

SoCal UA Intergroup
April 2023 Minutes
4/8/23

Southern California Underearners Anonymous Intergroup Mtg
Minutes – April 8, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

- Meeting called to order at 12:22pm (approx.) by Chair (Norm) with 3rd Step Prayer
- Lynna (Timer) managed one minute timed meditation
- SCUA Purpose Statement read by Janet Marie
- Tradition Two Short form read by Kate
- Guide for Participation read by Norm

ATTENDANCE:

- Chair – Norm
- Rep Monday Night Goals Meeting - Janet Marie
- Intergroup Treasurer – Susan V
- Intergroup Scribe and outgoing website manager – Kate
- Tuesday Artists in Prosperity rep - Lynna

MARCH MINUTES:

Minutes submitted and approved

BY-LAWS:

SUMMARY OF APRIL BY LAWS DISCUSSION:

- May Discussion should begin with Section XV – Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation, clause d., which begins “Representatives of member groups may at any time propose a resolution to amend the Bylaws at an UA Intergroup meeting. Any proposal by a IR...”, located two paragraphs from the bottom of p. 10

DETAILED MINUTES OF APRIL BY LAWS DISCUSSION

- 15 minute timed discussion begins
- Brief mention of red-colored text, and possible decision to change to black or omit at the end of the process
- Discussion resumes from text identified in March minutes, at the bottom of p. 9 which begins: AUTHORITY TO BORROW OR ENCUMBER ASSETS, No Officer, member, etc.
- Norm reads by-laws as written from that point forward

- Section with header “AUTHORITY TO BORROW OR ENCUMBER ASSETS”:
 - IR is put in parentheses, as abbreviation of “Intergroup Representative”
 - Discussion of “employee” in the language, whether to omit it or not, as UA has no employees. Language stands as written.
- Section with header “Fiscal Year”:
 - Language stands as written
- Section XV – Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation
 - Amendment procedures reviewed
 - Clause a.
 - Definition of “substantial unanimity” as 2/3rds vote reviewed
 - Language changed to add (with no fewer than 5 members voting)
 - Clause b.
 - “Recording Secretary” changed to “Scribe” here and throughout the document to reflect previous references
 - Clause c.
 - Language changed to include definition of substantial unanimity.
 - “by Substantial Unanimity, defined as two-thirds (2/3) vote of those of C Minimum attendance of “of no fewer than 5 members”
- Discussion concludes here; in May resume with clause d.) under Section XV – Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation, which begins “Representatives of member groups may at any time propose a resolution to amend the Bylaws at an UA Intergroup meeting. Any proposal by a IR...”, located two paragraphs from the bottom of p. 10

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIR (Norm) – Report on opening an account with credit union and \$25 of chair’s own funds. Chair did successfully reimburse web manager \$411.91.

TREASURER (Susan) – Report of availability; will be out of the country from April 15 to mid-July. Doesn’t feel comfortable moving things around while not in the country to deal with issues in-person.

Reached out to Alejandra, to see where things stand. Notices regarding “account will be shut down” have ceased, but Treasurer is still unable to login to the account.

Treasurer is now questioning whether she is the best person to take on this commitment, given that she is traveling until mid-July.

Discussion tabled until New Business

OUTGOING WEB MANAGER (Kate) – Has updated Becky, the incoming website manager, and they are coordinating the handoff for this weekend. Has upgraded Wix for 3 years, at an additional cost of \$96.02, and requests reimbursement of this amount.

(Difference in cost is the \$192 credit we had in October – when we'd just renewed for a year – is lower now, after 6 months of using Wix's services.)

Updated site, renamed a Sherman Oaks Wednesday night meeting at the meeting's request and checked inbox for further requests.

SCRIBE (Kate) – Offered amends for forgetting she already had notes for March, but is currently taking good notes for this meeting and will send by EOD 4/8/23.

LITERATURE (Vacant)

ISR (Ruby) – Absent

EVENT CHAIR – Renamed EVENTS COORDINATOR; Time Tracking event is going forward, but support is needed.

SEVENTH TRADITION:

Tabled until dealings with Citibank can be resolved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Literature position
 - Currently vacant
 - Role has become undefined, as a result of COVID
 - Previously obtained or copied documents and distributed them to meeting reps
 - Maybe not currently needed
 - Maybe should work with Website Manager, since that's where the literature currently lives
 - **Nothing resolved, to be revisited in May meeting**
- Time Tracking Workshop
 - In-person or online or hybrid?
 - Nothing resolved, to be revisited in May meeting
 - **TAKEAWAY: Janet-Marie commits to contact Tarun to gain information about the event and ask him to attend May meeting to give update**

NEW BUSINESS

- **Treasurer/Banking Issues**
 - Scale of the role has gotten so complicated that one person cannot reasonably handle it
 - Current treasurer needs to step down
 - New treasurer needs to be found
 - **TAKEAWAY: Job description needs to be shared in meetings**

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Topics of discussion for next meeting?
 - None
- Takeaways
 - For everyone:
 - Share UA intergroup Treasurer vacancy
 - Share Event coordinator vacancy
 - “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.
 - For Kate:
 - To finish notes from today’s meeting and share via email
 - To connect with Becky about handing off the site

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CLOSING:

Chair closed meeting at 1:45pm. Next meeting 5/13/22 from 12:15 to 1:45 pm