

Southern Arizona Al-Anon Information Service (AIS) Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

6:30-7:45 PM

Zoom Meeting

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Kathy with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Welcome and Courtesy Guidelines – Kathy

Step 2 – Sue

Tradition 2 – Ricki

Concept 2 – Kathy

Introductions – There were no new Information Service Representatives (ISRs), Group Representatives (GRs), Alternate GRs, or District Representatives (GRs).

Participants included

Kathy	Ricki	Julia C.	Marcia	Mike D
Sue	Andrew	Mike M	Steve R	Lisa J
Alice	Tim S	Julie	Bob H	Brian C
Frank S	Monta	Karen	Cynthia	Ellen S
Betina G				

19 voting members present (and 2 non-voting).

January minutes approved by consent with one minor change. The minutes should read 12 Step Call Coordinator instead of 12 Step Coordinator. Alice to make this change.

January Treasurer's report approved by consent.

The 7th Tradition was observed – Participants were encouraged to pay by the following methods: PayPal; Venmo with email to the Treasurer at treasurer@so-az-alanon.org; or by check to AIS.

Old Business

Literature Online Store. Andrew and Frank reported that the online store and website were looking good and there should be a demonstration at the next AIS meeting in March.

Founders Day. Founders Day is February 25, 2022. Karen reported that a number of the helper positions have been filled and she still needs people to help with the archive table but she still needs a group to help with clean-up. Karen also stated that the event may go over the amount budgeted for the event.

New Business

Election of Officers and Coordinators.

- Chairperson -- Kathy was elected to the position by a vote of 18 in favor with 1 abstention.
- Alternate Chair Position – Left open.
- Office Manager/Message Coordinator – Jay has agreed to remain in the position until it can be filled.
- Treasurer – Sue wants to step down but will remain in the position for the time being.
- Secretary – Alice was elected to the position by a vote of 18 in favor with 1 abstention.
- Liaison to AA – Brian C was elected Liaison to AA by a vote of 18 if favor with 1 abstention.
- Archivist – Left open.
- Meeting List Coordinator – Steve R. has agreed to remain in the position for the time being.
- Literature Coordinator – Frank S. reported that Lee has agreed to stand for the position at the March meeting.
- Alateen Coordinator – Left open.
- Al-a-note Editor – Left open.
- Public Outreach – Left open.
- 12 Step Call Coordinator – Left open.
- Southern Arizona Liaison to Area – Mike D was elected to position by a vote of 18 in favor with 1 abstention.
- Web Coordinator – Andrew is cycling out of the position. Tim S was elected to the position by a unanimous vote.

Officer/Coordinator/DR Announcements and Reports

Chairperson. Kathy thanked everyone who is cycling out of their AIS positions. They have provided great service to AIS, particularly in the time of COVID. Kathy also thanked Karen for all the work she is doing on Founders Day. In addition, Kathy emphasized the need to fill open positions and noted that many of the positions do not require that much time.

Treasurer. In addition to her written report for January, Sue reported the following: (1) groups have been generous in January with donations and the purchase of literature; (2) the report concerning AIS's personal property has been submitted to the Pima County Assessor's Office; and, (3) Storage King is increasing its price by \$3 a month to cover the

cost of insurance. Sue also stated that at Founders Day she will speak about service the need to fill open positions.

DR for District 24. Julia reported that she has had good participation by her GRs. She is also involved in business meetings to give the delegate to the WSO guidance concerning the alignment on how groups are starting meetings as set out in the Service Manual.

DR for District 20. Ricki reported that the web page was correct about meetings in District 20. She is having difficulty finding GRs for all the groups. She has almost served 3 years in her position and is concerned that there is no one to take over—service beyond the group level is “nil.”

Literature Coordinator. Frank reported that it has been a pleasure serving in this position during COVID. There have been good literature sales for January. WSO is reporting that the Service Manual will be available at the end of February, but WSO has previously reported when the Service Manual will be available but then not met the stated timeline.

Meeting List Coordinator. Steve is going to propose service as a topic at the group meetings he attends. There was also discussion of having the Concept read the 3rd week of the month because service is covered in the Concepts.

Other Matters of Note.

Mike M reported that that he will be sending out a flyer regarding the opportunity to carry the Al-Anon message to those incarcerated in the Men’s Prison located on south Wilmont.

Marta reported that there would soon be a flyer with more information regarding the summer convention.

Kathy closed the meeting at 7:45 p.m. with the Al-Anon Declaration.

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Respectfully submitted by Alice, Secretary.