

SATURDAY NITE LIVE GROUP
STEERING COMMITTEE AND BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
April 14, 2012

- Group Chairperson opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Serenity Prayer
- A member read the short form of the AA Traditions
- The Group Secretary called Steering Committee roll
- Group Secretary read last month's minutes, they were passed by the group & posted
- The 7th Tradition basket was passed

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTS

GROUP CHAIRPERSON: (John H.)

- Thanks to all who participated in getting the coffee area put together. This has been a great addition to our room and another opportunity for service for our members.
- Please keep in mind that this room is currently going through a change and alky's don't do change very well. However, this group voted for many of these changes several months ago and those individuals involved in the process when we gave approval are still working to get the room in order. Patience is a spiritual principal and certainly cooperation is as well. Please run your questions about changes through our Facilities Coordinator and our trusted servant, Phil, as they are the ones responsible for getting things done.
- Our basket income picked up a little in February but income remains an issue for our group. We need to be fully self supporting if we're to continue to stay here and carry the message of recovery the way SNL has always carried it: by showing newcomers that they can have fun in sobriety as well as provide a place to meet and have books to study from.
- I would encourage all members to dig deep when you can.
- I would encourage all Meeting Coordinators to work with your individual meeting secretaries to make sure that baskets are being passed properly and encourage a second passing if a number of people came in late. Again, even an extra \$5 per meeting will go a long way in buying books and providing for a good meeting place.....all part of our primary purpose.

GROUP SECRETARY: (Sheila D.)

- No Report

TREASURER and CO-TREASURER: (Betsy and Fran)

- Income of \$5104.03
- Expenses of \$5,329.78
- Under budget -\$225.75
- Coffee donations went up a whole lot probably due to the new kiosk

FINANCE COORDINATOR: (Colleen....fill-in, Jennifer)

- Operating expenses went back up, hopefully our recent drop was a rare occurrence

- Literature went up. We're unsure why this was the case. Maybe secretaries are recording better on the envelopes or members are paying for books donated to newcomers. Either way, both are a positive moves for SNL's efforts towards being responsible members for the group.
- We did a 6 months audit through December
- Note to secretaries....we need to fill out each line item on envelopes completely as that effects accurate finance reports for the group as a whole. Reminder, we count and record money AFTER the meeting. Accurate recordings of each line item is a reason for that group request. Our records can only be as accurate as the figures received from our trusted servants in secretary and Steering Committee positions handling group money.
- Discussion
 - We looked at the February/March income reduction and they differ from this months income which has vastly improved. We're continuing to watch finances for trends while adhering to the IGCD.
 - There's worry of donation burn-out with members who regularly donate to our group
 - The bottom line is that we need to sustain a meeting place in order to have our group exist and carry the message. Sharing at meetings and providing literature are how we pass the message to the suffering alcoholic. These two things alone take a substantial budget.
 - Please understand, if you want changes, make a proposal to change the IGCD. We (Steering Committee members) are not leaders and do not govern how things are done, we are trusted servants. YOU, the group, make decisions and changes. We're simply adhering to the IGCD as it's written as a result of decisions made by YOU, the group. Desire to change anything needs to come from YOU, the group, through a proposal and voting. Otherwise, current actions on the part of the Finance Committee will and do follow what is outlined in the IGCD.
 - Events have provided us seed money but are not relied on for operating expenses
 - Consider passing the basket twice at meetings
 - Reminder that AA was founded in the era of the depression. The spirit of our SNL community has and can continue to support the fellowship we have today.

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE and ALTERNATE (GSR): (John C. and Jennifer)

- Proposed 3 questions to bring back to the GSR Conference
- Should the Grapevine be supported?
 - In a GSR review, 97% voted that the Grapevine is important to have but only 3% have a subscription. Members are not showing support through subscriptions.
 - Member opinion, "No! GSR has enough "#*/@!*" to worry about w/o the Grapevine added on to it."
- Should the Preamble be added to the front cover of the Big Book?
 - Vote results: 17 yes, 6 no
- Should AA be on Facebook for carrying the message?
 - Strong No from the group

INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE and ALTERNATE (IRG): (Sarah)

- Books are available on-line

- Still need people to fill PI chair, diverter, outreach, and H & I
- Flyers will be posted in the back for upcoming events
- Traditions workshop in Gilroy on June 16th
- Central Office wants us to reach out to all meetings to share about Intergroup

PUBLIC INFORMATION/COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY COORDINATOR (PI/CPC): (Ramon)

- Purpose of group was read....
- We recently had a presentation in a room of 50-60 Spanish speaking kids where the question was asked of the group to raise their hands if there's a problem with alcohol in their relationships. Almost all hands were raised. That's what PI/CPC does, we bring the message to large groups who have been or are effected by this disease.
- We're hoping to get younger members involved. This is prom time.
- Really glad to be elected, had no idea of all of the service opportunities happening
- We can reach out anywhere an idea is planted so if you have an idea tell us and we can create something. Any community; gays, music communities, elderly, athletics, and on and on.....the opportunities are limitless.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTATIVE (H&I): (Ramon...temp.)

- L-O-T-S of service available for men and women, see board and/or go to H & I meeting

BIRTHDAY COORDINATOR: (Mara)

- The basket was passed
- We have a very tight budget so if you buy chips, please call the Birthday Coordinator first since since we're able to get a discount on chip purchases. The Coordinator's # is posted in the room next to the secretaries desk.
- Since not a lot of people show up on Birthday night, we're putting a column on the birthday board to indicate if you'll be here to receive your chip. April will be our first month to try this.
- A member expressed concern with skipping the announcement of names not present on Birthday night. Reason being, it's nice to hear the names and the number of years of sobriety. It's very encouraging for members, new and old, to hear what kind of sobriety is possible in our SNL group of Alcoholics Anonymous.

REFRESHMENTS COORDINATOR: (Tim D.)

- The new coffee kiosk seems to a big success
- Thank you to members who have stepped up to volunteer as coffee servers
- We've seen an increase in coffee and supply
- The coffee donation basket increase is fantastic, however, that money goes to the group income
- We ran out of money too early this month and appreciate the donations of a few members
- We had donations of \$114 in paper supplies, \$76 for coffee, and \$27 in coffee and cleaning supplies. The total in donations was \$217

- A Request was made to secretaries, meeting coordinators, and all SNL members to please help the group by ensuring we aren't wasting coffee and other supplies like trash bags, hand towels, and cups.
- It's hoped that we can control waste and have enough supplies without having to ask members to donate.
- We are losing TP to theft, it's recommended to not put extra rolls out.

EVENTS and ALT-EVENTS COORDINATORS: (Lynn and Fran)

- St. Patrick's Day was fully funded through donations and brought in \$300
- The April 21st Tile-Pizza Party will be fully funded with donations from members
- A member would like "Day on the Gravel" to come back
- It takes about 2-3 months to plan an event
- Proposal to change the May 12th Business Meeting to May 19th since the only date available for the "Thank You" picnic was on May 12th.
 - Passed a vote....date changed

FACILITY COORDINATOR: (Ken S.)

- Parking lot stripping will take place April 28th at 7:30AM. It's being done through contributions. We can use volunteers.
- Request to Meeting Coordinators to inventory keys. Meeting Coordinators need to be responsible for the key exchange process.
- Literature case needs repair to a broken shelf. Coordinator will fix.

GROUP ARCHIVIST: (Shane)

- The group sang Happy Birthday to Shane with 11 years
- No Report

RECORDING COORDINATOR: (Wilimina)

- No Report

SPEAKER COORDINATOR: (Mario)

- No Report

LITERATURE COORDINATOR: (Eric)

- Since we don't make money off of pamphlets, maybe that's effecting literature income

ANNOUNCEMENT COORDINATOR: (Rebekah....fill in, John B.)

- No Report

SPONSORSHIP COORDINATORS: (Breanna and Jason)

- Remaining Dates for our Sponsorship Workshop are May 20 & July 15 from 5-6PM
 - Please support by bringing your sponsee(s) and announce at other meetings
 - It's posted on-line and in the COIN

- #5 men requested sponsors
- No slips were in the box for women. We need support.

SECRETARY WORKSHOP COORDINATOR: (Chuck)

- Last Report.....Chuck thanked the group for the opportunity to serve
- The position was awesome & easy
- It's fun interacting with the new people and encouraging them
- The group thanked Chuck's for his service

NOON MEETING COORDINATOR (8:30am, 10am, noon): (John B.)

- Passing the basket twice is making a big difference (about \$6-10 at noon meetings)

6PM MEETING COORDINATOR (2pm, 3:30pm, 6pm, 6:30pm): (Geno)

- All his secretaries have keys
- Noticed people are being cleaner and more helpful since our room upgrades
- It's really great to see the fellowship get more involved in service. Thank you to the group for creating this change.

EVENING MEETING COORDINATOR (7pm, 8pm, 8:30pm): (Marti)

- We've been in need of recording help. A couple new people are being trained.
- It's been nice to have chips supplies for newcomers

MIDNIGHT MEETING COORDINATOR (and marathon meetings): (Kristopher)

- No Report

WEBSITE COORDINATOR and ALTERNATE: (Jake and John H.)

- The website has been updated with new colors
- The password for speaker MP3s has changed to "bigbook"
- Google analytics show that we're getting a healthy amount of traffic to our site

LIASON TO THE LANDLORD: (Jimbo)

- Sound system was tuned up and group agreed that the volume is good
- Got a commitment from the landlord to repair leaks in the room
- The landlord has asked for help on issues of people sleeping around the area
- Encouraged people to explain to others how actions can get us in trouble with our lease
- A member questioned how it would effect our lease if someone was sleeping on the grounds
 - Answer, "We can potentially get kicked out of here if we don't manage some of the side effect that come from our group."
 - Member added, "Was the landlord aware of the fact that a homeless encampment was present in the creek before we came here and will continue to be present even if we're kicked out?"
 - Answer, "Yes."

OLD BUSINESS

Get in contact with Kris U. if you're interested in cleaning up meeting formats.

5 MINUTE BREAK.....Group voted to skip break and continue with the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

5:30 PM Limit--automatic tabling deadline (IGCD 6.2.1, #10)

Proposal: Next month we will have a proposal to change the Steering Committee Group Chairperson position from 2 years to 5 years. This will require two passing votes to change the IGCD.

NEWLY ELECTED POSITIONS

<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>
H & I (Re-Post from April)	Repost
IGR (Intergroup) and Alternate IGR (apt. by IGR)	Sarah
Secretaries' Workshop Coordinator	Astrea
Monday 6PM	John C.
Monday 8PM	Shyloh
Tuesday 8PM	Peter S.
Wednesday Midnite	TBA
Friday Noon	TBA
Saturday 6:30PM	Joe M.
Saturday 8PM	Lynn
Sunday 10AM (Women's)	Jamie
Sunday 3:30PM (Female)	Astrea
Sunday 7PM	Mike

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

- We're going to get a power washer to have a clean up day outside the room
- Would like to see us move the chairs 1-2 times a week to sweep and mop
- Coffee and donuts will be here for the power-wash clean-up day outside
- A member thinks the expression "that's so gay" should not be used in the room
- Member wants to do a mural for the room. Will get with facilities and the liaison
- Feel free to bring and donate coffee or other items that can support the group

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheila D. ▲

Business Meeting Attendance

Steering Committee Position	Contact	X.....Present E.....Excused
Chairperson	John H.	X
Secretary	Sheila D.	X
Treasurer Co-Treasurer	Betsy Fran	X X
Finance Coordinator	Colleen	E
General Service Rep. & Alternate	John C. Jennifer	X X
Intergroup Rep. & Alternate	Sarah KC	X X
PI/CPC Representative	Ramon A.	X
H & I Representative	Ramon A. (temp)	X
Birthday Coordinator	Mara	X
Refreshments Coordinator	Tim D.	X
Events Coordinator & Alternate	Lynn Fran	X X
Facilities Coordinator	Ken	X
Group Archivist	Shane	X

Steering Committee Position	Contact	X.....Present E.....Excused
Recording Coordinator	Wilimina	E
Speaker Coordinator	Mario	X
Literature Coordinator	Eric	X
Announcement Coordinator	Rebekah	E
Female Sponsorship Coord. Male Sponsorship Coord.	Breanna Jason	E X
Secretaries Workshop Coord.	Chuck H.	X
Noon Meeting Coordinator	John B.	X
6PM Meeting Coordinator	Geno M.	X
8PM Meeting Coordinator	Marti	X
Midnight Meeting Coord.	Kristopher	A
Website Coordinator Assistant Website Coordinator	Jake John H.	E X

(24 Positions total)

Quorum (50% + 1) = 13

6.1.2 STEERING COMMITTEE QUORUM

Business Meetings require a quorum of the Steering Committee (50% + 1) present in order to conduct business. Lack of a quorum may cause the meeting to be terminated with respect to being an official function capable of making binding group decisions. This determination may or may not be made at the discretion of the Group Chairperson.

6.2.1 BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

1. Meeting begins at 3:30 PM.
2. Open the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.
3. One individual reads the Traditions, short form.
4. Group Secretary calls the roll of the Steering Committee and reads the Minutes.
5. The Seventh Traditions basket is passed.
6. Steering Committee business and reports.
7. Old Business.
8. A block of time, defined by the Group Chairperson, for General Service and/or for any Intergroup issues from a group conscience session (*Scheduled only when needed*).
9. Five minute break.
10. New Business (5:30 PM limit-automatic tabling deadline).
11. Hold voice, hand, or count-off (not written ballot) vote, using the same amended Third Legacy Procedure as described in ¶ 7.3, for the election of Steering Committee positions.
12. Hold meeting secretary elections.
13. Open sharing session: What's on Your Mind?!?
14. Meeting ends with the Lord's Prayer.