NOVEMBER MINUTES

OC Intergroup Body Meeting

Wednesday November 18, 2026, 7:00 PM

Opening - Call to Order -Serenity Prayer – Meeting called to order by Mikayla T. at 7:02 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 - Scott**
    - ***c.*** **Tradition Presentation –Tradition 11 - Skip**
    - ***d.*** **Volunteer - Tradition 12 for December - Ariel**
    - ***e.*** **Concept Presentation – Concept 11 - Josh**
    - ***f.*** **Volunteer – Concept 12 for December - Scott**
    - ***g.*** **Pamphlet Presentation – Richard –** ***Inside AA***
    - ***h.*** **Volunteer – Pamphlet Presentation for December –** ***GSR General Service Representative*** **– James**

2. **Mikayla - Board Member Roll Call**

    Present – Chair-Mikayla, Vice Chair - Mike M., Secretary – Terri L., Treasurer - Ryan H., Group Relations- Josh; Technology-Ian S., Special Events-C.J. D., Public Information – Brandon P., Central Office Liaison – Nichole R., Lifeline - Matt D.; Central Office Manager - Skip K**.**

    Absent – None

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

    Brock - Huntington Beach Saturday 6:30pm "Newcomer's Participation"

    Leigh - Huntington Beach Thursday 10:00am Women's Big Book Study

    Tammy – Huntington Beach Women's Big Book Study 6:00 Monday nights

    GSR Liaisons – Dolly-District 12; Scott-District 5**;** Nancy District 18

    H&I Liaison - Nichole

    Visitors and Guests – none

4. **Approval of October 2026 Meeting Minutes**

   1st – Deanna 2nd – Frank

5. **Old Business**

   a. The Intergroup body meeting for November will be on Nov. 18 (3rd Wednesday)

   b. The bylaw revision (Article X. Section 5. Audits) passed with 39 in favor, 12 opposed.

6. **New Business**

   a. **Voting for the new board members**

   The 2027 Intergroup Board members will serve from December, 2026 through November, 2027. The board has 3 vacancies and two additional positions for alternates.

   Results of the vote: The top 3 candidates elected to serve on the board were Luis, Ashley, Madi; the alternates are Brian and Dave.

7. **Service Board Reports**

   a. **Chair:** Mikayla T. – New board members and alternates will attend the next board meeting on 12/2 on Zoom. Mikayla will send information.

   b. **Vice Chair:** Mike M. – No report

   c. **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*

   Treasurer: Ryan H. – Literature sales were up in October compared to 2025 but contributions were down. Our income from interest declined because the interest rate on the money market account dropped from 3.25% to 0.5%. The original interest rate was a promo rate.

   Credit card expense (see balance sheet) is the amount of money we are charged for payment processing for contributions and literature sales paid for by credit card or electronically such as Venmo. Central Office is grateful for all contributions but the processing fees do add up. Year-to-date these fees are nearly $4000 already. Cash or checks obviously do not incur a fee.

   Ryan and Skip are testing Zelle because Zelle does not charge a fee.

   We need to get the word out to get more meetings to participate in Intergroup. Many have asked Ryan how much individuals should contribute. It is ultimately up to the individual because everyone's financial situation is different, but the common $1 per meeting as a suggested contribution was customary in the 1970's. In today's economy, that would now be about $6.

d. **Lifeline: Matt** – Pick up the November Lifelines at either of the Central Offices if you weren't at the meeting.

The editor of the Lifeline has chosen a new design program so the newsletter may look a little different.

We lost a long-time member of the committee, Effie, who has been a dedicated volunteer and a regular contributor. She was a kind and lovely person and will be missed.

Contact Matt (*LifelineCommittee@oc-aa.org*) or the Lifeline editor (*oclifelineeditor@gmail.com*) for any submissions.

e. **Public Information: Brandon** – no report. Please consider joining the committee. You can reach Brandon via email at *publicinformationcommittee@oc-aa.org*

f. **Group Relations: Josh** –Josh needs people to join the Group Relations Committee—we cannot carry the message alone. The committee meets the 3rd Wed of every month at 7:00pm on Zoom. Check the Lifeline for Zoom information. If you have ideas or can help encourage meetings to have an Intergroup rep, please consider joining!

g. **Central Office Liaison – Nichole R. -**Thank you to everyone who came out to support the Central Office Open House. It was a success, with about $500 in contributions received for the raffle and over $900 in literature sales.

We need volunteers at Central Office and after-hours to answer phones. No experience required—they will train you. Just stop by Central Office if you can help.

Volunteers are needed for the following shifts:

Tuesday 3:00pm-5:00pm

Thursday 12:00pm-3:00pm; 3:00pm-5:00pm (2 spots)

h. **Office Manager:** Skip K. – Thanks Nichole, Dolly and Heather for the excellent job on the Open House. Thanked Ryan for getting the money market going. The extra income was helpful.

i. **Special Events:** C.J. D. – The bowling event was a success. Many had a great time. C.J. has enjoyed serving in this position.

j. **Technology:** Ian wants to raise awareness of Intergroup and all that Central Office does. The app he has created (currently in beta mode) shows about 900 meetings in the area who have not contributed year-to-date. These meetings would be a good place to visit since they may not have an Intergroup rep. Let Ian know if you are interested in visiting one of these meetings. He will continue to work on this app and when it's ready, there will be a QR code that anyone can scan to launch the app and find one of these meetings.

8. **AA Related Announcements: Nancy - There will be a service for Effie this Sunday beginning at 1:30 pm at the Costa Mesa Alano Club. All are welcome.**

9. **Motion to close meeting:** 1st – Tammy 2nd - Deanna **Motion passed**

10. **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, December 9, 2026 7:00 PM

Norma Hertzog Community Center

1845 Park Ave., Costa Mesa

New Reps Orientation 6:30 pm