

**Mid-Southern California Area 9 Service Committee Minutes
June 12, 2011**

Meeting was called to order by Jeryl T. at 1:20pm with the Serenity Prayer

Readings: Declaration of Unity: Rozeanne/Ramon 6th Tradition: Jaci/Cesar A.S.C.
Statement of Purpose and Membership: Scott R. / Pedro Concept 6: Jake/Juan GSR
Preamble Brian/Jaime

Approval of 2011 March Area Service Committee minutes Motion/2nd –
Rich/Joseph

Officers Reports (following reports are written reports):

Delegate Linda C. – This report covers everything since the March ASC.

She visited the Temecula Valley Intergroup on March 15, the So. Or. Co. H&I on March 16, attended the Area Board meeting and drove to Pismo Beach on March 19th where she stayed overnight in order to attend the Area 93 Preconference Workshop on March 20th; on Saturday, March 26th she attended the first day of the Area 05 Preconference workshop in Claremont and the second day on March 27th in Culver City; on Saturday, April 2nd Cesar and she drove to Gardena to visit the Spanish Intergroup there, but found that they now have it on a different day of the week (they will reschedule); on April 4th she participated in a conference call with Sharon and Michael about ideas on how our Area can address problems with Safety in AA; on Saturday, April 9th she drove to Brawley to participate in an Area 08 special election (with our past delegate Nick M., and representatives from Areas 05 and 93) and stayed for the preconference workshop after the assembly. On Sunday, April 10th she participated in our preconference workshop. On April 16 she attended the area Board meeting and drove to Apple Valley on April 20 only to find that the High Desert H&I meeting no longer meets on that night or at that place (we will reschedule). She visited All Orange County Young People committee meeting on April 24 and departed for the General Service Conference on April 28 (actually took off on April 29th due to an airline cancellation). She attended the conference in New York and returned on Sunday, May 8. She attended the Area 05 conference report assembly on May 15 in Santa Monica and the Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information Open House in Huntington Beach on May 17. She gave her first conference report to District 14 in Hemet on May 18 and attended the Board meeting on May 21. She gave her conference report (including Power Point presentation) to the Area 09 assembly on May 22 in Hesperia and a very short (7 minute) report to the Inland Empire Hospitals and Institutions Committee in Palm Desert on May 25. She attended past delegate Goldene L's memorial service on May 28 and also attended, by invitation, *Grupo Libertad* Saturday night meeting the

same night and also spoke at their group anniversary party on June 11th. . She gave a conference report to the District 4 meeting on June 1 and District 15 on June 2. On Friday, June 3, she drove to La Quinta, to participate by invitation from non-trustee director, Andrea B., to be a presenter (along with past delegate, past trustee, present husband, Jim C.) at the West Coast Symposium on Addictive Disorders. They stayed over night in Banning and then drove to San Diego to attend the Area 08 Conference report assembly. She gave conference reports to District 2 on June 6, Orange County Intergroup meeting on June 8, and District 1 on June 9.

She continues to send welcome letters to the new groups as she receives the final information from GSO as well as letters to the Districts asking for their help in visiting new groups that are in the 30-day delay period.

She also continues to send all group registration information to Area Registrar, Michael, pick up and mail contributions from the PO Box in Irvine each Thursday to Area Treasurer, Joseph, and write a monthly article for the MSCA newsletter.

She reported that delegates from around the U.S. and Canada continue to discuss a wide range of topics, including anonymity, second-language (French and Spanish) involvement in general service, as well as exchanging conference photos and experience.

She received the quarterly contributions report from General Service Office, printed them and made them available at the May area assembly, as well as forwarding the information to the area treasurer and alternate delegate.

She reminded the committee that it is time to start thinking about whether anyone, (individuals, districts, or through the area) wants to make any proposals for consideration by the trustees to be included on the agenda for the 62nd General Service Conference in 2012. She pointed out that it is not too early. She said she will be reminding everyone often so that we can be certain to have sufficient background material and well-worded proposals. She included the Additional Considerations and Items that did not result in Advisory Actions in her packet and asked that everyone take time to look them over to see if there is anything we should discuss.

She encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming events, including the Grapevine writing workshop, the Area Foro, the La Viña Celebration in Bakersfield, and especially the Additional Pacific Regional Forum in Woodland Hills in August...She suggested that everyone announce the Forum at our home groups...she said, "this is not just for

Service. Information received from the Districts regarding groups/meetings will continue to be input into the GSO Database.

Secretary Sharon K. – Continue to give DCM/DCMC information regarding who is eligible to vote in the upcoming election. Thanks to Rigo for helping me with check-in. Participated in a conference call regarding “Safety in AA” with Michael and a woman from Area 5. Attended District 18’s Secretary Workshop. Attended May board meeting. If any DCM/DCMC would like a print out of the conversation of the proposals after the meeting please see me at the front.

Chair Jeryl T – over the last month I stayed sober, went to a bunch of meetings and was not at the last board meeting as godfather passed away.

New Business

- Area bylaws be amended under the duties of alt. del in consultation with the delegate the Alternate Delegate will create a vehicle to disseminate conference agenda information.
- To have the MSCA 09 Panel 62 Delegate submit to the Pacific Region Delegates at the 62 General Service Conference a bid to host the 2016 Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (PRAASA)
- Proposal that the MSCA board be increased to include Contributions Treasurer who will accept all contributions to the Area, maintain cash receipts journal, and inform the Registrar of all group changes bringing the total Board composition to seven.
- Propose an MSCA sponsored workshop in 2012 with the theme “Anonymity: Our Spiritual responsibility in the Digital Age”.
- Propose MSCA 2012 Calendar
- Motion request split of MSCA 09 into smaller more geographically sensitive and accessible segments. Presented by Friday Night Q & A Meeting (Newport Beach, CA) Keith Second
- Motion that the Finance committee can not get a credit card without a vote of approval by the Assembly. Denise/Patrick

Standing Committee Reports (Submitted in writing)

Archives Joseph H. Seven Archives commitments are scheduled for the month of June:
1) June 10 – Yucca Valleys Founder’s Day Archives presentation. 2) June 11 – Triangle AA sorting party. Three were in attendance to do sorting of MSCA 09 materials.
3) June 12 – AA group come in to have a sorting party. 4) March and April 2011 Archives committee meeting minutes were approved on May 21. 5) the MSCA 09 Archives Committee continues carrying out its archival commitments each month with an average of six commitments per month. Upcoming events: June 18 – District 17 Founder’s Day archives presentation. 2) Next scheduled Archives committee meeting is

on June 18, starting at 1pm. 3) June 18 – Movie night “One too many”. 4) June 19 – Area Grapevine Workshop. 5) Archives Workbook Workshop on June 25.

Cooperation with the Professional Community Rozanne – Discussed CPC/PI community forum on 5/17/11. Had 27 people in attendance: two professional people, one new alcoholic. Discussed upcoming events – August 21st marketplace in Anaheim (CPC & PI will share the cost). Also discussed Oct. event in Tustin. No decisions yet. Will discuss further at next meeting. Districts gave reports on current activities. If anyone is interested in helping with these events (to man the booth) contact CPC/PI committees. Upcoming events: Aug. 21 – Anaheim. Oct. – Tustin

Public Information - Thanks to all the people who came with us to the different PI/CPC events. At the professional people event we had about 25 attendees and some professionals. We also want to thank all those who showed up at the police station in Garden Grove. We received a thank you letter for coming to speak. We plan to attend the Anaheim Market Place on the 21st of August. We are currently planning another meeting for professionals. Thank you Marcelo Ch Spanish and Keith English PI

Corrections Alex I got up at 5:am I did all my work in the computer you put me to work something that I don't do to frequently but I am here after we got lost along the way here. Meeting here at the table was Esperanza , Julio and two more members they asked questions everything was ok.

GSR School English Tony 14 attendees. Covered GSR reports, registration, websites, dealing with negativity.

GSR School Spanish Reynaldo – Hawaiian Gardens, Ca. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. Rigo new GSR from 21, Roberto Dist 21. Agustin, dist 21 Hispanic group, Jose Came to Believe Group dist 21, Raymundo Dist 21 The solution group and Jose chapter 5 group district 20. We read concept 6 and learned a lot. Thanks for letting me serve. Reynaldo A

DCM School Terry –10 in attendance + Jeryl. Discussion: Do your GSR's know what their job is? Review participation, communication, and protection of Traditions from the 4 Area DCM sharing session final report. Rotation – do you have people in the wings? Who's your alternate? Making ourselves available (as outgoing DCM/DCMC or Chairs) to new members coming after us. Jeryl joined us and we discussed the importance of commitment to your GSR's at the District meeting. The info discussed at the Area meetings.

Finance Jim Discussed financial impact of proposal to add Contributions Treasurer to Board (7th Director). Agreed the board can make decision to get a corporate credit card. Next meeting July 17 at FORO.

Grapevine Doug – Grapevine reps pass basket at AA meeting for Grapevine contribution and when enough money is contributed then the representative draws a name from basket. The name drawn wins a free subscription of Grapevine or Digital subscription. The District can buy Grapevine for their Grapevine Chair. Would an ongoing Grapevine workshop be of benefit to the Grapevine? Tabled until we experience our 1st Grapevine workshop on June 19th. Upcoming event: writers workshop on June 19th and celebration of Grapevine anniversary June 1944 at Riverside Archives.

La Viña – My name is Mauricio and I'm an alcoholic. I met with 13 members. We shared information about what we have done. We have 200 members registered for the 15th anniversary of La Viña and 200 subscriptions to it a well. There is good participation of the Hispanic districts. On Sunday June 19 the La Viña committee of District 22 will have a history writing workshop for La Viña. We Plan to get together with 9 other areas that will participate in the 15th anniversary event. Thank you. 15th. La Viña Anniversary on July 30 & 31 at 400 W. Norris Rd Bakersfield, Ca. 93308

Literature Ernesto – Attendees. 2 new GSRs. 1 past delegate. 1 District GSR/Literature. Reviewed important points of “The AA Group” pamphlet. How to explain the difference between an open and closed meeting. How to conduct a group inventory. **Registration** Joe = 3 committee members present and three visitors. Discussed ongoing process of keeping groups and meetings updated.

Coordinate Committee Reports

AOCYPAA - Steps come Alive – With Patti O. was a success over Memorial Day weekend followed by a BBQ and a dance. Upcoming events. June 18 – co-hosted with NSDYPAAs Beach Day event at Doheny State Beach 12 -2 pm BBQ \$5 donation. Firepit meeting at dusk 7-8pm. Business meeting June 19th 2-4pm

District Reports submitted in writing

District 1: 50+ attended last meeting. Linda, our delegate, gave a presentation/report. Planning a special event for October.

District 9: We started the meeting reading Tradition 5. We had about 18 members present. There was a woman's health fair May 25th at Bush Memorial Hospital in 29 Palms where we set up a table and two members handed out pamphlets. Our district voted to purchase some literature to send to our troops. We discussed putting an ad in our Desert Lifeline listing our open Chair positions. Our Unity Day picnic will be July 17th at Hurky Creek across from Lake Hemet. There will be a BBQ, games, raffle, and lots of fellowship. Tickets will be \$7. We are looking forward to Linda visiting our District June 19th at 4pm with her reportback from the conference. One small reminder there are only eight meetings left until the next PRAASA in Bellvue WA.

District 10: We are developing a quarterly Traditions Workshop – probably starting in September. Also developing an AA Jeopardy skit. One meeting in District 10 signs for the hearing impaired at a cost of \$160 - \$200 per month. The District is asking four groups to contribute \$10 each per month to defray the cost for one meeting each month. Two groups have already contributed \$20 and have committed to do so for one year. We will have a mock Tradition debate in November on Tradition 11. Should we change it or leave it as is?

District 15: Approximately 20 attended last meeting. Linda, Jim & Cesar were present as guests. Linda gave her Delegate report back of the General Service Conference. We have purchased back issues of the Grapevine to have available to our groups. Upcoming events. 2nd Annual Ocoberfest planning is underway.

District 17: Approximately 15 at last meeting. Cohosting FORO in July. Delegate Report back at July District meeting.

District 20-Good afternoon everyone. The district 20 is still meeting every Monday with its standing committees and GSRs of the groups in order practice unity and share area information. In addition, we attend to the invitations that we have from the groups and addressing the concerns they may have regarding the services provided AA. That is all for now. thanks you DCMC Osvaldo and Alternate DCMC Melquiades

District 22- We meet every Tuesday at 7pm at the local Intergroup office in Indio. We alternate meetings between business and book study . We have a new group in Desert Hot Springs named The 12th. Tradition or the Desert. We've been to visit the new group and and next we need to send its info. to GSO. The group has 9 members including an old timer and the rest are all fairly new. La Viña Workshop will be held at 45th Avenue 44 917 Ste 6 Indio, CA On June 19 from 8am to 4pm

District 24-Good afternoon everyone. Here's a brief report on our activities; on May 15th we celebrated the 16th Anniversary of our district. Thanks to everyone who came to celebrate with us. Thank God everything went well. This past Tuesday's our PI chair and alt. treasurer Eduardo gave up his positions of service due personal reasons. However, that same day there were two volunteers, Paco who is now acting as an alternate to the treasurer and Jaime PI chair for the remainder of this panel. Finally: we still visit two groups per week to carry the message of service and encourage them to participate in events like the Additional Forum in August and share the experience with us. We also encourage self-support and contribution to the different service entities. This is all for now. Thanks for letting me serve.

Birthdays: Ron – 3 years, Brian - 7

THE ASC ADJOURNED at approximately 3:30pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Panel 60 Secretary –Sharon K.