

Meeting Agenda for
December 4, 2017 Group Conscience Meeting

Chair: Eric
Co-Chair: Carol
Secretary: Maggie P.
Treasurer: Mike
Assistant Treasurer: Drew P.
GSR: Sam, John
Intergroup Delegates: Meagan R.
Supplies/Inventory: Daniel
Speaker Chair: Daniel

Agenda:

1. Secretary – Read Minutes of prior month GC meeting
2. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer/Assistant Treasurer
3. GSR Report –GSR Representative
4. Intergroup Report
5. Old Business:
 - Change Wednesday night meetings
 - Change 6:30 women's meeting to open
 - Handicap space please
 - Move November speaker night to the 13th
 - Remove profanity statement.
 - Lights
 - Parking between the two businesses
6. New Business:
 - Officer elections
 - Renewal of Lease Needed
 - Need someone for co-sign on lease
 - Early Sunday morning meeting (7 a.m.)
 - Anniversary committee
 - Non-profit number
 - Pillow fight
 - Update men's/women's phone lists
 - Lock up supplies
 - New 8 pm meeting Tuesday night
 - Sobriety board

Meeting Date: August 7, 2017

Trusted Servents:

Chair: Eric

Co-Chair: Carol

Secretary: Maggie P.

Treasurer: Drew (not in attendance)

GSR: Sam (not in attendance)

Intergroup: Meagan R.

Chair Eric., called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

1. Minutes from the June 2017 GC meeting were read by Maggie P.

Motion made by

2. Secretary - Maggie P. read the June 2017 minutes.

Daniel motioned to accept. Mary seconded. All in favor.

3. Treasurer Report - Daniel read the Treasurer Report because Drew was not here. In the month of June, we averaged \$1.22 & in July, \$1.20 per person. We are down from the previous two months. The average for donations to our group comes out to \$1.27 per person. We have an overage of \$3,800 for our prudent reserves for the two months.

Daniel motioned to accept the report. All in favor.

4. GSR Report – Sam was not able to attend. We tabled the report for next time.

5. Intergroup Report - Meagan gave us numbers from the Open House for Intergroup. 250-300 people in attendance, less than 170 people purchased food. The net profit was \$3,885 not including the bookstore. There will not be an Open House next year. There will be a workshop on the Traditions on August 26. The convention needs volunteers - contact Intergroup for more information. Intergroup is down on their prudent reserve but their donations have increased. The GSO recommends a total goal of \$120,000 minimum a month & they are at 61% of that goal. Continue to educate newcomers, continue to educate the groups on the intergroup's needs & support Intergroup's workshops.

Eric motioned to accept, John seconded. All in favor.

Old / Tabled Business:

1. New Intergroup Rep Alt: Barbara suggested to get a new intergroup rep for the intergroup meetings every other month. Mark volunteered.

Barbara & Daniel motioned. All in favor.

2. Alternate GSR – Barbara motioned for Sam to be the Alternate GSR.

Daniel seconded. All in favor.

3. Elect a Cleaning Crew: Mary will make the flyers & be committee chair. Daniel suggested talking to sponsees to help clean up. The Cleaning Crew will start in May, one Sunday a month.

Daniel motioned, Paula seconded. All in favor.

4. Baby Shower – Paula brought it up. Barbara said it is not an AA function so it should stay private.

Motion tabled.

5. Prudent Reserve: Minus room, ballaces, and intergroup/world services. \$2,300 split 75/25 = \$1,725 to AA Intergroup, \$575 to AA World Services. District 32. Split 50/25/25. Barbara motioned 12.5 to District 32, 75 to Intergroup, 12.5 to World Services.

All in favor.

New Business

1. New podium: Meagan requested this because the podium is falling apart but the microphone does work on it. It costs between \$200-400. Meagan motioned to spend \$300.

All in favor.

2. New 11th step Wednesday noon meeting with Ron & Alice K.:

Daniel seconded the motion. All in favor. Mary added an addendum to this request in that our Big Book lays out how to lead an 11th step meeting.

3. Leader to state the tradition for the corresponding month, written on the preamble: Debra brought this up. "Being this is the ____ month of the year, I will read the ____ Tradition." Ron K. suggested giving the "short form" of the Traditions. Daniel suggested writing the sentence in the Leader book. Sarah suggested having someone from the audience read the tradition for the month.

Ron K. motioned to accept. Meagan seconded. All in favor.

4. Chips? No one was here to address this but Maggie addressed where the chips are located in the room. Terry suggested putting the location of the chips on the board for two months. Darol suggested posting a sticky note saying where the chips are in the chip box. Bill suggested putting it on the board & in the chip box.

Bill motioned to accept. D'Ann seconded. All in favor.

5. SOH Choice of Time Slot if required: The person who wrote this was not at the meeting. We erased the topic.

6. Add "No cross talk" to leader's/preamble opening statements: Maggie suggested this. Darol suggested someone training up or educating the next leader to know what to say & do for the meeting.

Ron K. motioned that it is up to the leader to enforce the rule. All in favor.

7. Make having a newcomer meeting mandatory when there's a newcomer present at a Big Book/ 12 & 12 Study: Bill posted this. Bill motioned that we do a newcomer's meeting at every meeting, if they've never been to an AA meeting. Alex pointed out the 5th Tradition & stated that it is the leader's responsibility to ask if anyone is a newcomer. Debra said if you look up Cypress Group on the website, the schedule is incorrect. A man asked if having a newcomer's meeting would trump whatever the regular schedule is, & Bill clarified that it would but not birthday night. Kristi T. suggested that the newcomer's meeting should not trump what's been scheduled. Yurek suggested leaving it at the discretion of the leader of the meeting. Athena suggested that we keep the studies on the nights there is a newcomer, but we share our experiences for the newcomer also (both of these formats). Eric suggested simply recognizing there is a newcomer but keeping the studies & tailoring it to the newcomer.

Bill motioned with the exception of Birthday Night & the Speaker Night, if we have someone who's never been to an AA meeting, we do a newcomers meeting regardless of the big book & 12 & 12 studies. Four people opposed.

8. Move 7 a.m. meeting to Big Book if everyone will fit: John motioned to move the meeting to the bigger room because it is crowded in the small room. D'Ann mentioned that the meeting is more intimate so the smaller room is nice.

John withdrew the motion.

9. New microwave: No one here who put the topic up on the board. Mary asked how often is the microwave used. Mark asked how much a new microwave would be. Mike suggested a new microwave for \$60. John said that we have enough money left over to buy it. Bill moved that whatever money we have remaining from the table & room, we use that for the microwave.

Mary seconded. All in favor.

10. Remove Sunday 11th step from Intergroup List: Mike wrote this. He requested that we remove this meeting as an actual AA meeting because the practices do not always correspond with our steps, in his opinion. Mary let us know that material not sanctioned by AA was being used. Sarah mentioned that the 11th step talks about seeking God through prayer AND meditation & that meditation is done in the meeting. Yurek mentioned that every meeting is

different according to the leader. Ron said page 164 tells us that more will be revealed.

Mike motioned that we still have the meeting but that we have a meeting for newcomers when they come. John seconded. 4 in favor of removing the meeting, the rest opposed. It stays the way it is.

11. Men's meeting Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. while women's meeting in other room: Darol suggested there needs to be more men's meetings but the night is 12 & 12 night. Eric clarified that there should be more women's meetings. Darol proposed a men's meeting on Thursday at 6:30 but there is another book study going on at that time. Eric requested that the secretary let the Intergroup know the change in our schedule so that we can make sure people know where the meetings are & when.

Darol motioned to change the Thursday to 12 & 12 & Wednesday will be a men's meeting. Sarah seconded. All in favor.

12. GSR Report July 17: Sam was not here. Item was tabled.

13. Do carpet cleaning twice a year: Daniel wanted to make it official & twice a year versus once a year.

Darol seconded. All in favor.

14. Alanon Babysitter: Heather came because the topic was erased. Heather suggested the owner of the lease would shoulder the liability. Annette requested is it for funding, & Heather said Alanon would fund it 100% but the side room would be used so Alanon needed permission. Ron K. said that we do not need to pick up liability because it is not our responsibility. Alex discussed how paying money for a babysitter causes a liability but taking turns does not.

Motioned died.

Bill motioned to close the meeting at 8:50.

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Meeting Agenda for
June 5, 2017 Group Conscience Meeting

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Secretary: Meagan R.
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GSR: John
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Supplies/Inventory: Daniel
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5. Old Business/Tabled
 - Carpet cleaning
 - Hosting SOH Scholarship fundraiser
 - Purging of inventory: toys & books for children
 - New men's mtg Wednesday at 6:30
 - Find company to service coffee maker
 - Replace chairman table: Starting to fall apart
 - Saturday night candlelight meeting
6. New Business
 - Parking lines need to be painted
 - Liquid thread for sink
 - Pick cigarette butts up & put them in butt container
 - New roof
 - Celebrating your sobriety birthday? Double check the board & make sure there's a * by your name.
 - Bubble gum for the kids.
 - Where did all the Big Books go?
 - Espresso Bar
 - Sunday's Eleventh Step Mtg

CYPRESS GROUP CONSCIENCE MINUTES
5/8/2017

Opened @ 7:47 with Serenity Prayer

Motion made by Meagan to pass the basket a second time at the meeting for a one time donation to intergroup open house. Starting May 20 – June 2. The undetermined amount will be dispersed to intergroup.

Donovan seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ron S. motioned end of the meeting. Meagan seconded.

The meeting was ended with the Lord's Prayer.

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Meeting Date: April 3, 2017

Co- Chair Eric., called the meeting to order at 7:45pm with the serenity prayer.

1. Minutes from the February 2017 GC meeting were read by Maggie P.

Motion made by Daniel to approve minutes, seconded by John.

2. Treasurer Report – Drew P.

Donations have been good. An average of \$1.31 has been given in January, \$1.32 in February & \$1.34 in March. We have \$3,693 in our prudent reserve. Drew requested to set aside \$800 for ballets, 75% for intergroup, 25% for World Services. Kelly asked if the Cypress Group payment was paid for books & chips, because it was under \$400. Drew said we can hold out \$400 to pay this. Setting aside \$800 to build a new room was tabled for later.

Motion made by Daniel to approve treasurer's report, Barbara seconded. All in favor.

3. GSR Report – John couldn't make it. Sam (new Alternate GSR) reported that SETA is this weekend (4/7-4/9/2017). There was a discussion at the last GSR meeting about district funds. Intergroup still has a need. The Board of Directors is talking to groups that don't give to get support. Phone volunteers are still important & needed. More information after SETA.

Barbara motioned to accept, Daniel seconded. All in favor.

Old / Tabled Business:

1. Build a new room with \$800. (Tabled)
2. Noon Meditation: Add to the schedule. (Tabled because the person who wrote it on the board did not show up.)
3. Baby Shower: Tabled because it is not an AA function.

New Business

1. New Intergroup Rep Alt: Barbara suggested to get a new intergroup rep for the intergroup meetings every other month. Mark volunteered.

Barbara & Daniel motioned. All in favor.

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All in favor.

Approved?

Drew motioned to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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~~Meeting Date: December 5, 2016~~ Feb 6, 2017

Co- Chair Eric., called the meeting to order at 7:45pm with the serenity prayer. He announced Carol, our new Co-Chair, also.

1. Minutes from the December 2016 GC meeting were read by Maggie P.

Motion made by Daniel to approve minutes, seconded by John.

2. Treasurer Report – Mike M / Drew P.

Mike reported that we have \$3,748 since 2016. We have had over \$2,300 come in. Mike said it cost \$323 for the barbecue so we had extra money.

Motion made by Daniel to approve treasurer's report, seconded by John & Marcia. All in favor.

3. GSR Report – Meagan mentioned the next intergroup meeting is on February 16, Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

John made a suggestion to get a new Alternative GSR. Motion made by Daniel to approve John's suggestion, seconded by Drew. All in favor.

Dwayne motioned to accept the GSR's report. Beverly seconded. All in favor.

Old / Tabled Business:

12. Coffee charge – couldn't be brought up because it was already brought up.

2. Sam's card: Daniel filed paperwork to be state tax exempt; we are already federally tax exempt. We wouldn't have to pay taxes on coffee & other purchases.

New Business

1. Carpet Cleaning: Daniel said it costs about \$450 so he motioned to clean it with the money that Mike said we have left over from the barbecue.

Mike seconded the motion. All in favor.

2. SOH Scholarship – Dwayne motioned to set up a date for a cake sale & offered to host the sale. Dwayne will provide dates when he creates them.

Motion made by Daniel. All in favor.

3. Toys & Books – Kate motioned to throw away old books & toys in the kids' room. Jennifer suggested storage.

No motion. The motion died.

4. Coffee pot – Daniel mentioned a company who came out & fixed the coffee pot. Daniel motioned to set aside \$80-100 to service the coffee machine. Mike & Daniel will be in charge

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of taking care of the coffee pot issues.

Virgil seconded the motion. All in favor.

5. Buy a new chair's table – Virgil suggested this.

Daniel seconded the motion. All in favor.

6. Candlelight meeting Saturday night at 10 pm -

Luke motioned. John seconded. All in favor.

7. Water heater -

Motion made by Drew to get a water heater to feed the kitchen sink so that we may have warm water for birthday night. Not to spend more than \$200-300. Daniel seconded. Daniel will install. Drew said to get approval from the landlord before voting. Daniel seconded. All in favor.

8. Ballisters, lights: Mike made a motion to replace them (Jim was doing it before). Last time, they cost \$35/piece or \$230 for all. Eric will contact Jim.

Mike motioned to settle money amount on \$300 to fix the lights. Kate seconded. All in favor.

9. Book Study on Thursday night: Jennifer D. made a motion to switch the book study from Saturday at 6:30 to Thursday at 6:30, & make the Saturday meeting a discussion meeting.

Maggie seconded. All in favor.

10. Picture frame for EVERYONE who has died: Ginger mentioned for all to have one, no matter the condition of their death. Darol suggested vote on motion, John seconded.

9 in favor, 9 opposed. Motion died.

11. Add additional rooms: Daniel motioned to put up a wall & a door. Tammy brought up talking to the landlord. Mark said if we leave, we have to take all things down & put it back the way we found it.

Donovan made a motion to table this until we find out about costs & approval from the landlord. Mark will contact the landlord. All in favor of tabling.

12. Guided Meditation meeting: Mike mentioned that the meeting is not an AA meeting. Daniel suggested to bring the meeting back by speaking to the leader. Dwayne volunteered to speak to the leader.

All in favor.

13. Birthday night time limit: Carol brought this up. John spoke about the giver of the chip taking too long. Brian said to leave under discretion of birthday committee. Donovan motioned to change the format of birthday night that the person who gives the chip sits after giving it & the one's getting a chip share briefly.

Proposal to let birthday committee handle it. Seconded by John. All in favor.

14. Process group unity: Chair of meeting can request a person to leave. Daniel said we should do a letter to this person AFTER we talk to the person: 1. Seek the person out. 2. Seek

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the sponsor of the person out. 3. Put something on the board to meet with this person.

Brad seconded. Almost all in favor, 1 opposed. Motion passed.

15. Alanon Telge Road & AA Telge Road Women's meeting M/T/Th/F at 10 at the Cypress Group: Patty brought this up.

Maggie seconded. All in favor.

16. Donate to intergroup more: Drew proposed 1 time 75% to Intergroup, 25% to World Services. The Treasurer will be responsible to handle the donation.

Daniel seconded. All in favor.

17. Announcement: Nominate Marcia & Meagan for the Birthday Committee.

Drew seconded. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.