

Ben Lomond Fellowship Steering Committee Minutes Oct 12, 2023

1) Open meeting with the Serenity Prayer

2) Attendance: Jason, chair and Friday 6 p.m. co-secretary; Joseph, vice chair and 6 a.m. Thursday secretary; Ed O., co sec coord.; Eric, maintenance; Michelle M., recording secretary/media coord.; Damien, intergroup rep. and Friday 6 p.m. co-secretary; Sonya, activities; Matt M., supplies; Joey S., Zoom secretary coordinator; BethAnne, literature chair and Wednesday 6 p.m. secretary; Dan L., co-Zoom secretary coordinator; Kim, member; Debbie, member; Chelsea, area 11 intergroup rep.

3) Sept. 14, 2023 minutes — Ed O./Eric 2nd, unanimous approval

Treasurer — Email report: August and September reports will be posted; more accurate reports are coming soon. Quarterly report is still to come. No change from Labor Day Picnic report. No vote needed.

GSR — Email report: Next month will be inventory about what groups think about GSR and how it's helping them. District 11 will also do an inventory. BTG needs a follow-up coordinator. CRUZYPAA is hosting a roller skate party. Intergroup is looking for a safety liaison. Jason will pass along an update on Colleen's time share to Sonya, in case we need it for the Labor Day Picnic prize. No vote needed.

H&I — No report.

Intergroup — Chelsea: Halloween event is coming up on Oct. 29 at vets hall. The NCAA fall conference is in Fresno this weekend. Santa Cruz Felly is hosting a Birthday Speaker Meeting on Oct. 28. Damien shared that not a lot was reported at the last Intergroup meeting that pertains to BLF. The committee still needs vice chair and lots of area reps are open. Financially, intergroup is \$700 to \$800 in the hole each month; diverter shifts are open. Ed motion/Matt 2nd — unanimous approval.

Literature — BethAnne: She has some literature in her car that she brought in, and she'll pick up more schedules from the office in Aptos. She noted that schedules are also online, so members shouldn't let newcomers know they can always find a schedule online—even if we're out of physical copies. She'll get more Big Books to make sure the fellowship is stocked up for the holidays. Ed motion/Damien 2nd—unanimous approval.

Online meeting secretary coordinator — Ed O. Made a motion to have Joey S. fill the open online meeting secretary coordinator position; BethAnn 2nd—unanimous approval.

In-person meeting secretary coordinator — Ed O.: secretaries are changing shifts and we have new secretaries who need to go through workshop. The newcomers

announcement is being read. We're doing secretary workshops as often as Ed can make them happen. The Friday night meeting is back at the fellowship for the winter; it will move back to Highlands Park again in the summer. BethAnne asked if we could move the blurb about reading the Daily Reflection earlier in the script. Joseph explained that it's where it is in the script because some chairpeople want to mention it in their chair. Jason added that secretaries can take a group conscious at their individual meeting and read it whenever they want. BethAnne motion, Matt 2nd — unanimous approval.

Media coordinator — No report.

Maintenance — No report.

Supplies — Matt M.: Supplies are all stocked up, and we have plenty of plates, napkins, cups, etc. that the events coord can use it if she needs them. Ed O motion/Eric 2nd — unanimous approval.

Activities — No report. Ed O. reminded us that BLF is hosting the monthly Birthday Speaker Meeting in November and will need help. Matt asked what it means to "host" the BSM. Jason said we asked the activities committee to take care of it and they're on top of it. No vote needed.

Old business —

- Safe — Discussion tabled until next month.

New business —

- Debbie said that the Monday night Hour of Power women's meeting wants to hand out Newcomers' Packets, which can be purchased from the Central Office for \$3 and she wants to know how those would be paid for. Ed O mentioned that other meetings would benefit from having Newcomer Packets as well. He moved that the fellowship buy 20 packets to be handed out as needed. Packets will be kept in the secretary's closet and are available for all. The packets contain a meeting schedule as well as some helpful pamphlets. Ed motion; Michelle 2nd; unanimous approval.
- H&I rep hasn't been at the steering committee for at least three months, and the bylaws state that she can be removed from her position. Jason asked if anyone has any info on the representative. Another member said she would reach out to the representative and get in contact with Jason. The issue will be revisited at the Nov. 9 Steering Committee meeting.
- Joseph won't be able to attend the Nov. 9 meeting. Michelle will bring a laptop to run the online portion.

Adjourn — Ed motion/Matt 2nd—unanimous approval.