

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY INTERGROUP, INC.  
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**Intergroup Council Meeting Minutes for November 5, 2014**

Today's agenda, October Minutes and final Treasurer's report, and various other reports and notices were distributed before the meeting.

CALLED to ORDER at 7:30 PM and opened with recitation of Serenity Prayer, Preamble & Twelve Traditions. Sign-in sheet and 7<sup>th</sup> tradition were passed around while introductions were made.

Birthdays of the Month announced: Lori, 5 yrs.; Danielle, 4 yrs.; Michelle 15 mos.; Glenna 10 mos.  
Attendance: 41

Minutes of last meeting were approved without correction.

**REPORTS:**

CHAIR, Clarissa B: I have a question: Bob, how is it going with the Simkins Center for our meeting place? Bob: They are reluctant to commit.

I sent some emails out with announcements. Did anyone get them? [Positive response] If anyone wants Intergroup announcements emailed to them, send your email address to [santacruzcountyintergroup@gmail.com](mailto:santacruzcountyintergroup@gmail.com).

Printed with the agenda is a listing of the groups by areas. Any corrections/changes? [Speakers meeting on Friday now at the Quaker Center is discussed]

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE, Rick A: I went to the Ad-Hoc meeting and thought it went well. Who does not know their Area Rep? [Several hands raised] When the Rep's give their reports later on, identify yours and make sure they have your contact information. I attended the General Service Anonymity Workshop. It was great! I will step in to hold the Bylaws Committee meeting on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 PM at Central Office. Cheeseburgers!

VICE-CHAIR, Danielle B: In January, the Birthday Speaker Meeting will be an "Old School" Meeting at Santa Cruz High Auditorium. It's on Saturday, the 24th, at 7:00 PM. Flyers will be forthcoming; get the word out, it will be great!

The Birthday Speaker Meeting ad-hoc committee has met twice. We are looking into locations. We have decided to move the meeting back to Saturdays at 7:00 PM. Some of us took on a possible site and investigated:

Lou - The VFW Hall on 7th Ave. [near Rodriguez] can hold 150 – 200; has good rates [50.00 / hr.] but can't guarantee every 4th or last Saturday. Maybe if we "sweeten" the offer it might help.

Danielle – We do need to book a year at a time.

Clarissa – We used to meet at Santa Cruz High School Auditorium years ago. They charge 75.00 / hour; lots of seating; no food or drink allowed in the auditorium, except water; parking is bad in the area; no smoking allowed on the campus at all. We're doing the January meeting there and we'll get an idea how it is.

Amber – The Inner Light Church at 5630 Soquel Drive [not far from Central Office] charges 100.00 / hour; has lots of parking; seats 500; food is OK in the lobby; smoking is allowed in an area on the far side of the parking lot. We could sign a contract for a year's time.

Bob – We are currently taking in about \$200 to \$300 from the meeting, so we're looking in the ballpark.

Discussion: Can we lock down the VFW on Sunday Nights? Some people might be uncomfortable with the meeting in a church. Only the Inner Light qualifies. Can we vote now? I make a motion we approve Inner Light starting in February. Discussion follows. Rick (Delegate-at-Large) points out that motions should be presented in writing, as per the Bylaws, and we should take our time looking it over.

Danielle: Lets bring this to your groups and look at it again next month.

TREASURER, Rudy A: In October, we started with \$9,328.10; our income was \$3,210.59; our expenses were \$2500.35; ending the month with \$10,038.34. We had a gain of \$710.24 for the month.

OFFICE MANAGER, Bob S: You can see we have a new format for the office activity report; please check and update your entry on the sign-up sheet, including you email address; make sure it's legible.

TELEPHONE DIVERTER, Jude W: Notice we have a lot of openings on Thursday; myself and one other volunteer are doing most of the coverage. Get the word out, please.

ACTIVITIES, *OPEN*: Bob: The Old-Timers' Speaker Meeting had a good turn-out; the committee wants a new chairperson.

Clarissa: Vada cannot organize the Spring Fling, so we could use someone to start the organizing until we have a chairperson. Remember elections are in February. Mber volunteers to organize the committee and start things [a positive response from the floor].

NEWSLETTER, Tara W: *ABSENT* Send requests for email newsletter subscriptions, and submissions to grapesccin@gmail.com.

BY-LAWS, *OPEN*:

WEBSITE, Greg D: Not much to report; the January Birthday Speaker Meeting will be posted; if you have holiday event flyers, send digital copies to info@asasantacruz.org.

GENERAL SERVICE LIAISON, Scott B: We meet and hold new panel elections next week here, in this room Our area also holds elections in San Jose, at the Scottish Rite Temple. Next month you will have a new liaison, I will be rotating out. The notes from the Anonymity Workshop will be organized and published in next month's GrapeSCCIN.

Clarissa: o much useful information came out of the panels, especially regarding social media. We want to put together an informational pamphlet for Central Office. [Here Scott explains the different functions of Intergroup vs. the General Service District].

H & I LIAISON, Sandra A: Please identify your group name clearly when you mail checks to H&I.

NEW BUSINESS: *NONE*

OLD BUSINESS: *NONE*

#### REPORTS of AREA REPRESENTATIVES:

Area 1 Watsonville, Aromas – Lydia E: We will be doing the January Birthday Speaker meeting. We're looking at "Make My Day".

Area 2 La Selva, Seascape – Louis D: The Aptos Woman's Group is doing good; no other activity to report.

Area 3 Aptos, Corralitos, Freedom – Alan G: *NO REPORT*

Area 4 Capitola, Live Oak – Crystal J: *NO REPORT*

Area 5 Soquel – Matt T: There are 4 rep's here tonight; I'll be sure to make calls.

Area 6 E Santa Cruz – Randy: *ABSENT, SURGERY*

Area 7 Santa Cruz - Morrisey – Bredette: I called my people; the Roxas phone number listed is disconnected; the Friday Speaker Meeting has been added.

Area 8 Santa Cruz - Downtown – Tim G: Welcome to new rep Cathryn; The Fellowship Alcathon went well, attendance at about 250; Thanksgiving Alcathon will be Thursdat only, from 9:00 AM to midnight; 50 minute meetings except for the pot-luck from 1:00 to 3:00, with live Jazz music; 412 Front Street; the 4th-Step Workshops are on-going and well attended.

Area 9 Santa Cruz - Emeline – Lori P: All is well.

Area 10 Westside Santa Cruz – Tommy K: Everything is good; thanks to Rick for helping set up the Birthday Speaker Meeting.

Area 11 San Lorenzo Valley, Scotts Valley – Brett W: The Ben Lomond Fellowship Halloween party and dance was a great success! Don't have Thanksgiving info yet, will send it to Central Office. The November Birthday Speaker Meeting will be hosted by the Box of Chocolates Group, with Magdalena R. speaking.

Three Things to take back to your meetings: Turns into a review of all the info from the meeting.

Request for next month's Cookie Commitment; request for tonight's clean-up volunteers. Thank you all!  
Next Council Meeting on December 3rd; Next Steering Committee Meeting on November 19th.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:35 PM with the customary closing circle.

Respectfully Submitted, Damien M., Recording Secretary