SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INTERGROUP MEETING, NOVEMBER 6, 2021

(Amended Minutes)

Roz called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. and led the group in the Serenity Prayer.

Agenda - Gil made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Pat seconded the motion and it was approved by acclamation.

October 2021 Minutes - Margie made a motion to accept the amended October minutes that were emailed to all board members last week. Carol seconded the motion and it was approved by acclamation.

Roll Call - Roz, chair; Margie, vice-chair, Tuesday Sanibel; Pat, treasurer; Gil, recording secretary, Friday Sanibel; Carol G, Wednesday virtual Big Book; Carol F. Wednesday Fort Myers, Rich, PI/PO, Monday Cape Coral.

Concepts of OA Service: Concept 11- Humility - Carol G read the entire Concept Eleven from the Concepts of Service pamphlet. Roz gave an illustration from a recent Region 8 event she attended on Zoom as an example of how this Concept functions.

OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair - Roz used her time to thank all the Intergroup board members for their service, and expressed gratitude for being asked to do service over recent years, noting it strengthens her recovery.

Vice-Chair - Margie reported she sent in a form and received approval from WSO to allow our Intergroup to use the OA logo for the next two years. She will forward a copy of the form to the new vice-chair to submit in two years. Margie also reported that she recently phoned a person who contacted the Intergroup for information and spoke with her for 20 minutes. Margie added that the person did come to an OA electronic meeting the next day. Additionally, Margie said she has sent out flyers for various upcoming events to all board members.

Recording Secretary - Gil had no report.

Treasurer - Pat reported that the Intergroup's opening balance was \$2,683.51, plus \$5 in the Intergroup savings account. She said she received \$530 in Seventh Tradition contributions and 4 cents in interest from September and October. We had no expenses last month. Our ending balance, as of October 31, was \$3,218.55. She will follow the guidelines laid out and send a portion of the Seventh Tradition donations she has received over this quarter to Region 8 and to the World Service Office.

Website manager - Jill was not present, so there was no report. Roz reported that Jill was training Kitty today to take over as web site manager.

Audio Library - No report.

Region 8 Rep - Roz noted she has sent a written report from the last Region Assembly through Margie to all board members that outlines how the Region works, what states are included in the Region, what languages our material is translated into, and what work the Region accomplishes. Roz added that the Region bylaws are being reworked.

WSO Rep - The position is vacant.

Twelfth Step Within - The position is vacant. Carol has material available for anyone who wants it; she will e-mail a copy of the information to Roz to review. Margie said she would be interested in working on this committee after she completes medical treatment in January.

PI/PO - Rich reported he has been reading up on the position and says he has been contacted about upcoming outreach opportunities. Roz and Pat discussed the PI/PO funding that is available for outreach posters and informational material.

Literature - Carol G reports that there is a new pamphlet available from WSO, which combines Where Do I Start and Dignity of Choice pamphlets.

Newsletter - The position is vacant. Jill has noted that anyone wishing to write an article about the program can send it to her and she will put it on the OA website.

Meeting changes/Lists - There were no meeting changes in the past month. The meeting list and contacts are available on the website.

Good and Welfare - The board sent best-of-luck wishes to Roz, who will soon enter a research trial.

OLD BUSINESS

Elections - Jill was nominated for the position of Intergroup chair; Carol G was nominated for the position of vice-chair; Pat was nominated as treasurer; and Gil was nominated as recording secretary. All four nominees were elected simultaneously by acclamation.

IDEA Day - Margie reported that she has lined up three speakers, a man and a woman from Massachusetts and a woman from California, to speak for 20 minutes each that day (November 20, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.) on how being a sponsor and being sponsored improves their recovery. In addition, Margie said she has arranged for five persons to read pages from For Today and Voices of Recovery that discuss both sponsorship and abstinence. There will be time for sharing throughout the program.

Retreat 2022 - Jill, the committee chair, was not present. There was no report.

Bylaws - Gil suggested that the committee--comprised of Roz, Pat and Gil--meet sometime in January. The board agreed to the suggestion. No date was set.

NEW BUSINESS

Pat will investigate a health fair that will take place in Estero in January and report her findings to Rich, PI/PO chair.

Carol G. will contact Nancy N. regarding possibility of the Sunday evening Naples meeting hosting a Twelfth Step Within celebration during that meeting on December 12.

Adjournment - Gil moved to adjourn; Margie seconded the motion. Roz adjourned the meeting at 11:25 with the plural form of the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Gil