

MINUTES from INTERGROUP - MARCH 27, 2021

Valley Sierra Intergroup OA/HOW #09599  
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March 27, 2021, 11:10 am, Zoom Meeting  
Serenity Prayer. Twelve Traditions. Seventh Tradition.  
Introductions - State first name, Intergroup Board or Rep position, or Visitor

Lynne T. - Chairperson  
Janice T. - Website Admin  
Joan M. - Secretary  
Sue S. - Literature; World Services Rep  
Karen K. - Sat 9 am Rep  
Violet A. - Thursday 5:45 pm Rep  
Mary B. - Sat 10 am Rep

Establish a quorum (6). Find a Timekeeper.  
*Quorum established. Timekeeper: Janice T.*

BOARD MEMBER AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS -35 minutes

Chairperson, Lynne,  
*Lynne reports that we can continue using same Zoom link, question is if want to put on zoom id and link on website?*  
*To Be Discussed.*

Co-Chairperson, Sue S., *No report*  
Secretary, Joan M., *No report*

Treasurer, Cat T, *Filing for state and IRS was done. On happy note: Ended up with more money than last year. Report attached.*

World Services Rep. Lynne (Working WSBC committee to April 2021)

World Services Rep. Sue S. (April 2021 to April 2023)  
*All agenda items will be voted on. Sue will take all, plus notes, to conference April 18th, She is not assigned to a committee yet. Group thanks Sue for service and asks if anything needs to be added. Can email Sue with any additions.*

Region 2 Rep. Lynne  
*Region 2 Assembly Report: 4 minor By-Law Amendments passed. We will need to amend our bylaws. Will give full report next month.*

Website Admin. Janice,  
*Everything going well. Will be update and add information as needed.*

Phone List, Cat,  
*Cat reminds us that additions to the phone list need name, phone number, email, cell, city, when available (hours). Cat will email copies when requested. Lynne asks if possible to add people from out of our area, San Mateo for instance to our phone list? Cat recommends that we put them in a separate Out of Area section. Lynne asks sponsors to ask sponsees to put on the phone list if they wish to be added.*

Literature, Sue,  
*Got donation for one sponsor guide.*

PI Planning/Health Fair, Elizabeth, *Not present*

Zoom Admin., Sonora area, Cat T.

*The Sonora Zoom meeting is working fine. Note: intruders can be booted and reported. Lynne advised that recent incident did not disrupt flow of meeting. Report needs to be done by admin or host/cohost when removing intruder. Host needs to assign 2 – 3 cohosts to each zoom meeting.*

ZoomAdmin., Modesto area, Kevin

*Not present*

TOPICS -

- Sue will be representing us at WSBC 2021 next month. We discussed the Motions and By-Laws in detail last month. Are there any more questions for Sue or any comments you want her to take to WSBC? *Please email them to her.*
- Region 2 Diversity Committee has created and received approval for a survey to capture individual experiences of OA members feeling welcome or unwelcome, included or not included in OA. Please take the survey and share the link -
- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/diversityR2>.

*Lynne encourages members to take the survey.*

- OA 24/7 Welcome Room pilots have not started yet. We are still awaiting approval by the WSBC Board of Trustees. We are considering starting up under the Virtual Region, which has already approved our project and has plenty of volunteers, until WSBC is ready.

*Lynne will stay on that committee. Trustee rep thinks will take 1 year more for Welcome Room to be approved worldwide but may start sooner on Virtual Region level.*

- How is Modesto's Zoom meeting going? Our Thursday 5:45 pm OA-HOW Steps & Traditions Zoom meeting continues to run smoothly, although we did have to remove 2 intruders this past Thursday. We have 3-5 OA members attending from OA.org as well as our usual Intergroup members. To start a Zoom meeting, contact Cat (Sonora area) or Kevin V. (Modesto area).

*9 am zoom going well. Talking about going back F2F, perhaps outside? Restrictions? Ask church for guidance. Perhaps as a hybrid meeting as in Sonora? Comment is to keep zoom meetings permanent basis. Thurs meeting will remain a zoom meeting. Janice will keep updated which meetings are f2f, hybrid, zoom. Sonora will be starting Mon 5 PM meeting Face to Face on Aril 5th, 2021, For the Saturday Sonora meeting, not a good idea to make a Zoom meeting because of conflict with the Saturday Modesto meeting, unless accommodation is made for time and phone number.*

- Virtual Day in OA for May 2021? Or f2f later in the summer or early fall?? Discussion to include Violet to lead us in making a God Box, Joan to lead us in an art therapy session, finding an out of area Speaker and/or ?? What did we learn from San Mateo's virtual Day in OA on 1-30-21?

*Joan suggests that it is not good idea for art therapy over zoom. Will postpone until possible to do Face To Face whenever that is. Violet - God Box – gave a demo with an oatmeal container or other kinds of containers, adding art, using mod podge, or clear glue, easily obtainable materials, Walmart for example. She explained the many ways for using the God Box.*

*Discussion: Have in May virtually? Tutorial of God box? Bring ones we already have? Also have speakers, from anywhere in world. Another activity that would work virtually? Make it shorter, say 2-3 hours?*

*Motion: to have virtual Day in OA in May, 2 hours, with 1 speaker at 20-30 min and God box tutorial. Motion passes.*

*Motion for Saturday, May 22, 2021, passes.*

*Co-Chair for Day in OA: Violet. One more Co-Chair will be added.*

*Theme for Day in OA: HALT (Hungry, Angry, Tired, Lonely) Speaker will be asked to share story, and on HALT theme.*

*Cat will set up zoom meeting for 11:30 to 1:30 Saturday, May 22, 2021*

*Cat will make a flyer, send to Janice.*

*Donations: give out information on flyer.*

SET NEXT Intergroup Meeting: APRIL 17, 2021, 11:10 am, Zoom Meeting

TOPICS FOR NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING -

- Planning for our Day in OA
- Reports from Region 2 Assembly and WSBC, if ready
- Have OA 24/7 Welcome Room pilots started?
- How are our Zoom Meetings going? To start a Zoom meeting, contact Cat (Sonora area) or Kevin V. (Modesto area).

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7TH TRADITION REPORT. READ/APPROVE MINUTES. CLOSING PRAYER.

*Minutes approved.*

7th tradition, \$13.50 will be provided for Cat to pay next week.

ADJOURNMENT. Thank you, everyone!