

JULY MINUTES

OC Intergroup Body Meeting

Wednesday July 8, 2026, 7:00 PM

Opening - Call to Order -Serenity Prayer – Meeting called to order by Mikayla T. at 7:00 PM

Welcome to the Body meeting of the Orange County Intergroup Association of Alcoholics Anonymous

1. Readings:

- a. Twelve Traditions – John*
- b. Statement of Purpose - Melanie*
- c. Tradition Presentation –Tradition 7 - Ashley*
- d. Volunteer - Tradition 8 for August - Luis*
- e. Concept Presentation – Concept 7 - James*
- f. Volunteer – Concept 8 for August - Jim*
- g. Pamphlet Presentation – Ron – Questions and Answers on Sponsorship*
- h. Volunteer – Pamphlet Presentation for August- Young People in AA*

2. Mikayla - Board Member Roll Call

Present – Chair-Mikayla T., Vice Chair - Mike M., Secretary – Terri L., Treasurer - Ryan H., Lifeline - Matt D., Group Relations- Josh; Technology-Ian S., Central Office Liaison – Nichole R.; Central Office Manager - Skip K.

Absent – Special Events-C.J. D., Public Information - Brittany H.

3. Josh O. Group Relations - Introduction of new reps and other attendees.

- a. New Intergroup Reps* – Cindy-Monday 12:00noon Women’s as Bill Sees It at St. Wilfrid’s in H.B.; Frank- 6:00am 7 days a week in Lake Forest Attitude Adjustment; Gabriela 6:00pm Beginner’s 12x12 Westminster; Astrid-Wednesday 6:30 Indescribably Wonderful; Eric-Saturday 7:00am, Men’s 10th Step Study in Dana Point; Luis- Sunday Sharing 10:00am at How Hall H.B.; Steve-Saturday 8:00am Black Print Only in San Juan Capistrano; Mon-Fri; Zoom Daily Reflections 7 days a week (M-F at 7:00am, Sat-Sun 8:00am)
- b. GSR Liaisons* – Dolly-District 12; Scott-District 5
- c. H&I Liaison-*
- d. Visitors and Guests* – none

4. Approval of June 2026 Meeting Minutes

1st – Ron 2nd – James

5. Old Business

- a. Please ensure that any flyer you would like posted on the OC AA website is appropriate visually and verbally.

6. New Business

- a. The body meeting for September will be held on September 2nd (1st Wednesday of the month rather than the 2nd Wednesday). There will also be a date change for November to be announced soon.

5. Service Board Reports -

- b. **Chair:** Mikayla T. – No report
- c. **Vice Chair:** Mike M. – No report
- d. **Secretary:** Terri L. Minutes for the most recent Intergroup Body Meeting are usually posted within one week after the meeting on the OC-AA.org website under *Member Services-Central Office-Intergroup Docs*
- e. **Treasurer:** Ryan H. – June 2026 donations were down about \$2300 from June 2025. We have begun our yearly required financial review which costs about \$10-12 thousand dollars.

Question: *How do Zoom meeting donations compare with in-person meetings?*

Answer – There are approximately 1500 in-person meetings and about 500 Zoom meetings. Approximately 10-15% of in-person meetings contribute; about 7% of Zoom meetings contribute.

Question: Can you explain the credit card expenses?

Answer: OC Intergroup pays a small credit card processing fee for donations made by credit card; credit card donations are available immediately to Central Office. In contrast, there are no fees for contributions made with Venmo or via check, but there is a slight delay for the money to get to Central Office. Central Office's position on this is that they are grateful for all donations. Simply put, we need more meetings to contribute to make a real difference.

What is the recommended amount that groups should contribute OC Central Office? This information is posted in the Lifeline and on our website. For group donations it is suggested that groups contribute 50% to Central Office, 30% to AA.org, 10% to Area 09, and 10% to their local District office.

- f. Lifeline:** Matt D.- All kinds of great information in the Lifeline - Volunteers are needed to join the Intergroup committees to help spread the message. Check the Zoom information in the Lifeline to join any of the following committees-Public Information, Special Events, Lifeline, Technology, or Group Relations and see where you can help.

Grateful Givers – to recognize their generosity, the names of Grateful Givers are posted in the Lifeline. You can become a Grateful Giver by becoming a monthly donor to Central Office. From the OC-AA.org website, select **Contribute/Online Contribution** and then scroll down to choose the amount you would like to contribute.

Also in the Lifeline, you can see your group's contributions year-to-date, and read about upcoming events.

As always, the Lifeline is looking for people to submit an article, sobriety stories, poems, art, photos, etc. Contact Matt (LifelineCommittee@oc-aa.org) or the Lifeline editor (oclifelineeditor@gmail.com) for any submissions.

- g. Public Information: Mikayla gave the report for Brittany**

If you have volunteered for the OC fair, Brittany will be sending you an email this week with details for the event.

- h. Group Relations: Josh** – Group Relations committee meets the 3rd Wed of every month at 7:00pm on Zoom. Check the Lifeline for Zoom information. Please help if you can by joining the committee and attend the Zoom meeting for more information.

- i. Central Office Liaison – Nichole R.** -Nichole has prepared volunteer sign-up sheets for reps to take to their meetings. Volunteers are needed to answer phones at Central Office and after-hours, do 12-step calls, and speak at AA speaker meetings. Please take the sign-up sheet and ask your members to consider where they could be of service. Return the sheet to Nichole or drop it off at Central Office.

Volunteers are needed at Central Office for the following shifts:

Monday 12pm-3:00pm and 3:00pm-5:00pm; **Tuesday** 9:00am-12:00pm;

Wednesday 9:00am-12pm; **Thursday** 9:00am-12:00pm, 12:00pm-3:00pm;

Friday - 3:00pm-5:00pm.

- j. Office Manager: Skip K.** – Skip reiterates that all contributions are welcome at Central Office whether that be by credit card, check, Venmo or cash

Grateful Givers – Recurring monthly contributions can be made directly to Central Office by using the OC-AA.org website and selecting **Contribute/Online Contribution** and then scroll down to choose the amount you would like to contribute.

Please let Central Office know if your meeting information changes or the meeting no longer exists. It's important so that we give accurate information to those who call.

Central Office has begun their financial review with an outside accounting firm as per the bylaws. We no longer do an audit any longer due to the cost of about \$27,000

k. Special Events: C.J. D. - Absent.

l. Technology: Ian has been organizing the information for this chair position so that all access data is available for the person who succeeds him.

He has also been streamlining chair access to the Intergroup Facebook page (previously it was linked to an individual person's account) and will be posting new content soon.

If you are interested in joining the Technology committee, please join Ian on his Zoom committee meeting held the first Monday of every month at 6:00pm. Check the Lifeline for Zoom info.

3. AA Related Announcements:

Scott – A free way to donate is through Zelle. The recipient gets the money immediately.

Gabriele – Aug 2nd from 4:00-8:00pm there is a sock hop at Norma Hertzog Community Center. There will be costumes, dinner, dance, raffle, prizes. Tickets are \$50. It's a fundraiser for the Newport Beach Alano Club.

Terri – there is a Women's Conference in San Diego. See Terri for more information.

Josh – Area 5 is hosting the 4-area DCMC sharing session in Highland Park on Saturday 8:00am-2:30pm. Come see what General Service is all about.

Matt – There are extra copies of the May and June Lifelines. Feel free to take them to places they can be used.

Mike – H&I meeting this Sunday. 4:00pm for Institutions; 6:00pm for Hospitals. If you are interested in carrying the message of AA into hospitals, jails or prisons see Mike.

4. Motion to close Meeting: 1st – Scott 2nd – Ezekiel **Motion passed**

5. Closing - Responsibility Statement - *I Am Responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that, I am responsible.*

NEXT INTERGROUP BODY MEETING -

Wednesday, August 12, 2026 7:00 PM

Norma Hertzog Community Center

1845 Park Ave., Costa Mesa

New Reps Orientation 6:30 pm