

MINUTES

SWFLOA IG

Meeting called to order by Gil P. for Jodi S.

Date | time April 4, 2026, 10:35 a.m.

We opened the Intergroup board meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

In Attendance

IG Members: Alice, Bonita, Carol, Elva, Gil, Holly, Jodi, Peggy, Roz M, Roz S, Sharon, Tom

Absent: Bob, Janice, Nancy

April Agenda: Adopted

Alice moved to approve, Holly seconded, and the board adopted the agenda for the April 4, 2026 meeting.

March Minutes: Approved

Gil moved to accept, Sharon seconded, and the board approved the minutes from the March 7, 2026 meeting. Alice noted that minutes should include the day, not just the month, of the meeting, and the board agreed.

Roll Call

Alice H – IG Treasurer

Carol F – Website Manager & Acting IG Co-Chair

Peggy H – IG Rep, Saturday morning meeting

Tom L – IG Rep, Sunday evening meeting

Roz S – SOAR, Region 8 Rep & Member, IGOR Committee

Roz M – IG Rep, Monday/Thursday/Friday Naples meetings & Wednesday, 12:30 meeting

Elva – IG Rep, Wednesday morning meeting

Tom L – IG Rep, Sunday evening meeting

Bonita K – PI/PO Committee Chair & IG Rep, Wednesday 1:30 meeting

Sharon W – IG Rep, Thursday “For Today” meeting

Gil – IG Rep, Friday Sanibel meeting

Holly M – IG Rep, Tuesday Sanibel meeting & IG Secretary

Jodi F – IG Rep, Sat afternoon meeting & Acting IG Co-Chair

Vacancies:

CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, WSO REP, 12th STEP WITHIN COMMITTEE

Concepts

Concept 4 (EQUALITY) was read by Peggy H.

Chair's Report

None. Vacant.

Vice Chair's Report

None. Vacant.

Secretary's Report

No update. Will communicate with Nancy, Zoom Administrator, about problems in a prior meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Alice sent a report summary to the IG board as a PDF. This info is reproduced below.

Following is the summary as reported in the IG meeting and related discussion.

\$6,490.39 Total as of March 1, 2026

(+) \$280.00 received from 3 meetings

(-) \$ 39.00 paid for storage

(-) \$ 40.00 reimbursement to Region 8 Rep for regional assembly registration fee

\$6,691.39 Total as of March 31, 2026

Funds are allocated as follows:

\$ 500.00 for PI/PO

\$ 200.00 for Prudent Reserve

\$3,000.00 for Region 8 Rep Expenses

\$3,700.00 Total Allocated Funds

\$2,991.39 Total Unallocated Funds

Alice stated that she was prepared to send our quarterly donations. The standard has been that we keep 60%, and we give 30% to WSO and 10% to Region 8. In the past, IG has given an extra amount to each; for example, last quarter, we donated around \$1,100 to WSO and almost \$600 to Region 8. There was extensive discussion about how much of the unallocated monies we have in the account we could donate to WSO and Region 8. Alice suggested sending the same amounts as last quarter; Holly asked about sending multiples (2-3X) of the standard amounts; and both Tom and Gil suggested we donate \$2,900 of the unallocated funds. Roz S informed us that SOAR/Region 8 voted in March to change its rule for the \$100 originally offered to new meetings, which now limits it solely to paying rents for newly formed meetings. Roz S also asked for the new service booklet to go to board members, in addition to IG Reps, which was moved and seconded, then passed with 12 Ayes and 1 Nay, and the caveat that each board member still needing the booklet would obtain their own copy and ask for reimbursement or consider it a donation, as each sees fit. Bonita and others re-visited how much we want to help out our meetings, many of them new in that they were formed or re-formed after Covid Lockdown, with or without help from IG, and that we've been mulling over creation of a Literature Fund, housed with PI/PO, and maybe even pledging \$50 or \$100 per meeting for new or restocked books and pamphlets. Tom added that the Sunday evening meeting has electronic documents that can be screen-shared on Zoom, so no one has to poll attendees about whether or not they have the book handy and can volunteer to

read from it, or help them find the physical page number as opposed to the electronic page number, or vice versa. Bonita asked what the prudent reserve is for, and Carol said it is for emergencies but noted that we've never needed it. We discussed raising the amount in the prudent reserve and/or adding money to make PI/PO Committee into PI/PO & Literature Fund. Peggy and Roz S and others wanted to ensure that newcomers are welcomed, supported, and encouraged to return, and Elva and others that we do not spend down the account too much, in case we opt not only to fund literature but also to resume funding retreats, workshops, and/or scholarships. The discussions were passionate but friendly, and we all acknowledged that it was becoming too much to resolve at once, so Alice suggested that she make the regular contributions this week and we table the remaining discussion to a future board meeting. Gil and Elva so moved and seconded, and **the board voted unanimously that the regular donations go out now and the matter of extra contributions be tabled until our May 2nd meeting.** Additionally, Alice asked Roz S to look into the mystery of the uncashed check for \$189 that was sent to Region 8 some time ago, and Bonita and Elva asked whether the existing account tally does not include that \$189, which Alice confirmed it does not, the total correctly reflects all amounts paid.

Region 8 Report

Roz S reported that she was very disappointed in the regional assembly, especially as a Zoom attendee. There were technological issues, they were segregated from the in-person portions of the assembly, and it was the worst assembly she has ever attended. As noted above, the assembly voted to change the original \$100 offer to support new meetings to cover now rent for in-person meetings only, not literature, Zoom, or other costs, and so Roz S asked that IG consider helping to fill the gap by giving money for literature to our meetings. Elva noted that most of the new members she observes only use electronic literature, while others expressed our standing preferences for hard-copy. Peggy recommended making **both hard-copy and** electronic copies available for meeting use and/or sale. As noted above, the issue of service booklets for the board members who are not also IG Reps for meetings was discussed and resolved. Roz S and Peggy asked us all to **please focus on welcoming and encouraging newcomers and making outreach to visitors.** Finally, Roz S shared that the region would like all IG Reps for SWFLOA meetings (or other regular members) to track how many newcomers we are seeing at meetings and how many are coming back. Carol F asked that we do so for one month, and this was moved, seconded, and adopted, so **each IG Rep should plan to keep track or to ask another regular meeting member to make note in their weekly meetings between now and the next IG meeting on May 2, 2026. We are not taking names or tracking where people are coming from, just getting a rough count to see if attendance numbers and retention numbers are rising or falling. We will report back to Roz S, who will then inform Region 8. Thank you!**

WSO Report

None. Vacant.

12 Step Within Report

None. Vacant.

PI/PO Report

Bonita had an event lined up in March, but it fell through. She continues actively looking for events where she and other volunteers can interact with people face-to-face and distribute literature and information. **Once again, we are all encouraged to actively share with and educate our doctors, nurses, dentists, and other healthcare providers, so they can inform their other patients who might benefit from learning about OA.**

Web Manager's Report

Carol said there's no big updates on the website. However, **there is a screening of a documentary about our founder, Rozanne S., on SUNDAY, April 12, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. US eastern time. The Zoom ID is 863 1665 1362, and the password is 2020. IG Reps and board members, please copy and share this info with our SWFLOA meetings.** You can also share or visit [this link](#) for more info about Rozanne.

IG Meeting Rep Reports

- Saturday 9:00 a.m. Newcomers / 9:30 a.m. Open, Zoom – Peggy: Good meeting but no newcomers.
- Saturday 1:30 p.m., Face to Face, Cape Coral – Jodi: Fine meeting, small but consistent.
- Sunday 6:30 p.m., Zoom – Tom: Good, strong meeting. Hosts are being trained to use screen-sharing to make the OA 12 & 12 visible on-screen to members during meetings, which is very helpful.
- Monday, 10:45 a.m., Zoom – Janice: Absent. No report.
- Monday 6:00 p.m., Zoom – Roz M: Happy with improved support and some newcomers in attendance.
- Tuesday 10:00 a.m., Zoom – NO IG REP.
- Tuesday 5:00 p.m., Zoom – Holly: Good core group with frequent newcomers, good discussions.
- Wednesday, 8:15 a.m., Face to Face, Bonita Springs – Bob: Absent. No report.
- Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., Zoom – Elva: Solid core group, very supportive, intimate Big Book study.
- Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., Face to Face, Naples – Roz M: Good meeting, same location as Friday F2F.
- Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. Zoom – Bonita: Good core group with frequent newcomers.
- Thursday 10:30 a.m., Zoom – Sharon: From 3-8 members this month, good core group and discussions.
- Thursday 6:00 p.m., Zoom – Roz M: Very good Big Book meeting.
- Friday 4:00 p.m., Zoom – Gil: Numbers ranged from 7-18, slowing down, but still getting newcomers.
- Friday 5:30 p.m., Face to Face, Naples – Roz M: Great meeting, 20 there Friday, including 2 newcomers.

Old Business

Literature: Please collect gently-used books to donate to PI/PO for storage and distribution to those in need. Gil suggested, not a motion, that IG consider what Roz S proposed during the Treasury discussion, that each meeting have some books and pamphlets on hand, and access to \$60 or \$100, if needed, to purchase them. Bonita noted that she has distributed all but a few of the books remaining in storage from Covid Lockdown, but **Bonita still has one new OA 12 & 12 left for purchase as well as OA Workbooks for use with Voices of Recovery, For Today, and 12 Step Study.** Also, a motion to add money allocated funds, such as increasing the prudent reserve to \$500 to help fund new meeting literature, was withdrawn, and we also tabled for further discussion other suggestions, such as giving money to meetings that request it, making \$50 for literature available to all existing meetings for hard-copy and electronic books to share in-person and /or screen-share at Zoom meetings. **We will revisit this discussion at our next meeting, on Saturday, May 2, 2026.**

New Business

As noted above, the issue of new service handbooks was resolved. Additionally, **please remember to keep note of how many newcomers attend and return to our meetings this month and report to Roz S by the next IG board meeting on May 2, 2026,** as suggested by Carol, who was chairing the last portion of the meeting for Jodi, moved and seconded by Alice and Holly, and adopted unanimously. **Further discussion of whether and how to fund new literature, both hard-copy and electronic versions, for all of our meetings, be it \$100 to**

newly-formed meetings, or \$50 to every meeting, or a new literature fund of \$500, and if all Zoom meeting chairs need to have access to electronic literature and screen-share training, was tabled until May 2, 2026.

Good and Welfare

Peggy shared her gratitude for our prayers for her husband, Frank, who is doing much better.

Bonita asked for continued prayers for her eyes and for testing after an abnormal EKG.

Roz S likewise needs prayers for an MRI or other scans for pressure and pain in her head and neck.

Alice is thankful to everyone for their continued prayers for her husband, Dave.

Holly thanks everyone for prayers for her father, Joe, who had shoulder surgery on Friday 4/3 (at age 87) and is recuperating well thus far.

Meeting adjourned by Carol F. for Jodi S.

Date | time April 4, 2026, 11:55 a.m.

We closed the Intergroup board meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Reminders:

Our founder, Rozanne S., will be featured in a documentary screening this SUNDAY, April 12, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. US eastern. Zoom ID: 863 1665 1362, Password: 2020. Please share this in all our SWFLOA meetings.

SWFLOA IG will meet next on Saturday, May 2, 2026, at 10:35 a.m. via Zoom. Jodi S. will chair.