

March 08, 2022 Intergroup Business Meeting

Mission Statement: The primary purpose of the Intergroup is to make the Alcoholics Anonymous program of recovery available and accessible to all alcoholics, and to promote unity and mutual support among all member groups.

1. Open Meeting with Serenity Prayer**2. 3rd Tradition and Tradition Checklist Reading – Bud****3. 3rd Concept Reading and Concept Checklist- Adrian****4. Introductions-****a. Steering Committee:**

Quianna B.	Chair
Terry L.	Co-Chair
James	Treasurer
Holly	Secretary
Cyndee R.	Office Manager
Robbin	Sr. Advisor
Paul	Advisor
Megan	Advisor
Bud	Advisor
Adrian B.	Advisor

b. New Intergroup Representatives**c. Information Sheet****5. Remarks and Announcements by the Chairperson- Quianna B.**

a. Just a reminder, please try to keep your Reports and or Announcements to 2-3mins to try to minimize the length of the meeting.

6. Previous Month's Minutes—February**7. General Service Liaison (Area) – Terry**

a. Report

8. Treasurer Report- James

a. Balance Sheet, P&L for Budget Performance, Group Contributions

9. 7th Tradition – Read “Self-Support” (Green) card**10. Central Office Report- Cyndee R.**

a. Statistics, Volunteer Opportunities
 b. Announcements
 c. Filling Cabinet
 d. TAS (Telephone Answering System)

11. Event Committee Liaisons:

a. 2022 Anniversary	Holly, Bud & Robbin*
b. 2022 Summer Round-Up	Quianna B., Robbin B. & Terry
c. 2022 SRI Alcothon	Adrian, Megan, James & Paul

12. Old Business:**13. New Business:****14. SRI Standing Committee Report**

a. Archives	Rosemary
b. PI/CPC	Terry L.

- c. Meeting Update Committee
- d. Grapevine

Holly
Megan

15. H&I- www.vwhi.org

- a. *Leslie JW- report included in this packet.*

16. Birthdays:

17. Close

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Tradition 3:

Tradition Three (short form) States: The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.

Bill W. clearly felt that no alcoholic could be excluded from membership in A.A.. Early A.A. groups had all sort of membership rules and Bill W. found the need to clarify the membership issue more clearly in numerous writings so our primary purpose could be fulfilled.

In the 12 x12 on tradition three, Bill noted that each newcomer is to “decide himself whether he was an alcoholic and whether he should join us” and “For A.A. is really saying to every serious drinker, you are an A.A. member if you say so” and “any alcoholic is a member of our society when he says so.”

The elephant in the room and most controversial has to do with people having problems other than alcohol becoming members. Individual interpretation of the short form statement seems to be the crux of ongoing controversy in the fellowship of who can be an A.A. member. Misunderstanding can take place anytime only a portion of a more complete writing on a subject is relied upon. Without considering the long form of tradition three, the short form can be taken out of context. The long form of tradition three states “Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism.”

Bill also wrote about alcoholics having other afflictions and non-alcoholics having other afflictions being members. The pamphlet “Problems Other Than Alcohol” approved for publication by our democratic society service process, clearly speaks directly to our third tradition.

I’m a lot of things, but my physical reaction to booze and my obsessive relationship to it, grants me membership in A.A. as an alcoholic by me.

Bud C

1. Is there some kind of alcoholic whom I privately do not want in my AA group?
2. When someone turns up at AA needing information or help (even if he can’t ask for it aloud), does it really matter to me what he does for a living? Where he lives? What his domestic arrangements are? Whether he had been to AA before? What his other problems are?

Concept 3:

As a traditional means of creating and maintaining a clearly defined working relation between the groups, the Conference, the A.A. General Service Board and its several service corporations, staffs, committees and executives, and of thus insuring their effective leadership, it is here suggested that we endow each of these elements of world service with a traditional “Right of Decision.

You should be familiar with the Conference Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board as background for this Concept, both of which are found in The A.A. Service Manual. For, except for the specific directions in these documents, every trusted servant and every A.A. entity — at all levels of service — has the right “to decide . . . how they will interpret and apply their own authority and responsibility to each particular problem or situation as it arises.” That is, they can “decide which problems they will dispose of themselves and upon which matters they will report, consult, or ask specific directions.” This is “the essence of ‘The Right of Decision.’” But this right also means the Fellowship must have trust in its “trusted servants.” If the groups instruct their G.S.R.s rather than giving them a “Right of Decision,” then the area conference is hamstrung. If the G.S.R.s instruct the

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area delegates rather than giving them a "Right of Decision," then the General Service Conference is hamstrung. As Bill points out, "our Conference delegates are primarily the servants of A.A. as they should . . . cast their votes . . . according to the best dictates of their own judgment and conscience at that time." Similarly, if the General Service Board, acting through its subsidiary boards, "were to attempt to manage" the General Service Office and the AA Grapevine "in detail, then . . . the staff members . . . would quickly become demoralized; they would be turned into buck-passers and rubber stamps; their choice would be to rebel and resign, or to submit and rot." Bill warns against using "The Right of Decision" as an excuse for failure to make the proper reports of actions taken; or for exceeding a clearly defined authority; or for failing to consult the proper people before making an important decision. But he concludes: "Our entire A.A. program rests squarely upon the principle of mutual trust. We trust God, we trust A.A., and we trust each other.

From Twelve Concepts for World Service Illustrated Pamphlet

Question

Do we understand what is meant by the "Right of Decision"? Do we grant it at all levels of service or do we instruct?

Central Office- Cyndee R.:

In Office Phone

Hello everyone

Presently, we have a full volunteer staff at Central Office. I am so grateful for the volunteers, THANK YOU!! Please update your meetings including Zoom codes and passwords with Central Office. It's important so can we provide current information to the Alcoholic who asks for help!! Email changes to: info@sriphoenix.org or meetings@aaphoenix.org.

Filing Cabinet

We are working on our April's issue and are accepting stories for ALL MONTHS. We are in need of stories from our local AA community here in Phoenix. If you would like to write a story, please email it to info@sriphoenix.org. The deadline is the 20th of every month.

TAS (Telephone Answering System) – After Hour Phones


After hour phones are answered by many dedicated volunteers to insure there is always someone to answer the call for anyone needing the hand of AA in the valley (phones get transferred to your home or cell phone). It is recommended that you have one year of continuous sobriety and have worked your twelve steps. We have **Saturday's 11p-6a available** To keep these phone lines answered we really need your help!!! If interested, please contact Central Office at (602)264.1374 and ask for Sandy, or visit our website www.aaphoenix.org/service-get-involved/telephone-answering-service.

Please remind groups to buy literature & chips from SRI office to help support your local AA Intergroup so that we can keep the hand of A.A. there for all who need it.


We have approx. 1,600 meetings per week here in the Valley. Approx. 700 of those meetings are registered with us, Salt River Intergroup. Approx. 275 are registered with Agua Fria Intergroup and approx. 500 are registered with East Valley Intergroup.

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January Phone Stats

	This Month	Last Month	
Total Help Line Calls:	587	529	11%

December WEB Stats:

	This Month	Last Month	
Total Sessions:	17185	15,812	8.68%
	This Month	Last Month	
New Visitor	70.6%	71.8%	
Returning Visitor	29.4%	28.2%	

Sessions by Acquisition	This Month	Last Month
Organic Search:	66.4%	66.2%
Direct	29.9%	30.1%
Referral	3.01%	3.36%
Social	0.73%	0.30%

Sessions by Device	This Month	Last Month
Mobile	68.1%	68.2%
Desktop	30.1%	29.8%
Tablet	1.83%	2.04%

Intergroup Representative to Home Group

Bringing Information *from* Salt River Intergroup to your Home Group

My name is _____, I am your Intergroup Representative for this Group. This is my monthly report on the actions and activities within our local Intergroup Office (Salt River Intergroup).

Everyone is invited to attend any Intergroup Business Meeting. The Intergroup Business Meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month at 7pm via Zoom. Please contact Central Office for Zoom code and password, info@sriphoenix.org.

SRI Central Office is open from 900 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Office is closed on Holidays.

Some of the items discussed and motions/ actions at the Intergroup level were:

We need to take a group conscience on:

You may be interested in the following coming events (see announcement sheet):

Event	Location	Date
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You are encouraged to become involved with one of the many service committees and projects sponsored through the Salt River Intergroup. Please see me after the meeting if you need information or if you have any questions regarding my report.

Flyers are available, or you can visit the Intergroups website at www.aaphoenix.org

Thank you for allowing me to be of service!

Additional notes:

Intergroup Representative Information *about* Home Group
 Bringing *back information* to the Salt River Intergroup/Central Office

Group Name:	Location:
Meeting Times/Days:	
Average Attendance:	Average # of Newcomers (lt 90 days):
Business Meeting is:	

Intergroup Rep & Alt Intergroup Rep Contact Information	
Rep:	Alt Rep:
Phone:	Phone:
Email:	Email:

The Steering Committee provides direction and sets policy for Central Office, the Standing Committees and Special Event Committees. How can the SRI Steering Committee better serve your group? What specific Service Workshops would you be interested in attending (Intergroup Representative, Volunteering with SRI, Answering Twelve-Step Calls, Understanding AA Traditions, Understanding AA Concepts, etc.)? .

How can the Central Office better serve your group?

Any group events coming up soon? Or anything new at your group?

Other:

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Business Meeting
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Open Meeting with Serenity Prayer

2nd Tradition and Tradition Checklist Reading – Bud

2nd Concept Reading and Concept Checklist Reading – Adrian

Mission Statement - Quianna

Introduction of Steering Committee

New Intergroup Reps – Vikki Sunnyslope; Michael Casual Nooners; John Pinnacle Peak Gang; Lisa Thompson Peak Gang; Taylor; Allan Artists in Recovery; Paul Saturday Night Live; Pit Zoom Cactus Study Group; David 1008.

Introduction to pgs. 5 – 6 of the IG packet for communication of information to and from Home Groups.

Number of attendees – 55

Remarks and Announcements by the Chair – Quianna

Previous Month's Minutes – pgs. 7 – 8 of the IG packet. Motion to accept: Barry. Seconded: Ron. 37 accept.

General Service Liaison (Area) – Terry – Yuma roundup 2/12-13.

Treasurer Report – James – pgs. 9 – 11 of the IG packet.

7th Tradition – Self Support Card – Quianna

Central Office Report – Cyndee – pg. 4 of the IG packet.

Event Committee Liaison

2022 Anniversary – Holly, Bud, Robbin* – Venue has been secured. Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. 4455 East Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley. May 7, 2022. Maximum attendance 240. Committee meets every Thursday at Central Office and via Zoom. Fred updated on caterer bids, requests for volunteers. Update website to reflect current status of this years meeting.

2022 Summer Round Up – Quianna, Terry, Robbin – golfcarts secured. Committee meetings will start in March – every other week.

2022 SRI Alcothon – Adrian, Paul, Megan, James – no report

Old Business –

PRASSA – Barry motioned to support request of \$15 for registration and \$85 contribution to PRASSA. Rob seconded. 42 accept.

Prudent Reserve – Motion to raise prudent reserve to 6 months, make a \$5000 contribution to GSO, revisit in October for additional contribution opportunities to GSO. Jerry motioned. Mark seconded. 20 accept, 2 no, 5 abstention.

Minority opinions: group split on the three items included in the motion, holding on to too much money; suggested an ad hoc committee for this situation. Motion carried.

Central Office Saturday Hours – personnel limitations prohibit opening in the immediate. Steering Committee continues to look at options to address the need.

New Business -

SRI Standing Committee Report

Archives – Rosemary – tabled

PI/CPC - Terry - tabled

Meeting Update Committee – Holly – tabled

Grapevine – Megan – tabled

H & I – Leslie – volunteers needed.

Birthdays: Cass 10, Barrie 30,

Motion to close: Quianna

Salt River Intergroup, Inc.
Balance Sheet

	<u>Feb 28, 22</u>	<u>Jan 31, 22</u>	<u>% Change</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
General Fund	25,908.04	59,542.38	-56.5%
Prudent Reserve Fund	66,565.08	40,037.17	66.3%
Total Checking/Savings	92,473.12	99,579.55	-7.1%
Other Current Assets	25,758.45	25,847.10	-0.3%
Total Current Assets	118,231.57	125,426.65	-5.7%
Fixed Assets	10,443.95	10,657.71	-2.0%
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>128,675.52</u>	<u>136,084.36</u>	<u>-5.4%</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Equity			
Funds Balance	134,286.56	134,286.56	0.0%
Net Income	-5,611.04	1,797.80	-412.1%
Total Equity	128,675.52	136,084.36	-5.4%
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>128,675.52</u>	<u>136,084.36</u>	<u>-5.4%</u>

Salt River Intergroup, Inc.
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
February 2022

	<u>Feb 22</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Jan - Feb 22</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
Contributions					
Group Contributions	9,610.47	6,000.00	17,566.43	14,000.00	81,000.00
Individual Contributions	815.90	250.00	1,146.15	500.00	3,000.00
Total Contributions	10,426.37	6,250.00	18,712.58	14,500.00	84,000.00
Store Income	6,681.25	6,255.00	13,749.85	12,510.00	75,110.00
Non Store Income	24.41	25.35	24.75	50.70	304.20
Total Income	17,132.03	12,530.35	32,487.18	27,060.70	159,414.20
Cost of Goods Sold	3,783.69	3,995.00	8,120.39	7,990.00	47,960.00
Gross Profit	13,348.34	8,535.35	24,366.79	19,070.70	111,454.20
Expense					
Ordinary Expenses	5,373.19	4,448.49	8,992.55	8,516.98	53,468.73
Employee Expenses	5,266.39	6,579.33	10,867.68	13,158.66	80,801.96
Committee Expense	5,100.00	0.00	5,100.00	0.00	2,250.00
Total Expense	15,739.58	11,027.82	24,960.23	21,675.64	136,520.69
Net Ordinary Income	-2,391.24	-2,492.47	-593.44	-2,604.94	-25,066.49
Other Income/Expense					
Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	95,000.00
Other Expense					
Alcothon Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,400.00
Anniversary Expense	2,897.60	1,600.00	2,897.60	1,600.00	5,000.00
General Event Expense	0.00	80.00	0.00	160.00	1,000.00
Round-up Expense	2,120.00	0.00	2,120.00	0.00	55,000.00
Total Other Expense	5,017.60	1,680.00	5,017.60	1,760.00	73,400.00
Net Other Income	-5,017.60	-1,680.00	-5,017.60	-1,760.00	21,600.00
Net Income	-7,408.84	-4,172.47	-5,611.04	-4,364.94	-3,466.49

Group #	Group Name	FEB	YTD
5221	11 AT 7		266.00
1900	12 AND 12 (CAREFREE)		185.50
5491	12 O'CLOCK GANG		300.00
1087	6 P.M. HAPPY HOUR (LAMBDA)		163.21
1211	6:00 RUSH HOUR (CROSS ROADS)	200.00	200.00
1700	A.A. SAFE PLACE		116.95
5420	Before Breakfast Club Virtual	7.00	7.00
6168	BEYOND THE FIRST MIRACLE		363.54
1510	BIRDS OF A FEATHER	107.00	107.00
6106	BRUNCH BUNCH		60.00
5402	BYOChair	100.00	300.00
1080	CAREFREE WILDLIFE		45.00
5070	CELEBRATE LIFE	160.00	160.00
5271	CROSSROADS TO HEAVEN	250.00	250.00
5127	DOG TIRED MEN'S STAG		300.00
2706	FREEDOM HOUR	600.00	600.00
5388	FRIDAY NIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE		150.00
5188	GRAPEVINE Meeting	41.00	172.92
6221	HAPPY VALLEY EAST		78.25
1109	HEARTFELT GROUP		250.00
5404	HOW IT WORKS	600.00	600.00
5104	IN-BETWEENERS		100.00
6061	KNUCKLEHEADS		452.90
5122	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART		100.00
1514	LET'S TALK ABOUT IT	392.00	639.39
5297	LIVING IN THE SOLUTION		75.00
3114	LUNCH BUNCH (CROSSROADS)		294.00
1092	MENS 4PM MONDAY MEETING	123.01	123.01
5111	Mens Attitude Adjustment	1,500.00	1,500.00
1204	Mid City Group	154.84	154.84
1008	MONDAY MORNING LADIES STEP MEETING	49.00	49.00
2003	MONDAY NIGHT B.B. STEP STUDY		499.85
5350	MOON VALLEY WOMENS BREAKFAST MEETING	70.00	70.00
5360	MY FRIENDS PROMISE	484.85	484.85
5348	NEW RIVER STRAIGHT LIFE		241.59
5286	New Vision Group		24.50
5498	No Sniveling Offshoot	844.14	1,154.15
5209	NOONERS GROUP	250.00	500.00
6034	NORTH SCOTTSDALE STEP STUDY		65.00
6214	ON AWAKENING	300.00	300.00

0007	OTHER 7TH TRADITION	50.75	50.75
1159	PATHFINDERS	25.00	50.00
2820	PINNACLE PEAK GANG		159.75
2824	PUTTIN' SOBER		633.35
5416	Quit-N-Time	200.00	200.00
5200	RAIN OR SHINE	900.00	900.00
5411	RIO VISTA GROUP		43.50
5204	S.I.S. AFTERNOON DELIGHT	75.00	75.00
6031	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY	353.72	353.72
5439	Sisters of Zoom	200.00	200.00
5106	SOBER SISTERS		293.00
1203	SUNDAY MORNING ELEVEN AM	300.00	300.00
1060	Sunnyslope Happy Hour		348.10
2823	SUNRISE SERENITY	396.80	396.80
6006	Thompson Peak Gang		300.00
5280	VALLEY ALANO CLUB	300.00	300.00
1152	WAY OUT OF THE BOTTLE		500.00
1251	WE CHOSE LIFE		68.65
2105	WINNERS GROUP		100.00
2803	WOMAN BY THE BOOK		274.00
1100	WOMEN SHARING IN RECOVERY	91.36	91.36
5496	ZOOM CACTUS STUDY GROUP	450.00	450.00
5494	ZOOMS Best When Read	35.00	35.00
		9,610.47	17,626.43

Valley-wide Hospitals and Institutions
SRI Liaison Report February 2022

There is an Experience, Strength and Hope Writing Workshop to be held on Saturday, April 9, from 11am-1pm on Zoom.

Writing about your ES&H doing institutions work and/or hearing the message in an institution. Stories are being collected for future posting on the VWHI Web site. You could also write a story to contribute to the Grapevine or a newsletter.

Go to vwhi.org/announcements for the flyer and more information.

There will be a Corrections Workshop on Saturday, June 11, from 11am to 1pm on Zoom. The workshop is for all corrections coordinators, volunteers and prospective volunteers. Bring your sponsees. The flier with details is on the Announcements page.

Also, the Treatment Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, July 16, from 11am to 1pm online. The workshop is for all treatment coordinators, volunteers and prospective volunteers. Bring your sponsees. The flier with details is on the Announcements page.

To get involved with Valley-wide Hospitals and Institutions go to-
<https://vwhi.org>

Thank-you for allowing me to be of service,

Leslie J.W.

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