

Napa Valley Intergroup Minutes

September 12, 2020

Opening

- Moment of Silence & Serenity Prayer
- New Intergroup Reps/ New Comer Packets: Introductions and your position: Officers, Reps—**Jo alternate IG rep for Joe's group Wednesday night.**
- Sobriety Birthdays This Month: **Shaela A. – celebrating 1 year next week; Anthony 08/27 bday; Kelsey 09/14 bday**
- Last month's minutes - Minutes are approved unless there are any objections. **Minutes passed without objection**

Monthly Tradition Reading & Discussion

This month's Reader: Brian D - Tradition 9 "A.A as such ought never be organized but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."

Next Month's Reader: Seth will read October's tradition

7th Tradition

We have no dues or fees in A.A. We are entirely self-supporting, declining outside contributions. Visit aanapa.org and use the Venmo link or mail your contribution to NVIG P.O Box 10948, Napa, CA 94581-2948

Housekeeping Motions- These are procedural motions and pass with no objections. If the motion does not pass it will move to new business.

No new housekeeping motions.

Officer Reports

Chair – Alston C – chair@aanapa.org: -- **will continue NVIG Chair duties at this time**

Alternate Chair – Mark B – alternatechair@aanapa.org

Hotline Chair: Janet S

Co-Chair: Anthony S

Secretary - Elaina S. secretary@aanapa.org:

Literature Chair – John K. literature@aanapa.org

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August

Serenity on Saturday 2-BB port. 2-12x12 s/c, 1-ABSI s/c, 1-DR, 2-LS \$63.55

My term as Literature Chair is up 12//31/2020. Anyone interested in this commitment contact me for info.

The literature order form is available as shown below on our website...

<http://www.aanapa.org/service/resources/group-resources/literature>

Please use it to check prices and submit with any order.

In service,

John K
literature@aanapa.org

Meeting Schedule Chair Doug M (stepped down in July, position is open).
meetings@aanapa.org

Newsletter Chair – Katherine Y newsletter@aanapa.org

Delegate at Large – Kelsey delegate@aanapa.org

My meetings visited is much lower than I would have preferred. I had a lot on my plate with training hours along with having to study a very complicated menu and just being plain worn out. Now that Ive gotten more into a rhythm with being back at work I hope to visit more.

Warmest

Kelsey

Birthday Meeting Chair – Donna R. & Patti G. birthdaymeeting@aanapa.org

Web Editor – Brian D. webeditor@aanapa.org:

Webchair report:

- changed look of website
- added accessibility plugin for disabled
- added upcoming events section
- will chip away at other things, maybe add some pictures/buttons
- None of this would have been possible if it weren't for the help of Tannya who introduced a better way to edit the site.

Treasurer – Seth T. treasurer@aanapa.org

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See Attached reports

Liaison/Committee Reports

Financial Oversight Committee – Donna

Hospitals and Institutions - John C

See Attached Report

General Service Liaison - Edward

General Service met last week – Napypaa having event Oct 24th – Are you Afraid of the

Drunk—flyer available

Presentation on Zoom etiquette by Margie S.

Beginner’s Meeting will be changing format

Looking to create tech committee for the District.

New position open for District Registrar

Old Business:

IG inventory - Anthony/Ad Hoc committee Chair

NVIG Inventory will be Saturday, September 19th 2020,
10am - 1pm (Room Open at 9:30 AM)
Virtual Only Zoom ID: 814 9188 2986 Passcode: 072005

John K found us a facilitator. Joann L.

We need to establish who will be co-hosting the Zoom meeting to allow for her to run the meeting effectively.

Transition to in-person meetings – Brian D. Ad Committee Chair

See previous minutes and corresponding documents from August meeting.

Brian—recommendation is to post document from ad hoc committee

Kelsey—no recommendations from GSO re: guidelines

Elaina-- discussed Napa County requirements for outside AA meetings

Jo—wonders about a committee to track the ever-changing conditions created by pandemic; suggests that guidelines denote that the situation is ever-changing

Alston—does website currently direct AAers to county resource?

Brian—no; in-person meetings are denoted on the website

Phil—discussed that other places are opening up and people need to make their personal

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decision about what they are comfortable with

Kelsey—reviews General Service statement (e.g., making health recommendations is outside the scope that AA General Service offers)

Elaina—maybe consider posting a statement similar to AA General Service on NVIG website

Brian—it may be a disservice to not include more than AA General Service statement

--suggestion to review the draft document and vote next month if NVIG posts it

--SF/Marin -all meetings online only

--renegade meetings are going to happen regardless

--Please consider reading the draft document and email suggestions/comments to Brian by 09/26/2020

—think about if we should post static document

—consider posting links to local and state resources

Resource Materials for Returning to In-Person Meetings Subcommittee:

Subcommittee report:

Question: "Does GSO have an opinion about if it's in the spirit of the traditions whether IG should screen meetings for safety concerns?"

Answer received over the phone, so not copy/pasted. Summary answer from delegate and trustee below.

- Your group can screen as a response to a request, but it would be potentially in violation of Traditions 2, 4, 9, 10 and Concept 12. If your group takes a meeting off the schedule, it should do so each time with a group conscience.

Insurance for Groups - - (See previous minutes for discussion details.)

IG Incorporation into 501c3 - (See previous minutes for discussion details.)

For the time being, this is tabled.

New Business

- Alcathons and anniversary party--Do we officially abandon possibility of live events? What to do with funds? (From John K.)

Kelsey—Napyraa would love to do an online Alcathon (there is interest from a group). Also, possibly interested in online workshop. Funding needs will be lower.

--discuss disbursement of extra prudent reserve—suggestion to have discussion prior to disbursements in January 2021.

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--In December we can discuss what extra funds we have and disbursement.

--consider using same zoom room as Birthday meeting

--consider how to offer food even if Alcathon is zoom only

--consider different possibilities of doing in-person Alcathons

--how to offer meetings to alcoholics who are isolated and don't have computers

--is it possible to have both online and both in-person Alcathons? Post on website that there isn't currently arrangements for Alcathons this year

Napypaa volunteering to host Thanksgiving Alcathon. Point of contact is Napypaa chair – Caramae.

Unanimous approval for Napypaa to host Thanksgiving Alcathon.

- Workshops--Seems perfect opportunity for zoom format, especially with topics like transition/return to physical meetings, health and safety guidelines, hot line training, rep education...funding should be sufficient. (From John K.)

Take Back to Your Groups

- If you have any contributions for the Fall Napa AA Fellowship newsletter, please submit to: newsletter@aanapa.org --please submit to Katherine any upcoming events, comments, or available service commitments
- Please send meeting changes to: reportmeetingchange@aanapa.org
- Inform your group that IG will be holding an Intergroup Inventory next weekend

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Email Anthony S. ashemaria@gmail.com if you want to participate or know more.

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- IG officer positions becoming available in January. Please attend November IG meeting when voting will occur. Available positions:
 - IG Secretary
 - Literature
 - Alt Chair
 - Meeting Schedule Chair
 - Treasurer
- Napypaa will be hosting Thanksgiving Alcahthon – please email napypaa707@gmail.com for more info or to get involved.
- Looking for groups who are interested in hosting Christmas and New Year's Alcahthons (in-person and/or online)
- This month's Intergroup Birthday Meeting will be held on Friday, September, 25th at 7pm
ID: 445 914 540
NO PASSWORD
- The birthday meeting currently pays for a business zoom account at a cost of \$65 with a 500 capacity. This meeting has dropped from 146 attendees the 1st month to a 50-attendee average with our last 7th tradition yielding only \$20. Due to financial responsibility concerns Intergroup is considering dropping the account down to a basic zoom account with a 100-person capacity at a cost of \$15. This raises concerns regarding future accessibility should the attendance surpass 100. Intergroup would like feedback from groups regarding this matter.
- Disbursements from Intergroup for this period have been made. Intergroup would like input from groups on the matter of changing the percentages due to specific AA entity needs, in regards to GSO's call to action in May. Our current Intergroup disbursement percentage is 45% District 11, 45% Area CNCA 06, 10% GSO NYC.
- Intergroups Literature Chair term is up in December 2020. If anyone is interested, please email John K at literature@aanapa.org
- Intergroup will be providing information regarding best practices in resuming in person meetings on the aanapa.org website. Being that each group is autonomous these guidelines are merely a resource for your group's consideration.

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- CNCA06 Fall Assembly November 7, 2020

Fall Election Assembly

November 7 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

ZOOM 912 3894 5349

Closing Statement

The Responsibility Statement:

I am Responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.