

## **SANTA CRUZ COUNTY STEERING COMMITTEE: NOVEMBER**

### **OPENING CUSTOMS:**

#### **Our meeting was opened at 7:31pm**

Christopher led the group in a Serenity Prayer.

Brenna was introduced as our newest member and area representative.

Quorum is met with tonight's attendance.

The 7<sup>th</sup> tradition was observed with a PayPal link added in the chat function.

The October Steering Committee minutes were unanimously approved.

### **REPORTS:**

Chair: Christopher A

Christopher discussed the recently taken group inventory.

He shared that the financial guidelines are ready to be passed to the financial committee.

Vice Chair: VACANT

Treasurer: Matthew W

Matthew posted our monthly financial report.

Expenses were up a bit with modest renovations to the office.

Brenna and Mary graciously stepped up and volunteered as additional members of the financial committee, which will discuss and review the new financial guidelines and budget.

Office Manager: Kerri F

Kerri itemized work done to the office, which includes new flooring, light fixture, and faucet.

Some supplies were donated, and the landlord will reimburse for certain other expenses.

BSM Chair: Ed O

Ed says plans are set for the December BSM, a sponsor group has been secured for January, and he's working on February.

What a machine!

Activities Chair: Kimberlee K

Kimberlee is in the planning stages of a "near Valentines Day event", and requests suggestions and ideas.

Diverter Chair: Lily P-not present

Newsletter Chair: Lucie

The December publication is in progress.

Lucie adds that Brenna wrote a great piece in the last one and encourages all of us to take a look if we haven't already.

Bylaws Chair: Sarah R-not present.  
No report

Website Chair: Mark B-  
Mark says a "Digital Newcomer's Packet" is in progress.

Safety/Delegate at Large: Magi  
Magi is working on a flyer for the upcoming January presentation on safety awareness. The safety committee is developing a code of conduct for our meetings, which they may coordinate with one from our employee handbook.  
Magi and Christopher answer some questions from the group regarding the format, timeline, and authority for the ad hoc safety committee.

Recording Secretary: Carla  
No report

**OLD BUSINESS: Christopher requests updated guidelines from each committee chair, as required yearly per our guidelines.**

**Ed O's were posted as a guide/template to serve as a reference.**

**These updates serve the organization and future chairs, providing a guide to assure continuity in service.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** none

**Area Rep Reports:**

Area 1 (Watsonville/La Selva): VACANT

Area 2 (Aptos): VACANT

Area 3 (Greater Soquel): Brenna

Brenna notes that she would be more available as an area representative to Area 4, and she will consider resigning and seeking the groups support for the change.

Area 4 (Soquel Main St): VACANT

Area 5 (Capitola/Live Oak): Rob Mc

Jade St has a new intergroup representative.

Area 6 (East Santa Cruz): Mary

Mary has new representatives for four of the groups in her area.

Area 7 (Downtown Santa Cruz): Dave H

Hosting a Thanksgiving Alcañon 8am- 9pm with a dinner

Flyer available to share at your meetings

Area 8 ("Little Red Church" Downtown): VACANT

Area 9 (Westside/Davenport): VACANT

Area 10 (Scotts Valley/Emeline): VACANT

Area 11 (SLV): Chelsie

Ben Lomond group reports a successful Halloween party event.

They host a fourth step workshop every other week on a regular basis.

She notes that there is mixed support for development of safety issue approaches in her groups, noting spotty effort to read the safety card at start of meetings.

She asks what could be done to raise awareness and interest.

Additional Topic

Christopher polled members' availability and determined a date for the follow up to our group inventory.

There was a brief discussion of proposals to address some actionable deficiencies identified in our first forum, including the resumption of in person meetings, formation of an ad hoc outreach committee, and establishing an orientation for new members.

Meeting motioned to adjourn 8:56pm