Southern California Underearners Anonymous Intergroup Mtg Minutes – March 11, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

- Meeting called to order at 12:25pm (approx.) by Chair (Norm) with 3rd Step Prayer
- Janet Marie (Timer) managed one minute timed meditation
- SCUA Purpose Statement and Guide for Participation read by Norm

ATTENDANCE:

- Chair Norm
- Rep Monday Night Goals Meeting Janet Marie (colby.janetmarie@gmail.com)
- Rep 9am Saturday Santa Monica Steps & Speaker Meeting- Jeff S.
- Intergroup Treasurer Susan V
- Intergroup Scribe and outgoing website manager Kate
- Sunday BiPoc 8am Shining and Receiving Meeting AdeRonke
- Rep Friday 7pm Waves of Prosperity & Sunday Silver Lake Tarun
- Observer Becky E.

FEBRUARY MINUTES:

Partial Minutes submitted and amends offered for incomplete nature

BY-LAWS:

SUMMARY OF MARCH BY LAWS DISCUSSION:

- Open April discussion with discussion of solvency from committee, specifically 5 minute reports from each member of solvency committee
- If no report to be made, resume with section labeled AUTHORITY TO BORROW OR ENCUMBER ASSETS, which begins "No Officer, member, etc.," at the bottom of page 9.

DETAILED MINUTES OF MARCH BY LAWS DISCUSSION

- 15 minute timed discussion begins
- Committee on Solvency not in attendance, requiring a hold on this discussion, per February agreement that absence of relevant member requires tabling discussion
- Discussion resumes from text identified in January minutes: top of p. 9, SECTION X EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, "The Intergroup Committee shall maintain..."

- Norm read by-laws as written from that point forward
- Existence of Executive Committee currently defined as Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer
 - 1. Lack of Vice-Chair noted in reading
 - 2. Suggestion made to add SCRIBE to list of Executive Committee participants
 - 3. Discussion of the Vice-Chair role and the advantages of adding one
 - 4. Discussion of the Treasurer and adding a co-Treasurer
 - 5. Motion submitted, seconded and approved, language changed to: The Intergroup Committee shall maintain an Executive Committee consisting of the Chair, Vice-Chair, Scribe and Treasurer.
- Discussion of the term "Trustee" in the Executive Committee
 - 1. If "Trustee" not relevant to our organization, needs to be decided at a future date
- Revision to subsection a: that "any member of the Executive Committee or the Trustee" may call for an emergency meeting
- Abbreviation in subsection b: revised to read "full SCUA intergroup"
- Reading continues through emergency powers, importance of filling vacancies in timely manner and necessity of removing officers for "good cause, Loss of continuous solvency; or Failure to attend three (3) consecutive UA Intergroup meetings..."
 - Language around "good cause" approved by a vote of 4 to 0, with 1 abstaining
 - 2. Language around "solvency" requires further discussion
- Discussion ends here, just before section beginning AUTHORITY TO BORROW OR ENCUMBER ASSETS, No Officer, member, etc., bottom of page 9.
- Discussion ends at 12:58

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIR (Norm) — Event Coordinator name change noted; Chair makes suggestion that perhaps he should communicate with other officers a day or two before each meeting to see what, if anything, might need to be discussed in new or old business; made commitment to work with Treasurer to resolve banking issues.

TREASURER (Susan) – Report of current situation with bank account, "is it suddenly somehow necessary that we need to be non-profit", service committee has expanded into much too many hours; in last meeting discussion of non-profit status (NOT YET TRANSCRIBED)

OUTGOING WEB MANAGER (Kate) – Offered amends for having failed to hand off these duties to Eleanor, committee to focusing on this handoff in next 30 days;

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website manager needs to be paid for past expeditures, commits to submitting receipts by the end of the day Sunday.

SCRIBE (Kate) – Offered amends for imperfect minutes in February and committed to taking accurate notes in current meeting

LITERATURE (Vacant)

ISR (Ruby) – Absent

EVENT CHAIR – Vacant, but also officially being renamed to EVENTS COORDINATOR going forward.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion of Website Manager Role
 - o Becky E would like to take it on if using a tablet isn't a problem
 - Kate will type up job description for sharing in future meeting
- Discussion of Banking Situation
 - o Bank requires By-Laws, which we don't have.
 - Kate submits that she thinks temporary by-laws were turned in by previous treasurer when they were setting up the account
 - Treasurer recaps challenge of Citibank continually asking us to prove we are a non-profit
 - Motion made to empower our Treasurer Susan V. to move money from Citibank to an account that Susan is comfortable using and creates significantly less work.
 - Seconded and voted on; passed with no objections
 - o Discussion of using credit union account affiliated with Chair Norm.
 - Chair commits to getting answers on this front no later than Tuesday
- Event Chair/Coordinator discussion
 - Tarun suggests clarifying the Events Coordinator role; reads revision into the record:
 - The events coordinator helps the intergroup to plan events throughout the year by scheduling, delegating responsibility to other representatives or UA fellows, and finding speakers. The events coordinator would not be solely responsible for putting together events and would receive support from the intergroup.
 - This language would be used to share at the meeting level to recruit a new events coordinator

- Discussion followed by acceptance of text as written, and expression of gratitude
- Next Event discussion
 - Possible Time Tracking workshop
 - Tarun offers that a format could be 15 minute shares by three speakers on their use of time tracking, followed by 30 to 45 group shares on the time tool
 - He would volunteer to be one of the speakers
 - Question of how to share paper documents for other speakers
 - Photographs could be shared over Zoom
 - Susan suggests an In-Person Event with refreshments and fellowship, in July or later
 - Timeline suggested based on Susan's departure in April, but she also acknowledges that she doesn't need to be there.
 - AdeRonke asks if the event could be a hybrid to accommodate people out of town and in town
 - Past events on the site are discussed as a resource
 - Last one was in July 2021
 - **TAKEAWAY:** Tarun volunteers to listen to the recording of the event before the next meeting
 - TAKEAWAY: Reps should ask during intergroup announcement portion of meeting: Does anyone know who ran the past event, and if so, please talk to Intergroup rep after the meeting, or attend the Intergroup meeting to help plan the next one
 - Past chair Nick identified as a possible resource
 - TAKEAWAY: Jeff S. commits to contact Nick and discover if more information can be shared
- Recordings on website
 - Takeaway: Kate commits to upload any audio files that are emailed to kateodaat@gmail.com
- Minutes
 - AdeRonke A requests updated minutes for today's meeting, and ideally the February meeting as well. (adeyemiriad@gmail.com)

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Topics of discussion for next meeting?
 - o None
- Takeaways
 - o For everyone:
 - Share Event coordinator role
 - "The events coordinator helps the intergroup to plan events throughout the year by scheduling, delegating responsibility to other representatives or UA fellows, and finding speakers. The events coordinator would not be solely responsible for putting together events and would receive support from the intergroup."
 - Interested parties should attend the next intergroup meeting to learn more.
 - Ask for info on Time Tracking event
 - Anyone who participated in the past one should speak with their intergroup rep or attend the next intergroup meeting.
 - Purpose statement should be read by intergroup rep at each meeting:
 - The primary purpose of Southern California Underearners Anonymous Intergroup is to carry the message to the under earner who was still suffering and to communicate at the meeting level. Our intentions are:
 - To guide the groups and financial affairs, according to the traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous
 - To hold workshops and special events
 - To create and maintain a meeting directory
 - And to help SCUA continue to prosper.
 - o For Chair:
 - To reimburse website manager for expenditures
 - To consider reaching out to officers ahead of next meeting to prepare agenda
 - o For Kate:
 - To finish notes from today's meeting and share via email
 - To connect with Becky about handing off the site
 - o For Tarun:
 - To listen to the recording of the July 2021 time tracking event
 - o For Jeff S:

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■ To contact Nick to see if he has any insights to offer about July 2021 time tracking event

CLOSING:

Chair closed meeting at 1:45pm. Next meeting 4/8/22 from 12:15 to 1:45 pm