

February MINUTES (draft) – SAA WOMEN’S InterGroup

Zoom Teleconference at 3 PM CT, 4PM EST, 9PM UK.

Sunday, 4 February 2024

(All times are US Central Standard Time unless noted otherwise)

1. Call to order time: 3.05pm CT, by Deborah
2. Silence for the addict who still suffers, and the ‘we’ version of the Serenity Prayer
3. Roll Call (Secretary): Kristie. Nefi, Deborah
4. Excused Absence(s):
5. Readings:

Vision statement:

"To carry the message of recovery to the (woman) sex addict who still suffers and to support the (woman) sex addict who continues in her journey of recovery"

Our Mission:

"To produce, support, and financially assist women-only retreats, workshops, events, activities, and initiatives focused on sexual addiction recovery; to support the women's outreach initiatives of other SAA groups; and to provide information, encouragement, and financial assistance for individual women to participate in these events."

6. Minutes and agenda:

- A. Motion to accept Minutes from January 2024 meeting. Motion to accept Kristie, seconds Nefi. Approved.
- B. Motion to accept agenda. Motions Kristie, seconds Nefi. Agenda approved.

7. Reports

- C. **Treasurer's Report (Kristie) - No changes since last meeting**
- D. **Website Report (Deborah) - nothing to report**

- E. **Intergroup Communications Committee Liaison Report – vacant**
- F. **Women’s Outreach Committee Liaison (Thea) - NA**
- G. **LGBT Outreach Committee Liaison (Nefertiti KG) - nothing to report**
- H. **Telemeeting Intergroup [TIG] report - Vacant**
- I. **Other reports? NA**

8. **Urgent business**

- J. **NA**

9. **On-going business**

K. **Online retreat:**

- i. See details in Annex A
- ii. Resources to organise retreats - Kristie ask DanB who put on the last WIG online retreat. SAAUK women’s committee will share their experience to help us set up an event.

L. **WOC workshop series** - a number of questions have arisen from December and January meetings:

Who is the WOC’s intended audience? Mixed or women-only?
 When is WOC looking to hold events?
 When are they advertising to Grace List etc.
 When do they need details of our retreat? What details would they need?

M. **Create workshops to help men make meetings safe for women.** Suggestion for future discussion eg what topics/ advice would be included? What resources are currently available. - Deborah suggests it be a mixed event for participants and speakers.

10. **New business**

N. **Request for funding to support Puget Sound Intergroup by:**

- Provide funding to allow Puget Sound Intergroup to set up an in-person women’s only meeting to cover rent, literature etc. Kristie - it’s part of our mission and would be a good way to use resources. Would want to know what costs, do they have women who are interested in attending and supporting. All attendees support it, but no quorum so no decision made. Deborah will ask - how much and what for?

O. **Pay for an individual to attend a 'No Human Power' retreat in April - \$380.** This

doesn't appear to fit into our mission statement which states we support women to attend womens-only events. Important to support many women to come and stay, but unclear when it's one individual and how is that assisting women as a whole? Does the requester intend to put on a womens-only retreat? Deborah to find out. In terms of funding - we'd want boundaries so our funds would not be too hastily depleted. Kristie to ask Dan how they did this last year.

- P. **WIG to buy own Zoom account** as using personal account time-limited and Twin Cities option didn't work out. WIG Zoom account would make sense if it's financially viable. Nefi offered her business account. If we buy an account there seems to be an issue due to two-way verification and what would happen if the phone holder is no longer available for managing the account. Two-way verification may not be needed. Would need to consider host key to claim on entering otherwise won't have access to tech host functions. Kristie to look into the verification process.

11. **Business tabled for next meeting**

- Q. **Roles available**

12. Deborah motion to close meeting. All Agreed. Meeting closed at 2.55pm CST.

13. Close with the "we" version of the Serenity Prayer

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Appendix A

Online Retreat information - survey results

June, April and September is the most popular month.

Suggested topics -

- Sponsorship
- Welcoming women in mixed groups
- Pros/cons of going to mixed meetings with men
- Steps, traditions, getting started, groups for women to share their first step, meetings, some playtime

Have one workshop as a panel format.