

GREATER EAST BAY ACA Intergroup (GEBACA)

Minutes from February 23, 2019

Attendance: Barbara, Concord; Cathy, Brentwood; Shari, Fremont; Starr, Fremont; Paul, Berkeley; Michelle, Concord; Tim, Danville; Joe, Oakland; Zoe, Rio Vista; Carmen, Concord; Efrosini, Stockton; Rene, Stockton.

Meeting started at 10:30AM.

1. The meeting opened with the ACA Serenity Prayer.
2. No meeting minutes from January at this time
3. Reports:
 - a. Treasurer, Cathy: January 2019 financial statement submitted.
 - i. \$1370.00 was our net income and \$1670.51 was our total expenses. We are -300.51 at this time.
 - ii. NEW: The fund flow model of ACA is based on a 60/30/10 disbursement. After a group meets its month expenses & sets aside money for a prudent reserve, 60% of what is left over is usually sent to the local Intergroup, 30% is sent to the Region, and 10% is sent to WSO.
 - iii. Prudent reserve. Voted to keep a reserve of 1200.00
 - iv. G Suite. Using G Suite and switching off of Box. Discussed removing Andy M. name from entities. Also Starr and Cathy discussed moving documents from BOX to Google.
 - v. eCommerce. Cathy working with Wells Fargo but no return call. Still looking into PayPal but it is challenging to use as a 501c3 and we have to use personal PayPal account.
 - vi. Barbara and Cathy reported that the tax filling with the state have been completed.
 - b. Literature, Carmen
 - i. Carmen reported that a total of \$651.00 is sold. She would like to use QuickBooks and the team is working on establishing this as it would be easier to track books and individual sells. Members from Stockton group were asking about books in Spanish. The Big Red book is available in Spanish at the 30% discounted rate but not the yellow book. Carmen agreed to challenge WSO on that, as they should be made available in Spanish at the discounted rate.
 - c. Website/Communications. Starr asked if there could be a team approach for communication to include website, newsletter, and email. If we have a team approach, it would be less overwhelming for just one person. The group asked if this could be announced at all meetings. The group also discussed taking Andy's name off of the email and Box. We have a current subscription that was purchased for the capability for a newsletter but we don't have a volunteer yet.
- c. Events, Paul present. Announced that the social events are challenging to arrange for just one person and a team approach would be better. He said that his role as events coordinator would be as a resource for events happening

within the groups to offer support and or help. Members were in favor of facilitator role and team approach. Review of the pumpkin patch activity.

4. January speaker meeting was a success! Many groups were represented and it generated \$430.00.
5. Step 10 Event from Sacramento was held in Concord. Mixed feedback regarding this event. Some members felt that it wasn't keeping with ACA step 10 tools and solution; others took away positive spiritual tools from the event.
6. April Speaker Meeting in Fremont– Still need one speaker– awaiting confirmation. Shari will speak to Oakland groups to seek a speaker from those areas. Will also need a microphone.
7. Discussion on open positions and announcing them at the meetings – Vice Chair and Communications Chair. Other service positions and opportunities are available. Discussed being a member on anyone of the positions. Teams can work together to accomplish goals.
8. There are approved roles and expectations – see About Us on the Website.
9. Barbara is going to Sweden and will represent the Monday night Concord meeting at the ABC.
10. Reviewed and voted on ABO proposals.

Meeting ended at 12:05 PM.

In Service,
Shari K.

Next meeting – March 23rd from 10:30 – 12 Noon at St. Paul's in Walnut Creek.