

# Valley Sierra Intergroup OA/HOW #09599

## P.O. Box 398, Coulterville, CA 9531

### Valley Sierra Intergroup OA-HOW Minutes

January 28, 2023

Serenity Prayer. Twelve Traditions, Seventh Tradition

*No 7<sup>th</sup> tradition because we were Zoom only*

**Introductions** - State first name, Intergroup Board or Rep position, or Visitor.  
Establish a quorum (6).

*Quorum established.*

*Joan M*

*Lynne T*

*Sue S*

*Janice T*

*Elizabeth T*

*Jennifer*

*Mary B*

### **INTERGROUP REPS -**

Sonora Monday 5 pm hybrid meeting - Mary B

(Manteca Thursday 5:30 pm f2f meeting - Elizabeth C, (Not currently active due to no attendance)

Sonora Thursday 5:45 pm Zoom meeting - Elizabeth C

Modesto Saturday 9 am Zoom meeting - Maria

Sonora Saturday 10 am hybrid meeting - Jennifer

APPROVE DECEMBER 2022 MINUTES

*Approved*

### **FIND A TIMEKEEPER.**

*Janice T*

### **BOARD MEMBER AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS -35 minutes**

Chairperson, Sue S, (5 min. each)

*Advised Intergroup members to go to [oa.org](http://oa.org), and see new things: ebooks, audiobooks, information on zoom mtgs, bylaws, sharing material on zoom. Note things of interest for us as board members to pass on to others.*

Co-Chairperson, Janice T,

*No report*

Secretary, Joan M,

*No report*

Treasurer, Lynne T,

*See attached report. There was an increase in income.  
In good shape to reimburse Karen K, and for the Day in OA*

World Services Rep. Karen K, *No report*

Region 2 Rep Open

*The Region 2 Assembly is Mar 24 – 25, register by March 15  
Members can attend as visitor but cannot vote because we don't have a rep.*

Website Admin. Janice T, (5 min. each)

*Janice needed to know the intergroup meeting id and password. Sue replied that there was no change for ID, use current one.  
The zoom service is going up a dollar, starting March 1.*

Phone List, Elizabeth C,

*Going well, everyone pitched in for additions and corrections, and Elizabeth will submit the updated phone list soon.*

Literature, Modesto area, Open

*Literature at the Modesto Saturday meeting has been donated, it is small and not able to afford a lot of literature. No one formally in the position. Sharing duties.*

*Motion: Can Intergroup donate 5 yellow sponsor's guides to the Modesto Saturday meeting?  
Motion carried, intergroup to pay, no obligation to group.*

Becky, Sonora area, *No report.*

PI Planning/Health Fair On Hold  
Zoom Admin., Sonora area, Cat T

ZoomAdmin., Modesto area, Janice T  
*See report above*

**• How are our Zoom, hybrid and f2f Meetings going?**

*Thurs 5:45 PM Zoom going fine. There was an intruder but was handled quickly. New rule – not to admit anyone after 15 minutes to prevent the intruder(s).  
They still need volunteers for service: A new zoom host and secretary*

*-5 pm Monday Sonora going well, f2f plus phone  
-Sat Sonora meeting going well, F2f plus phone*

To start a Zoom meeting, contact Cat (Sonora area) or Janice T. (Modesto area).

• **Open Intergroup Board positions:** Modesto area Literature Rep. and Region 2 rep

*Literature rep – Sue will keep literature and will send out as needed.*

## **TOPICS:**

-Do we want to create written instructions for Intergroup board and committee positions?

*Yes.*

*Descriptions to be emailed to Sue S.*

*Janice will write about the phone list and web administration*

*Joan will write about the secretary position*

*asking Karen to do description for world services*

*intergroup rep (to meetings) – Jennifer will write written instructions*

-Anyone interested in being our Region 2 Rep? It is a 2-year term and involves going to Spring Assembly and Fall Assembly either in person or virtually, and serving on a Committee of your choice which usually has monthly Zoom meetings. The abstinence requirement is 6 months, which is set by Region 2. Lynne is our Region 2 Rep, ending 12-31-22, and it would be great if you continue her service on the 12th Step Within Committee. For Spring Assembly 2023 you could choose another Committee if you want. Intergroup pays all travel expenses if Assembly meets face to face.

*See above information about attending the Assembly in March.*

- A free pdf is available on [oa.org](http://oa.org) and [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) for the OA pamphlet “Where Do I Start? Everything a Newcomer Needs to Know.” (See 9-17-22 Intergroup Minutes email for the Attachment.)

-There are several OA pamphlets, e-books and audio books available through Amazon Kindle, Audible, Barnes & Noble and Apple Books.

## **DAY IN OA:**

*We have 2 speakers, one speaking over Zoom, and one in person. They are both going to interweave some of the spiritual principles into their stories.*

*Janice will send fliers with zoom information.*

-Updates from Karen K and Joan M. Discussion on our A Day in OA - The topic will be: “Using the Principle to Do Together what We Could Never do Alone.” Location is planned for the Yurt in Sonora. Date is 2-25- 23. We are planning it hybrid, like our last one. We have a Speaker, in addition to the 2-hour Work- shop format.

-Flyer has been sent out.

*Intergroup offers reasonable reimbursement for handouts, reimbursement for Dr Ralph for yurt and any other supplies needed*

*Lynne will donate for tables and chair rentals*

**ZOOM HOST**

*Joan zoom host*

*Sue zoom cohost*

*-Clothing exchange*

*-opening at 10:30 AM, clothing exchange setting up*

*-lunch 11 AM – 12:00*

*Let people into zoom at 11:30 AM*

*-Newcomer pamphlet at OA.org, using it for reference for the day in OA*

*-Suggested Donation \$5*

*-Date: feb 25 2023*

*Meeting will be from 10:30 TO to 3 PM F2F*

*11:30 TO 3 FOR zoom*

**Volunteers to bring drinks, etc., and cleanup are:**

Sue will help take it down

Jennifer says she will help with cleanup.

Lynne will help Fri pm

Joan provide coffee, drinks, etc.

Karen will take leftover clothing to donate

Sue will bring bags for clothes

**Update about online 7th Tradition donations to Intergroup:**

*Will discuss Next IG meeting*

-Have we received any input about procedures for adding a means of receiving 7th Tradition donations such an Intergroup link, or a bank link which can be put in Zoom Chat? The board rejected using Venmo as an option. Lynne was to check with the San Mateo area Meetings to get information about how they set up their 7th Tradition link on their OA Mid-peninsula Intergroup website.

The OA Mid-peninsula options for donating online.

Post online application for bill paying, online to website. Lynne will gather information to present for discussion.

Lynne update – see OA.org shows 7th tradition donations, via Stripe, a huge website that provides payment service. Lynne will check with our bank if can set up, gateway info, etc.

Help provided for making payments. Lynne to contact sales team to follow through. Lynne will investigate Service fee.

-Please continue to remind members to donate to their Meetings – whether they attend in person or via phone or Zoom. Meetings that are Zoom only can donate directly to Intergroup. Donations can be mailed to our Treasurer, Cat, P.O. box above.

NEXT Intergroup **2/18/23**

7th TRADITION REPORT

Approve minutes if there is time

CLOSING PRAYER.

ADJOURNMENT. Thank you, everyone!