

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERGROUP OF OA INC.
INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2015**

Board members present:

Jackie G, Chair	Lauren G, Activities	Camille K, Publications	Camille K, Publications
Tom L, Secretary	Gaddy G, E-Media Manager	Cindy W, 12th Step Within	Katie B, Office Manager

Board members absent:

George Y, Vice Chair	Griselda G, Meeting Liaison	Lindsey J, Young Persons	Sandi H, Public Information
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OPENING: The meeting was called to order by Chair Jackie G at 7:30 PM with the Serenity Prayer. The sign-in sheet was passed around. The Ask-it basket was passed around for questions about meetings, or OA in general.

Gaddy G shared his experience, strength and hope for 15 minutes.

Roll call was taken. There were 19 meeting reps and 8 board members in attendance.

Board members were introduced. Michelle read the 12 Traditions.

The minutes of the previous Intergroup meeting were approved as submitted.

Zeta read Concept 10 from the Concepts of Service. The 7th Tradition basket was passed.

BOARD REPORTS

CHAIR:

- Election for a new Meeting Liaison will be held at the November Intergroup meeting. Requirement is 6 months abstinence and having completed the Fourth and Fifth Step. Service commitment is for two years.
- Announced election for a new Region 2 rep. Zeta was nominated. Motion to elect made and seconded. Will be going to the Region 2 assembly to be held in Newark/San Jose this Spring.
- The letter from Alcoholics Anonymous was distributed requesting that OA meetings not change the wording of AA's literature. The letter was distributed.
- The 56th Annual OA Birthday Party will be held on January 15, 16 and 17 at the LAX Hilton in Los Angeles.

VICE CHAIR:

- Absent

SECRETARY:

- No report

TREASURER:

- The Intergroup has a printed format explaining the meeting treasurer's commitment. Distributed.
- Year to date, OCI collected \$2,112 in 7th Tradition, just shy of the amount from the same period last year.
- Attendance at the September Talent Show was down from last year, but generous donations kept it in the black. Joyce requested suggestions to increase participation and attendance next year.
- Joyce requested a motion to ratify the payments made in September and authorization to pay the budgeted bills and contributions for October. The motion was presented, seconded and adopted.
- Joyce requested that we allocate to the delegate fund (R2 and WS) 100% of donations for activities and speaker marathons. The motion was presented, seconded and adopted.

OFFICE MANAGER:

- No report

ACTIVITIES CHAIR:

- The Health Fair at Fullerton College will take place on October 28. We need a volunteer to help work the OA table at the Fair.
- Several events coming up in the Foothill intergroup Glendale/Pasadena. Their website is oafoothill.org
Sat, Nov 14. Gratitude in Action at Deb's Park. Sat, Dec 5. 12 Steps & 12 Traditions in Burbank, 12-4.
- Lauren needs volunteers to arrive at 5pm to help set up and decorate the Halloween Bash.

MEETING LIAISON:

- Griselda absent. Gaddy notified the reps that two meetings have closed. Monday 7-8pm at Mariners Church, in Irvine. And Thursday 7-8:30pm in Fountain Valley.

E-MEDIA:

- No report

PUBLICATIONS:

- Instead of a biographical story, the cover of our next *Communique* (November/December) will explain what our Intergroup service office does to support meetings and OA members.

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

- Absent

YOUNG PERSONS CHAIR:

- Absent

12th STEP WITHIN:

- Cindy announced again that the Holiday Speakers Marathon will take place November 14, 1-4pm at the Costa Mesa Community Center.
- Lindsey needs a volunteer to help keep the Tuesday 5:30pm Orange meeting open when Lindsey isn't able to attend. The meeting needs support.
- The Costa Mesa Community Center will no longer be able to offer us a low rate for our special events. Please contact Cindy with suggestions for a new venue (or venues). Need space for 40-50 people.

New Business

Several suggestions were made to increase participation and attendance at our next Talent Show.

Jay V's flyer to organize an OA men's retreat next spring was explained and distributed. Perhaps an "OCI approved" stamp can be created to let members know that all flyers at our meetings have been approved by Intergroup.

The Masonic Lodge in Lake Forrest has space at the following times: Sunday afternoons, and Mon/Wed/Friday mornings.

The Saturday men's stag has moved to the Kaiser Pavilion, Bldg 1, 200 N. Lewis St., Rm 1, 2nd floor in Orange.

Ask-it Basket discussion

Re: Crosstalk. Whose responsibility is it to object? Traditionally, it falls to the meeting secretary but any member is entitled to bring the issue up when cross talk occurs. If the group conscience decides, the meeting format can be changed to address the issue specifically. This also applies if the mentioning of specific foods is painful for some of our members; anyone may object and the meeting format can be changed to address it.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom L, Secretary