

**Mid-Southern California Assembly
May 17, 2009**

Meeting was called to order by Alternate Delegate Mike M. at 10:00am.

Readings:

Readings: Statement of Purpose and Membership: Ramon & Jeryl, Tradition 5: Sergio & Brenda, Concept 5: Alido & Kimberly

Old Business

New Business

1. Proposal to Revise (Calendar Only) beginning 2010 Meeting schedule. Michael M. motion to table. Bruce Second – Motion to table carries.
2. Motion to confirm Sharon as new Area Secretary. Scott moved, Bill 2nd to confirm Sharon as Area Secretary. Motion carries
3. Motion to confirm Miguel G. as PI Chair. Bill Motioned to confirm Miguel as PI Chair: motion carries.

Standing Committee Reports

Archives – Joseph

Moved into "new" Area Archives Repository at end of April 2009, arranging set-up of repository according to our Archivist (Pete B.); Archives Committee has been requested for the following commitments: 1) 2009 ACYPAA Round-Up Convention (March 12 - 15, 2009); 2) 17th annual IEAA Round-up (April 18, 2009) 3) 28th Annual Southern California H & I conference (April 24 - 26, 2009). Upcoming events include 1) 2009 Archives Open House - May 31, 2009. 2) Archives Movie Night - June 13, 2009. 3) 2009 MSCA Foro - July 12, 2009 with Archive Displays.

Communication Committee—Linda C.

Website anonymity breaks on old PDF files have been password protected. See Area Secretary for password. Request for link to DUI Foundation was declined. We need a chair for the equipment sub-committee and also need to start looking for a new web coordinator for the next panel. This position requires expertise and time. Thanks to translation sub-committee for it's continuing excellent work. There has been some concern about opinionated articles in the Area newsletter. The newsletter sub-committee welcomes opinion articles and if anyone disagrees with published articles, their opinions will also be published.

Cooperation with the Elder Community Committee – Rick H.

Cooperation with the Professional Community –Michael M.

From 4/1/09 to 5/17/09 chair and co-chair gave CPC presentations to District 12, District 7, District 10, District 22, and District 8. Several committee members including the chair & co-chair traveled to the CPC/PI workshop planning committee meeting twice. The CPC committee is placing literature racks & literature in willing libraries. We were able to acquire Trustee

Rogelio Flores as the main speaker for the 9/26/09 CPC/PI all day workshop. CPC will be staffing a booth at the Dependency Drug Court Professionals Conference from June 10 to June 13 & also is staffing a booth at the National Episcopal Conference July 7 - July 16. We will need volunteers to help staff the booth. A bulk email will be sent out asking for sign-ups to volunteer.

Convention Liaison—Michael Mc.
Convention Liaison Spanish – Open

Corrections -

Went to the pre-conference workshop and saw my name on the agenda. Had the honor of having our Delegate Joe at the discussion table. It was a very good experience. I am very happy and would like to see more Hispanic names in service "If I can do it, you can do it". Gayle from GSO sent a postcard about a prison meeting to request we contact them - Chuckawalla Valley State Prison in Blythe, CA. They need free Spanish literature and they sent a request form. Cysco is the Spanish Sponsor in the Prison. I contacted H & I and they are working on it. GSO sent pre-release requests for the following inmates: Feb. 20, 2009 - inmate relocating to Torrance area, release date 4/16/09. Feb. 26, 2009 - inmate relocating to Hesperia area, release date 5/6/09. Mar. 10, 2009 - inmate relocating to Lake Forest or San Clemente area, release date 7/21/09. Mar. 23, 2009 - inmate relocating to San Bernardino area, release date 5/19/09. Also received a request from a father in Colorado asking for help for his son in Coachella Valley.

DCM School – Scott R.
Finance - Joseph M.

Grapevine – Kimberli A.

Received new book "Voices of Long Term Sobriety". Old timers stories from Grapevine. Many stopped by display for new price lists. Also, one person asked for materials for a newcomer going away for six months. Have books for sale \$9.95 and CDs for sale @ \$10.00. Have display of volumes of last 30 years of the Grapevine showing the changes that have taken place each ten years (1970, 1980, 1990, 2000). Was asked to do presentation and displays at upcoming events in August and September and possibly a presentation to a home AA group next month.

La Viña –Ángela R.

GSR School – John H.

We went over today's agenda items to assure people knew what was going to happen. Discussed ways and effects of doing and giving group GSR reports and the emotions that get in the way. Went over the process of Area 9 committee and assembly meetings and the GSRs role in communicating the info to groups and back. Asked about questions and info that may make them feel more comfortable in continuing to be GSRs.

GSR School SPANISH – Paco G.

Literature - Ernesto
Literature Spanish –
Newsletter –

Newsletter Spanish

Public Information – Miguel

I was selected to perform the duties of PI Committee Chair at the February 2009 planning meeting. Since then I have participated in support of CPC to assist in putting on an Area CPC/PI workshop. CPC is taking the lead for the workshop and PI is offering cooperation and help. So far four planning meetings have been held, I was able to attend two of them. The PI's portion of the workshop is minimal with just handing out information and making new contacts. I was instructed to perform a complete inventory of all the literature and equipment on hand for the PI committee. This information has been transmitted to the Area for review. Currently working on contacting the various districts PI chairs to get to know them. This way we can start working together on issues they may have, as well as finding out which Districts do not have the PI position filled. To date I have not received any request for information from any outside entities. If you have any questions please feel free to call me.

Public Information Spanish – Francisco D.

Registration – David T.

Special Needs - Open

Treatment Facilities – Al F.

Officers Report:

Delegate's Report – Joe B.

Conference Report

Alt. Delegate: Mike M.

Our pre-conference workshop was hosted by District 8 in San Bernardino on April 5 and I thought they did a wonderful job. Thanks to all those who took the opportunity for you to give your delegate your group's input and be of service. Last month work took me to Salt Lake City. I am grateful that AA is alive and well in Area 69. Every day I went to at least one meeting and managed to attend a District meeting. I regret that the plans for our 50th anniversary celebration are not moving as effortlessly as I hoped. We could use a lot more help and input from anyone who wants to be involved. If you or your District wants to be part of this, contact me or another officer. I have visited Districts 1,3,4,6,12,18 and would welcome the opportunity to visit your district. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Treasurer: Linda H.

After 17 months of having the honor & privilege to serve you as your Mid-Southern California Area 09 Treasurer, here are some questions I would like you to take back to your Groups and Districts:

1. Would GSR's/Districts like our approved yearly budget in January put on the website so Groups can see how their money is spent?
2. Would you like to see the Finance Committee consist of Treasurer's of Districts and those who have financial experience?

I am asking these questions of our GSR's, especially new GSR's, because last year our bottom line was \$14,022.84 compared to this year of \$11,993.10 and more expenses coming in May from this Assembly. What do the GSR's & their groups think? We obviously have a gap. As your Area Treasurer, I don't know the answer. It could be the economy or Groups not liking how or where their contributions are spent or something else. Please contact me by email or phone.

Registrar: Cesar F.

I want to thank all the Registrars from their Districts and DCMs for working hard on updating group information. Thanks to Golla and Jose for working on the registration table this morning. The attendance today was 59 - GSRs, 76 - District officers, Standing Committee Chairs, Area officers, etc, 9 - Guests for a total of 144.

Secretary: Sharon K.

It is my pleasure to serve as your Area 9 secretary. It has been a challenging first month for me but thankfully Ruth is only a phone call away. I have the area roster and if any DCMs have changes to your officers, please see me. I have been emailing the roster to the area DCMs and committee chairs. If you have not been receiving it, please let me know so I can email or mail you. Also, if you will not be submitting a written committee chair report, please let me know so I can listen on the tape.

Area Chair: Jason S. - Not present

No District reports during Assembly

THE Assembly ADJOURNED at 2:20pm

“I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there, And for that, I am responsible.”

Panel 58 Secretary – Sharon K.