

September 2024 MINUTES
Arizona Serenity in the Desert Intergroup

Date | Time 09/21/2024 1:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Charlene N : Chair

OPENING:

Meeting held via Zoom and office (in-person), opened with the Serenity Prayer, reading of the preamble (Rosie), standing rules (Melissa), Concept of the Month (Charlene). Board members in attendance: Chair – Charlene N, Recording Secretary – Mindy C, Rep/Delegate - Dottie D, Treasurer - Janece B, Alt Rep Delegate: Vacant. Attendance Report: 19 voting members (13 on Zoom, 7 in Office)

OFFICER REPORTS:

As posted in Ecares and sent by Charlene N via email to ASDI Contacts.

The July agenda was accepted as presented. The August minutes were accepted as amended (change name of TSW contact from Tori to Nancy). 7th Tradition reminder announced by Charlene N. Greg passed Hositng duties to Gail as he was having technical issues.

New Business:

A) Election of Vice Chair

- 1) Charlene asked for volunteers and reviewed the duties and qualifications
- 2) No volunteers at this time

B) Board Meeting – A Board Meeting was held and the following were discussed:

- 1) Connecting with Meetings – Let meetings know they have support from Intergroup
- 2) Encourage/Support more Face-to-Face meetings. We need more human contact especially since this can be a disease of isolation
- 3) Communicate need for donations. Make sure Zoom meetings are aware of donation procedures
- 4) Dottie asked if there was a way to track the number of people attending meetings
 - a. Board members can ask for rough numbers when contacting meetings
 - b. Mentioned that the attendance at meetings was not a good indicator as some people pay by check on a monthly basis and some donate monthly by Zoom
 - c. In order for your meeting to get credit for donations made to PayPal they must put the meeting number in the memo line

C) Inventory – We need a complete office inventory not just literature

- 1) We need volunteers to help with Inventory
- 2) Inventory only needs to be completed on a quarterly basis
- 3) Inventory should be on video so that there is a video reference in the event of an insurance claim
- 4) We need a separate physical inventory of literature available for sale (this should not include the literature on the bookshelf used for meetings. These should be included in the video.

- D) ASDI Business Meetings – Proposing that ASDI IG meets every other month and not monthly except for election months. No need for a motion at this time just something to think about.
- 1) This will allow for more time to be spent on spreading the message of recovery
 - 2) Pat J suggested meetings on the even number of months because elections fall in an even month
 - 3) Scottsdale Big Book Group is going to remain as part of ASDI and not join the Virtual Intergroup. They would like us to link their meetings to our website and they will link ours to theirs.
- E) Budgets – We appear to be currently below budget for donations
- 1) Something to think about: our lease ends 7/25 and rent is currently 1,600/mo
 - 2) Zell is also an option for donations
 - 3) Greg mentioned that we cannot jump to conclusions regarding shortfall of donations due to seasonality of attendance,
- F) Calendar of Events – We should send out notices to the Meeting Reps about events happening within ASDI, Scottsdale Big Book, Region 3 and other events close to AZ. Meeting Reps could then get this meeting out to their meetings and thus increasing awareness. This would also serve to let members know what Intergroup is about.

Announcements:

- 1) There is a Body Image Workshop (hybrid) next Saturday at the OA office from 12:30pm to 2:00pm
- 2) Scottsdale Big Book has workshops on Zoom Security
- 3) Marlo will no longer be the meeting list updated after 11/9 but would be willing to train/tutor anyone interested in taking over this important task.
- 4) Melissa volunteered to take over as meeting list updater
- 5) Promises by Candlelight will be held November 6th from 7-9pm. If you would like to speak on a Promise please reach out to Dottie.

Meeting closed by Charlene N at 2:01 pm.

Next meeting 10/19 at 1:00pm (Pacific Daylight time) via Zoom and in the OA Office

****So the times will be: 1pm AZ and PDT (2pm MDT, 3pm CDT, 4pm EDT)