

**APPROVED MINUTES**  
*Mid-Southern California Area 9 Service Committee Minutes*  
**Buena Park Ca.**  
**Dec. 9, 2012**

Meeting was called to order by Cesar F. at 12:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer

**Readings:** Declaration of Unity Amy/Julietta, A.S.C. Statement of Purpose and Membership: Robert/Hugo

**Introductions:** Past Trustees, Past Delegates, New GSRs, New DCMs, New DCMCs, Guests

**Approval of Oct., 2012 Area Service Committee minutes** Motion Rich/Barbara 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Approved as Is.

**Officers Reports (following reports are written reports):**

**Delegate Jeryl T.**

Since our last meeting, I have attended the ASC in September, spoke at the SoCALYPAA Convention in Irvine, the Inland Empire convention in San Bernardino, the Area 82 Area Assembly in Kingston Canada, Ochoberfest in Anaheim as well as participated in our servathon, did a Conference report at AOCYPAA businesss, meeting in Laguna Woods, I spoke at the Newport Club, a young people's meeting in Dana Point, Youth Guidnce in Santa Ana and Nancy Clark an Associates in Newport Beach. I participated in Area 5's elections and in the remedy of two issues in regard to the comprise of our Traditons at both an Alano club in Huntington Beach and a banquet committee in Tustin. I have also sent our Area's Trustee At Large resume and other personal data to GSO, along with many requests from the General Service Office for Group District info. I have continued to read and study our guidelines and bylaws to better familiarize myself with our polices and procedures, and have also answered many questions from Districts and DCMs regarding motions and the future of our Area's board, as well as the future of committee chairs. I am preparing to go to Area 93's elections at the end of the day to participate in their elections tomorrow. I will be visiting 3 districts in the next few weeks, including District 18's Service Day on December 11<sup>th</sup>. I continue to be available for any Districts that need me or require an assistance  
Jeryl T., Panel 62 Area 09

**Alternate Delegate Sharon K.** No Report

**Registrar Raul:** I'm updating GSRs and groups 3285. I attended area 5 and 93 elections. I will be working with Nikki in DCM/DCMC registration. Thank you

**Area Chair Cesar F.**-Hello all; I am going to start my report by saying that in September and Oct. officer's meeting I submitted my resingnation as chair due to job opportunity in Mexico. Without going into a lot of detail of things that are going on in Mexico right now that are completely our of my control and the government's control for that matter; I want to let you know that my family has been affected greatly and they advised me to cancel my move to Mexico until further notice. At the same time, I want to thank my fellow officer for their support

throughout this ordeal. I plan to remain here in area 09 for the rest of this panel and beyond God willing. I would like to apologize for not being able to attend the Servathon and other district events in Nov. and Dec. I will make contact with districts 4 and 17 regarding the Feb. and March ASC locations. Also district 25 for the Pre-Conference location in April and District 8 for the May Assembly location. The 4 area DCM sharing session, I appointed two people to attend the planning meetings. PRAASA 2013 is going to be held in Boise, Idaho on March 1-3<sup>rd</sup>. Registration is available online and also by snail mail. Deadline for mail and online registrations is Feb. 21, 2013. Finally, the AA directories are now available at GSO. Thanks you for your support. Cesar F.

**Secretary Jesus O.** – I want to thank Sharon for covering for me in October. She makes everything simple for difficult minds like mine. In the last couple of months I've spoken at dist. 23 and 25 anniversaries. I want to thank Jeryl for coming out to support dist. 25, last Saturday in San Bernardino. Attended the Servathon and areas 5 and 93 elections. I've been e-blasting information to the area members as it comes in. Thank you

#### **Old Business:**

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#### **MSCA 2013 Budget**

#### **GSR School Guidelines**

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**Proposal:** In parallel with moving AA into the digital age, we move to create an online "Virtual Archive" of our Area's Archive available to the membership. Amendment that materials would be available online by January 1, 2014. Steve S./ Patrick S.

**Proposal:** That we elect standing committee chairs and co-chairs from opposite sides, respectively, of the area. If the chair is from the East, then the co-chair is from the West, then, for the following panel, it reverses. Ron E. / Doug S.

**Proposal:** The Treasurer track and report quarterly, the income and expenses of the East and West sides to illustrate our Area's financial effectiveness. Ashly W. / Steve S.

#### **New Business**

**Proposal:** for uniform policy on mileage reimbursement for MSCA 09 Alex N.

**Convention Liaison-Lois** – Reviewed goals of past year and committee fulfillment of goals. Conventions attended; Planning Committees attended in 2012. Discussed next year's projected attendance of conventions and gatherings in 2013. Chair to speak at Victorville Convention and will attend planning meeting for the Annual Orange County AA convention on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Convention Liaison Spanish-Mauricio T.**- We have the location for the State Wide Spanish Convention; the Double Tree Hotel by Hilton in Modesto, Ca. to be held May 24-26<sup>th</sup>., 2013.

**Finance-Tina**-The committee discussed the budget presentation changes at the ASC today. The budget will be discussed at the ASC and presented to the executive committee. The Executive Committee will place the budget before the Assembly in January, 2013. We plan to clean up the Finance Committee archived paperwork at the Archives on Sat. Jan. 12, 2013.

**Grapevine-Catherine** – Discussed collaborating with PI, CPC and H&I to subscribe for people that can't get to meetings. Planning Writer's Workshop, Guidelines, GV materials to soldiers in recovery returning to USA from abroad.

**La Viña: Paco** – Opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. We read the Statement of Purpose. Sharing from districts; 20, 21, 22 and 24. They reported that they are visiting groups to get La Vina Subscriptions and having other La Vina items available. The 17<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary wants to extend an invitation for anyone who wants to make a drawing of the the Theme/Logo for the event and the deadline to submit any drawings is Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. Or via email to [17avoaniersario@yahoo.com](mailto:17avoaniersario@yahoo.com). Dist. 21 reports that they are trying to organize a writing workshop and we encourage any group or district that want to put on a writing workshop we will support them. Writing workshop of articles for La Vina in Dist 24 on Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>., Dist 22 on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Committee meeting at the intra district meeting in Dec. We closed the meeting by thanking the attendees.

**GSR School English Marita** – This morning we reviewed the general structure of the Trustees, on up to gsrs and groups. We talked about how the conference structure operates. We reviewed the area meetings and the difference between ASC and Assembly agendas and purpose. We reviewed today's agenda gave the pros and both sides of each proposal.

**GSR School Spanish-Marcelo** – Today we reviewed Concept XII and the gsrs had a chance to ask questions and share their experience, strength and hope on the concept. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

**Literature**- Reviewed 2013 workbook. Began to review the "What's it all About" pamphlet. Revisions are needed and we are looking into the costs for revising the pamphlet to the old color cover pamphlet. We encouraged today's attendees to become literature committee members throughout the year. We are planning a literature workshop in May.

**Public Information:-Bob**-Spanish Speaking Co-Chair needs to be replaced

**Registration Committee Kristen** – Discussed upcoming registration workshop. It will be on Sat. Feb. 23, 2013 from 10am-2pm. There will be a light lunch. All registrars, DCMs, DCMCs and GSRs are welcome. Will have flyers in the next two months.

**Treatment Facilities-Paula**: The following districts were represented; 6, 9, 11, 15 & 18. We still need representatives/chairs/committee members from districts 1, 2, 3, 5, 12, 20-25 & 30. Please have DCMs or Alt. DCMs contact Paula S.

**Special Needs Area 09 Jennifer C.**: There is still a problem with statements made/sponsorship advice re: AAs taking psychotropic meds. How ADA compliance is affected by 501 © Tax status. What GSRs can take back to their respective district meetings re: communication with & suggestions for Deaf AAs. Relying on traditions & concepts, while avoiding individual opinions & egos. Chair will be attending Fullerton interpreted meeting on Fri. Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>. This will be their last meeting due to low attendance. I'll be looking for a centrally located meeting to begin terping.

## ***Coordinate Committee Reports:***

### ***District Reports submitted in writing:***

**District 1:** Election of new Alt. DCMC-Maryka De O. and Registrar Geoff C. Discussion about sign-up sheets for the district 1 pot lock and we Discussed Praasa. A budget committee was established. District pot lock Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>., 2012 from 7:30-9pm

**District 2 Mona:**-Made food plans & plans to host the Jan. Assembly on Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>., 2013. Discussed strategies to recruit GSRs to visit meetings not represented. Revo accepted position to be chair the new committee for mapping out meetings we need to visit and break them up by cities. Thank you

**District 4 Barbara:** Enjoyed a pizza party and welcomed several new enthusiastic GSRs.

**District 5:** We had our movie night last month which and was a great success. It was a "movie snacks" themed pot lock. Last month we had a motion brought forth by a GSR that the DCMC find out who the co-signor is for our bank account and to obtain the latest bank statement in order to audit the account. We discussed briefly the conference inventory item regarding delegate areas and whether or not they should be composed of based on AA membership numbers.

**District 6 Kim A:** Nov. Visitation Workshop: Examples of potential visitation approaches from round table discussion following some roll playing. Also putting together kits for group visitations. Discussed current proposals. Continued monthly concept study. December service love fest/pot lock-one of our members who was active in Dist. 6 30 years ago share some history of our district (he actually had a pamphlet with a pay phone on the cover). Many others shared in an open forum about how they got to General Service and what service has meant to their sobriety/life. District Derby-Year long "meeting Visitation" competition between sub-districts to visit all dark and unrepresented meetings in dist. 6. 2013 Budget and we have 7 people going to Praasa.

**District 7 Rachel:**- Final planning for hosting the area meeting. Discussed delivering GSR reports more efficiently. \$1072.31 Balance. Thank you area 09 for patience in setting up. Thank Nick M for a fabulous lunch. Union hall for facility. Thanks to Barry and Lisa and everyone who showed up today to help out. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Monday; district meeting at GGAC tomorrow 12/10/12 6pm for new GSRs and 6:30 for business meeting. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tuesday Tradition and Concept 12 study on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm at the GGAC.

**District 9:** -We are very grateful to be a part of such a committed and Active District. We have approached Senior Centers re: placing approved AA Literature in Lobbys. Hopefully to form an active CEC committee in our district. We have plans to re-start our literature focus service personnel with copies of Grapevine/La Vina. Our PI committee has continued to provide speakers to Coachella Valley High Schools and have been received very well. It is that time of year and Praasa is right around the corner. We have moved into final budgeting regarding who will go. Thank you for letting us be of service. We have begun work and planning on a District 9 literature/archives workshop for spring. Details to follow.

**District 12-Joe** – Held traditions day on Nov. 11. Matt from the area had the archives display and gave a 5 minute pitch on area archives. We had a surprise visit by the area delegate with some service manuals. Monthly traditions of concept workshops at 6:30-7pm. Prior to monthly dist meeting new GSR orientation at 6:30pm prior to monthly district meeting.

**District 14 Kelly Y:** Ice cream social was a big success. We had over 85 people a short video, 2 speakers, raffle & 50/50. We voted to contribute our 50% to the Praasa fund. We discussed motions to be voted on at the area. Many groups are not interested in discussing a potential split. Some of our members are planning to go to archives. Planning our trip to Praasa with 3-4 members going from the district. Nov. 2013 we are hosting the area meeting and currently looking for a venue.

**District 19 Gary W:** Merry Christmas and Happy new year to all. We want to thank all those who attended our workshop on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. We had a great turn out. We had 12 GSRs and 1 Alt. GSR and 2 guests in attendance.

**District 20 Luciano:** We are working with the 24 groups in our district. We have 19 groups represented and 5 with no GSRs. In our weekly meetings on Monday we usually have 12-15 GSRs in attendance. We currently don't have a PI or Archives chair. Luciano Alt. DCMC

**District 21 Ramon:-** We visit two groups per week to motivate groups to send their GSR to the district in order to be aware of what happens in AA as a whole. We appreciate the support to Servathon event in Wilmington, Ca. District 21 had the honor of hosting the event. Thanks to the GSRs of district 21 for their support and participation. Thank you for allowing me to serve. Alt. DCM Ramon H

**District 22 Maria-**We are still meeting every Tues. and look at different topics every week as well as we have our business meeting. Two weeks ago we had our local Forum. Thank you

**District 23 Victor-**We meet 4 Fridays out of the month and we visit groups every Wed. On Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> we celebrated the 22<sup>nd</sup> district anniversary which was funded by the group's trusted servants at the district level. A few of us are planning on going to Praasa. Thank you

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**Birthdays:** Joseph H. 16, Rich W. 19, Loretta S. 18, Rob C. 7, Caterine 3, Ramon 8, Marcelo 16, Jim B. 19, Gerardo 21, Maria 10 years

THE ASC ADJOURNED at approximately 3:30 pm with the Responsibility Pledge English and Spanish

Minutes respectfully submitted by Panel 62 Secretary –Jesus O.