

## **SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INTERGROUP MINUTES AMENDED SEPTEMBER 10**

**Call to Order** at 10:39 by Jill B.

### **Serenity Prayer**

**Agenda** - Announcement of upcoming Intergroup elections and of new literature were added to the agenda under **NEW BUSINESS**. Roz moved to accept the amended agenda, Margie seconded it and it was approved unanimously.

**August 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes** - Gil moved to accept the amended minutes that were e-mailed to all board members, Carol G seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

### **Roll Call –**

Jill B., chair;  
Pat H., treasurer and Monday Cape Coral meeting rep;  
Carol G., vice-chair and Wednesday Virtual Big Book meeting rep;  
Gil P., recording secretary and Friday Sanibel meeting rep;  
Roz S., Region 8 rep;  
Margie, Tuesday Sanibel meeting rep;  
Sharon W., Thursday Fort Myers meeting rep;  
Karen D., website co-manager;  
Bibi S., guest.

**Concepts of Service** - Sharon read Concept Nine in its entirety.

### **OFFICER/COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

**Chair –**

Jill noted that one of her duties is to send requests received on our Intergroup web site, to Margie, who then contacts the person(s). Margie reported she received just one request this month but did not respond out of concern that the request seemed suspicious, making her wary of leaving a personal e-mail address or phone number. She asked Jill to respond using the Intergroup e-mail address. Jill agreed to reach out to the person.

Jill also noted she has a second medical procedure on September 13 and is unsure how available she will be for some time afterwards. Carol G. said she will arrange with Jill to cover any duties Jill is unable to handle during her recuperation.

**Vice Chair –**

Carol G. noted she will continue passing along Region 8 and World Service Office information to board members as part of her duties.

**Recording Secretary -** Gil had no report.

**Treasurer –**

Pat reported: "Our total monies on hand from August was \$3,643.13. The general fund balance was \$943.13. Three groups sent a total of \$275.00. We earned interest of \$0.81. Money was sent for the third quarter to World Service (\$330) and Region 8 (\$110).

Our general fund balance is now \$778.94, plus \$2,700.00 in our money market savings (for PI/PO, retreat scholarship, prudent reserve, and WSO/Region 8 rep expense) for a grand total of monies on hand as of 9/10/2022 of \$3,478.94.

## **Region 8 –**

Roz reported that an Audiobook of *The Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous, Second Edition*, is available on Audiobook, Amazon.com and through the [oa.org](http://oa.org) bookstore.

Roz also said the Region 8 Assembly and Convention will be held on Zoom, October 21-23. All are welcome to register; Carol G. has e-mailed the registration form to all board members, who are asked to pass along the information to their group members.

Roz also reported that the R8 IGOR committee she sits on is looking for a new chairperson, and that she was asked to take on the job but declined.

## **WSO rep - Vacant**

## **Twelfth Step Within committee chair –**

Cathy F. was not present for the second month in a row. Carol G. said will contact Cathy about her willingness/ability to continue in the position.

## **PI/PO chair- Vacant**

## **Website co-manager report -**

Co-Manager Karen D. reported she has updated the site and has done some redesign. Jill noted the site looks great. Karen said she will work on updating the site further. Gil said he will send the final amended August minutes to Karen to post on the website. Karen noted she will determine how the website will to handle flyers that come from outside our Intergroup/Region.

## **Changes/Lists -**

Carol G will speak in coming weeks with Ellen, whom Carol sees at meetings, since Ellen has not attended our Intergroup meetings in a number of months. Carol will report Ellen's response at the next Intergroup meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Intergroup Health –**

Pat suggested that board members seek to recruit members from their groups to perform service jobs to strengthen the Intergroup.

She added that the **Service, Traditions and Concepts Workshop Manual** on [oa.org](http://oa.org) is very helpful and determine if we would benefit from conducting an Intergroup Inventory.

### **Good and Welfare –**

Jill and Carol both are experiencing medical issues and would appreciate emotional support.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **IDEA Day—**

The annual International Day of Experiencing Abstinence (IDEA) will be celebrated on November 18, 19 and 20. Jill asked for volunteers to run an event that day, but no one was able to take on the chair duties. Instead, it was decided that our Intergroup not host an event that day, but provide a link to other groups/Intergroups who are holding IDEA Day events. Carol G. said she would investigate this matter and let the board know what she has found.

## **Elections 2022 –**

Jill agreed to run for Intergroup chair again for the coming year;

Pat said she would continue to serve as treasurer if re-elected, but would volunteer to serve as recording secretary if a new treasurer were willing to take over her current position.

Carol G. had to leave the meeting early and was not available to state whether she would run for re-election to a second term, but Jill said she will ask Carol privately.

Gil noted he has served two one-year terms as recording secretary and will resign after taking minutes at the November 5 Intergroup meeting and producing a final amended version (that meeting also will include election of Intergroup officers, for which nominations are open). Board members present were requested to ask their group members to consider running for the recording secretary position. Prospective executive board members must have 30 days of abstinence at the time of the election.

## **Literature -**

Margie noted she has investigated the second edition of the ***Voices of Recovery***, which recently was released. She said the meditation book is not substantially different from the first edition, but that some citations have been changed to reflect updates in the page numbers of the quoted literature. *VOR, 2nd ed.*, is available through [oa.org](http://oa.org) in soft cover or as an e-book.

**Serenity Prayer/Adjournment.** - Sharon moved to adjourn the meeting; Gil seconded the motion and it was accepted unanimously.

The board said the Serenity Prayer in the plural and the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Gil P*