

Sacramento Valley Intergroup Overeaters Anonymous (SVIOA) Business Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2017

LOCATION

Christ Temple Apostolic Church, 9001 La Riviera Dr. Sacramento, CA

CALL TO ORDER

Grace A. opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Voting members in attendance: 6 board + 3 committee chairs + 4 meeting reps. = 13

Non-voting guests: 1

Note: Motions are **bolded**.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Sara moved to approve the May 9, 2017, minutes; Janet seconded; motion carried.

BOARD REPORTS

Chair: Rick Z. Absent

Vice-Chair: Val Absent

Secretary: Grace A.

- Grace announced that she would be leading the meeting, per Rick's request, as both Rick and Val were out of town. Cathy Ann graciously agreed to take minutes.

Treasurer: Cathy Ann

- Cathy Ann distributed and reviewed the financial report for May. **Carmen voted to approve the report; Susan H. seconded; motion carried.**

Region 2 (R2): Scott B., Barbara M., and Chandra S. No Report

World Service: Judy H. and Judy B.

- Judy H. shared that the Literature Committee has a couple of projects underway, including a book on body image and sexuality and a book related to sponsorship.

Webmaster: Debbie

- Debbie has posted and updated many things on the website and there are new podcasts and Day in OA recordings. There were 7145 visits with 6685 unique visitors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Note: Please let your meetings know that we have several vacant committee chair openings

<u>Answer Phone</u>	Wendy H.	Absent
<u>Designated Downloader</u>	VACANT	
<u>Events</u>	Sharon L.	

- Sharon announced that she was stepping down as Events Chair, effective immediately.
- She distributed a proposed blurb for the Valley Voice on what events can do. **Janet moved to table the blurb discussion until a new Events Chair is found; Susan seconded; motion carried.** It was suggested that a job description for this position be added to the Valley Voice.

<u>Elections</u>	Val	Absent
<u>Group Growth</u>	Judy L.	Absent
<u>Literature</u>	Gail	Absent
<u>Media</u>	Angela H.	No report
<u>Newsletter</u>	Susan H.	

- Susan would like to discuss at a future time what to do with the extra Valley Voices left after InterGroup.

<u>OA HOW</u>	Holli E./Janet	Absent
<u>Professional Outreach</u>	VACANT	
<u>Public Information</u>	VACANT	
<u>Retreat</u>	Darby	Absent
<u>Speaker List</u>	Jan FH.	Absent
<u>12th Step Within</u>	Jill and Ron	Absent

- Jill is no longer co-chairing this committee.

<u>Young People</u>	Jenny P.	Absent
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GROUP CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 2018 R2 Convention in Sacramento Susan H.
 - Susan mentioned that the organizers need a space to store donations for the boutique and silent auction, perhaps a spare room or garage. The space is needed as soon as possible.
2. New meeting in Grass Valley Brittney
 - There is a new meeting starting up in Grass Valley on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

1. Ongoing Committee Work

Grace

- Grace announced that this would be postponed until the July meeting. Since there has been no time during the regular IG meetings to work on these projects, at the July meeting the work groups will be asked to choose leaders and secretaries and meet on their own outside of IG. Carmen noted that there will be new IG Reps starting July 1 so the makeup of the work groups will change and their purpose should be explained to the new people.

NEW BUSINESS

1. New IG Chair process

Judy H.

- Judy mentioned that it was discovered, upon review of the Bylaws of SVIOA, that the process for filling a vacant board position was not followed in the selection of Rick Z. Article IV, Section 8 – Filling of Vacancies, Part A, states:

Vacancies shall be filled by a majority vote at that meeting in which the vacancy occurred, or at the next meeting or special meeting of the Intergroup. Such persons chosen to fill said vacancies shall serve for the remainder of the un-expired term.

- Since Rick had been voted on by the board rather than the entire voting membership of the May meeting, the bylaws had not been followed exactly. **Judy H. moved that the group ratify the election of Rick Z. to the position of Chair for the remainder of the 2017 term to comply with the bylaws; Carmen seconded; motion carried.**

2. Designated Downloader

Janet

- Janet said that the Designated Downloader committee chair position was no longer needed due to advances in capability and adoption of technology. At this time, the SVIOA webpage has links to articles and items of interest and most of the membership has access to the Internet, so the need for printing items from the web and distributing them as hard copies is no longer needed. Discussion arose as to whether this could be done by a simple motion and vote. Carmen said that the committees are listed in the Policies and Procedures and can be changed by the IG. She also noted that the Bylaws Committee is supposed to be appointed in odd years to review Policies and Procedures, so that should be done soon.
- **Susan H. made the motion to eliminate the Designated Downloader committee and committee chair position; Judy H. seconded; motion carried.** It is recommended that the Policies and Procedures document be updated to reflect this change.

3. Retreat Raffle

Grace

- Grace said that there had been many discussions in meetings she attended about the purpose and efficacy of the raffle that is held annually at the Lake Tahoe Retreat. She requested increased transparency to the individual meetings and members by IG reporting in more detail on the amount of gift cards donated and money raised by this fundraiser.

- After some discussion, it was clarified that this was not an accounting matter nor anything that needed to be tracked by the treasurer. After discussion, it was agreed that this should be a suggestion to the retreat committee, not a motion. The IG requested that, after the retreat each year, the retreat committee communicate to the meetings the following:
 - Number of gift cards received
 - Total dollar amount of gift cards received
 - Total dollar amount donated to IG
 - Total dollar amount used for retreat scholarships

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. Closed by joining hands and reciting the Unity Prayer.

Minutes recorded by Cathy Ann, treasurer, and typed by Grace A., secretary.