

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY INTERGROUP COUNCIL MINUTES: OCTOBER 4th, 2023
7:31PM

OPENING CUSTOMS:

Christopher started the meeting with the Serenity Prayer, followed by Jodi reading the 12 Steps, Chelsie the 12 Traditions, & Kerri the Safety Card.

The 7th Tradition was observed, with a link posted in the chat for donations.

Introductions- Michael is here tonight. He is interested in a possible service position.

Birthdays: Michael also shares he has a year of sobriety. Well done, and welcome!

September minutes approved. (Motion to approve by Judi, seconded by Jodi, unanimous show of hands to approve.)

REPORTS:

Chair: Christopher A

Christopher reports a productive Steering Committee meeting, with support for a group inventory (to be scheduled within two months of last steering meeting) and a code of conduct for the group, which will be developed by the Safety Committee.

Bylaws change proposals were discussed and approved.

Vice Chair: VÁCANT

Treasurer: Matthew W

Matthew is moving forward with the office manager to develop a budget.

He reports that we are currently spending \$700-\$800 a month more than we are bringing in. He feels that filling vacant area representative positions will improve revenues.

Office Manager: Kerri F

Kerri read office stats for the month.

She has been successful in connecting callers with bilingual 12 steppers as needed, and requests that representatives share in their meetings the need for bilingual diversion volunteers daily from 9 am to 1pm.

The Newcomer's Packet has been improved and can be located at the office.

BSM Chair: Ed o

October BSM is set for Saturday October 7th.

Activities Chair: Kimberlee K not present

Flyer for Halloween Event posted.

3-6 pm October 29th.

Stacy A from Mountain View will be the speaker.

Diverter Chair: Lily P

Reports open shifts

3rd Thursday 7-11p
4th Thursday 5-7p
5th Thursday 7-11p
3rd Friday 7-11p

Newsletter Chair: Lucie not present
No report

Bylaws Chair: Sarah R present
No report

Website Chair: Mark B present
No report

Delegate at Large: Magi R
Safety forums postponed to January

Recording Secretary: Carla present
No report

GS Liaison: Deb not present

H&I Liaison: Veronica
Veronica reports that H&I needs volunteer visiting prison sponsors, as well as secretaries and a coordinator at Opal Residential.

CRUZYPAA Liaison: Gabe
Gabe reminds us of the CRUZYPAA Summit this weekend.

NEW BUSINESS:

“A vote of no confidence of the Santa Cruz County intergroup steering committee, binding to remove the entire steering committee the end of the meeting that vote is held.”

(Amended) “exempting voting members added to the group august 31 2023 (or later) from participating in a vote on this motion.” (Julia)

Murias changed the above motion as follows to:

“To restructure the steering committee of Santa Cruz County intergroup.”

This is a new superseding motion.

Sarah seconded this motion. There was again a friendly amendment presented by Julia and accepted by Murias to “exempt voting members added after August 31, 2023” from participating in a vote on this motion.

Christopher invited discussion and questions.

Sarah asked Murias if she might agree to table her motion pending the outcome of a group inventory.

Murias indicated that due to the elapsed time between her initial complaint and the inventory effort (which remains to be scheduled at this time), she wants the motion to remain independent of the group inventory commitment.

An individual noted that they were not part of the group when the initial complaints were filed, or when the precipitating events occurred.

A member pointed out that action on issues in this group (of any sort) tend to move slowly through the process.

A member highlighted her effort to work out issues directly between individuals outside of the meeting.

Murias agreed that he is not a current member of the Steering Committee.

Christopher determined that due to changes in wording and content, the motion needs further review and cannot be brought to vote tonight. He tabled the motion to the next meeting.

Old Business

Presentation of current remaining motions for bylaws changes:

Motion 1:

That Steering shall be guided by principles as expressed in the Twelve

Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous, and the by-laws be updated to reflect this.

Motion seconded (Carla) and approved by majority show of hands.
Representatives to take this recommendation to their groups for feedback.

Motion 2:

That no employee of Santa Cruz County Intergroup may serve as an officer of Intergroup.

Motion seconded (Mary) and approved by majority show of hands.
Representatives to take this recommendation to their groups for feedback.

Area Representative Reports

Area 3 Christine has recruited two new area representatives from her meetings.

Area 6 Mary says she will take approved bylaws revisions to her groups for consideration.

Area 7 Dave announced a Halloween Event at the Fellowship October 28th.
There are snack bar and secretary positions available.
Please contact Galen 650 303-9713 for snack bar, Nicole for secretary opportunities 831 252-3047.

The meeting was motioned to adjourn, seconded, approved by majority, and closed at 9:02 PM

Minutes as submitted by Carla
Recording Secretary