

September SDCII Intergroup Meeting – Overeaters Anonymous

September 5, 2015 - 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Chair: - Holly opens the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

- Our 7th Tradition states that “Every OA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.” Pass the basket.
- Beth read the 12 Traditions; Matt shared on Tradition 9. “OA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.” An example: Matt is a member of the Lease Committee which is a committee directly responsible to the Intergroup. From Lifeline, Tradition Nine teaches me to trust my HP and to focus on the fellowship. Carry the message, guided by HP. Service boards which disseminate public info, maintain an office, publish newsletters and plan special events, leaves meeting times free for us to focus on Fellowship and Recovery. From OA 12 & 12, after I do my part, I have to accept the outcome.

ROLL CALL

Chair	Holly C	- present
Vice Chair	Gregor	- present
Treasurer	Matt	- present
Literature Chair	Deena	- present
Reach Out Editor	Carlin	- present
Retreat Liaison	Rex	- unexcused
R2 / WSO Coordinator	Steve	- present
Internal Information Chair	Eric P	- present
Public Information Chair	VACANT	-
Recorder	VACANT	-
12-Step Within Comm. Chair	Nancy	- unexcused
Secretary	Barbara R	- present
Young People’s Coordinator	VACANT	-
Professional Outreach	VACANT	-

IG Reps and guests introduced themselves and said what meeting they represent. Gina E, 31354, Anita 47904, Camille, Fri 7AM, David G Sat 6:30PM, Beth C Sat 10:30, Ellie P Vista Fri 10AM, Stephanie M Thurs 7AM, Susan L Thurs 7:30PM, Marilyn Coronado Sat 1PM, Cindy L Tues 5:45PM, Beth FJ Wed 7PM, Ginger, Joan D Sun 9AM, Kathy O Tues 12N, Jules P Thurs Noon, David Thurs 7:30 Rcho Penasquitos, Joe BS, Kathleen W Mon 7PM, Mary V Sat 7:00, Marva 1:00 Thurs, Jeri 7AM Wed, Barbara Ro Tues El Cajon, Stacy Sat 8:30AM, Stephanie Hillcrest Thurs Noon, Mary Joyce LGBT and Friends, and Bill C.

Board/Committee Reports

Holly – Chair: No report

Gregor – Vice-Chair: phone answering machine is going well; web is getting faster and faster, office hours are productive.

Matt – Treasurer: quarterly reports are done, we are solvent.

Deena – Literature: Sales for August were \$374.50.

Nancy – 12th Step Within: No report

Carlin – Reach Out: Read the Reach Out!

Rex – Retreat: No report

Eric – Internal Information: Next mailing is 9/26 at Oasis at 10:15AM in the conference room.

Steve – WSO/Region 2: Upcoming R2 Assembly is in October. The IG will most likely be able to fund one person to go as a delegate, although the SD IG can have 5-6 representatives, so if you are interested, talk to Steve C. or send an email to OAoffice@oasandiego.org or speak to any of the Board members. The assemblies are regional business meetings held in October (October 23-25, 2015 in Newark CA) and in April (April 8-9, 2016 in Newark, CA) and are held in the same city where the upcoming convention is held....this year it is Milpitas which is South Bay, San Francisco area (June 24-26, 2016) The cost of the Assembly is \$30, if you wish to go on your own (it is a good experience).

Old Business

Holly: Open positions: Public Information, Recorder, Professional Outreach, Young People's Coordinator. Also elections are this December. Chair, Secretary, Internal Information, Public Information, World Service and R2 Coordinator, Retreat Committee Liaison and Reach Out Editor have served their 2-year terms.

New Business

Matt—Lease Committee Update

Over 100 properties have been looked at by the Lease Committee and members of the Board over the past few months. In our current area, what we have now was rented at \$1.25/SF, but currently, in our area, prices are \$2.00/SF which is above what we can afford (\$1.50/SF). Our wish list included space similar to what we have, on the ground floor, independent entrance, ample parking, easy access, centrally located, less than \$2000/mo. Recent properties voted on (Lusk and Silverton) did not turn out to be options, but there is a location off of Aero Drive and Sandrock, southern end of Montgomery Field, which meets most items on our wish list. (See Handout *Possible New Location for OAsis* given out at meeting.) There is a group of 4 office buildings with a central courtyard. A small closer parking lot is in the front, and a larger parking lot is behind the building behind us, but still close. There is a bus stop right in front of property, Route 25 which comes from Fashion Valley. Easily accessible from the 163, 805 and 15 Fwys. It is 3.5 miles from our current location. It is a 5-year lease with a 5 year renewal option, with 3% annual rent increases (other properties visited could go up as much as 10%/year). The rent is \$1927/mo + utilities. 1329 SF. The space does not have direct access to parking lot (it has a 2-door entry), so there will have to be some sort of lock box outside or some sort of entrance provision agreed upon with the landlord. It is an office building with other tenants. The owner realizes we will be having people coming and going at various times of the day and evening. It is a Class B office (as is our current space). Unlike our current property, utilities are not included, which could range from \$130-\$260/mo. Includes "Triple Net," which is like HOA costs. There is security there. Unsure if janitorial services provided....will need to check that out. There is no cost to change the configuration of the space to be very similar to what we have now. We will be getting new paint and carpeting. So far what we have is non-binding, but mutually agreed-upon terms. What the proposal is that the lease committee continue to the drafting of a lease while the fellowship is taking their group conscience. We also want your feedback as to anything that is important to the group which has been left out. The vote and feedback will all need to come together by the September 16th Board meeting.

Motion: The fellowship consider this location as a new location for our OAsis made by Bill C., 2nd by David. Motion carries.

Clarifying questions including: parking clarified (see above), men and women bathrooms are close and are unlocked during normal business hours and with our key after hours. Public transportation clarified (see above). Signage regulations have to be verified. There is a possibility to have information racks outside the door. Ideally, we will want signage on our inside door, but also outside. Second possible location on Aero is no longer a viable option for various reasons including it is in receivership (form of bankruptcy). Vote will be simple majority

by email of IG reps and Board members. Matt will sign a letter of intent, owner agreed to let us know if there are any other offers. We are operating under the assumption that we need to be out of our current space on November 19, 2015; length of lease clarified above. **What the IG reps are bringing back to their groups besides a “yes” or “no” on this particular space, but the commitment to fund this space over the next 5 years.** The age of the building is not known. The nighttime lighting needs to be determined. Do not contact the leasing agent or disturb the tenant, but feel free to check out the property day or night. 8745 Aero Drive, Suite 106 is the address.

Discussion on Pros and Cons to fund this location at 8745 Aero Drive, Suite 106 for meeting space. The “No” vote ramification will be that we will not fund a meeting room.

Pro and Cons.....limited to 3 each, 2 minutes

Pros:

Cathy O....5 yr lease, with less than that in the past, there has been a problem. Access to public transportation; same set up as we currently have. Rent is reasonable, likes the area, close to a lot of different things.

Beth FJ... Agrees with the above....In addition: important to have a home similar to what we have now, inviting, benches in courtyard, pretty location, places we can be outside... convenient by 805, 52, 15, 163....lots of ways to get there. Publicly accessible with bench right there.

Natelle....Very close to this location, a lot of people dependent on this location and would like to continue coming without disruption to their lives.

Cons:

Steve C. We spend \$20-25,000 yearly on rent, Because of this, we don't have resources for other things, like only funding 1 out of 6 qualifying people to represent our IG at Region 2, we can only fund 1 o 5 to World Service. There are various health fairs in the area which we need to pay to attend... we are unable to fund and hand out fliers and talk about OA. This is a wonderful place to meet, but most of the 12-step fellowships don't have a central meeting location, but office only, and seem to thrive anyway. There is a cost consequence in our ability to carry the OA 12 Steps and to carry the message to those who suffer.

Gina E. Concern that there will be less income at the new location because members may choose another location and not support the new location.

Other Questions or Concerns: Send them to OAoffice@oasandiego.org or treasurer@oasandiego.org.

Gregor: going over the voting....out of 28 registered reps (now 31), only 5 or 6 couldn't use the voting system with our recent vote. This time, you will receive an email with a synopsis of what we discussed today. That will be received before midnight on Sunday, September 6, 2015. Along with this, specific proposal “Yes we do want this property,” or “No we do not want this property” along with the ramifications or each answer. No, we don't want this...we will end up with a small office to sell literature out of and man the phones. You will not reply to but you will send an email to a special address and on the subject line will be ‘Yes’ or ‘No.’ You will need to

identify your meeting and your name...if you don't have a meeting number, the day of the week, time of meeting and location will suffice. If you don't have email, contact Gregor and he will take your vote over the phone, and will accept votes from those he currently has listed. Those who don't hear from Gregor by tomorrow evening with the ballot information, they need to contact him. **The vote has to be in by Tuesday, Midnight September 15, 2015.** If you are not currently an IG rep, but would like to be and your meeting doesn't have an IG rep, you can ask your meeting to appoint you and then contact Gregor with your information. Board members have a vote. You can only be IG rep for one meeting.

Other New Business

Catherine O, IG rep.....would like 2 minute limitation on discussion issues per person, and may share only again if no one else wants to share. This actually was followed today, but we may need to revisit the fine details of this request at a future meeting.

Natelle, IG rep....would like to start a Yahoo group of rider and drivers sharing rides to/from OA meetings. Support from IG? OK to post a notice on bulletin board? Reach Out? Any guidelines available? Gregor will work with Natelle on creating a Yahoo group for this or suggesting options—using the Facebook page.

Next IG meeting: Saturday, October 3, 2015 @ 2:00PM.

MOTIONS

Motion by Gregor, 2^d by Eric to adjourn the meeting at 3:04 PM. Adjourned with Serenity Prayer.