

## Intergroup Meeting Minutes July 11, 2021

**Attendees:** Brad L., Lindsey, Benjamin G., Steve O., Beth, Sarah F., Kathleen, Lisa T.C, Sonya E., Hannah M.

**Open:** Meeting opened with the standard Serenity Prayer.

Approval of minutes was deferred since Terri was not in attendance.

Agenda was approved as written

**Chair Report:** Brad is not able to continue as chair of the Intergroup as his commitments to family require more of him at this time. He is willing to mentor someone who is willing but hesitant to take on the role. He has added the Chair role to the open service positions.

**Treasurer:** the Intergroup is solvent. We are slightly in the red this month due to fully funding the WSO reserve. We have a full reserve and additional contributions coming in so far this month so that there is no concern about the June month-end negative balance.

**Tech Chair:** Beth has updated the online ZOOM sign-up for existing meeting out through December. This ensures that existing meetings have their spots reserved and allows any new meetings to use the online signup for zoom.

Beth has been monitoring the website analytics. Highlights are that we have steady traffic to the site – 46% using a direct link and 39% from Google search. The web usage is largely U.S. but the site is still being accessed from abroad.

Beth will be posting new minutes as well as the sponsorship pages. She will also post the guideline documents for hybrid meetings when she receives them from Sonja.

**Outreach:** Steve O has distribute information to two therapists who he knows are open to ACA literature. He will also get literature to the Red House in Annapolis and the So Shore Recovery Center. When meetings begin to meet in person again, he will leave literature at other 12 step meetings.

**In-reach:** Sara F sent out an in-reach email with information on the July 4<sup>th</sup> marathon. She will send out another in-reach mail today or early next week.

**Literature:** We had one large order in June. And, another order came in at the start of July. So steady but not overwhelming

**Region:** The region did not meet this month. There are no regional events currently planned.

**WSO Rep:** This position is open. Brad update the group that the Loving Parent Guide Book will print in July and ought to be available no later than the August.

**Service Chair:** This position is open. There is a service committee in place; it just needs a chair.

**Open Positions:** Intergroup chair, WSO Rep, Service Chair.

**Recovery Day:** Sarah F and Hannah met. They have framed a 3 hour Recovery Day on the theme of "Finding our Inner Loving Parent". Detailed notes from that first session are attached to this document.

**Strengthening Local Meetings:** There are several disruptive attendees at meetings. The question is how might the Intergroup work to strengthen meetings so that the disruptive attendees do not sabotage a meeting. There were mixed takes on whether this is something that the Intergroup ought to undertake. However a group has formed to look at what the Intergroup might do. They include Brad L, Sarah F., Kathleen and Hannah M.

One group dealt with the issue by developing a strong policy document, which included who could and could not email the entire meeting contact list.

Another suggestion is that each IG representative encourage a regular business meeting/group conscious so that issues are dealt with immediately rather than waiting for things to reach a crisis level.

**Close:** Meeting closed with the ACA Serenity Prayer.