

OA SAN DIEGO INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES – MAY 4, 2024

Highlights to Read at Meetings – Intergroup Reps please read the below highlights at your meetings. The full minutes are on our website, <https://oasandiego.org>.

- February 2024 financial reports – Donations were \$3,261.98. Expenditures were \$2,337.60. We received \$924.38 more than paid out. This was distributed to IG, R2 and WSO (60%-30%-10%).
- The 2024 Budget (as amended) was approved by Intergroup.
- A \$2,500 donation was received from the LA Intergroup representing extra money realized from the OA Birthday Party in January.
- Dave B. reported that he contacted WSO re: the recent rumor that they are deeply in debt, and learned that in fact WSO's budget is balanced and they have a healthy prudent reserve.
- Registration for the Serenity Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey on May 17-19, 2024 is open on Event-Brite, and can be accessed through our website. Register soon to make sure you can get a room. Registration is also required to attend the hybrid option on Saturday, May 18 on Zoom. If you haven't been to a Retreat yet, now is the time to try one.
- The in-person marathon and Fellowship bonfire organized by Lessie and Melinda will be sponsored by our Intergroup up to \$335, and will be held on June 8th at Mission Bay starting at noon. The theme is "Sunlight of the Spirit."
- Keren reported on the info provided by Sydney Hirsch at today's Board meeting. Sydney is the professional we hired to audit our website to determine if volunteers can do the various tasks that Ellen L. previously handled, or whether we need to hire a webmaster. Sydney will be working with Jeff N. (Internal Info Chair) and will report again at May's Board meeting.
- In OPEN FORUM, the following question was again discussed: Now that the Young People's Chair position is vacant, do we want to have a Diversity Chair in addition to the YP position, or combine the positions? IG reps' feedback from their meetings suggested that YP and Diversity should each have its own Board position/Committees, but if YP doesn't have enough members, then the positions should be combined. Keren organized 5 breakout groups, which returned with more feedback and comments. Again, the general feeling was to have 2 separate Chair positions, unless we can't fill both Board positions. The Board will revisit the question at the May Board meeting.
- The full minutes are on our website – oasandiego.org.

FULL MINUTES

- Kendra opened the meeting at 2 pm with the Serenity Prayer.
- Kendra briefly discussed Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or OA as a whole (Spiritual Principle: Autonomy).

Board Members present (and their positions): Kendra W., Chair; Keren S. (Vice-Chair); Maureen C. (Treasurer); Gina E. (Secretary for now); Jeff N. (Internal Info Chair); Elyesse U. (12th Step Within Chair); and Lou B. (Retreat Chair). Jane Z. (PI/PO Chair) was excused.

Intergroup Reps (and meetings they represent) – Ginger G., substitute IG rep (Mon. 12:30 In-Person); Jeri A. (Monday 4 pm); Steve C. (Monday Maintainers); Bridget (Tues. 6:30 am For Today); Marilyn C. (Wed. 5 pm El

Cajon); Corrine (Thurs. 11 am El Cajon); Tamara (Thurs. noon); Dave B. (Thurs. noon In-Person); Erin (Thurs. 7 pm Vista); Susan W. (Thurs. 6:30 pm); Gloria (Sat. 7 am Meditation); Barbara S. (Sat. Maintainers, WSO Rep.); Barb N. (Sat. 9:30 am Encinitas); Kat (Sat. 10:30 am Step Study); Mary Jane L. (Sat. 6:30 pm Overcomers); La Rue P. (Sunday 9 am Women's); T.J. (Sunday 9 am Men's); Dawn D. (Sun. 9 am); Christina (Sun. 6:15 pm Journaling); . WSO/R2 rep. Jerry J. and visitors Clare B., Lois M. and Alice C. were also present.

REPORTS

Chair, Kendra W.

- Motion to adopt minutes of the March IG meeting, PASSED.
- Kendra apologized for a past mistake re: WSBC topics survey; her amends were accepted.

Secretary (acting), Gina E. – The Board needs a new Secretary. Anyone interested in doing service, please text Gina E. at 619-677-2510, or email Secretary@oasandiego.org.

Vice-Chair, Keren S. – Keren reported on the information provided by Sydney Hirsch at today's Board meeting.

- She is the professional who was hired to audit our website to determine if volunteers can do the various tasks that Ellen L. previously handled, or whether we need to hire a webmaster.
- Sydney will be working with Jeff N. (Internal Info Chair) and will report again at May's Board meeting.

Treasurer, Maureen C. – February 2024 financial reports

- Donations: \$3,261.98. Expenditures: \$2,337.60. Received \$924.38 more than paid out.
- The 2024 Budget (as amended) was screen-shared and presented for approval by the IG reps; after several pertinent questions and answers, Jerry J. made a MOTION, 2nd by Dave B., to approve the 2024 Budget, PASSED (with one abstention).
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- Dave B. reported that he contacted WSO re: the recent rumor that they are deeply in debt, and learned that in fact WSO's budget is balanced and they have a healthy prudent reserve.

Retreat Chair, Lou B. – Registration for the Serenity Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey on May 17-19, 2024 is now open on Event-Brite, and can be accessed through our website. IG reps are asked to remind their groups to register soon to make sure they can get a room. Registration is also required to attend the hybrid option on Saturday, May 18 on Zoom. If you haven't been to a Retreat yet, now is the time to try one.

Twelfth Step Within, Elyesse U. – no report

Internal Info Chair, Jeff N. – no report

PI/PO Chair, Jane Z. – no report

OLD BUSINESS – The in-person marathon and Fellowship bonfire organized by Lessie and Melinda will be sponsored by our Intergroup up to \$335, and will be held on June 8th at Mission Bay starting at noon. The theme is "Sunlight of the Spirit."

OPEN FORUM

- Keren queried: Now that the Young People's Chair position is vacant, do we want to have a Diversity Chair, which would subsume the YP position, or just fill the YP position? Several IG reps reported feedback from their meetings...YP and Diversity should each have its own Board position/Committee, but if YP doesn't have enough members, then the positions should be combined. Keren organized 5 breakout groups, which returned with more feedback and comments. A Diversity Committee would look at various attributes, such as type of eating disorder, gender identity, race, young people (18-30 years of age or young-at-heart), etc., and would identify whether members of the diversity community feel welcomed and included in OA and how we can

address any challenges. The general feeling was to have 2 separate Chair positions, unless we can't fill both positions. The Board will re-visit the question at the May Board meeting.

- The meeting was adjourned with the Serenity Prayer at 3 pm
- The next Intergroup Meeting is on Saturday, May 2, 2024 at 2 pm on Zoom.

-- Minutes submitted by Gina E., Secretary (for now)