

Portland ACA Intergroup # 589

– Minutes –

December 8, 2025 5:45-6:55 pm

Open with 2nd Tradition Prayer

Higher Power. I understand that you make your voice heard in a group conscience. I ask you to remind me that the life of my program and, therefore, my own recovery depends upon my willingness to put the group's welfare above my own will. Where I disagree with the common view of my fellows in service, allow me to state my case honestly and respectfully. Allow me to listen to and consider the views of others. May I state my view and support all group decisions, including the ones I might disagree with. Your will, not mine, be done.

Introductions: Mixie (notetaker), Peter, Mike W., Ren, Sarah, Tommy, Phoenix, David, no one online

Secretary's Report – Approve/Correct

1. Review Minutes 11/10/25
2. Changes:
 - a. Mixie's name is not spelled Mitzie
 - b. An addendum is referred to that doesn't exist
 - c. No mention of the webmaster role changing responsibility and being open for others to take on

Treasurer's Reports – Approve/Correct

1. Regular checking account as of 12/8/25 = \$779.85
 - a. Tommy brought up documenting the steps to becoming and maintaining the treasurer role

Literature Report - Approve/Correct

1. Literature Balance as of 12/8/25 = \$690
 - a. David will send Shelley the specific details for this report

Webmaster Report - Approve/Correct

1. Webmaster Report
 - a. Ren is stepping down. They provided a list of duties and log in information and emergency contact information.
2. Change in webmaster role:
 - a. Josh would like to be part of the web team in regards to posting events and some of the updates (not sure when he would start)
 - b. Mixie has a member from the Rainbow Travelers group that would also like to join the web team and a support

Meeting Reports

1. Monday - Action Coming from Love: Phoenix R., 15-17 people, service positions filled, not ready to donate, but doing well
2. Monday – True Selves: Absent
3. Monday - The Breathe Building: Absent
4. Tuesday – ACA for Alcoholics: Lisa, "Hi all, I have a conflict next Monday and will not be at Intergroup. I'll be giving up my Intergroup rep position in early 2026. It's been a pleasure. ACA 4

Alcoholics is doing great. 12-ish folks at the last few meetings. We are paying rent, have a small prudent reserve, but no money to donate beyond our expenses. We decided to get listed with ACA WSO. We are not currently. We are exploring what it means to be a group that overlaps 12 step programs. Which traditions we follow & who we affiliate with at the national/global levels."

5. Wednesday- Gentleness, Humor, Love, and Respect: David (not official rep), service positions are unfilled for now (lots of changes, 13-15 people)
6. Wednesday – Hurting to Healing: Sarah, around 20 people attending, money is going well, service positions are filled, but will be open again soon
7. Wednesday - The Loving Parent: Absent
8. Thursday – Rainbow Travelers: Mixie, 12-14 people, service positions filled, money is good
9. Thursday – Treehouse Meeting: Peter, finally reached prudent reserve!, going to buy literature, signing another year contract with the church,
10. Thursday - Chapter Nine-The Family Afterward: Absent, but Mixie reported that they are donating to this intergroup on a quarterly basis
11. Friday – Good Enough Club: Absent
12. Saturday – Awareness, Courage, Action: Mike (not official rep), around 20 people, all service positions filled
13. Saturday - Speaker Meeting: Mike, going to start up again in January 2026 at the same location
14. Saturday – A New Hope: Phoenix (not official rep), 7-10 people, no service positions filled, a lot of attendees are cycling into other meetings too
15. Sunday – A New Hope: Mike (not official rep), attended for the first time recently, some newcomers and some people with more time in the program, has about a year as a meeting
16. Sunday – Fellow Travelers: Tommy, spoke up and more people are practicing the 7th tradition, now have a prudent reserve, service positions are filled and also soon they will be changing over to new service members

Events/Activities Committee

1. Past:
 - a. Thanksgiving Breakfast, Elmers
 - i. 20-25 people attended
2. Coming up:
 - a. Spring Getaway
 - i. Phoenix had flyers
 - b. "Who's Driving the Bus?"
 - i. Workshop led by Phoenix R.
 - ii. Information is online
 - c. December 20th Holiday Potluck Party in Eugene
 - i. Information online

Retreat Committee - A subcommittee

1. No one present to report anything

Safety Resources - A special meeting

1. Group has decided to remove this section from future agendas

Old Business:

1. Safety Resources - Tabled to Special Meeting, if needed
 - a. Group has decided to remove this section from future agendas
2. Structure of IG and committees. Tabled from last meeting

- a. Group has decided to remove this section from future agendas
- 3. How does Intergroup use social media? Tabled from last meeting
 - a. Group has decided to remove this section from future agendas
- 4. Mixie will give an update on info sharing email sent out to Oregon ACA meetings
 - a. Mixie will put details here:
 - i. 44 meetings from both websites
 - ii. 41 could belong to our intergroup. 3 belong to the eastern Oregon intergroup
 - iii. 30 meetings emailed
 - iv. 6 meetings only have phone numbers available, so Mixie hasn't sent the info sharing email stuff yet
 - v. 5 don't have contact info at all and Mixie is looking into how to get ahold of them
 - vi. 7 have responded to the info sharing email!
 - b. Phoenix R. would like to see the list of meetings with no contact info

New Business:

- 1. Mixie: Website Platform Option
 - a. Mixie was wondering what the group thought about using Google sites
 - b. Ren recommends finding a webmaster before reinventing the wheel
- 2. Voting on the fellowship name
 - a. DONE! We voted to have the ACAD acronym become the new acronym
- 3. David - Sandwich board for ACA events
 - a. The desire is to have a sandwich board for events, so people can more easily find the group
 - b. David will do some research and come back in January with more information
- 4. Service roles and when they will change:
 - a. Chairperson - Peter - open to stay another year - APPROVED
 - b. Treasurer - Mixie - will stay for another year - APPROVED
 - c. Literature - David - thinking about whether or not he will continue
 - d. Secretary - Shelley - we will need to check in with her
 - e. Vice Chairperson - open role that would be good to fill

Close Meeting with the ACA Serenity Prayer

God (Higher Power), grant me the serenity to accept the people I cannot change, the courage to change the one I can, and the wisdom to know that one is me.

Action Items:

- Some items need to be corrected in the 11/10/25 minutes
- Mixie will begin a draft for the steps for becoming and maintaining the treasurer role
- David will send Shelley the specific details for the literature report
- Ren will email Shelley the specific details for the webmaster report
- Shelley will remove the items that the group voted to remove from future agendas and carry over items that are still open or ongoing for the 1/12/26 agenda
- Mixie will share with the IG whatsapp about the meetings without contact information so that people can help get in contact with those meetings
- Everyone will keep promoting the webmaster position service role that needs to be filled
- David will do research on the sandwich board idea
- Shelley and David will reflect on whether or not they want to continue in their service position in IG