

AI Anon Information Services / Intergroup FINAL AIS Board Meeting Minutes for Sept 19, 2019

Quorum review:

Have 16 total board members.

People in attendance = 8; 50%

Meeting started at 7:07

Meeting commenced with the Serenity Prayer
12 Traditions read by - Brian

Introductions were made around the room.

Officer's Reports

Secretary - Kathy H

Kathy read minutes from the July Board meeting aloud.

Dawn made a motion to accept minutes as read
Camille seconded the motion to pass the minutes

Treasurer - Camille

Aug income and expense statement
reviewed

Nancy - District asked - what is our cost for this meeting?
\$300 each 6 months to rent the church = \$600 per year

Ellie asked about how we distributed the funds. Camille responded that the task force decided to send the money to WSO directly.

Camille is starting to for each
last year income to expense ratio was 113%.
This year the income to expense ratio is 48%.

Dawn mentioned that she felt like the low amounts is due to our large savings amount.

Nancy mentioned, when we are doing accounting, to pull this out, show a monthly negative amount... deficit. Oftentimes people will see the reserves and think that we can just dip into that money.

- she is suggesting to rearrange the layout of the sheet to highlight the actual balance of this group.

Newt mentioned that he really liked this idea.

- Income and Expense sheet, and also an Asset / balance sheet.

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- He thinks that we could

Kathy suggested that we could create a marketing description for what the AIS does, what services we provide

Nancy mentioned that it's already in the service manual page 66

- Abundance is a spiritual concept
- at our level too, here's what we need to operate, our primary purpose is to get the message out to new people who still doesn't know that al anon doesn't exist.

Newt - question for the group
should we do something at this time

Camille - she is not able to redesign the sheet at this time.
She's happy to add a line item to show the monthly summary for August
Dawn suggested bringing the negative status into the meeting, discuss that.

Brian asked if the budget for District is separate, Nancy responded yes.

Camille reviewed the annual budget, 2019 to date.
She reviewed the yellow highlighted section
She added the WSO donation into the Chair / CoChair line item, there wasn't a clear line item for donations.

Public Outreach and Information position

- phone calls, answering service system
- Community answering service & Freedom voice together... we would save \$25 monthly
- directories

Nancy and Newt suggested that the phone system be split off into a temporary position to support that

nancy asked what the budget is for contributions coming in, she mentioned that they have never been budgeted for.

Newt mentioned that if we can show and compare our balance and our projected income / coming budget. Our budgeted amount is higher than our incoming.

Nancy recommended adding a line for the WSO contribution

Newt is making a motion that (maybe this is already the approach) we review the budget, and allow the ISRs to vote in the following general meeting.

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Newt asked a question about the approach to take when we have questions for the budget.

Next AA convention - June 2020

Next AI Anon convention - Sept 2023 ?

Newt brought up the budget

Newt mentioned that people don't like the fact that AIS as well as District goes to the international convention

Nancy mentioned that it was a privilege for her to attend the international convention. It really helped her ability to provide service and to understand the roles.

Kathy mentioned that AI Anon members are not happy that we have chair and co-chairs both attending the international conventions.

Camille mentioned that maybe we want to set an expectation for what the chair and co-chair roles are back to the ISRs.

Linda makes a motion to pass the budget that will be viewed at the ISRs, with the added line for WSO contribution

Newt seconded the motion

All approved, no abstentions, motion passes

Ellie, mentioned that it might be a good point to mention that it's important for the groups to make their regular donations to AIS.

Archives - Brian

VCAAC had the information set up.

Brian brought the items, they set it up, Brian picked it up, and put it back

Institutions - Linda

Todd Road stuff for the men, waiting to hear back from them

Juvenile hall, they are interested in meetings.

Casa pacifica meeting on Sept 10 had a no-show. She will continue to go on her own.

Apparently the parents feel they don't have a problem.

Scoop - Dawn

She has a blurb about service, the open position principles above personalities, due in Sept

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Alateen page, but not that much contributions.

wants to add term definition, what is alateen, what is AIMIAs

District 12 - Nancy

meeting is tomorrow, Sept is the odd

usually 2nd saturday of odd months 11 to 1pm, at st columbus church

she is hosting a serviced manual book study the second thursday of every month from 6:30 to 8pm in Simi Valley at Nancy's home.

Text is the best way to reach her at 8054798805 for the address.

SCWS chair, she hosted one, she knew someone else who did it.

She has been wanting to do this, it's open to anyone

2020 literature catalog is out and available on the website

sharing of service workshop in jan every year, she recommends it

glendale united methodist church

jan 18

area wide event, once a year, sharing of service workshop

a position open - group service position alateen at WSO, at headquarters.

would love to share this

nancy will email this to Kathy to share with ISRs

Sales in August were lower, treasurer was away for much of the month they had a loss for the one month.

Got all the stuff from the bank to be able to do debit and credit.

training on 9/29 and 10/3 for their team.

Once they are all trained, they are doing a soft launch.

on the board, went through the process... speak to everyone to see when it should go into the scoop.

Newt noted, all the other positions were not able to attend.

New Business

John H will stand for upcoming open treasurer position

CPC, Scoop Editor, LDC chair (typically someone from the committee), Website, Public Information positions are all open

thought force members

Dani

Newt

Toni

Laleña

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Linda L

Ellie is making a suggestion, someone made a comment that it was discussed several years ago. Ellie learned that Kay was part of the previous task force to learn about what they learned previously

Newt agreed and would like to invite those people to join the task force.

Brian asked about whether he stopped doing the directories.

Nancy, she could ask someone at district if they could help support the phone system in the district.

Newt suggested that if no one is stepping up to do the public information job, he feels that it's too big.

- He suggest that it gets split apart into smaller positions.

Ellie mentioned that it's a bylaw issue. historically it's hard to fill positions, and when we create more it makes it harder.

Meeting ended at.... with Let it Begin with Me