

**Minutes for the July 24, 2021 Meeting
of the Greater East Bay ACA Intergroup (GEBACA)
(10:30 a.m-12:00 p.m.)**

**Zoom only meeting.
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A. Serenity Prayer and Introductions

Present: Shari K. – Chair, Marcus H. - Secretary, Carmen B. – Treasurer, Carol L. - Communications Officer, Denise P-C. - Public Information Officer, Stephanie – H&I and Events Officers, Angela -L.- IGR Monday Concord, Norbert S. – IGR Danville Sunday Solutions, Scott - IGR Benicia Friday.

Present after introductions: Christina – IGR Wed. 11am People of Color Meeting, Jeremy C. – Webmaster, Hannah J. -Young People’s Liaison .

B. Standard Meeting Readings

- . GEBACA Mission Statement.
- . Concept VII
- . Tradition VII
- . Tradition VII Meditation

C. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion – Marcus H. Second -Denise P-C
Passed by unanimous consent

D. Review and Approval of June Meeting Minutes

Motion – Marcus H. Second -Denise P-C
Passed by unanimous consent

E. Trusted Servant's Reports

1. GEBACA Chair Report. chair@gebaca.org

Report on Monthly WSO Board Teleconference –

Loving Parent Guide Book release is delayed due to the printer being backlogged.

No Treasurer’s Report because they will be giving the reports a month behind to give more than a few days to prepare the report. And June’s report was given at June’s meeting and July’s Report will be given at August’s meeting. Report is available on the WSO website.

IT Committee has made a lot of improvements to the ACA websites. A lot of recordings of workshops are available. An official ACA Teamup calendar of ACA meetings will be available on the Teamup app.

To find out what literature is coming out go to Literature in Production and it will show what is being produced and where they are at in production for example ACA Bill of Rights and booklet on Sponsorship.

2. Secretary. secretary@gebaca.org

3. Vice Chair. vicechair@gebaca.org.

4. Treasurer's Report. treasurer@gebaca.org

- . Report was Emailed to IG list.

For the month Income \$702, Expenses \$802.57, Net Income -\$100.57

. Dispersed funds to SF intergroup for 2022 AWC/ABC \$142 from Inner Critic and 7th Tradition to WSO of \$300.

5. Literature Report. literature@gebaca.org

. sales and inventory – 2 inquires about literature on the website.

6. Communication Report communications@gebaca.org

. Update Contact List – 2 new entries

7. Website Report. webmaster@gebaca.org

. Google docs for online meetings- We have a Google Drive account and we could put all the documents needed to run a meeting on it to give meetings access to those documents.

Some discussion on whether to provide gmail accounts to meetings on the gebaca.org account.

Is there a limit on the number email accounts we can have? Is this a lot of work to administer?

Possibility of making a Google Drive folder for meetings with the documents for running a meeting and documentation on online technology for meetings.

. Meeting will be held in August on possible changes to home page and other parts of GEBACA Website. Shari K., Jeremy C., Marcus H. and Hannah J. will attend.

. Assisted new Vice Chair with gmail account

. We have a new free map API for meeting listings

. Discussion of possible removal of addresses to online only meetings because if listing has an address it does not say online. Suggestion that a header be placed on the top all meetings are assumed to be online during the pandemic.

Motion to add such a header to the page and leave the physical addresses in.

Motion – Shari K. Second – Jeremy C.

Carried – Unanimous

8. Events/Activities. eventofficer@gebaca.org Events officer not present. Chair gave the report.

. June Quartely Speaker meeting- One speaker declined to be recorded and we need to have a waiver for distributing the recording from the other person. Close to 60-70 people attended.

. August 14th Inner Child Workshop - Event Officer is going to host along with someone from a local meeting.

Shari will work with Stephanie on a flier and posting on WSO website. It will be the same Zoom as used for the Inner Critic workshop.

9. 2022 ABC/AWC liaison. holdfam@gmail.com

10. Public Information. info@gebaca.org.

WSO Public Information Committee is meeting 2nd and fourth Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:30pm. The Committee has been working on a Public Information Day on 9/25 from 9-10:30am. Shares and a little history. A flier will be out soon. Whoever registers for the event will get free literature to distribute.

Two members from the GEBACA Stockton Spanish language meeting translated the new trifold for Therapists and other Helping Professionals and it is in the Literature Committee's process to become approved.

Working on creating a form letter for Public Service announcements, a draft on how to introduce ACA in other 12 step groups and a template for how to go out and do public information.

The Committee has been re-energized

11. H&I. hospital-institution@gebaca.org. Chair gave report

. Possibly bringing a meeting to a rehab facility –

However that facility may be closed again and other facilities are closing down. The Delta Variant seems to be having an affect so we may have to revisit this later.

12. Young person liaison. youngpeople@gebaca.org

We reached out to other 12 Step Organizations Young People's Liaisons who can pass it on to their young people.

The meeting is small right now but growing. We have some 15 to 18 year olds in the meeting.

13. Diversity and Inclusion Committee. diversity@gebaca.org

Carmen reported.

Thanks to Zoe for chairing the first meeting.

We went over our definition of Diversity and Inclusion it includes People of Color, LGBTQI, Differently Abled and Allies.

Discussed getting the word out to different meetings.

Committee will be meeting the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Will likely do a survey to find out the strengths and needs of the meetings we already have.

Discussed some short and long term goals.

14. Intergroup Rep Updates

Norbert S., Danville Sunday Solutions

has had several weeks of hybrid meetings a majority of people are in the room. In person rules, as per the Church we meet at, are no food or drink, all are masked when an unvaccinated person is present and few are masked when all are vaccinated. We will maintain Zoom as long as there are people who want to be on Zoom. The main thing is we decided not to split the meeting.

Scott, Benicia Fri 6:30pm

is a hybrid meeting with 3-4 in person. We invested in microphone. It has sort of doubled the service positions. A person is still needed to handle the Zoom Documents, also a pearson to Chair the in person and to bring a laptop. It has gone as smoothly as it could go.

Thurs Fremont still online but the in person meeting place may soon open up.

The GEBACA Webmaser said for hybrid meetings they are willing to help out and go to the physical space help technically to set up.

F. Old Business

1. Service announcements for GEBACA teams and officer positions for 2022 -

Chair will work on some verbiage, as a start, to encourage participation in service with GEBACA to be put in Communications emails and on website and will send it out to the IG to look at before the next meeting. It is best if we can continue to use a team approach. Each current trusted servant can send Shari a description of what they do. We can also look at the Bylaws and the Roles and Responsibilities document and see if they correspond to what we are doing.

G. New Business

1. 2022 AWC/ABC service position for Intergroup team

Motion: That GEBACA take responsibility for the Decorations Team.

Motion- Shari Second- Jeremy Carried: Unanimous
Shari, Jeremy, Carmen, Marcus and Denise volunteered to be part of the Team.

2. October QSM – Possibly a Spanish speaking meeting. From June IG meeting the Stockton Reps were going to talk to their groups and then maybe WSO about getting it out more broadly. There was no Stockton IGR present for update on that.

The question of possible English translation was discussed. People talked about Zoom meetings they had attended with simultaneous translations.

3. Discuss usage of the phrase Purpose Statement versus Mission Statement for inclusivity
There are also other words we use in the program that are rooted in colonialism. The Diversity Committee volunteered to put it on agenda for discussion.

4. Request from Thursday “loving parent meeting” for GEBACA to have Kindle account on Amazon for meetings to use.

Discussion that there would be copyright problems and it would take money away from WSO. Each meeting needs to use their own account. We can help out and new meetings could use the seed money for that.

H. Guest input and questions

A request to have some guest input at the beginning of the meeting. This would be welcoming and inclusive. Maybe 5 minutes at the beginning and then have one at the end if there is more.

Motion: To add 5 minutes for guest input at the beginning of the meeting.

Motion- Jeremy, Second- Denise

Carried- Unanimous

I. Announcements

1. Loving Parent Guidebook is still not available due to a printer issue

2. Continue to announce service requests for 2022 AWC/ABC Host Committee and GEBACA board positions

Next GEBACA Meeting: August 28, 2021

Zoom only - Meeting ID: 116 286 465

10:30am-12 noon <https://zoom.us/j/116286465>