

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

Wednesday, December 7, 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 12 – Debbie

Tradition 12 – Julia

Concept 12 – Sue

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

Participants included Kathy, Sue, Alice, Cheryl, Monta, Ricki, Debbie, Frank, Julia, Rhonda, Julie, Karen, Andrew, Judith, Sydney, Mike, Leigh, Sylvia, Mike, Pam, Bob and Cynthia.

19 voting members present

November minutes approved by consent.

November Treasurer's report approved by consent.

The 7th Tradition was observed – Participants were encouraged to pay by PayPal or check to AIS.

Old Business

Literature Online Store. Participants considered the Steering Committee's recommendation to proceed with creating a new AIS website on a new platform that includes an online store. The new website will be easier to maintain and the online store will make things easier for members ordering literature and for tracking sales and inventory. A consultant has offered to create the new website for the cost of \$4,500. AIS has sufficient reserves to pay for this cost. The budget for 2023 will be amended. As a designated literature distribution center, the WSO wants AIS to be able to sell literature, even though the WSO also sells literature. Kathy reviewed the "Key Questions Regarding the Website and Ecommerce" and answers to those questions that were considered by the

Steering Committee at a meeting that was held on November 30, 2022. The notes of the key questions and answers from that meeting were emailed to the individuals on the AIS list soon thereafter.

There was a motion by Leigh to accept the recommendation of the Steering Committee to proceed with creating a new AIS website on a new platform that includes an online store and to have the consultant do the work. The motion was seconded and passed with 18 yes votes and one abstention.

Founders Day. Founders Day is February 25, 2022. There will be literature for sale at the event. There was no further update.

Elections Chairperson. Kathy reported that we have still not found anyone to be Elections Chair.

Phone Message Coordinator. Kathy will check on whether the Phone Message Coordinator is retuning office phone calls.

Literature Coordinator. Leigh expressed interest in the Literature Coordinator position when Frank steps down from the position. Leigh plans to shadow Frank in January.

New Business

Treasurer Position open in March. Sue will be stepping down from the position and efforts need to be made to fill the position by March.

Women's Jail outreach. Sydney reported on the outreach effects at the women's jail. Sydney has been the outreach coordinator to the jail for many years and her efforts are greatly appreciated. Sydney reported that more volunteers are needed to conduct AI-Anon meetings at the women's jail with two volunteers needed to conduct each meeting. If anyone is interested in helping Sydney, please let her know by emailing secretary@so-az-alanon.org.

Officer/Coordinator/DR Announcements and Reports

Treasurer. Sue reported the following, in addition to her written report for November: (1) a formula problem in the Profit/Loss Statement for September was found when adding the line for the approved donation to AZAC, and this problem has been fixed; (2) the annual PO Box has been renewed; AIS's contact information for Our Family Services referral services has been confirmed.

DR for District 24. Julia thanked her GR's for making her job look easy. Julia also reported that her online meetings are going through the new process to stay online within the Arizona area.

DR for District 20. Ricki requested that anyone interested in being a speaker at the speakers meeting held on the third Saturday of the month between 5 and 6 pm at the Alano Club in Green Valley should let her know. Ricki also reported that there is now a

nice balance of meetings between day and evening and there are also electronic options in District 20.

Other Meetings of Note.

There will be a 24-hour Christmas Alcothon from noon December 24, 2022, through noon December 25, 2022 at the Tucson Women's Club located at 6245 E. Bellevue Street, Tucson (Speedway and Wilmot). Secretary to send flyer to AIS list.

The 11am Thursday Morning Step Study is a hybrid meeting. The meeting is located at NW Dove of Peace Church, 665 W. Rollercoaster Road. To join by Zoom see the AIS website for Zoom meeting information.

There are now two men's meetings on Monday morning at 12 – one at St. Phillips in the Hills Episcopal Church, 4440 N. Campbell and another Zoom meeting. To join, see the AIS website for meeting information.

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

Next Southern Arizona AIS Meeting:

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

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Respectfully submitted by Alice, Secretary.