

## AIS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES – January 15, 2022

**OPENING:** Suzanne R. , Chairman, opened the meeting promptly at 9:05 a.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. A quorum was established: 5 Directors present.

### REPORTS:

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Barbara Joan reported that we still have no "Office Manager" but we are fortunate to have "angels". Gloria is giving generously of her time and probably undercharging for her time commitment. She helps Barbara a lot as does Suzanne – another of our angels. Barbara also submitted a "Reconciliation Detail" report. The checking account balance on 12/31/2020 was \$2009.35 compared to this year the balance on 12/31/21 was \$2798.42. Barbara pointed out that our office manager expense was very low and Liaison travel was zero. Our savings account balance on 12/31/21 was \$734.66 which has not changed.

#### **Chairman's Report:** (a combined Office report as well)

Suzanne thanked Friends of Lois for hosting the meeting and also a special thanks to Joan R. for opening her home once again – basically becoming our unofficial "Al-Anon house".

Since the office is closed for 3 weeks in the last quarter of the year there hasn't been much happening. The office is open 3 mornings a week: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 – 12:30 pm. And open only 1 afternoon on Thursdays. We still need more people to use quickbooks. Our volunteers are Ginger Q., Diane R., Suzanne and Sue L. Sue L. has also created a system for lining up the call forwarding volunteers, which has been very helpful. Volunteers have been very generously donating their time for that 5 – day period.

We are now accepting credit card payments at the bookstore. Nina will be training the volunteers to use the system and the goal is to have all purchasing done online.

Gloria S. continues to help with the bookkeeping and is training Suzanne to do simple QuickBooks entries.

There have been no literature orders recently.

Nina and Suzanne are planning a work day at the bookstore to clean and reorganize closets, move cabinets, get rid of empty boxes and other miscellaneous chores. They will be requesting help from the group.

Suzanne expressed her appreciation for serving as AIS chairman but regretfully announced she won't be able to serve a second term due to health issues.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

Suzanne submitted 2 corrections to the minutes concerning Lottie's second term. Her term actually ends in April 2022. And Nina is serving until 12/23. Barbara Joan made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Angela H. seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

**Committee and Liaison Reports:**

Office Report: See Suzanne's report above.

AI SL: Barbara G. reported the new Beacon is not out yet so she shared information for the old Beacon. They will never change the gender in the Steps, Traditions and content. She reminded us of the 3 obstacles to success: Religion, Dominance and Gossip. The original ODAT was written by one woman and the wording will never be changed in ODAT and Dilemma of Alcoholic Marriage. There is a new daily mediation book in the works – hopefully to be available at the Al-Anon International meeting – 2023. There is a new service manual coming out as well.

Ecommerce committee: No report.

Fund Raiser: No report.

Webmaster: No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Audit committee has not met yet but will have a report for the April meeting.

Suzanne is still looking for a Nominating Committee Chairman.

Raffle items to be discussed at the District meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2022 Budget:** The Committee of Nina and Barbara Joan will present the 2022 budget at our next meeting.

Next Meeting: April 9<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 am; Hosted by Listen and Learn at the home of Angela, 410 Bryant Blvd., Bridge City, TX 77611

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.