

Nicotine Anonymous

Intergroup Minutes for Oct. 17

Minutes of the Southern California Intergroup of Nicotine Anonymous meeting held on Oct. 17, 1998 at White Memorial Hospital.

Chair Hew opened the meeting at 10:15 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Delegates introduced themselves, their groups and the length of their sobriety.

Tradition 10 was read by Jean L. who told how NA members who concentrate on eliminating nicotine from their lives don't get involved in matters that do not pertain to sobriety.

Chair's Report. Hew started out by turning the meeting over to Matt T. for a report on the NAWS 1999 International Conference to be hosted by SCINA April 16-18, at the Holiday Inn in Costa Mesa. The title for the conference has been changed -- it is now "Serenity in the Sun" -- and while our literature still identified the Holiday Inn at Costa Mesa as the site for the event, Matt said that we're dickering with the Double Tree (used to be the Red Lion) and it has much better accommodations and the cost might drop to \$55 per night, double occupancy. Matt said 11 volunteers have already signed up to help operate the conference. He said that because the World Service Organization has been dragging its feet, all of our committees are in a "wait" mode. It doesn't mean we can't get started on some of the chores, like pre-registration, pre-pay for registration and putting some committee chores out front. Pre-pay deadline is Dec. 31. He said he would be calling a planning meeting in about two weeks. One member said decorations need to be on the list since Jacqueline said specifically that she would not be doing it. Matt said that he was working from his notes and from the notes of Joe S. (absent in Dallas for the NAWS meeting). Phil said that he now has \$60 in the SCINA Conference Fund. M/S/C to add another \$150 to the SCINA Conference Fund.

Hew then read the secretary's minutes for the September meeting and did a swell job of it.

M/S/C to approve the secretary's report. The acting secretary noted that the minutes for the August meeting had never been read or approved, suggested that everyone take a couple of minutes to check them out and then urged their approval.

M/S/C to approve the August minutes.

Committee reports:

Public Outreach — George L. reported disappointment with getting turndowns from secretaries or contact people for calling hospitals or other agencies for NA outreach. Still trying but wants some help from other members. He wants calls from people who might help.

Communications — Mary D. was absent due to surgery.

New Meetings — Jean L. Still updating all the materials. She reported no inquiries about starting new meetings.

Registration/Meeting Directory — Joe S. was in Dallas for NAWS meeting.

Literature — Wilson K. had a stack of NA Big Books. He sold about 10 or so. And he had a lot of literature and chips.

Old business:

Really old business. We're still waiting on NAWS for direction of next April's meet.

New business:

Hew asked a rhetorical question about a possible change in meeting date. Matt said it probably wouldn't alter the speed with which NAWS moves. Subject put on hold for a month.

For Nov. 15 SCINA meeting at White Memorial, Matt agreed to present Tradition 11 and George agreed to provide refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

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Long Beach Groups 12, 194.