

**Valley Intergroup Service Council  
Meeting Minutes for August 4, 2014**

- I. Opening: Chairperson Barbara McD. opened meeting with the Serenity Prayer.
- II. Purpose of Intergroup: Read by Stewart
- III. Concept 8: Lynn
- IV. New Members: none
- V. Intergroup Representatives Questions and Concerns:
  - a) Sue W: Are we still taking suggestions regarding excess funds?
    - (1) Yes we are. It is not spent yet.
  - b) Denay: Looking for answers regarding liability insurance for Tri-Valley
    - (1) August Northern California Conference attended by Lynn may have answers. It will be added as new business for September.
- VI. July 2014 Minutes:
  - a) July 2014 Minutes reviewed
  - b) Motion presented and carried to accept July 2014 Minutes as presented.
- VII. Reports:
  - a) Financial Report: Diane
    - i) Summary of finances for July 2014

(1) Cash Account =	\$ 40.00
(2) Literature Fund =	\$ 3446.90
(3) Operating Account =	\$ 3246.76
(4) Prudent Reserve =	\$ 22,838.64
(5) Wells Fargo Unity Fund =	\$ 5955.00
(6) Total Liabilities & Equity =	\$ 41,611.76
(7) Net Income/Loss =	\$ -89.07
(8) Group contributions =	\$6785.63 (only those reporting monthly)
    - ii) Budget is complete for coming year.
    - iii) *Motion carried to accept July 2014 financial report as written.*
  - b) Board Report: Doug
    - i) Discussion was raised at the Board meeting regarding the publication of new meetings on the schedule that is printed at the VSC by Lynn. The Operations Manual states that "the VSC has determined a group should have been meeting successfully for at least three months and abide by the AA traditions in order to be listed in the Tri Valley Meeting schedule. Page 6 Paragraph 5"
      - (1) The concern is that new meetings need to be published right away so that they can improve their chances to 'thrive'. The more people that know about the meeting, the more will come.
      - (2) This would require an amendment to the Operations Manual.
      - (3) Please take this question back to groups. Voting will occur in September.
    - ii) Question was raised regarding Board members serving as voting representatives. Leslie will look into the matter and report back.
    - iii) The General Service has published a pamphlet suggesting disbursements percentages for the 7th Tradition from what is stated on our meeting schedule. Does Intergroup wish to discuss, change etc or just advise other meetings about 'this suggested' change from GSO. Traditions suggest this is an individual meeting issue but we want to at least make IG Reps aware.
      - (1) Alan will find out from the GSO piece F2 in 8 August 2012, Where Spirituality and Finance Meet pamphlet. This item is tabled until the next meeting until we have further information.
  - c) Office Manager: (Lynn Y.)
    - i) Intergroup binders are available
    - ii) Everything is running smoothly.

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- d) Webmaster Report: Alan C.
  - i) In July 1400 visitors to valley servicecenter.org. Please direct members to the website.
  - ii) To submit events and announcements for the website, email [webmaster@valleyservicecenter.org](mailto:webmaster@valleyservicecenter.org).
  - iii) Request to add bylaws and operations manual to the website.
- e) General Service District 70: Bob W. – no report
  - i) General Service Meeting: Held the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month@ Faith Lutheran Church, 20080 Redwood Road, Castro Valley, CA.
- f) H&I Liaison: Anny O.
  - i) The jail will now do an October "once a year" jail orientation / training. People need to have their application turned in by late September. Get to an H&I meeting by Sept 3rd or wait a whole year before the next opportunity. Tina is the Coordinator for Santa Rita and all her contact info is on the website.
  - ii) Women are needed to take meetings into Santa Rita County Jail. One year sobriety required.
  - iii) H&I training is held in Oakland. Speakers and Secretary Positions remain unfilled and people are needed to fill these meetings in the hospital and institutions.
- g) PI/CPC (Public Information and Cooperation with Professionals) Chairperson: Anthony - Stewart Reporting
  - i) Training at Livermore fellowship is in planning stages.
  - ii) Still a great need for speakers at day time meetings and all DUI meetings.
  - iii) Contact Anthony (925)-967-3183 as he begins to bring more focus on this program.
- h) Workshop Coordinator: Sim (510)-673-2362
  - i) Working on dates and topics
- i) Special Events Chairperson: Terri S (925) – 997-1820
  - i) Picnic at Val Vista Park, Saturday, August 16, 10-3pm
    - (1) Tickets have been disbursed. Please turn in extra tickets and money to Terri S.
    - (2) Planning meetings, Valley Service Center, August 6, 7pm at Val Vista Park and August 13 at Valley Service Center at 7 pm.
    - (3) All group commitments for picnic are now filled.
    - (4) Looking for volunteer to bring pop ups to set up for shade.**
    - (5) Motion made to purchase two pop ups for approximately \$150 each to store at Valley Service Center. Vote called for: 13 yes votes. Motion passed.
    - (6) Question raised whether to pass the 7th tradition basket. Motion made to not pass the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition basket at the picnic. 7 yes votes. Motion passed. Pink can will be on the literature table.
- j) Outreach Chairperson: **Position Open** –
  - i) Description: 1 year Commitment: The Outreach Chairperson is responsible for visiting groups that meet within the area covered by the Valley Service Center are informed about upcoming Intergroup Activities, encourages participation in Intergroup, requests a current contact name and phone number for the group, and provides the member with the most recent copy of the Secretary's handbook and the Valley View.
- k) 7pm at Val Vista Park Hotline Chairperson: Denay. **Co-chair position open**
  - Total calls: 88 total calls. Missed Calls: 13 men, 14 women, total usage 227 minutes. Missed calls include hang ups.
  - **Still need volunteers for hotline – sign up on-line.**
- l) EBYPAA Liaison: Smoke
  - i) Discussion about starting Tri-Valley young people's group
- m) NCCAA Liaison: Janet V.
  - i) Sacramento Conference Oct 2-3-4, 2014.
  - ii) Foster City Conference March 13-14-15, 2015

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- VIII. Old Business
- i) Distribution of extra money
    - (1) 13 voting innergroup representatives.
    - (2) The items are voted on separately.
      - (a) Reduce cost of picnic from \$10 to \$5 = \$1000 - 12 yes- pass
      - (b) Reduce cost of anniversary dinner by \$5 = \$1500 - 12 yes - pass
      - (c) Reduce cost of big book by \$1 for 1 year = \$300 11 yes - pass
      - (d) Free drinks for picnic including coffee = \$300 12 yes - pass
      - (e) Free drinks for anniversary dinner = \$500 - 13 yes - pass
      - (f) Out of state speakers for anniversary dinner = \$1500 - 10 yes - pass
      - (g) Add workshops \$300 - 11 yes – pass
        - a. Total \$5400. Spent . Have \$4600 to spend still. A suggestion place will be put on the website to solicit suggestions
- IX. Group announcements were completed.
- a) As Bill Sees It (Bob W.); Fridays @ 7pm; Trinity Lutheran Church, Pleasanton
  - b) Broken Elevator (Gerry W); Thursday @ 7pm, Ashbury United Methodist Church, Livermore.
  - c) By the Book (Rebecca S.): Book study; Tuesdays @ 7:30pm; St. Clare’s Church, Pleasanton. Serving decaf coffee.
  - d) Carry the Message (Jennifer H) @ 8pm; Veterans Hall, Livermore
  - e) Crossroads fellowship (Amy C. ): Meetings 4x /day 7x /week; 386 Preston Ct, Livermore. New every month on the last Saturday will be a party! Activities from AtoZ check it out.
  - f) Friday Night Live: (Frank C): Open Discussion Mtg. 8PM Friday nights at St. Phillips Church, Dublin, Ca.
  - g) Hilltopers: (Wynn S) Wednesday nights, 7:30pm at Lynnwood Methodist Church.
  - h) Jaywalkers (Sue W.): book study; Saturdays, 9-10:00 am; St. Phillips Church, Dublin.
  - i) Ladies Lifeline (Sim): discussion women’s mtg; Tues @ 6:30 pm; Trinity Lutheran Church, Pleasanton.
  - j) Letting Go Group ( ) – Topic/discussion mtg; Tuesdays @ 7:30pm, Concannon & Holmes, Livermore.
  - k) Monday Night Live (Audrey): open/discussion mtg; 8 pm; NEW LOCATION: Tri Valley YMCA 6693 Sierra Lane, Dublin.
  - l) Primary Purpose (Leslie A.): speaker mtg. (two-10-min; one 30-min); Monday @ 8 pm; St Philips Church, Dublin.
  - m) Saturday Breakfast (Bob S.): Open/discussion mtg; 9 am; Crosswinds Church, Dublin; childcare available (\$5 donation suggested). Drawing tickets as system to call on people to share rather than a list. (bkfast =donuts)
  - n) Sunday Morning Coffee (Ed M.) – Open/discussion mtg; 8:15 a.m. Sunday, Crosswinds Church, Dublin.
  - o) There is a Solution (Cindy A)- Wednesdays at 12:10 at United Christian Church, Livermore.
  - p) Tri-Valley Fellowship (Matt V –Kelly will replace.): New meetings: Saturday at 5PM Open Discussion Literature meeting.
  - q) Unscripted Men’s Group (Anthony S.): Men’s mtg; Wednesdays @ 8pm @ Tri-Valley YMCA, Dublin.
  - r) Women Staying in the Book (Ines H.): women’s book study; Thurs @ 5:30 pm; Tri-Valley YMCA, Dublin.
  - s) Words of Wisdom (Open.) – open/discussion mtg.; Fridays @ 6 pm; St Augustine’s Church, Pleasanton.
- X. Recap of Meeting: None
- XI. Volunteer to do Concept 9 in September: Smoke
- XII. Next Intergroup Meeting: September 8, 2014. 7:30-8:30pm at Trinity Lutheran Church
- XIII. 7th Tradition: Basket was passed.
- XIV. Birthdays since we last met: none
- XV. Closed with the Responsibility Statement: “I am responsible...when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am responsible.”