was offered by Tom who stated that he was a big fan of tradition,.

Proposal 2: There was a motion to clarify other requirements under §7.6, Steering Committee Terms, Requirements, and Elections.

The legend (as on the election sheets posted on the side-wall) currently reads PSC (prior steering committee experience required) or PSE (prior service experience required - that would include secretaries).

The motion was to change the legend on the election sheets posted on the side-wall to read.

PSE - Prior SNL Steering Committee Experience Required (elected or appointed).

PSC: prior SNL Service Experience required (All elected or appointed service positions qualify).

And,

Service Positions are defined as Meeting Secretary or Steering Committee Positions and Alternate Steering Committee Positions at Saturday Night Live. A vote was taken with 36 in favor and 10 opposed, so the motion passed, and it will go for a second vote next month. The Minority Opinion was that conditions are being put on service, and who are we to judge who has the credentials to be of service?

Proposal 3 (Passed): Rachel, Events Coordinator, in an attempt to raise funds for SNL, proposed having an Open mic night, every Friday or at least once a month starting on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:15/9:30 to 11:30/11:45.

We will charge a \$5.00 donation at the door. This could be spoken word or music or poetry. The event will provide the coffee and the pastries. KC and David G would be the people running the event once it starts.

Group overwhelmingly approves.

Proposal 4 (Passed), Tray proposed a motion to change the Spanish speaking meeting to a English speaking meeting.

The proposal was taken to a vote, and it **passed**

### NEWLY ELECTED POSITIONS

<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Noon Meeting Coordinator	John Barry	464-1126
Facilities Coordinator	Tom Barrett	449 0955
Sunday Noon Meeting	Dave C	771-2591
Sunday 3:30	Glen	871-9551
Monday Midnight	(tbd)	
Tuesday Noon	Ron R	642-7120
Wednesday 6:00 PM	Anthony Barry	314-4613
Friday 8:00 PM	Steve	205-5208
Friday Midnight	Kaitlin E	674-9414
Saturday 10:00 AM Men's	Tim	312-735-3454

### WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

1. There was a girl who had a daughter who was running around –asked daughter to find mom –it offended someone.
2. A member moved out of the area. He stated that there have been [bad] behaviors in the back; he can't stay sober here. He cannot be around that [behavior in the back of building]. He has a great sponsor now, and he is trying to work the program.
3. Women feel uncomfortable walking to their cars. A woman was assaulted here.
4. If someone is being threatened or attacked, then they should not be allowed here. We are not here to police.
5. Please empty vacuums.

6. Regarding the issue of violence, call police. We can't step in; make that call. As far as the issue of children, as a mother, it is my responsibility to look after my children.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lords Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy N.  
SNL Secretary

### **Minutes from Meeting Coordinators Meeting January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

Those in attendance:

- John – Group Chair
- Dan – Refreshments
- Raymond – Secretaries Workshop Coordinator
- Tray – Noon Meeting Coordinator
- Robert – 6pm Meeting Coordinator
- Chris – 8pm Meeting Coordinator
- Jake – Midnight Meeting Coordinator

Meeting started around 8:00 pm on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011

1. John stated group inventory will be done on January 29<sup>th</sup> by Mani
2. John stated that the revision of the group conscience will take place soon
  - a. Make changes to pg. 14 about coordinator times
    - i. Pg. 14 to reflect 7:30pm meeting to 7:00pm
    - ii. Spanish meeting to be reflect in group conscience
      1. John stated possibility that group may want to remove Spanish speaking meeting

3. The group read the responsibilities of meeting coordinators per informed group conscience document
  - a. Found that coordinators, under special circumstances, can provide secretaries workshop
    - i. If special secretaries workshop is provided, person's name must be given to secretaries workshop coordinator
  - b. Tray stated that secretaries may be worried about enforcing meeting formats, disruptions, etc.
4. John stated that someone had changed the twelve traditions sheet with a different version
  - a. Asked coordinators to watch out for incorrect reading sheets
  - b. Stated that the archivist will have copies of all reading sheets
    - i. Chris later states he needs a new laminated copy of a certain reading sheet
5. Discussion began on the topic of responsibilities of meeting coordinators
  - a. Group discovered that informed group conscience document states that a coordinator should be at 3 meetings a week of their domain (noon, 6pm, 8pm, mid) and at everyone in domain at least once a month
  - b. John asked the coordinators if the responsibilities were too much or the service position term too long
    - i. Discussion about personal experiences, preferences, and habits from meeting coordinators.
      1. 6pm coordinator in theory would have to attend 32 meetings in one month based on informed group conscience
    - ii. Dan brought up the idea of making a coordinator assistant position
      1. John elaborated on why there were alternate GSR and Intergroup positions

2. John stated it would not be a good idea to add new positions on the board
      - iii. Tray suggest rewording group conscience document on responsibilities of a coordinator
        1. John stated that a trusted servant is only required to get the work done if that also includes asking for others assistance
6. Group read the emergency procedures
  - a. John stated that group is moving toward using STOP program
  - b. Group discussed STOP program
    - i. Group discussed repeat offenders
    - ii. Tray stated that STOP program will increase police activity at the Dick's center and deter newcomers and others from attending the meetings
  - c. Group discussed homeless people vs. violent people
    - i. Dan stated that the problem breaks down to the individual and individual approaches to each problem need to be made
7. Dan stated that secretaries should be informed to say no to volunteers who get up to the podium without being called on by chairperson
  - a. John instructed secretaries not to conduct all volunteer meetings
8. Tray stated the informed group conscience document does not allow for tag meetings
  - a. Group began discussion on "tag" meetings
  - b. John clarifies on open topic discussion meetings
    - i. Note to amend informed group conscience document chapter 4 section 3 subsection 2 to reflect "Experience, Strength, and Hope on the topic"
  - c. Tray later clarifies on tag meeting based on secretaries workshop document

9. Tray opens discussion on dealing with chairpersons that go over time limit
  - a. John suggests letting the chairperson know that they finish at 12:25am rather than letting them know they have 15 minutes
  - b. Ray points out that informed group conscience document does not define a time limit for a chairperson for the Friday 8pm meeting

10. Direction of meeting returns to emergency procedures

- a. Tray suggests that there be a phone list of contacts of members that are willing to assist in disruptions
- b. Tray also states that senior members don't always step up to deal with disruptions
- c. John states he would like to see the emergency procedures added to the secretaries workshop document
  - i. John states that because the secretaries workshop document is part of the informed group conscience, it will need to be voted on by the group
- d. Dan suggests that the emergency procedures should be laminated and taped to the secretaries desk
- e. John suggest changing or putting new wording on the emergency procedures document
- f. Ray stated that he would like to begin reading the emergency procedures at the secretaries workshops
- g. John suggests that all secretaries be fully informed on the emergency procedures
- h. Ray asks if a secretary can initiate the STOP program on their own or if the group will need to do it
- i. Tray suggests taking another member with you when dealing with a situation
- j. All meeting coordinators were given copies of the emergency procedures to give to their secretaries

11. John brings topic of making new coffee making chart to group
12. Tray informs group that he will be making 10 new keys for SNL and that he would be the one to contact for keys
13. John asks evening coordinators whether the lighting is sufficient in the back alley and if a new bulb is need
  - a. Tray states he probably has extra bulbs

Meeting adjourned around 10:00 pm on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011