Draft Minutes Greater East Bay ACA Intergroup (GEBACA) May 27, 2023 10:30 a.m-12:00 p.m.

A. Serenity Prayer and Introductions

Present: Carmen B-Chair; Marcus H-Secretary/IGR Thurs. 7pm Oakland; Jesse-Webmaster/ Treasurer; Zoe H-Communications Officer; Dean P- Literature Officer; Irma IGR- Fri 6:30pm Benicia ACA; Carla IGR- Thurs 7pm Clothesline Group; Dawn Tues 7pm Berkeley Tuesday Night; Sarah D IGR- Sun 10:30am A Breath of Fresh Air; Darren C. IGR-Wed 11am Wednesday People of Color; Terri IGR-Tues 4pm Tuesday People of Color

B. Standard Meeting Readings

- . GEBACA Mission Statement.
- . Concept V
- . Tradition Five
- . Tradition Five Meditation

C. Review and Approval of Agenda

Approved with addition of agenda item to discuss shortening Intergroup meeting time to 1 hour.

D. Review and Approval of April Meeting Minutes

Approved as written.

E. Guest Input

F. Trusted Servant's Reports – 3-to-4-minute reports

1. GEBACA Chair Report <u>chair@gebaca.org.</u>
The Chair is working with the accountant on the taxes for this year.

2. Secretary <u>secretary@gebaca.org</u>

Report on Annual Business Conference (ABC)

- . Carmen B and Marcus H with Edmundas V were Co-Chairs of the ABC.
- . Zoe H and Dawn were Delegates to the ABC for Stockton Sun. and Oakland Thurs. meetings respectively.
- . 122 Delegates were registered.
- . No Ballot Proposals received the required 60% Yes vote to go before the ABC. Motions passed at the ABC were:
- 1. Extending the Concepts II and VI Study Group for 6 months.
- 2. Extend indefinitely the ABC/AWC Study Group and widen and define it's scope in part to include drafting a Conference Charter.
- 3. Floor motion passed with minority opinion pending to create a BIPOC working group to acknowledge the effects of racism and generational racial trauma on ACAs.
- 4. Floor motion that the Ballot Proposal process be suspended for 1 year while the committee is reorganized. It received over 50% but less than 60% Yes so did not pass and is referred to the WSO Board.

3. Treasurer's Report	treasurer@gebaca.org
March Report	
Income	
7th Tradition – Meetings	\$505.73
Total Income	\$505.73
GROSS PROFIT	\$505.73
Expenses	
Bank Charges & Fees	3.67
Purchases (Literature)	410.65
Zoom	177.76
Total Expenses	\$592.08
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -86.35
NET INCOME	\$ -86.35

4. Literature Report <u>literature@gebaca.org</u>

Sales and inventory

- . Received an order for \$410 of literature from WSO
- . Sold \$133 worth of literature
- . Literature Stock on hand \$666
- . Chip Stock on Hand over \$600
- . Donated Literature and Chips are on hand for our Free Literature Program
- **5.** Communication Report <u>communications@gebaca.org</u>
 - . Update Contact List
 - . An email will be sent out to invite Reps and officers to visit meetings to talk about Intergroup.
- **6.** Website Report <u>webmaster@gebaca.org</u>
 - . Zoom Security Training Meeting Report Back:

There were 2 presenters and 3 participants. Participants felt it went well.

. Archiving of Documents:

It appears the website is not secure enough to be used for this. We will continue to look for solutions.

7. Public Information No report. info@gebaca.org.

8. H&I No report. hospital-institution@gebaca.org.

- 9. Diversity and Inclusion Committee <u>diversity@gebaca.org</u>
 - . Diversity Statement This will be covered later this agenda.
 - . The Committee is starting work on another half day event which will probably be on September 16. The event is called "Unity in Diversity: The Many Faces of ACA." There will be 2 panels, a main speaker and a cultural component. Looking for Fellow Travelers who would like to do the cultural piece.

10. Intergroup Rep Updates

<u>Tues 7pm Berkeley Tuesday Night</u>-IGR Dawn. The meeting is continuing to take polls and discuss whether to move back to in person.

<u>Thurs. 7pm Oakland</u>-IGR Marcus. Struggling a little to fill secretary positions. There are usually 15 to 20 people attending.

<u>Fremont Clothesline and Breakfast Club Groups</u>-Dean and IGR Carla The meetings shared the cost of a TV and speaker for an in-person hybrid meeting. The in-person meetings could use a little more attendance. A lot of people from all over are attending online.

<u>Fri 6:30pm Benicia ACA</u>-Irma IGR. Meeting is online only and has people from all over the world attend. Numbers fluctuate especially since the meeting is strictly using the Loving Parent Guidebook and doing those exercises. Discussing whether to close the chat during the meeting due to some cross talk in it.

G. Old Business

- 1. Diversity Statement Feedback from meetings and further discussion
 There are 3 proposed statements: the original from the Diversity Committee, the Safety
 Statement from the 2023 ABC and a combination of the two. The Statement is for
 reading before events and meetings to set the tone that we are inclusive and the meeting
 will be safe. The drafts will be emailed out to take to meetings. Feedback will be
 presented at our next meeting.
- 2. Roles and Responsibilities Review
 Table until next meeting when the co-Chair is in attendance.
- 3. Remaining items for discussion from Goals for 2023
 - a. Facilitate the setting up of member Study Groups for Steps, Traits and Loving Parent Guidebook. To initiate this we need to have a person for that service position.
 - b. Create a defined pathway for GEBACA to sponsor Group or member initiated workshops.
 - . Motion: that a working group form to define the pathway for GEBACA to sponsor group or member-initiated workshops. (Moved: Carmen/Second: Dean) Passed by unanimous consent.
 - . Irma, Zoe, Carmen and Marcus volunteered work in the group.
- 4. Changing regions on hold
- 5. Visit member meetings as GEBACA representatives.

H. New Business

Changing the length of Intergroup meetings
 Suggestions included meeting every other month or reducing the meeting to 1 hour.
 One comment that a lot can happen in one month so best not to skip a month. Another
 Intergroup meets bi-monthly and it seems a lot of decisions end up being made by a few
 people between meetings. Looking at the past few months we seem to be able to handle
 our business in an hour. It was decided to continue the discussion at the June meeting.

I. Announcements None

Saturday June 24, 2023 **Next GEBACA Meeting:**

Zoom only - Meeting ID: 116 286 465 10:30am-12 noon https://zoom.us/j/116286465