

OA SAN DIEGO INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES – June 4, 2022

Highlights to Read at Meetings

- To help the Fellowship decide if we want to have an Oasis after our lease expires on January 31, 2023, Keren S. presented an updated Fact Sheet, which will be distributed widely to IG reps and all others on our mailing lists, as well as in the Reach Out and on our website. IG reps are asked to share the Fact Sheet at their meetings. There will be further discussion at the July IG meeting, and the decision will be made by group conscience at the August IG meeting. Everyone is welcome at the monthly IG meetings, but only IG reps can vote, so make sure your meetings have active IG reps. If the Fellowship wants a new Oasis, we'll form a Lease Committee in September, to start looking in earnest by October or November.
- The Board positions of Public Information/Professional Outreach (PIPO) and 12th Step Within Chair are VACANT. Good opportunities for service. Contact Kathy (chair@oasandiego.org.)
- Meeting contact persons, especially with the rotation of service, are reminded to send their names and phone numbers to Lisa H. at info@oasandiego.org so she can keep the information current on our website.
- There will be an Urban Retreat on Sept. 23-24, 2022 at the Bahai Center, San Diego. Everyone who attended the last Urban Retreat (led by Sheila from LA) please send comments/testimonials to Lou B. at retreats@oasandiego.org.
- Reach Out Editor Joan is seeking content for the Reach Out, including material from individual groups, even only a few sentences. The date of the monthly IG meeting is the deadline for submission for the next month's Reach Out. Send email to reachout@oasandiego.org.
- Zoom host training starts up again on June 19th. The schedule is on our website <https://oasandiego.org>.
- Zoom Security – As of June 1st we are using the Zoom security update, which allows meeting hosts to chat with people in the waiting room and allows them to change their names while in the waiting room. You must upgrade to the current version of Zoom to use these features. If Zoom asks if you want to update to the current version, click “Yes,” or you can just uninstall your Zoom app and then re-install it. Ask webmaster Ellen if you have problems. webmaster@oasandiego.org of 919-999-6085.
- The Blue Sky Timer is easy to use, unintrusive and available to all meetings. It can be downloaded from our website. Meeting timers who want help getting started, contact Ellen at webmaster@oasandiego.org.
- Next Intergroup Meeting: Saturday, July 2, 2022, at 2 pm PT

FULL MINUTES

Kathy opened the meeting at 2:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Beverly R. discussed the Fifth Concept of Service.

Board Members present (and their positions) were Kathy H. (Chair); Keren S. (Vice-Chair); Gina E. (Secretary); Maureen C. (Treasurer); Ellen L. (Webmaster); Beverly R. (Literature); Rachel K. (Young People's Chair); Lou B. (Retreat Chair); Lisa H. (Internal Information).

Intergroup Reps (and meetings they represent) – Ayawnda (Mon. 9 am For Today); Jennifer G. (Mon. 4 pm 11th Step Writing); Jennifer M. (Mon. 7 pm); Su (Tues. 6:30 am); Hope B. (Tues. 9am Escondido); Clare B. (Tues. 7 pm Night Snackers); Anita S. (Wed. 9 am); lola (Wed. 6 pm); Eleyesse (Thurs. noon “Principles”); Diane S. (Thurs. noon); Deborah (Thurs. 4 pm Chula Vista 12&12); Alice C. (Friday noon Big Book); Sharon (Fri. 10 am Vista); Jeff N. (Fri. 7 pm Abstinence) Susie H. (Sat. Maintainers); Kathy (Sat. 6:30 pm); Barbara S. (Sun. am); Dave B. (Men's Zoom); Christina (Sun. Journaling).

Also present: ReachOut Editor Joan K., WSO Delegate Jeri A., R2 Rep Jerry J., Visitors Ginger G. and Elenaulloa

REPORTS

Chair's Report:

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Brief history of the Oasis Hotline and Mary V's current role as the Hotline Coordinator. Shout out to Hope for her continued service every morning on the Hotline forwarding numbers to the volunteers. Always looking for more Hotline volunteers

Kathy urged IG reps to pitch service at their meetings: “We are always looking for new volunteers to help with the 30 day rotations. Normally, they get around 0-2 phone calls a day, so it's a pretty easy but very important job. Mary agreed to sign up for another 6 months as coordinator as long as I seek out volunteers, so I need everyone to help me with that, please. We are also still looking for a 12 step within and PI/PO chair. Contact Kathy at Chair@oasandiego.org if you are interested or have any questions. See Kathy's letter for more Hotline information – <https://oasandiego.org/hotline>.

Treasurer's Report:

For May 2022, total monthly donations were \$2,413. Total expenses for the same period were \$4,365.61 (including unbudgeted donations to WSO and R2); net revenue was (negative) \$1,952.61.

Currently we have approx. \$50K in our checking account. We are averaging a \$900 monthly deficit at current Oasis rent.

Webmaster's Report:

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– There are new Young Adult pages and a new Anorexia/Bulimia page on our website. We can also post podcasts there. Individuals and individual meetings are encouraged to add to the website with stories, news items, etc. Send stuff to Ellen (Webmaster@oasandiego.org).

Retreat Chair's Report:

– The 2022 Urban Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of Sept. 23-24 at the Bahia Center, San Diego 92111. There is no advance registration – just show up! The leader will be our own Jerry J. More details can be found on our website <https://oasandiego.org>. The next Serenity Retreat will be April 28-30, 2023, at San Luis Rey Mission, Oceanside 92057.

– Anyone who attended the last Urban Retreat, when Sheila from LA was the leader, please send your testimonials and/or comments to Lou B. (Retreats@oasandiego.org).

Literature Report:

– There is a limited amount of literature available from the OASis Literature Closet, but there are plenty of OA 12&12s in stock. We are trying to get copies of the pamphlet “Where do I Start” for newcomers. The Literature Closet is open at the Monday noon in-person meeting. Beverly may be able to meet you at the OASis during other IP meetings if needed, but it is probably easier and quicker to purchase online from bookstore@OA.org or Amazon.

– Beverly noted that in-person meeting secretaries get a key to the OASis door. The tech person at hybrid meetings at the OASis gets a door key and an office key.

Internal Information:

– Lisa reported that there are now 4 in-person meetings at the OASis, as well as several more at other locations in San Diego County.

– Lisa asked IG reps to remind contact persons at all meetings to send their names and phone numbers to Info@oasandiego.org so she can keep their information current on our website.

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Young People's Report: no updates

OLD BUSINESS

Future of our OAsis: To help the Fellowship decide if we want to have an OAsis after our lease expires on January 31, 2023. We need to consider the cost of renting an OAsis, and how many in-person meetings might there be. Keren S. presented an updated Fact Sheet, which will be distributed widely to IG reps and all others on our mailing lists, and will be posted in the Reach Out and on our website (<https://oasandiego.org>). There will be further discussion at the July IG meeting, and the decision will be made by group conscience at the August IG meeting. Everyone is welcome at the monthly IG meetings, but only IG reps can vote, so make sure your meetings have active IG reps. If the Fellowship wants a new OAsis, we'll form a Lease Committee in September, to start looking in earnest by October or November.

There was insufficient time for a break-out session, but there was much group discussion. While meeting rents have never covered the cost of our OAsis, there has been and will continue to be enough money to supplement the cost for some time into the future, due to a few generous bequests/donations made by members of the Fellowship for that purpose. On the other hand, not having an OAsis doesn't mean we won't have in-person meetings, as meetings can find other locations, such as churches, community centers, libraries, Alano Clubs, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

There is a Men's Retreat on November 4-6. Check with Dave B.

Harlan is willing to visit San Diego to lead a Big Book Study Workshop, e.g., for the Retreat Committee or Twelfth Step Within.

The meeting was adjourned with the Serenity Prayer at 3:15 pm.

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Minutes submitted by Gina E., Secretary