

GREATER EAST BAY ACA Intergroup (GEBACA)

Minutes from April 27, 2019

Attendance: Cathy, Brentwood; Shari, Fremont; Starr, Fremont; Hannah, Fremont; Michelle, Concord; Tim, Danville; Joe, Oakland; Zoe, Rio Vista; Carmen, Concord; Efrosini, Stockton; Rene, Stockton, Marcus, Rio Vista; Robin, Benicia

Meeting started at 10:30AM.

- A. The meeting opened with the ACA Serenity Prayer.**
- B. Reviewed and approved today's agenda**
- C. The meeting minutes from March were reviewed and approved**
- D. Recruitment efforts to fill Vice Chair and Communications Officer vacancies.**
 - a. **Website advertising. – Call to Action.** Starr will look into this.
 - b. **Pitch at Fremont Speaker meeting.** Barbara did this and she had each GEBACA officer come up and talk about what they do.
 - c. **Results versus more strategies.** Members encouraged to keep talking about GEBACA open positions at their meetings, having folks come to intergroup or call in, share the roles and responsibilities with meetings, and talk to groups about the possibility of shared position, i.e., go to intergroup every other Saturday.
- E. Trusted Servant's Reports**
 - 1. Literature Report- Carmen**
 - a. **Spanish Literature availability.** This is available at the 30% discount. Carmen sent an email to see if WSO will reimburse previously sold Spanish literature. She will follow up on the status of this.
 - b. **Changing Literature email address.** Need to change it to Carmen's email. This will be updated in the website.
 - c. **Revising GEBACA literature form to accommodate e-Commerce and new USPS address.** Carmen updated the form and will post on the website.
 - d. **Report from Carmen.** Mike is the co-chair of this position. \$845 sold this last month.
 - 2. Treasurer Report- Cathy**
 - a. **Monthly Report.** March 2019 financial statement submitted. We have a balance of \$3197.33. Our total expenses were \$1417.02 and net income was \$227.00. We are -1190.02 for the month of March. GEBACA intergroup and the Concord Monday night meeting supported Barbara going to the ABO in Sweden. Members are encouraged to share financial reports with groups.
 - b. **E-Commerce. No changes.** Waiting to get Starr on the site
 - c. **Federal taxes filed.** No issues reported. No cost associated.
 - 3. Website/Communications- Starr/Cathy**
 - a. **Updating Contact List.** Done
 - b. **Communications Team Approach**
 - i. **Interest/recruitment for communication team.** Please announce at meetings. Still looking for the team approach. Reiterate to group

members that it is a team approach so people don't feel overwhelmed by it and explain what that means.

ii. Possible hiring website assistance. Starr emailed Mary Higgins. Awaiting a response.

c. Updates to the website

i. E-Commerce abilities and expected go-live date. Starr and Cathy are working on this. Starr is having a hard time getting onto the set-up at Wells Fargo. They will continue to work on this.

ii. Andy's phone number removed from the g-suite account

4. Events/Activities

a. Sponsorship Event May 4th, 1-4 p.m. at St. Paul's

i. Panel Identified –Barbara from Concord, Chris from Fremont.

ii. Handout – Sponsorship pamphlet

5. WSO March Meeting

a. ABC in Sweden – April 25th and 26th (Thursday and Friday). Barabara will give a report to Interroup in May.

b. 2020 ABC in South Florida

c. Proposal Ballot results- #7 and #9 approved for ABC agenda

F. Quarterly Speaker Meetings

1. Fremont April 13, 2019

a. Review of Event. Great turnout. Total profit was \$658.00. Great comments about location and speakers.

b. Church Donation. GEBACA decided to keep it at a \$50.00 even though we didn't had a deficit for March.

2. July 13th 2019. Paul is working with Oakland/Berkeley groups. They have secured the speakers and he is working with Kaiser contact on the speaker system.

a. Flyer to WSO

b. Location. Confirmed that it is Kaiser Oakland.

c. Home groups interested in hosting the event. Paul is working with Joe and getting volunteers for set-up, cleanup, readers, etc.

d. Female speaker needed. This is confirmed.

3. October 12, 2019

a. John Muir Concord- pending administration approval

G. Next Actions

1. Deliverables for the Next meeting

a. E-Commerce. Starr will work with Cathy on this.

2. Cathy suggested and group agreed to have a Intergroup Rep update as a roundtable agenda item.

a. Roundtable comments from Intergroup Reps

i. Record our speaker meetings and uploading to GEBACA. Would need permission from speakers and said recording equipment.

ii. Create a vision statement for Intergroup

iii. To promote involvement in Read traditions that relate to service or sections in the BRB that relate to service at the beginning of the speaker meetings.

iv. Have a diversity committee

- v. Suggested having a collection for translation funds like they do at some groups. There is a need for the deaf community. Discussion around if there are GEBACA funds available to support new meetings with literature/fliers, first months rent, etc.
- vi. There is still open position for newsletter position. Announce at groups if anyone is interested.
- vii. Members were getting previous versions of the BRB. Carmen will reach out the WSO regarding this to see if we can only purchase what is the current version.

Meeting ended at 12:00 PM.

In Service,
Shari K.

Next meeting – May 25th from 10:30 – 12 Noon at St. Paul's in Walnut Creek.