

**Overeaters Anonymous of Sacramento, Inc.**  
**Business Meeting Minutes**  
**June 9, 2020**  
*7/14/20 rmk*

**Location:** Zoom meeting (virtual meeting due to coronavirus shelter-in-place guidance)

**Opening:** Chair opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer at 7pm. The 12 Traditions were read by Garnet.

**Call to Order:** Call to order. Voting members in attendance: 7 board members + 3 committee chairs + 11 meeting reps = 21 total. Three visitors.

**Previous Minutes:** May 2020 meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion was made to approve by Barbara M and seconded by Michelle. 16 in favor, 3 abstain.

**Board Reports:**

Chair: Nancy Mc

**CONCEPT 6:** The World Service Business Conference has entrusted the Board of Trustees with the primary responsibility for the administration of Overeaters Anonymous.

**PRINCIPLE: Responsibility**

**NEW POSITION!!**

***SVIOA Zoom/Video Conf LIAISON-Group Support Committee***

- 1. Serve as administrator and liaison for meetings utilizing the SVIOA Zoom account.*
- 2. Setup and coordinate the reoccurring ZOOM meetings*
- 3. Train new hosts on features and account settings*
- 4. Notify Valley Voice, Answer Phone, and Web Liaison with any new meeting ULR, ID, and Password and meeting Point of Contact (name and phone number)*
- 5. Serve as "Technical Host" during monthly Intergroup meeting*
  - Start meeting no later than 6:45pm*
  - Mute All as needed*
  - Begin "Recording" the meeting*
  - "Save" the Chat for the Secretary's records(?)*
  - Enable the Zoom "voting" capabilities and administer any votes during the meeting, including roll-call of Board, Committee Chairs, IGR's, and guests*
- 6. Assign co-host(s) as needed to assist with any of the duties shown above as he/she deems necessary.*

**OPENING TO LIVE MEETINGS**

I have done some research and offering unofficial guidelines on the re-opening of meetings. We have not reached phase 4 yet in our Governor's directive. However, I have sent this out with your minutes and agenda, please let me know if you have not received it. Feel free to do your own research consult the county and building where you meet.

**Vice-chair:** Jan H

- Received request from Vancouver BC for a copy of our speaker list. Actually, it appears the inquiry was meant to go to our Region, so I replied with the R2 website information. I also indicated that I'd bring it up for discussion at our next Intergroup meeting to see how the group feels about sending our speaker list outside our service area.
- As Vice Chair, I have been tasked by our Chair to lead the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee as described in our policy and procedures document. We are charged with beginning the review in even numbered years and presenting any recommended changes in odd numbered years. As recommended in the policy and procedures, the committee consists of myself, our treasurer, Grace, and a newer member, and another member who has been around a while. We'll be reviewing the Bylaws and policy and procedures documents and will provide progress reports to Intergroup periodically.
- Again, as Vice Chair, and at the request of our Chair, I will begin the SVIOA Board Elections process by writing an article for the July Valley Voice announcing the elections timeline, and describing the positions that will be up for election. So, be on the lookout for more information in the July Valley Voice, and consider making yourself available for a Board or Committee Chair position!!!
- I want to thank Marganne for volunteering for the web liaison position at our last meeting. She is enthusiastic and has great ideas that I'm sure, in time, will come to fruition.

**Secretary:** Robyn K

- Thanks to everyone who got me their reports this month! I will not necessarily put the full report in the minutes, but I save them and they are available to anyone who would like to see them.
- Committee chairs should send reports to [oasecretary@sacvalleyoa.org](mailto:oasecretary@sacvalleyoa.org) with a cc to [oachair@sacvalleyoa.org](mailto:oachair@sacvalleyoa.org). If you have a report, it is extremely helpful to send it in writing either before or immediately following the meeting.

**Treasurer:** Grace A

Chair shared treasurer's report on the screen.

- Assets have gone down because of the Tahoe Retreat refunds, but we're still doing well.
- We have about \$400 positive income so far this year.
- Income & Expense Budget vs. Actual – There is a large amount of money in the meetings' 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. There is some money that has come in via the website, and we're figuring out how to classify it.
- We're below budget in several areas due to shelter-in-place, such as rent.
- Tahoe Retreat refunds = \$13,000. There has also been money donated through the website to offset the retreat costs that were incurred. That money has not been classified yet.
- Assembly money was refunded to us.

Q. Does SVIOA need 7<sup>th</sup> tradition donations right now? There is money going to World Service from meetings.

Treasurer: Will develop an answer to that for next meeting.

Q. There is \$525 in credit card fees. Is that from registrations for the retreat? Do we cover those fees?

Treasurer: We'll be talking about that later in the agenda. They got those this year for the first time.

Q. Were the fees held back when the refunds were given?

A. Need to get more information in order to answer that. Some credit card companies will refund the credit card fees and others won't.

Barbara M moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Gloria. 21 for; 0 opposed; 0 abstain. Motion carries.

**Region 2:** Chandra, Laura

Laura announced she will be resigning as Region 2 representative due to an inability to travel.

Chandra: Committee is working hard to make the Convention a success. It is a fundraiser, so they are asking for a suggested donation of \$35, but will take anything from \$15 to \$150. You can go to [oar2.org](http://oar2.org) to register. There are three other events coming up that are on the website. R2 Convention is July 12-14<sup>th</sup>.

**Webmaster liaison:** Marganne started in this position last month. She is working with the webmaster on a weekly basis to create updates. We don't currently have a contract with the webmaster. Marganne got one from her today and will work with Grace on this.

**World Service:** Barbara M, Michelle

Barbara: Question was asked last month about when the new book is coming out. World Service staff is back in the office half-time. Watch for communications about the sale of the book. For every individual who orders the book, there's a \$5 shipping fee, so we may want to consider doing a bulk buy.

Michelle: There is a Virtual Region's convention coming up June 20-21<sup>st</sup>. Mostly working on committees; the committees are meeting right now.

**Committee reports:**

**Meeting News and Publicity:** Gerri and Judy B.

Judy B not present.

Gerri: Mailing list is up to 260. Have anyone else interested send Gerri their email address. Got up to 12 pages this time because of all of the events coming up.

**Events:** Judy L & Tiffany

Judy L: May 16<sup>th</sup> event – we had 238 people from 6 countries and 3 Canadian provinces. We had a group of 10 working on this here. There is a flyer for the virtual region convention. It is worldwide and there will be translators, etc.

There is a virtual sponsorship workshop Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 – 12:30pm. It is being co-hosted by Davis and Woodland meetings. More info to come.

**Group Support/Speaker List:** Vacant

No updates. Really need someone for this position. Chair: please announce this at your meetings!

**Public Outreach:** Vacant

Please announce this vacancy at your meetings!

**Retreat:** Rick Z

Rick was absent. Nancy reported that we did incur some costs for the retreat, but we're in good shape. Down payments have been transferred to next year.

**Special Population Focus:** Mary S

No report for tonight's meeting.

**Sponsorship Committee:** Gerri and Cary

Cary: Sponsorship workshop coming up. See above under Events.

**Sponsorship Bank Report:** Gerri and Cary

- Continue to receive newcomer inquiries for sponsors
- Recruited additional new sponsors for the Bank; 44 sponsors currently registered
- 19 sponsee/sponsor referrals made to date

**Discussion of New Group Concerns & Announcements (not new business)**

None

**Continuing Business:**

Intergroup meeting will remain on zoom indefinitely.

**New Business:**

Zoom Liaison position:

- Under the Group Support committee, we added a position titled the Zoom Liaison. Will take nominations for that position.
- Phil K was nominated and accepted the nomination. Unanimously elected.
- Next month we will create a generic zoom account for SVIOA. If meetings would like to use our account for their meetings, Phil will help facilitate that. He will help Nancy with running the intergroup meeting, and he will help with technical training.

Treasurer proposed donation to Region 2:

- Moved that Intergroup donate \$200 to Region 2, the amount we would have paid for registration costs for two R2 representatives to attend the Spring Assembly, to help cover costs incurred by R2 for the canceled Assembly. Barbara moved; Jan seconded. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer reported on costs for having donations allowed through the website (i.e. a donation button):

- There is annual fee of \$100. This has already been paid by the Tahoe Retreat for this year
- Transaction fees:
  - For each transaction, there is a fee of \$0.30, regardless of amount, plus credit card fee equal to 2.9% of the total amount
- We need to add information to indicate the source and purpose of the donation
- There is now a PayPal account associated with the treasurer's email (oatreasurer@sacvalleyoa.org). If you donate with a PayPal account linked to a bank account, we can receive the money with no fees.
- Barbara M made a donation during the meetings and was given the option of covering the fees. She was able to change the amount of her donation to \$48.xx in order to cover the fees and pay \$50 total.
- Jan moved that we accept this plan for now and we reevaluate in 6 months or so. Barbara seconded. Unanimously passed.

**Meeting closed at 8:02pm with OA Promise.**