

OCCA REGULAR GSO MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 4TH, 2025

****NO SMOKING OR VAPING ON CHURCH PROPERTY****

- ⇒ **Chairperson:** calls the meeting to order, requesting all cell phones be turned off or silenced.
- ⇒ **Chairperson:** calls on an addict to read: **“The Twelve Traditions”**
- Jen C read “The Twelve Traditions”
- ⇒ **Chairperson:** calls on an addict to report on Tradition #1
- Mathew M. did the report on Tradition 1 which states: “Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon C.A. unity.”
- ⇒ **Chairperson** asks for an addict to give a report on the 2nd Tradition for next month.
- Nolan O volunteers to give a report on 2nd tradition

GSO Meeting 2025 Dates: January 4th, February 1st, March 1st, April 5th, May 3rd, June 7th, July 12th, August 2nd, September 6th, October 4th, November 1st, and December 6th.

Location: Orange Coast Unitarian Universalist Church 2845 Mesa Verde Dr. E Costa Mesa CA, 92627 Suite 8

ARE THERE ANY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS?

- Ron D. had 21 years on 1/19/03.

- ⇒ **Chairperson:** entertains a motion to affirm the new GSRs or confirm a new meeting, if any, as Directors of OCCA and arrange for them to receive a new GSRs packet.
- New Meetings Petitioning to Join Area:** None
- New GSRs:** Jessica M for Lighthouse and Angelina T for Starting Point
- ⇒ **Secretary:** prepares to call role and reminds members that “During Roll Call, when you hear your name, announce “Present”, your current Position (if carrying more than one, state positions following this precedent: Officer, Delegate/Alternate, Committee Chairperson, GSR.) and if you are carrying a Proxy vote. If you are a proxy, please announce your principal for the record.”
- ⇒ **Secretary:** calls the roll and announces quorum.
- Present:** Chris J, Melanie R.G., Neelam A, Betsy L, Steve C, Alonzo M, Nolan O, Liz M, Gina G, Jason S, Jenn C, Carlo P, Mathew M, Jose A, Nick B, Ron D, Angel G, Matt A, Evan L, Celia T, Alex G, Frank P.
- Absent:** Anthony D, Daniel S., Bruce W., Matt S., Kathy W.,
- Quorum: 22 present 14 quorum**
- ⇒ **Secretary:** Passes the Master Contact list for any changes or updates to the Roll, Schedule, and Website.
- ⇒ **Chairperson:** entertains a motion to accept the minutes for the last GSO meeting.
- **A member made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. Seconded. Passes the motion unanimously**
- ⇒ **Parliamentarian:** reminds members to “To keep things orderly, when wishing to engage in debate/make motions, you will be placed on a list after being acknowledged by the chair, it will then be your turn to debate or make motions when you are called upon relative to your spot on the list. When in debate, please state if you are in favor, not in favor, or asking a question. For any questions of procedure, call for a Point of Parliamentary Inquiry (waiting till someone is done speaking) to ask the Parliamentarian directly.”

BOARD OFFICER'S REPORTS

⇒ Chairperson's Report - Chris J.- 714.713.8280

- Report: Chairperson Chris J reported that per his conversation with the secretary and vice chair he has taken out the preamble and the report on the concepts to save some time.

⇒ Vice-Chairperson's Report -Melanie R.G.- 714.675.2731

- Report: No Report

⇒ Secretary's Report -Neelam A. - 559.306.4551

- Report: Secretary Neelam A passed around a survey to see if we still want to continue having hard copies of the agenda and minutes to save OCCA some money.

⇒ Treasurer's Report -Betsy L.- 949.220.2504

- Report:
 - Previous Balance \$1275.97
 - Donations \$22.94
 - Disbursements \$822.68
 - Ending Balance \$3747.29**
- **Treasurer:** will ask for 7th tradition donations.
 - OCCA Venmo ID: @betsy-Lyons-1 949.220.3504

⇒ Vice-Treasurer's Report -Donovan B.- 949.910.0901

- Report: Absent

⇒ Structure and Bylaws Officer's Report -Steve C.- 714.330.0416

- Report: Structure and Bylaws Officer turns it over to his Vice Chair Matt A for the report. Internal house keeping is being done on the S&B document and is posted. In the S&B WhatsApp for anyone who is interested. Hard copies will be available in the near future. The next meeting will be on March 15th at 9am for anyone who would like to join.

⇒ Archivist's Report -Alonzo M.- 714.715.0405

- Report: No Report

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

⇒ Group Relations Committee - Nolan O.- 407.687.8656

- Report: No Report

⇒ Hotline Committee - Jason S. - 818.263.3500

- Report:
 - Total Calls: 12
 - Avg Duration: 1 minute 20 seconds
 - Longest Call: 6 minutes and 10 seconds
 - Voicemails: 0.
- Webservant Subcommittee:

⇒ Hospitals and Institutions Committee - Liz M. - 714.266.4081

- Report: Liz M reports that there are hard copies of the panel rosters available for the taking. An electronic copy will also be available on the H&I Speakers Group on WhatsApp. In that chat there will be a hard copy of a list of names and numbers for people who want to speak on panels. If anyone is able to add whoever is willing to speak on a panel. It is suggested 6 months to speak and 3 months to speak on a panel. We have a open position which is for H&I activities if anyone is interested. The requirement for this position is one year of continuous and variety requirement 6 months prior to transition and this is a one-year commitment. There has also been a request made to either give a portion of the 7th tradition to H&I or have a 2nd basket for H&I donations at the meetings.
- Liz M makes a motion for \$206.80 for little big books. Neelam A.seconded. Motion passes unanimously

⇒ **Public Information Committee** - Jose A.- 714.615.1167

- Report: Nothing to report.

⇒ **Social Media Subcommittee Report:** -Angel G.- 714.369.4813

- Report:
- **Angel G. makes a motion for \$30 for ad boots. A member seconded. Motion passes unanimously.**

⇒ **CPC Subcommittee Report:** - Jenn C. - 714.605.0322

Request for Funds: \$0

⇒ **Unity Committee** - Jenn C. - 714.605.0322

- Report: Jenn C. invites anyone who would like the unity meeting on January 8th at 8:30pm to talk about upcoming events and work together.
- Request for funds: none at this time

⇒ **Activities Subcommittee** - Vacant

Report:

⇒ **Literature Committee** - Matthew M. - 714.585.1829

- Report: Mathew M reports that we do not need literature at this time
Number of Sales: \$ 252
Request for Funds: \$ 0

⇒ **Workshop Committee** -Nick B.- 949.382.9288

- Report: Nick B shares that December was a good workshop. Next workshop is going to be January 18th the registration cut off being January 15th. \$25 covers breakfast, lunch, and materials needed for the workshop. Workshops starts at 8am and is over around 2pm.

**Capo Beach Church: 25976 Domingo Ave, Dana Point, CA 92624
Call Nick B. 949.382.9288**

⇒ **Chip Committee** -Carlo P.- 714.587.1258

- Report: Carlo P reported that the newcomer and 30 day chips will in the mail on Monday (January 6th)
Amount of Sales: \$140
Request for Funds: \$0

WORLD SERVICE DELEGATES

⇒ **DELEGATE** -Nolan O.- 407.687.8656

- Report: Nolan shared that he is on the PI World Service Committee and represents the North American outreach chair for that committee. He is going to update his quarterly report. A goal he has is to make a spreadsheet that people can update. He shared that he has been keeping up with the zoom meetings.

⇒ **DELEGATE** -Steve C.- 714.330.0416

- Report: Steve C reported that he was able to finish the World Service Manual. Steve is also the Structure and Bylaws Vice Chair for World Service and reported that new WSM will be ready next month.

⇒ **DELEGATE** -Melanie R.G.- 714.675.2731

- Report: Melanie R.G. reported that she was able to attend the Pacific South Region meeting and that there was continued clarification in regards to how many delegates we get to have according to the number of meetings we have. She shared she also sits on the Literature, Chips and Format Committee. The World Service Board of Trustees has asked them to prioritize the glossary of terms in relation to CA to help people work their steps and understand the common terms we use in CA. The committee has also been working towards updating Tradition 11 in the places where it appears in our literature. Anything that is already printed will still be used but anything new that comes out will have the revised change to the 11th tradition "all public media". The World Service Office was notified that there's a -bootleg copy of the companion guide going around. Melanie R.G. asks all to keep an eye out for anyone breaking this copyright infringement.

⇒ **ALTERNATE** -Liz M.- 714.266.4081

- Report: Liz M reported that she is part of the H&I committee at World Service and the Lifeline Committee. The next meeting will be on January 8th where they will be updating the lifelines guidelines and working with outreach.

⇒ **ALTERNATE** -Gina G.- 657.465.8178

- Report: No Report

BUSINESS

⇒ **Old Business**

1. Robert's Rules Workshop –Steve C.
 - Report: There was a discussion about having a Robert's Rules Workshop in February, but the date has not been finalized yet. More information to come.

⇒ **New Business**

- Start planning for Celebrate Around the World (CATW) event the first Saturday in March (Unity Committee)
 - Jenn C entertained the idea of having this event in the middle so it can be accessible for everyone in the OC area. This is just a thought which is going to be further discussed at the unity meeting.
 - Ron D inquired about the shirts to see if the annual year of the Chili Cook Off be added to the shirt design
 - Nick B mentioned that the Chili Cook Off is currently scheduled as the same day as the GSO (more to be discussed at the unity meeting)
- Preliminary budgets approved as needed.
 - Topic was discussed earlier. Decision was made to have all budget plans submitted by the next GSO
- 3rd week of the month is CPC Week (PI Committee)
 - More info to come during PI committee meeting
- Make sure meetings of the month (Change-for-Change) schedule is set for the year.
 - Nolan O shares that a calendar has been made for change for change which starts in April. All that is left is to line up speakers.
 - Nolan O asks if this event can be done at the "Wednesday Noon Miracle Meeting"?
 - A member of that meeting said they will get back in touch with an answer
 - Nolan O asks if this event can be done at the "Dramatic Addict" meeting
 - A member brought up that this meeting takes place in someone's house and treatment centers would not be to attend so best not to add this meeting on the "Change for Change" calendar
 - Nolan O asks if we want to this for our online meetings
 - It was agreed to see what this would look like during the unity meeting.
- **Betsy L made a motion to pay our accountant \$400 that did our taxes.Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Nick B makes a motion to donate \$200 to World Service. Seconded.Motion passed unanimously.**

⇒ **Chairperson** entertains a motion to Adjourn

- A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously
- Upon adjournment, Chairperson calls for a moment of silent meditation and requests an individual to lead the GSO in a prayer of their choice
- Frank P is called upon to lead us out in a prayer of this choice which he dedicated to Matt and his brother

Meeting Adjourned At 11