## Silicon Valley Intergroup January 4, 2022 7:15-8:15 PM

Join Overeaters Anonymous Silicon Valley Zoom Meeting

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Opening: Serenity Prayer, Statement of Purpose, Step of the Month, Tradition of the Month, Concept of the

Month, Voting Policy, and Introductions

Members Present: 11

Approval of December Minutes: Approved

Chair: Salle Vice Chair:

Treasurer: Bruce G:

Starting Cash \$8730 (Starting Balance at beginning of December)

Group Donations \$1337.18 (\$465 from groups; \$872.18 from PayPal)

Expenses \$200 (\$200 monthly web maintenance)

Ending Balance \$9,967.46

### 2021 Summaries of Revenue and Expenses

Revenue: \$14,159 (~\$1180/month) Expenses \$15,698 (~\$1308/month)

Major Expenses from 2021

Public Information: \$4199 Website Maintenance: \$4479 WSO Contribution: \$4525 R2 Contribution: \$1508

Discussion of the fact that expenses exceeded revenue yielded the consensus that the difference was explained by the uniquely larger expenditures for website maintenance and PI occurring in 2021.

**Public Information/Outreach:** Francine's tenure has ended however she sent a note stating she had much information to transfer to a new person taking over this position. Francine has received no email replies expressing interest in the position.

**Region 2:** Terry had no report but mentioned for anyone's benefit that R2 includes Hawaii, Mexico, California and a little bit of Nevada.

**World Service:** There will be a hybrid World Service Business Conference. Pattie has offered to represent our intergroup in person, Terry will attend online. There is still room for one more representative and a good chance to serve without having to undertake major travel.

**Website:** Is performing well and Francine is happy with the SEO's posting blogs. She continues to generate more blogs but invites others to submit material suitable for a blog and this can be narrative text, poetry, artwork and so on. Assistant webmaster needed who should be someone willing to learn Word Press. A blog editor is needed to please get the word out on that.

**Temporary Sponsorship:** The position of chair is still open. This person should attend multiple meetings and get to know people with long-term abstinence in order to make connections for temporary sponsorship.

**Activities:** December Workshop called Working Step 10 was postponed to February 12 so good attendance is anticipated. Gabriel was to host an event in November but this was postponed to late February or early March.

Mail: Mernoosh has no report other than to say mail was received.

**Newcomers:** Frank stated perhaps one or two contacts in the past month.

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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. **Zoom bombing:** Email with trainings sent out of varying lengths, one for those with Zoom knowledge (30 minutes) and one for those without (60 minutes). Frank attended one and found it quite beneficial. Frank also distributed an email with recommendations for how to handle host/co-host and waiting room to combat bombers. As of Jan 1, 2-way chat is now enabled, host and co-host have the same capabilities (to chat with people in the waiting room, exclude people from the meeting primarily). There were a total of 19 bombers since the problem began. They seem to be waning.
- 2. **12 Step Within:** On Wednesday 1/12, remember to make outreach calls to people we have not seen for a while.
- 3. Virtual Region Convention: February 18-20. Information about this went out in recent newsletter.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Owner of private Zoom account currently hosting Tuesday 7 PM and Saturday 10:30 AM meetings would like OASV to host the meetings instead. This requires purchasing another Zoom account owing to the usage of current accounts at those times.
  - Frank moved that OASV allocate \$150 annually to purchase a new Zoom account to host these two meetings (mentioned above) and possibly other non-time conflicting meetings. The motion was seconded and passed by 8-0 with one abstention from the Secretary.
- 2. Suggestion was made by Elizabeth to encourage meetings by word of mouth to check the online details for their meetings on oasv and oa.org. She found errors related to the meeting she attends and notes that with it being a new year, there is likely to be more traffic and people relying on the posted information for meetings which might not be up to date or accurate.
- 3. Susana (Spanish speaking meetings) shared that a new workshop in Spanish was started on Monday evenings beginning the day before (1-3-22) and 59 members signed on. Terry offered to assist her with posting this on the R2 website.
- 4. OA Birthday Party hosted by LA OA Intergroup (OAIG) set to occur on January 14-16, 2022. Tickets available (approximately \$30.00) This is OA's 62<sup>nd</sup> birthday!
- 5. Faith shared that the OA 90 meetings are still doing well and about to go hybrid.
- 6. Terry suggested the OA Intergroup remain online and that was met with agreement (no motion or vote). Palo Alto (Mid-Peninsula Intergroup) has a noon meeting in person.

**Group Introductions:** We heard from Susana who was happy to announce 2 new virtual meetings, one in Portugal and one in Paris. There are also a few in person meetings in OASV that are Spanish speaking and her group was able to fulfill literature orders from around the country thanks to the help of OASV.

**Open Service Positions:** To express interest or learn more, attend an Intergroup meeting on the first Tuesday of the month, 7:15 pm. The next meeting, on February 1, will be via Zoom. See Francine's doc for description.

- Vice Chair
- R2 Representative
- <u>Temporary Sponsorship Matching.</u> Respond to telephone requests for temporary sponsors and find someone to match individual requests. Sponsor list at meeting level.
- <u>Website Master.</u> Communicate requested changes to the website to the website service (Sure Exposure) provider. Track provider's time commitment and prioritize updates.
- Speaker List.
- Workshop coordinator
- <u>Promotions/Marketing Coordinator.</u> Help carry the message about Workshops and other activities through various methods and media.

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• PI/PO chair will be open; Francine stepping down. Content about the position on the website.

https://www.oalaig.org/oa-birthday-party/- \$30 + 2.64 fee

Attracting service volunteers: Job descriptions on the website.

Closing: "I put my hand in yours..."

Next Meeting: February 1, 2022 7:15 PM