

March 2018 SWFLI Minutes

In attendance: Noreen K., Monday Naples; Margie P., chair and Tuesday Sanibel; Maxine G., treasurer and Thursday Naples; Terry M., Thursday Fort Myers Unity; Gil P., temporary recording secretary and Friday Sanibel; Michelle G., vice-chair and Saturday Riverside; Guests; Norinne M., Janet.

Chair Margie P. called the meeting to order at 10:47 a.m.

Meeting agenda was approved after New Business agenda item (extending fellowship time between end of Saturday Riverside meeting and start of IG meeting) was added.

The February 2018 minutes were accepted unanimously.

Noreen K. is now the Monday Naples rep.

Chair Report: Margie said she will talk with Webmaster Jill about putting the monthly IG meeting minutes in the cloud.

Margie noted she will be away during the April 7 IG meeting and that Michelle will lead the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Temporary Secretary Gil agreed to take the minutes for one more month (March), type them up and e-mail them to all reps. Gil said he will not be at the April meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Maxine G. reported expenditures of \$1,262.04 in February that included partial payment of \$1,050 to DaySpring Retreat Center for the March 9-11 retreat. She noted the total of \$2,680, which included an additional \$210 in fees not originally calculated, would be paid in full by the start

of the retreat. SWFLI has contracted for five single and five double occupancy rooms for the retreat. Noreen K said she will cover any additional costs from the retreat center during that weekend. Maxine will reimburse her.

Maxine reported the ending balance in the account was 1982.89. She added that the \$40 raised from Unity Day donations would be applied to the \$50 owed to Riverside Church for the use of the rooms that day.

Audio Library: It was announced that Sandra has to let go of her job administering the loan of CDs, because of upcoming surgery. Michelle will assume the job.

Twelfth Step Within: Margie once more asked that reps remind members at their meetings to consider making outreach calls on the 12th day of each month to those they have not seen recently in the rooms.

Webmaster: Jill B. was not present, but Norinne M. reported that the web site had been updated in the past month.

Old Business

March 9-11 DaySpring Retreat: Maxine reported that 15 people had signed up for the retreat, which now is full.

Unity Day: Michelle reported that event was successful, despite an issue with the air conditioning, which, in part, led to a number of people leaving early. It was noted that the sharing on the topic of unity “ran out of steam” and that having a

speaker for next year's event will be discussed at a later Unity Day committee meeting.

Reserving Riverside Church for events: Michelle reported she continues to work with Todd from the church on securing dates for upcoming Intergroup events.

Public Information: Margie drafted a proposed media "blurb" about OA for members to send to local outlets. Reps felt the blurb was too long and made suggestions. The amended version agreed upon now reads:

Is food a problem for you? OA can help. For local meeting information, go to: southwestflea.org.

Discussion on how to proceed with the blurb was tabled till the April 7 IG meeting.

New Business

Meeting List: Norinne M. distributed copies of the new monthly list to all reps to bring back to their meetings. Norinne resigned and was thanked for her service. Ellen B. agreed to take on the responsibility.

Literature—OA Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, Second Edition: The reps agreed that each group will order its own copies of the book—now available from OA World Service-- rather than have the Intergroup buy a case of books and sell them, as was suggested at the February IG meeting.

Retreat Cancellation Policy: The reps voted unanimously to institute a policy that the \$25 retreat registration fee be nonrefundable, beginning with the 2019 retreat. Exact wording of the policy will be worked out at IG meetings in coming months.

OA Business Cards: Margie said she may have a source to print the cards inexpensively. Maxine said she would e-mail Margie the template.

Fellowship Time before Monthly Intergroup Meetings: The reps agreed unanimously to build in 15 minutes for fellowship after the Saturday Riverside meeting on the first Saturday of each month, then start the Intergroup meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Submitted by:

Gil P.

Temporary recording secretary