

### Minutes

Wednesday, January 5, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: 7:01 p.m. by Marjorie D. (chair)
2. Opening Ceremonies: Marjorie D. led in reciting the Serenity Prayer. Erica D. read Step 1, Tradition 1, and Concept 1.
3. Roll call: Present were Marjorie D. (chair); Traci Y. (secretary); Erica D. (intergroup rep for Visalia Saturday 10:00 a.m.); and Ren R. (intergroup rep for Fresno Saturday 10:30 a.m.). Absent were Cindy C. (treasurer) and Victoria M. (intergroup rep for Fresno Tuesday 10:00 a.m.).
4. Minutes of last month's regular meeting distributed earlier via email. No corrections. Approved as submitted.
5. Region 2 Representative: Traci Y. reported that she continues to participate in her R2 assignment to the Bylaws Committee. She is now co-chair with Steve P. Their next meeting will be January 16, 2022.
6. Committee reports
  - a. Literature: Marjorie D. said there was \$20 in literature sales to Fresno Sat 10:30 a.m.
  - b. Telephone hotline: It was unknown how many calls Kate S. received in December. She has volunteered to continue answering hotline calls through March 2022.
  - c. Website: Marjorie D. shared an email she received from Mary Higgins Web Design that our monthly maintenance fee will be increasing from \$50/month to \$60/month due to rising costs.
7. Meeting Reports
  - a. **MON 4:30 p.m. Mariposa (Zoom):** Attendance averages about 9. This is a literature meeting using *The Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous*.
  - b. **TUES 10:00 a.m. Fresno (Zoom):** Attendance is usually about 7-8. This meeting is also using the OA 12&12. There is a time of open sharing as well, following announcements at the halfway point.
  - c. **THU 10:00 a.m. Fresno (In-Person/Zoom hybrid):** This meeting has been "Zoom bombed" 3 times, beginning on Thanksgiving. They are now employing a good safety protocol which will greatly minimize any future incidences. This meeting reads the daily entry from *Voices of Recovery* with sharing on that, followed by choosing a topic with further readings and sharing on that. There is a time of open sharing after the halfway point.
  - d. **FRI 12:00 p.m. (noon) Fresno (In-Person/Phone):** Most participants are in-person, but they sometimes have a caller join.
  - e. **FRI 7:00 p.m. Sonora (In-Person):** No report. Marjorie D. plans to call their contact person to check on them.
  - f. **SAT 10:00 a.m. Visalia (In-Person/Zoom hybrid):** Erica D. reported that they met on Zoom the last two weeks (as Christmas and New Years Day both fell on Saturday). In-person attendance is 4-5 with 10-12 attending via Zoom. Many who previously attended in person are now using Zoom. They also are a literature meeting using the OA 12&12.
  - g. **SAT 10:30 a.m. Fresno (In-Person):** Ren R. reported that there are 4-6 people consistently attending. This meeting uses the AA Big Book and has been in existence for about 20 years. She shared about the

generosity of the church where they meet (United Christian Church) as they minister to the homeless with a free breakfast every Saturday morning. She noted this might pose some difficulty as members have to enter through the kitchen to get to the meeting room, but the group is glad to support the church through our 7th Tradition. The meeting also recently sent money to Region 2 and our intergroup.

- h. **SAT 2:00 p.m. Clovis (In-Person):** No one has heard from Del or other attendees. Marjorie D. will try to get in touch with Del to see how they're doing.
  - i. **SUN 4:00 p.m. Visalia (Zoom):** The meeting uses the AA Big Book and is well attended.
8. Unfinished Business: None.
9. New Business
- a. Day in OA: Marjorie D. spoke about having some type of candlelight service, and those present were enthusiastic about possibly building a Day in OA that incorporated that idea. No firm plans yet.
  - b. Possible new writing/meditation meeting Fri or Tues evenings: Traci Y. said that in speaking to Linda L. (who has volunteered to serve as R2 Rep) the idea of beginning a new meeting came up. This would be a meditation and/or writing meeting. They would like to look at using oa.org's Suggesting Reading and Writing Meeting Format to modify it if needed. This would be an evening meeting on either Tuesdays or Fridays (the latter more likely) and would last from 7-8:30 p.m. It would be a Zoom only meeting using SJVI's Zoom account and would be listed on oa.org. As soon as it can be organized, details will be sent to the SJVI email list and announced at our local meetings.
10. Announcements: OA Birthday (celebrated the 3rd weekend in January) is coming up with an annual event hosted by the Los Angeles Intergroup on January 14-16, 2022. For more info, please visit <https://www.oalaig.org/oa-birthday-party/>
11. Next regular meeting of SJVI will be Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.
12. Adjournment: 7:50 p.m. by Marjorie D. who led us in recitation of The OA Promise ("I put my hand in yours...").