

# **SANTA CRUZ COUNTY INTERGROUP COUNCIL: SEPTEMBER 2-2020**

## **Minutes**

(These minutes have not been approved)

### **OPENING CUSTOMS:**

#### **Adjourned 7:33 pm via Zoom**

Serenity Prayer, Preamble & 12 Traditions

Sign-in sheet (New Attendees posted contact info in Chat

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition- Paypal link placed in the chat

Introductions: Names noted

#### **Birthdays:**

Yolanda 33 years

Ken 10 years

Rick 19 years

Approval of previous month's minutes:

Kathy – small correction change 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition meeting to 2<sup>nd</sup> Tradition meeting in San Jose.

Motion made to approve with change- 2<sup>nd</sup>d passed.

### **REPORTS:**

Chair: Magi: Asks for Reps to connect with their groups and see if they have an area rep.

Zoom – any issues with folks logging in via phone. Check the screen – little I in the corner has the number for the access code.

Fire – Lots of things postponed. Was hoping for more info on in-person meetings.

Town Hall postponed. Coming soon

Any Member of Intergroup or AA may submit anything to Magi, and she can place discussion on the agenda. Improvement ideas are welcome. Asks for Questions,

Grey question – can we change the voting to people in attendance at a meeting?

Changes must be made in the Bylaws

Intergroup is 2/3 of current voting members in attendance.

Emergency Meetings Committee: Rylee: Has been bringing AA meetings to Evacuation Centers. Has 5 meetings going – started with 7. People are returning home and shelters are closing. Monitoring closures, and determining where the need is going to be. Received a lot of donated book-bin is overflowing and 2<sup>nd</sup> bin has been added.

Two of the largest centers have 20 people attending. Some people have initiated their own meetings. Fairgrounds seems to be winding down. Civic Center, Harbor High and Twin Lakes have meetings. Phone: 510-695-0575

#### **Lauren F. Adhoc committee for re-opening meetings.**

17 page document included with agenda includes Covid Information from County Health, CA Public Health and CDC Website. Governor has the last word but often refers to the County. Areas are color coded and our area isn't doing so good, so our rules

will be more strict, but the language is vague and confusing. Bottom line we are still under SIP order. To stay safe, wear a mask in outside meetings. Questions?:

Grey – Are homeless people exempt? It's not identified in any material

Seth – Heard that NA approached county health and got approval for essential service.

AA is considered industry guided limited services. AA is not exempt from any public health order. He only heard through the grapevine, and Lauren does not have confirmation.

Yolanda: The material doesn't show deviation from the rules. Cited 4<sup>th</sup> Tradition. Each group is going to decide – but we have to be careful about affecting other groups. .

Magi - This is only a sharing of information we will not be directing groups.

Marisol also participates in the Adhoc committee, and noted many questions about opening any meetings. When meetings happen, get the word out. Noted more service positions needed for mask monitoring, etc.

Mary K. How large can an outdoor meeting be? In June, the rule was no more than 10 people. Does this still stand? Lauren didn't find a rule, but the SIP is in affect. She is wondering if she puts this in the newsletter, should the document be part of it?

We'll wait to see what the tier system says.

Steven G. What DOES affect groups as a whole?

Magi – we want to avoid controversy. Covid is challenging the Traditions, since it's a whole new territory. We're between a rock and a hard place. Call/text/email Magi with input.

Bob – office manager The rules say a mask is required, if people aren't wearing a mask, it gives AA a bad name for not following rules, creating public controversy

Vice Chair: Marianne T. No report

## **Treasurer: OPEN**

### **Office Manager: Bob S**

Treasurer Bob: July-Beginning Cash \$16,391 Income \$3,067.51 Group & Individual donations

Expenses \$2,734.66 – ending cash \$16,723.65. \$332.95 increase over last month.

Jen P. Are we good? Bob says we're doing okay, but keep up the donations.

Grey – is Intergroup paying for free chips, and yes they are.

**Manager: Bob** – All shifts are filled. Expect to be open. Glitches every now and then.

Office hours are 9:00 to 5:00 M-F and Saturday 10-2.

### **BSM Chair: Kathy**

August: August BSM \$146.00 donations and \$50.00 expenses. A little more than last month. Can make a donation to Paypal in the chat.

Sept BDay Hosted by Brown Baggers: Speaker Jeff W. from Dublin CA with 38 years.

Mtg starts at 7:00 Meeting & Password on the website.

October: Hosted by Happy Destiny Meeting: Leonard O. Pacific Grove 33 years

November Speaker Susan B. Monterey 44 years

December Speaker Jessica A. Monterey 7 years.

Birthdays chips can be picked up at Central Office for free.

Kathy can email an MP3 or MP 4 file of the speaker if you would like. Email Kathy for the request: [KCaruso77@att.net](mailto:KCaruso77@att.net)

Bob – New Zoom Account, so BSM will no longer have the expense. All Intergroup meetings can be added to the account.

Area 11 Rep is open, so Kathy will host the BSM that month.

**Activities Chair: Grey**

Idea for a costume contest late in October with a talent show. “Funraiser Rezoomed” Accepting Talent requests. Call Ali 831-420-7253 to participate. Flier out soon on the website. Need a new flier person.

**Diverter Chair: Scott.** All positions filled.

**Newsletter Chair: Mary K.** Went out on time, along with email. Did not send flier for Ben Lomond Labor day Weekend Fundraiser due to cancellation. It’s still on the website. Needs to be removed. Didn’t receive any special writings. Will add info about the talent show and Evac Center meetings.

**Bylaws Chair: OPEN**

**Website Chair: Grey**

Still trying to keep things updated in a timely manner. Having weekly meetings and are going to every two weeks. Ironing some things out with new website. Has 2 Sub-Committees. Team working with Webmaster. Getting closer to completion. Thanked Magi for all of the help. Steve questioned time-line – Needs to be presented to Steering – maybe no longer than 2 months.

Marisol asked about web committee members and webmaster. Grey responded:  
Chair - Grey;

User Interface - Patricia (tech and user interface)

General Member-keeps Grey in line - Erik B.

Secretary - Elizabeth – from Keep it Going Group – doing a great job.

Webmaster - Mark – years in service.

Jen P. asked for an update since she’s newly back to Intergroup. The website is being changed to update computer language and make the website more user friendly.

Seth asked about making changes and the time involved. Grey noted that the easier site will allow for more people to make changes, however everything falls in Mark’s lap now, and his rule is 48 hours, but often sooner. Word Press is the new system. Anyone can attend the meeting – let Magi know, and she’ll provide you with the meeting time and access info. Grey’s contact info is on the Intergroup list and website.

Delegate at Large: Jesse absent

**GS Liaison: Murias**

District has donated books and literature to evacuee cause. Is working on a website there also. Area level – put the word out for evacuees. Lots of areas sending literature and books our way. The last assembly passed a motion that there would be a technology officer for our area. Motion to incorporate as non-profit for protection of area officers. Only DSMs and DCMCs are able to vote and there are open positions:

DCM (District Committee Member) position open. The motion could change the way our area does business.

Election assembly going to be held virtually in November.

Donations are UP! 50-60% more donations than they normally receive. Have not yet replenished prudent reserve – keep the donations coming!

General Service meeting September 9<sup>th</sup> if interested in position.

5 or 6 positions available.

H&I Liaison: Mitch - Absent

CRUZYPAA Liaison: Quinn - Absent

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Open positions: Treasurer**, work with Bob, send out checks, make reports to Intergroup and attend Steering committee. 5 year sobriety requirement. Asked for volunteer. Yolanda volunteered and is available until February. **Was nominated and voted in! Yay Yolanda!**

**Bylaws Chair**, work with the committee, submit any changes and attending Intergroup and Steering Committee meetings. Posit open until February.

Rick A. nominated Kim H. Asked for more volunteers: None:

**Nominated and voted in! Yay Kim H!**

**Area 1**, Watsonville, La Selva-ish 1 year Sobriety requirement. No nominations or volunteers.

**Area 7**, Downtown meetings. 1 year Sobriety requirement. No nominations or volunteers.

**Area 11** San Lorenzo Valley Meetings and Bonny Doon and Ben Lomond Fellowship. No nominations or volunteers.

### **NEW BUSINESS: None noted.**

#### **Area Rep Reports:**

Area 1: OPEN

Area 2: Rick. Things going good. Asked a meeting to be host group for February and is waiting for answer back.

Area 3: Maryanne. Absent

Area 4: Jack. No report.

Area 5: Nicole. Absent

Area 6: Randy. Absent

Area 7: OPEN

Area 8: Erin. No report

Area 9: Holly. No report  
Area 10: Steve. Absent  
Area 11: OPEN

9:06 pm Motion to close and seconded - please announce position openings at your groups!  
Meeting adjourned 9:07 p.m.

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