

Southern California Underearners Anonymous Intergroup Mtg
Minutes – December 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. Lola – Meeting Chair
2. Meredith – Co-Chair / Rep for Friday 7pm PT Zoom Huntington Beach Meeting
3. Sandra – Website Manager and Rep for Sunday Bipoc Shining & Receiving
4. Boise – Thursday Night Santa Monica 7pm Shining and Receiving meeting (NEW!)
5. Morgan – Rep from Tuesday 6:30pm PT Artists in Prosperity in-person mtg
6. Becky – Literature and ad hoc GSR
7. Kate – Meeting scribe and interim rep for Saturday 11am PT Speaking of Prosperity Zoom meeting

LAST MONTH MINUTES:

Minutes submitted and approved, pending addition of information about a proposed literature event which isn't currently included.

BY-LAWS:

SUMMARY OF DECEMBER BY LAWS DISCUSSION:

- January by-laws discussion should begin by continuing review of language we want to add to Section XVII, either excerpted verbatim from Section XIX, edited versions of language from Section XIX or entirely new language
 - December by-laws discussion started review of Section XIX language for potential inclusion in Section XVII, specifically:
 - Adding to the list of requirements for speakers that a speaker must have a UA sponsor and be currently working the steps.
 - Adding to the list of details for each speaker on a hypothetical list if that person is willing to do “in-person” meetings, “zoom/phone call meetings” or both.

DETAILED MINUTES OF DECEMBER BY LAWS DISCUSSION

- **Sections may or may not need renumbering because of omitted Public Information Officer section of by-laws, and possible re-ordering.**
- December by-laws discussion started review of Section XIX language for potential inclusion in Section XVII.
- Morgan made a motion to include the following;
 - Adding to the list of requirements for speakers that a speaker must have a UA sponsor and be currently working the steps.
 - Adding to the list of details for each speaker on a hypothetical list if that person is willing to do “In-person” meetings, “zoom/phone call meetings” or both.
- By-laws discussion ran out of time before these could be seconded or voted on
- January by-laws discussion should begin by continuing review of language we want to add to Section XVII, either excerpted verbatim from Section XIX, edited versions of language from Section XIX or entirely new language
- Background Information:
 - 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
 - The speaker list is a new responsibility that is still being formalized, including:
 - How much sobriety a speaker should have
 - What counts as sobriety in UA, and how that would be described in the by-laws
 - How long the speaker list coordinator 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 (verbatim or edited) for use in Section XVII
 - At the conclusion of the discussion of Section XVII, the highlighted text labeled Section XIX should be deleted
 - It is ONLY in the document for reference because institutional knowledge is so hard to preserve from month to month

OFFICER REPORTS

Co-CHAIR (Lola) – Reports that Intergroup needs two new chair persons; the election is new business.

TREASURER (Norm) – Absent

WEBSITE MANAGER (Sandra) – Reported process of getting payments for site hosting now goes through Intergroup's PayPal. Has paid for the calendar out of pocket to see how it looked. Reviewed the calendar's time tracking feature and how it matches the visitor's time zone. Reviewed the links to donation and contact form – the first goes to the SoCal UA intergroup account, the latter goes to the website manager's email. Reviewed the process for scheduling meetings that are starting up or recurring, like intergroup, and how the contact form can be used to submit changes or new meetings. Brief discussion of including the Safe Space Racial Awareness in UA Discussion Group and adding it to the calendar. Feedback included enthusiastic praise for Sandra's efforts and compliments on usability of site.

SCRIBE (Kate) – Reported sharing past minutes with Website Manager. Reviewed past lack of time management and repeated desire to step down as scribe in the coming months.

LITERATURE INFORMATION OFFICER (Becky) – Reported intention to attend upcoming We Are All UA meeting. Discussion of adding links to world service organizations and other sites to SoCalUA.org, but consensus is that pointing to a larger organization would involve affiliating us with one of two sides, so item was moved to new business.

AD HOC GSR (Becky) – Repeated need for a qualified candidate for role

EVENT LIAISON (Tarun) – Absent

OLD BUSINESS

- Elections
 - Motion was made to approve Kate as Co-Chair and approved, effective January 2025, although Kate will not be able to chair in January due to travel
 - Motion was made to approve Boise as Scribe and approved, effective January 2025
 - Becky has only recently started as Literature and is continuing in that role until December 2025
 - Sandra has only recently started as Website Manager and is continuing in that role until December 2025
 - Norm is halfway through his term as Treasurer and is continuing in that role until December 2025

- Tarun has only recently started serving as Event Liaison and is continuing in the role
- Becky is continuing as the Ad Hoc GSR Rep

New Business

- Discussion of attendance minimums before getting voting privileges
 - Attendance IS an issue at this meeting
 - But we have more pressing topics to address – for example, we are not holding a Candlelight and Promises in December

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Topics of discussion for January meeting:
 - Handing off of roles and credentials to people in new commitments
- **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 1/11/24 from 12:15 to 1:45 pm PT; Lola will serve as co-chair.