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**Minutes of the Orange County/Greater Long Beach
Intergroup Service Board Meeting of
March 20, 2024**

The in-person Intergroup Service Board meeting of March 20, 2024, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chair, Ajit S. The Serenity Prayer was recited.

Readings:

Twelve Traditions – Veronica B.

Twelve Concepts of Service – Jon M.

Spiritual Reading – Ajit read from A Little Time for Myself, March 20

Ajit thanked Cindy for hosting the in-person meeting tonight.

ROLL CALL:

Officers: Chair – Ajit S., Chair-Elect – DJ K., Ex-Officio – Sarah G., Secretary, Cherie S., Treasurer, Sam M.

Committees: Alateen – Tawny T., Institutions – Alejandra M. and Morgan M., Nominations/Historian – Theresa M., Orange Blossom – Jon M. and Cheryl S. (absent), Public Information – Linda T. (absent) and Eric N., Fundraising Liaison & Phone Coverage – Dan P. and Gary G., World Service – Veronica B.

Non-Voting Liaisons:

Farsi Language Liaison – Ben P. (absent)

Spanish Liaison – Cindy R. and Marilen H.

Office Staff:

Sam C. and Mike F. (absent)

Oversite Committee: Julie S.

We also had several guests.

REPORTS:

Treasurer: Sam M.

The full monthly report is linked under calendar of events on the website. As of February 29, 2024, the current period total sales were \$10,983.41. The total cost of sales was \$9,962.70, resulting in a gross profit of \$1,020.71. Total operating expenses were \$3,287.05, leaving a net operating profit of **(\$2,266.34)**. Interest income was \$55.14, resulting in a net operating profit for the month of **(\$2,211.20)**. Total assets as of February 29, 2024, from checking/savings/other equals \$\$169,532.56.

Cost of sales last meeting was low because we hadn't paid for inventory orders (not yet received). Now, we've ordered a lot of inventory (A Little Time for Myself book reorder), and the cost of sales is high. Literature pricing has gone up at WSO.

The biggest contributions come from District 66.

7th Tradition – Continuing to collect online at ocalanon.org.

Secretary: Cherie E.

First, it is so great to see everyone in person, many for the first time!! Welcome to our visitors.

Quorum: A majority of the Service Board was present to satisfy the quorum requirement. Of 16 voting members, 14 were present.

The minutes of January 17, 2024, Service Board Meeting were reviewed.

Action: Motion made by Jon M., seconded by Alejandra M., to approve the minutes as submitted.

Decision: Motion passed unanimously.

Old (unfinished) Business – None.

New Business – None.

Office Oversight & Continuity Committee (OCC): Julie S. (Chair)

The draft of the Revised By-Laws is complete. Page 6 is not “fleshed out/edited” yet. The Board members should get a copy of the proposed By-Laws and review them. A lot of the changes involved taking out archaic language. Thanks to Sarah for help in formatting! Sarah will get the revised By-Laws out for the Board to begin review/comments. An attorney will review.

The intent is to have the ISRs review/edit/comment and distribute to their meetings to be voted on at the June Intergroup Meeting. (The Board may hold a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the revisions.)

The Office Manual and Group Manual need more work and are not ready to review.

Service Board Chair: Ajit S.

Thank you again to Cindy for hosting our meeting tonight and thank you to everyone for coming.

Julie, Sam, and Ajit will be meeting regarding the new literature pricing.

Chair-Elect: DJ. K.

It is really good to see everyone in person tonight! The new ISR Orientation slide show is posted online.

Ex-Officio: Sarah G.

No report.

Alateen Activities Coordinator: Tawny T.

Average age of an Alateen is 10. Youngest age? Varies by group.

Spanish Liaison: – Cindy R. and Marilen H. (absent)

Report submitted.

Cindy attended the District 64 meeting (Spanish Overlay District). The Hispanic Intergroup needs volunteers. The office is doing a lot of workshops, some in-person and some virtual (Concepts, How to coordinate a healthy meeting, Examples of how to deal with group problems like members bring outside literature to the meeting in a kind and loving way, following our Traditions. Attended a Spanish-speaking meeting in Costa Mesa on March 15, and Cindy left her number for them to forward flyers to post in the Orange Blossom or any questions.

There needs to be an option to receive the announcement in Spanish when you call the OC Intergroup Office.

Farsi Liaison: Ben P. (absent)

No report. Ajit will follow up with Ben to see if he still wants to serve in this position as he hasn't been attending meetings.

Institutions: Alejandra M. and Morgan M.

They received one response to the outreach to treatment centers email (5 emails sent). Treatment centers that accept Medical are not allowed to bring outsiders into the facility. They are going to call the AA Central Office to see if they have any panels that might allow them to bring along an AI-Anon member.

Nominations/Historian: Theresa M.

Continue to talk up being of service beyond the group level to encourage participation.

Question was raised about when the ballots would go out? They should be out already. Theresa was still waiting on a couple of resume forms and will follow up to get them. Sarah will assist with the preparation of the ballot.

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Orange Blossom/News Editor: Jon M. and Cheryl J (absent)

Don't forget that there is unlimited room to include flyers in the Orange Blossom now that it's on-line only.

Public Information: Linda T. (absent) and Eric N.

Eric did not have an update to the OC Fair process/dates, but will follow up with Linda. for 2024 should be starting shortly. Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism is a great publication for professionals.

Action Item: Ajit had asked at the January Board Meeting if there was a way for PI to spread the word of Al-Anon more in our underrepresented communities. This should be discussed at the May Board Meeting.

Fundraising Liaison and Telephone Coverage: Dan P. and Gary G.

Dan pitched the benefit of in-person meetings, both for the Service Board and Intergroup. Gary has been attending events/potlucks.

The Garden Group Alano Club Fundraiser will be held in June instead of May. Consider when it's a Speaker or Anniversary meeting making an extra donation to the Office (usually higher attendance/7th Tradition collected).

Action Item: Need to address phone coverage for weekends/nights.

World Service Liaison: – Veronica B.

There will be a District Representatives and District Alateen Liaison Workshop, Saturday, March 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m (on Zoom). This workshop is for District Representatives and District Alateen Liaisons. Each District needs to be represented; any prospective AMIAS or Al-Anon Members interested in Alateen can attend.

May Assembly will be held May 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Zoom. Zoom Link: <https://scws-al-anon-org.zoom.us>. There will be an orientation for new GRs on May 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://scws-al-anon-org.zoom>.

47th Annual Southern California AFG Convention will be held at the Double Tree Hotel, Ontario, CA, from April 26 to April 28.

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OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

Birthdays:

Cindy R. – 16 Years

Next scheduled Intergroup Service Board Meeting is May 15, 2024.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by DJ K. and seconded by Jon M. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Cherie S., Secretary