

SAA Women's Intergroup Minutes February 24, 2022

8 p.m. US CT [Central Time] (6 PM PT, 9 PM ET)

1. CALL TO ORDER by Acting Chair [Dan B] at 8:02 PM CT with Serenity Prayer.
2. Opening remarks by the Chair:
 - a. do we have a volunteer as Chair for tonight (February)?
3. ROLL CALL by Secretary
Present: Christina M [OR]. Dan B [WA]; Deb W [WV]; Erin B [NC]; Judy G [TX];
Mike K [NC]; Tom T [Ontario, Canada]
Quorum: We have a quorum of 7 (minimum is 4)
Excused absences: Michael N [Bay Area, CA];
4. READING of the VISION and MISSION STATEMENTS (Judy G)
 - a. 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
 - b. 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."
5. Reading of January Minutes; corrections? Motion by Judy 2nd by Erin; minutes accepted.
6. Call for additions to agenda:
 - a. Adopt Agenda -- Motion made: Seconded: Discussion: [adopted/amended]
7. Reporting last month's Email Voting Results:
 - a. Vote to approve the Appeal document for submission to the WOC [document by Judy, edited (a copy is attached)
Results: with 4 permitted to vote by email, three approved, no votes against, one did-not-vote
8. REPORTS
 1. Treasurer's Report - (Cara A [MI]) **Current bank account balance is \$1799.44.**
 2. Website Report - (Dan) (none)
 3. ICC Liaison Report - (Michelle P [NC]): **no report this month (Michelle would accept someone else being representative.)**
 4. WOC Liaison report (Judy) Judy talked about last month's WIG Appeal letter, and its status - see Time-Sensitive Business, item #1, below
 5. Committee for becoming a "Real Intergroup" [re: The motion passed in January]. See Time-Sensitive Business, 2nd motion for a plan to register Women-Friendly meetings, and post their meeting information on the WIG web site.
 6. 2021 Retreat Committee (Is there a Final Report) Chair rules to strike from future agendas. (No objection.)

7. Correspondence: Judy is still answering emails to the WIG saawomensIG@gmail.com: Laura is starting anew meeting to be included in our listing; we hope to hear more details; also Jodi wrote as chair of SAA Big Book Study Group Intergroup; asking about treasury for an intergroup. [Judy]

OLD BUSINESS:

- (Without objection) by the ruling of the Chair, we will dispense with re-opening nominations for Chair until May elections; instead using rotating Chairs.
- Do we have a volunteer as Chair for March? ____ April? ____ May? ____ (Erin offered; decision of "for which month" was taken offline)

URGENT BUSINESS:

- Judy Moved that we accept the corrected version to request the WOC to send to the Grace list. Tom seconded. Carried unanimously'.
- (Deadline March 5th): Vote on submission of proposed Women's Intergroup article to The Outer Circle regarding registering member meetings. Judy moved that we approved this Article; Erin 2nd. Carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Notes:

- Business left over from October, 2021 business meeting (due to no quorum):
 - Cara: I would like to make a motion that The Women's Intergroup hold off on any major decisions until such time as we gain members and heal within.
Ruled Out of Order by the chair (vague and unenforceable).
 - Cara: I would like to [make a] motion that the WIG Treasury remain with Christian Financial Credit Union with [Cara] as treasurer since it took nearly 6 months to set the account up. I would like to be Treasurer for a minimum of 2 years which will be 2023.
Ruled Out of Order by the chair (as unnecessary until Cara resigns or is removed from office per the Bylaws.). Judy objected to the chair's ruling, which ruling was then overturned zero in favor of the ruling, 4 against.
 - Two members sent written requests to the chair requesting a vote that the Treasurer be removed from office. Upon receipt, (in accordance with the Bylaws); the Chair declared that a vote for removal from office of Treasurer Cara be held at the March meeting, with all requisite notifications to be sent by the Secretary.
 - This was followed by a discussion of how the Bylaws permitted removal from office, for various reasons including for but not limited to: Non-performance of duties; or Non-attendance at meetings.
 - Cara: My absolute best [wish] for the WIG is to contact women's groups and have them sign up with the WIG that is how Intergroups serve groups listed with them. We are the Women's Intergroup.
 - Ruled out of order by the chair (redundant, unnecessary; see Time-Sensitive Business 2nd bullet point).

- [Mike K] I move that we investigate a different time (and day) for the WIG meeting, which would allow UK and Europe members to participate. Deb 2nd
 - The day, 2nd Sunday of the month, at 2 PM CT was entered as a motion; discussion followed;
 - There was a search to find what other meetings that WIG members might also want to attend were held at that same or overlapping time.
 - The Telemeeting Intergroup business meeting is held at 3 PM CT on 2nd Sunday. (may overlap expected 2nd hour)
 - The Literature Committee subcommittee meeting is at 4 PM CT on 2nd Sunday (back -to-back with WIG full 2-hour meeting.)
 - Suggested 3rd Sunday:
 - LGBT Outreach Committee meeting same time - IMPORTANT!
 - ISOP committee (not likely to have overlap in general)
 - 4th Sunday
 - Policy ISC Committee at 12:30 CT; also CSC (not so important)
 - 1st Sunday of the month @ 2PM CT:
 - Intergroup Communications Committee 3 PM CT (highly important that they do not overlap)
 - Suggested 1st or 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM CT [, 11:30 AM PT 2:30 PM ET, 19:30 UK GMT] -- there was general agreement that this would work for all
 - Judy moved that we decide by email voting this month (2nd by Erin B)
NOTE: the voting members for this email vote will be the 7 attendees at this February meeting plus Michael N, who had an excused absence.
The acting chair will likely delegate to someone to conduct the email vote {TBD}
- [Judy G] **Move** that the WIG ask the ISO and the WOC to coordinate assistance in paying for a room at 2022 Convention. 2nd by Deb carried unanimously.

CLOSE WITH SERENITY PRAYER (9:24 P.M. CT)

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Thursday, March 25 at 8 P.M. CT (Chair: TBA)