

Las Vegas Overeaters Anonymous Intergroup
Saturday, May 9, 2020
Zoom Meeting

Meeting began at: 12:32pm

Readings: Carole (12 Steps); Alicia (Tradition 5); Cheryl (Concepts)

In Attendance: P= On Phone; V=Votes

Barb S (Chair), Ellen - V, Cheryl B-V, Hudson-V, Cher-V, Felicia-V, Hester-V, Alicia-V,
Carole-V, Ruth-V, Bernadette (P)-V, Karen-V, Amy-V, Rosie-V, Carmen-V, Janet-V,
Pat A (P), Sheryl H, Victoria

Agenda distributed previously. Chair acknowledged correction as to which meeting minutes was to be approved (February was corrected to April). Ellen requested clarification of February and March meeting minutes status. February meeting minutes have not been submitted for approval and there are no minutes for March since IG did not meet. Felicia noted a correction on the spelling of her name on the Agenda.

Approve April 2020 Minutes: **Motion & 2nd: Approved** as received.

Reports:

1. Corresponding Secretary (Felicia): No updates.
2. Secretary (Ellen): Requested and was clarified that the position is Recording Secretary and is serving as Acting Recording Secretary until the June elections.
3. Treasurer (Karen): Not a lot going on. Banking in April was for phone bill \$18.44. Balance \$2016.68. Hudson returned the \$844 and will be show up in May financial report. Secretary of State paperwork (\$100) has been renewed as of May 4, 2020. Changed report to show a breakout for Literature, Ways and Means and 7th tradition. Report to be submitted for distribution with the minutes.
4. Delegates (Carole, Hudson & Bernadette – Alt): Carole - attended a virtual WSBC, one General Service Trust (GST) still open and willing to share information if you are interested. Four 4 pieces of literature approved; one is *Temporary Sponsors Newcomers First 12 Days in OA*, a new *To the Young Person*, four new pamphlets which some have been combined will be coming out soon.

Hudson - R3 asks that IGs and groups continue donations to Region and WSO Hudson is serving on the Region's Finance Committee, and is working with a group that will be getting a list of all IGs in region to reach out to each one. Some meetings do not send Reps to Region because they cannot afford to send Reps. R3 has money to support groups to send Reps to the Assemblies. R3 was able to cover the \$4000 lost in not meeting in-person and the Assembly commenced in ZOOM.

5. Board Advisor (OPEN): No report - Previous Board Advisor had to resign.
6. Voicemail (Alicia): Things going well.
7. Literature (Hester): She has not sold much literature lately. Wishes to submit \$205 to Treasurer. Karen suggested to hold on to funds in case Hester needed anything, but Hester prefers to have funds "out of her home". Hester will get Karen's address to mail directly to her instead of via the LVOAI's P.O. Box at this time. Hester indicated only item needed were the 30-Day chips. The yearly inventory was done with the date range of March 2019 - March 2020. \$2,400 was bought, \$1,640 in stock and \$1,339 in Treasury \$1,544 in-cash collected total of in inventory and cash \$3,184. On Sept 1, 2019, \$1,000 order for the October Convention was spent. Although literature was sold at the Convention the LVOAI literature is well stocked.

A discussion ensued regarding literature prices be raised to off-set shipping and handling (which is based on weight and distance). There was a concern on what was more important: "spreading the word" or up pricing to cover costs. Since there was some confusion of IG giving away pamphlets (old vs current) and what groups do, a motion was made.

Motion & 2nd: Any current pamphlet purchased by IG will be sold to groups at cost and it will be the group's discretion to give free or not; PIPO outreach events will be given pamphlets free. **APPROVED.**

Motion & 2nd: Obsolete pamphlets will be given away where they can do good. **APPROVED.**

8. Meeting Lists (Julie): Not present- no report
9. PIPO (Art): Not present-no report
10. Ways & Means (Hudson). This position opens next month (June). It is an easy position-bring things to sell at events, coordinate volunteers (has always received help at the events to set up and man tables).
11. 12 Steps Within (Cynthia): Not Present – On Hold
12. Web Manager (Joy): Not Present. Chair stated that the LVOA.org is awesome and asks if there are problems please contact Joy.
13. Newsletter (Kathi-Ann): Position is open at this time and will need to be filled during the June elections.
14. October Retreat (Cher): Title - *Unmasking the Recovered You*. Mardi Gras masks have been bought. Place: Rising Star Resort in Mesquite is confirmed. Dates: 10/23, 24 & 25, 2020. Hopefully by mid-summer will begin having meetings to prepare for the retreat but Cher has been doing some outreach for a WSBC Board member to speak. Planning on using usual program/format. Anticipating about 50 people to participate.

Old Business:

1. Representative Alternate: Hold for June elections
2. Open Alternate Delegate: Hold for June elections

New Business

1. Open Positions for the New Year: People to do service is needed on IG level. Please go back to groups and announce that all positions are up for election at next month's IG meeting (June). This meeting will be conducted through ZOOM and Cheryl B will lead the voting meeting. Descriptions of positions are listed on LVOA.org. Anyone not able to attend the meeting and want a (or want to keep a) position is to let Barb know, and she will serve as your proxy. Please remember that doing service is a tool and keeps you connected to everyone.
2. Literature and the Financials: Pat shared his experience and concern of information not being distributed in timely and current fashion, i.e. what literature is purchased, financial reports not broken down, what is being purchased for the funds. Felt that the financials be put on LVOA.org so folks know what is being purchased. He expressed his curiosity and concern for past processing of funds and lack of updated meeting lists available but did compliment the current people in the positions. A discussion ensued and an offer for him to receive the literature inventory list and a welcome to visit with Hester for review was made. He has been encouraged to offer his services to LVOA Intergroup by accepting a position in an area that he would like to see improved.

Motion & 2nd: To extend meeting for 15 minutes. **APPROVED.**

3. Discuss the ZOOM Meetings, costs, hosts, etc.: History of ZOOM mtgs presented by Cher and Alicia. Cher purchased the account under her name (email). Cher found out that OA debit card can be billed (\$14.95/month) and the email address can be changed.

Motion & 2nd: 1) Use the OA Debit Card (starting June 1st) to pay for the account for the rest of the year; 2) log-in be changed to an LVOA email address (to be determined); 3) Establish a new position on IG level for a ZOOM Administrator (title to be possibly changed) **APPROVED**

Cher will work with follow up in changing out the account email address and payment card.

Motion & 2nd: Cher offered to be the LVOA IG ZOOM Administrator. **APPROVED**

Each meeting group will need to establish a Host and a backup (in case of absences). Please share information with your groups. Host will be given written and verbal instructions (Cher has offered). Log-on IDs and password will remain the same for the meetings. Each group however will be responsible for its own ZOOM guidelines. **But it is imperative that the meeting Hosts not change any of the SETTINGS in the account in that if one change is made, it changes for ALL meetings.** This information will be shared in the training instructions.

Question was brought up concerning meetings that want to go back to face-to-face meetings and some want to remain in ZOOM. Blended meetings (F/F & ZOOM together) do not work well. It was advised that this issue is a group conscious decision for each group.

Motion & 2nd: To extend meeting for an additional 15 minutes. **APPROVED.**

A new ZOOM meeting has been established at 12:00pm on Monday – Story Hour (same ID and password). Format will be readings from the Basketweave OA book.

New meetings, ZOOM or Face-to-Face, need to register with WSO (which currently is not accepting applications) but can be announced they exist. Group secretaries are responsible for registering the group (not LVOAI).

Workshops/meetings that use any materials other than OA approved literature cannot be advertised through LVOAI.

Have any groups asked for help for rent – not yet.

4. The Groups' Donations – How can we get them to where do they need to be?
Karen asks that for the time being funds be mailed to her directly rather than through the LVOAI P.O Box. She put her address in Chat in today's meeting. (*Recording Secretary apologies for not getting it for the minutes*).

Next IG meeting will be on ZOOM: **June 13, 2020 at 12:30pm**. It will be devoted entirely to the elections. Please review the duties of the positions and announce at your meetings. If someone is interested but cannot make the meeting let Barb know.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:56pm

Ellen R.
Recording Secretary