

Southern California Underearners Anonymous Intergroup Mtg
Revised Minutes – November 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

- Meeting called to order at 12:15pm by Chair (Meredith) with 3rd Step Prayer
- One-minute timed meditation.
- SCUA Purpose Statement read aloud by Meredith.
- Tradition Two Short form read aloud by Meredith.
- Guide for Participation read by Meredith

ATTENDANCE:

1. Meredith – Meeting Chair / Rep for Friday 7pm PT Zoom Huntington Beach Meeting
2. Sandra – Website Manager and Rep for Sunday Bipoc Shining & Receiving
3. Lynna – Substitute Rep (for Morgan) from Tuesday 6:30pm PT Artists in Prosperity in-person mtg
4. Moonti – Timer & Rep from 10:30am Thursday Miracle Mile Return to Prosperity Zoom meeting
5. Tarun – Event liaison and Interim Rep for the HP in the GP Meeting
6. Christine – Trusted servant attending without representing an official meeting
7. Becky – Literature and ad hoc GSR
8. Kate – Meeting scribe and interim rep for Saturday 11am PT Speaking of Prosperity Zoom meeting

LAST MONTH MINUTES:

Minutes submitted and approved.

BY-LAWS:

SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER BY LAWS DISCUSSION:

- December by-laws discussion should begin by considering the elements of Section XIX that we may wish to adapt for inclusion in Section XVII.
 - November discussion included several edits to Section XVII, but the speaker list is a new responsibility that is still being formalized, and there are several things not yet definitively spelled out in Section XVII, including:
 - How long someone in this role would serve
 - How much sobriety speakers should have
 - What counts as sobriety in UA, and how that would be described in the by-laws

- How speakers would be selected for the list
 - Instead of inventing all-new language, it may be easier to start by reviewing the text labeled Section XIX and excerpting relevant chunks for use in Section XVII, hence starting the December discussion with reviewing what elements of XIX we want to excerpt in Section XVII

DETAILED MINUTES OF NOVEMBER BY LAWS DISCUSSION

- **Sections may or may not need renumbering because of omitted Public Information Officer section of by-laws, and possible re-ordering.**
- November by-laws discussion resumed consideration of adding the following language, as a proposed first line of a possible 2nd paragraph in Section XVII:
 - “In the future, as their schedule permits, the attendance and outreach officer may compose a speaker list drawn from suggestions from the unrepresented meetings they attend.”
 - Amendments discussed and adopted include:
 - Revising the language to read:
 - “In the future, as their schedule permits, the attendance and outreach officer may compose a speaker list drawn from suggestions from any meetings, or other fellows”
 - Including this language adapted from the first sentence of the archived Section XIV:
 - “The speaker list is a list of UA speakers who are willing and able to speak and carry a strong message of recovery from underearning through the 12 steps.”
 - Both sentences were added to the bylaws document Section XVII:
 - In the future, as their schedule permits, the attendance and outreach officer may compose a speaker list drawn from suggestions from any meetings, or other fellows. The speaker list is a list of UA speakers who are willing and able to speak and carry a strong message of recovery from underearning through the 12 steps.
- Background discussion:
 - SoCal Intergroup mostly agrees that a speaker list would be very helpful – it is hard to find speakers, and this is exactly the kind of thing Intergroup exists to do
 - However, we already have a problem getting meetings to send reps to the monthly intergroup meeting, and another problem filling open commitments
 - For this reason, we do not currently have anyone in the attendance officer role and may not have anyone in this role in the near future
 - So this section of the by-laws is:
 - A) A wish list for a future when someone is in this role
 - B) Documentation of who would be eligible for the speaker list when/if it is created

- In the December by-laws discussion, we should begin by considering the elements of Section XIX that we may wish to adapt for inclusion in Section XVII.
 - The speaker list is a new responsibility that is still being formalized, including:
 - How much sobriety they should have
 - What counts as sobriety in UA, and how that would be described in the by-laws
 - How long the role serves
 - How speakers would be selected for the list
 - Instead of inventing all-new language, it may be easier to start by reviewing the text labeled Section XIX and excerpting relevant chunks for use in Section XVII, hence starting the December discussion with reviewing what elements of XIX we want to excerpt in Section XVII

OFFICER REPORTS

Co-CHAIR (Meredith) – Reports that both herself and Lola will be stepping down after the December 2024 meeting and therefore new Intergroup Chair or Co-Chair will need to be elected by the end of the December meeting.

TREASURER (Norm) – Submitted in writing:

This is an abbreviated report for the month of September and October 2024. The Citibank account has not changed in either month and is still. \$8,240.27 dollars. As far as I can tell, there were no contributions in September, but the month of October there was \$53.35 donated by two individuals. There was expense of the Zoom Account for both months of September and October, which added up to \$34.86 which is two times \$17.43. The last balance I had for the PayPal account was \$2077.81 in beginning of September That balance now is \$ 2102.02. So Cal UA Intergroup treasury has a total of \$10,342.29.

WEBSITE MANAGER (Sandra) – Reported on changes made to website thus far, including a redesign of the front page, connecting the site's email to her personal account, and researching possible calendar-style tools to make identifying meetings easier.

SCRIBE (Kate) – Expressed a desire to step down as scribe in the coming months.

LITERATURE LIAISON TO THE GSBs/INFORMATION OFFICER (Becky) – Has not attended a monthly literature meeting yet; doesn't know how to access the Incumbent GSB literature meeting and had a conflict with the Newly Elected GSB literature meeting. Reports that there was a World Service Conference put on by the Newly Elected GSB; they voted to put out some new pamphlets, including "Earning Plan Action Meetings," "Surrendering to the Recovery Process in UA" and "Addressing Trauma and Life-Changing Events," as well as a bundle of new pamphlets for newcomers, with further

descriptions of the symptoms of underearning. Has reached out to the Incumbent GSB about similar events/announcements, but haven't heard back and website does not include details.

AD HOC GSR (Becky) – Reported on the newly elected GSB's World Service Conference, held on 10/26, 11/2 & 11/3. Attended as a member at large, and reports that they did vote to accept a 2025 Budget/Spending Plan, and elected two new trustees and a secretary. [For clarity, we refer to the chronologically first group of people as the Incumbent GSB; they still own and run UA.org; the chronologically second group of people are referred to as the Newly Elected GSB; they own and run WeAreAllUA.org.]

EVENT LIAISON (Tarun) – Reported on the Literature Event discussed in a past intergroup meeting. Danny, who proposed the event, clarified that he was focused on literature created by the Legacy (aka Incumbent) Literature Committee, but a lot of it is on WeAreAllUA.com as well. Danny is still interested in doing an event, which would be a formal presentation of the literature for 10-20 minutes followed by a Q & A. Noted that we usually have a Candlelight and Promises event in December, if we would like to put it on this year. Also asked about the Fair Pricing Workshop and when we would be able to get the audio for it up on the site.

OLD BUSINESS

- Website
 - Switching payment from website manager's personal payment methods vs. SoCalUA
 - Motion made and approved to approve funding from SoCalUA October meeting
 - UPDATED V4: Use IG funds (Citibank or Paypal, etc.) to pay website hosting and domain expenses, as well as any operating expenses under \$100/year. All additional website expenses must pass group conscience but then should also be paid for by IG funds.
 - Using this language ^^^^
 - Website Manager confirms that she will contact Norm to arrange these payment
 - Website Manager confirms that she will remove previous Website Manager's payment methods
 - Previous website manager still needs reimbursement from Norm for the GoDaddy costs covered by her payment method
 - Introducing a Calendar Function to the site to make it easier for fellows to find meetings in their time zone
 - Pros and cons discussed
 - Motion tabled until December meeting

New Business

- Elections & Handing Off of Roles
 - Need to hold elections in December.
 - Handing off resources, including the intergroup Gmail account and access to the Zoom account used to host intergroup meeting, needs to be coordinated to avoid loss of access

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Topics of discussion for December meeting:
 - None beyond Old/New Business
- **Takeaways**
 - **For everyone:**
 - Read the Intergroup Purpose Statement at your home 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.

CLOSING:

Chair closed meeting at 1:26pm. Next meeting Intergroup Meeting on 12/14/24 from 12:15 to 1:45 pm PT; Lola will serve as co-secretary.