

Minutes

Wednesday, January 6, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: 7:02 by Sheri S.
2. Opening Ceremonies: Sheri S. led in reciting the Serenity Prayer. Erica read Step 1, Tradition 1, and Concept 1.
3. Roll call: See table "Attendance and Meeting Status" below.
4. Minutes of last month's regular meeting distributed earlier via email. Minutes approved as submitted.
5. Treasurer's Report: Cindy C. reported that our Bank of the Sierra account had to be closed and a new one opened (please see Minutes Addendum 1 for details). New debit cards received. Online banking still needs to be set up. Income in December of \$95.00. Only expenses was a filing fee of \$20.00 paid to the State of California. Account balance \$3770.52 as of 12/31/2020. Remaining balance owed to Mary Higgins WebDesign was paid today, and Cindy texted Mary to inquire about autopay for monthly website maintenance fee.
6. Literature Report: Marjorie not present to report, but she did communicate to Sheri S. that some literature has been sold. Reminder to groups to purchase remaining literature from SJVI before buying from WSO.
7. Telephone Report: Kate S., volunteer for October-December, was not present to report on calls received in December. Calls are being forwarded to Marjorie D. January through March.
8. Public Outreach Committee: R2 POC met January 5, 2021, with Cindy C. in attendance.
 - a. Guest speaker Susie from San Francisco Intergroup. Some ideas shared: Hired graphic artist to design ads to put on Facebook, Messenger, Twitter, etc.; purchased boosts so that more people would see ads; placed signs on city buses.
 - b. The official Facebook page for oa.org accepts posts/ads. Katherine from East Bay Unity Intergroup posted a Thank-a-thon last year.
 - c. Virtual region has many digital pamphlets and resources.
 - d. It was suggested to put a Newcomer link on our website.
 - e. Next meeting scheduled for Feb 2 @ 7pm with guest speaker Louis, topic "Got newcomers, now what?"
9. Meeting Reports: See table "Attendance and Meeting Status" below.
10. Unfinished Business
 - a. SJVI website www.oasanjoaquin.org
 - i. Some issues and questions raised which Traci will email Marjorie (website liaison) to ask about.
 - ii. We will request Mary Higgins redirect visitors from the old website to the new.
 - b. Open board positions
 - i. Intergroup reps were asked to speak to their groups about our vacancies for Vice Chair and Region 2 Representative. Sheri S. stressed the need to have a Region 2 rep to send to Spring Assembly.
11. New Business
 - a. 2021 Budget
 - i. Cindy C. submitted budget proposal for 2021. After review and discussion, Sheri S. moved to increase prudent reserve to \$2500.00. Traci Y. seconded, motion passed. Budget accepted as amended; please see attached.

- b. Phone call received from Les with Region 2 Intergroup Outreach Committee
 - i. Les offered to attend one of our board meetings to speak briefly about the function of this committee and to answer any questions we may have.
 - ii. Cindy C. will contact him to invite him to attend our next meeting on February 3, 2021.
 - iii. Sheri S. requested that he be placed first on the agenda for February.
- c. Zoyer Z. and Linda L. memorial contribution to R2 (Marjorie D.)
 - i. Motion to make two memorial donations in the amount of \$250.00. After discussion, consensus reached that making memorial donations to Region or WSO may set an untenable precedent. Motion considered but not carried.
- d. California Sales & Use Tax on literature sales
 - i. In June 2020, SJVI requested an exemption from collecting and paying sales tax on literature from California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, which was denied. This means that each year sales tax from literature purchased by SJVI or affiliated groups for resale at meetings must be collected and remitted. (WSO does not add sales tax to literature orders.)
 - ii. Intergroup reps were asked to pose the question to their represented groups: Should each group (treasurer or literature rep) be responsible for collecting and paying sales tax on literature sales directly to the State or forwarding copies of invoices along with sales tax payment to SJVI to file and pay? Further discussion will resume at our next meeting.
- e. Correction needed (Victoria): Bookmarks listing dates for 2021 SJVI meetings has incorrect Zoom passcode listed - there is an additional zero that needs to be removed. Traci will send corrected version to groups.
- f. Disbursement of funds from SJVI to Region 2 and WSO
 - i. Sheri S. made a motion to send \$900 (our treasury balance in excess of our adjusted prudent reserve set at \$2500.00) to Region 2 and WSO according to accepted OA protocol. Cindy seconded, motion passed.

12. Announcements

- a. Two members are receiving treatment in hospital for Covid-19. Del F. (Clovis Sat. 2:00 p.m.) is in Kaiser in Fresno. Karen H. (Fresno) is at St. Agnes. Marjorie can provide additional information if desired.
- b. Traci Y. reviewed announcements of new literature, etc., listed in WSO's latest newsletter.

13. Next regular meeting of SJVI will be Wednesday, February 3, 2021, **at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.**

14. Adjournment at 8:04 p.m. by Sheri S.

Attendance and Meeting Status				
Present?	Name	Service Position	Meeting	Meeting Status
X	Sheri S.	Chair		
	OPEN	Vice Chair		
X	Traci Y.	Secretary		
X	Cindy C.	Treasurer		

	OPEN	Region 2 Rep		
	OPEN	WSBC Delegate		
X	Victoria	Intergroup Rep	31492/89230 Fresno/Online Thu 10:00 AM	Using Voices of Recovery, 8-10 participants. Different people attending each week, some from out of our area.
		Intergroup Rep	33176 Fresno Sat 10:30 AM	Currently merged with Visalia 10:00 a.m.
	Marjorie D.	Intergroup Rep	40852/89229 Fresno/Online Tue 10:00 AM	(Victoria) Using OA 12&12, 2nd ed., 8-10 participants. Also have different people attending each week, some from out of our area.
X	Erica D.	Intergroup Rep	46269/89199 Visalia/Online Sat 10:00 AM	15-20 attending with 13-14 from local area. Meeting is evolving with attendees from other locations. Literature study using OA, 3rd ed.
		Intergroup Rep	51996 Sonora Fri 5:30 PM	
		Intergroup Rep	54429 Clovis Sat 2:00 PM	
		Intergroup Rep	54543/55635 Fresno/Phone Fri 12:00 PM	
		Intergroup Rep	89057 Zoom (Visalia) Sun 4:00 PM	

Prepared by Traci Yale on 1/15/2021