

## **APPROVED MID-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA 09 MINUTES**

**Sunday, October 19th, 2014**

Location: Casa Rozanne y Jeryl  
Costa Mesa, CA

### **BOARD MEETING**

**Call to Order:** Called to order by Chair Sharon with the Responsibility Statement at 10:25am.

**In Attendance:** Delegate Cesar, Chair Sharon, Registrar Jesus, Alt Delegate Joe, Treasurer Rozanne, and Secretary Barbara – with visitor WebMaster Carlos doing a Q & A with the Board before the official meeting start time.

Approval of September Board minutes – Rozanne motioned, Jesus seconded, and minutes approved with no amendments.

**Officer's Reports:** (submitted in writing)

**Delegate Cesar:** My name is Cesar and I am an alcoholic; it is my honor and privilege to serve as your Panel 64 Delegate for Area 09.

I am happy to report to you that on September 28th, I completed all District Visitations with the Conference Reports; that Sunday was a really busy day! Joe and myself gave a Conference Report to a Spanish speaking Orange County Convention in the morning in Fullerton, and afterwards we hit the road to go to District 30, in Joshua Tree, CA.

Some of the highlights of things that I have done, and that our Trustee at Large and GSO are doing.

- 2014 Conference Final Reports are out; I gave them to all DCMCs, and I have some extra copies if anyone would like to have more.
- Oct 12-16 2014 Warsaw Poland WSM. 61 Delegates from other countries are expected to attend.
- Oct 17-18, 2014 26th Anniversary of AA Latvia in Jelgava, Latvia.
- Area elections from Panel 63 Delegates. 12 Areas have conducted their elections so far in the US & Canada.
- American Correctional Associations Feb 6-11 2015 in being held in Long Beach, GSO is paying for the booth fees.
- Feb 13-15, 2015 11th Mexican Convention of AA Monterrey, Mexico.
- Feb 20-22, 2015 AA Japan 40th Anniversary Yokohama, Japan.
- Grapevine has a new book (Sober & Out Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender AA members share their Experience, Strength and Hope).
- The new 2015 AA Literature Catalog is available.

I am looking forward to our Area participating in the Area 05, 93 and 06 elections. I have only one District left to give my Conference Report to.

Thanks you so much for your support and for the hospitality I received from your Committees and/or Districts. Service is a Legacy of Love - Cesar F. Panel 64 Delegate Area 09

Conference Committee Public Information

**Alternate Delegate Joe:** It's been a hectic month. Cesar completed the last of his District report-backs. And, naturally, the moment he finished his final report-back it is already time to start thinking about the next General Service Conference. But, better to be over prepared than under prepared, I guess. My primary task this month was trying to organize the Ad Hoc Committee regarding our special meeting in February. It has proven to be a bona fide logistical nightmare trying to have everyone meet in the same room at the same time. I wound up taking a vacation day from work in order to make it happen. We did finally meet this last Friday for which I will provide an update when Sharon asks for it. The other thing I have been working on is the Servathon. I made a flyer and had them available at our last ASC. I am going to ask Cesar out...to dinner, so we can finalize the round-table topics. I still need to ask someone to speak for about 20 minutes on, "Our Common Welfare through Gratitude in Action". I was in communication with Tony, our Archives Chair regarding the Facebook page. He indicated that he was more than happy to have us visit once we are all available to do so. Lastly, Jim our Sound guy notified me that he has some equipment that needs to be replaced. Some of our translation equipment has permanently malfunctioned making it necessary to purchase new equipment. He indicated it would cost about \$750. Sharon and I had already spoken to him in the hopes of updated our current equipment, so the timing is pretty good. Joe C.  
Alternate Delegate Panel 64

**Chair Sharon:** Since our last board meeting I attended the ASC, forwarded the calendar to our new webmaster Carlos and spoke with the Archives Committee chair and Archivist with Joe. I had the chance to review the budget and present the audit proposal on behalf of the board. Looking forward to the Area 5 and Area 93 elections. Sharon Panel 64 Area Chair

**Secretary Barbara:** Working hard on our wonderful Area keeps me sober & I am grateful to all of you for your support and assistance! Since our last Board meeting in Sept, I:

- Wrote and Eblasted letter regarding the passing of trusted Area servant Nick Murray Sept 24<sup>th</sup>
- Attended District #04 meeting, where I taught GSR School
- Agenda / August Minutes Eblast to Area done Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Attended the Memorial for Nick on Sat Oct 4<sup>th</sup>
- Spoke in Lucerne Valley on Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – great to visit that remote (from me) part of Area 09
- Sent an email to DCMCs and Committee Chairs to submit their ASC reports via email
- Updated Area Sign In sheets and printed them for the ASC
- Attended the ASC in Lakewood – good times
- Random emails, texts, and calls with Board and Area members regarding stuff - lots of stuff

So grateful that the WebSite is getting up and running – definitely going to make my life easier! Looking forward to the upcoming Elections for Areas #05 and #93. Nervous about that – what am I supposed to do? But looking forward to my fellow Board Members, as always, showing me what the heck I am supposed to be doing.

I remain your respectful and humble servant – Barbara D – Panel 64 Area 09 Secretaria

**Treasurer Rozanne:**

October 19, 2014 MSCA09 Treasurer's Board Report

<b>BOFA Statement Account summary:</b>	
Beginning balance on September 1, 2014	\$ 10,820.72
Deposits and other credits	\$ 3,503.35
Withdrawals and other debits	-\$ 2,043.00

Service fees	-\$ 12.00
Ending balance on September 30, 2014	\$ 7,055.59
<i>BOFA Savings Account:</i>	<i>\$ 5,002.30</i>

My name is Rozanne and I am an alcoholic. I am honored to serve as your Area 09 Treasurer.

Since our last board meeting:

I attended the Area Meeting on 10/12/14.

I sent in our "Statement of Information" to the Government. It is a required yearly document that had not been filed.

I have started to prepare for taxes and getting the 1099's to the Interpreters so we can be a bit ahead of the process. The area audit was very helpful for me to adjust how documents are filed and what items will need to be addressed at tax time. I may even get with our tax preparer to see if we can make this year's taxes a bit more organized when I submit them.

The Finance committee met on 9/27/14 to assemble the DRAFT 2015 budget which was discussed at the Area Meeting. The budget proposes a \$10,000 increase in contributions/food kitty which, historically, appears to be a valid increase. We purposely did not grant all budget expense requests so we could encourage the use of the override system.

We had the second meeting of the Policy Ad Hoc Committee. We are at a point now where the research has revealed some really great talking points. We identified quite a few items that our Area could address, so we are going to create a format for the committee should it be accepted by the Area. We feel the more information we can provide as to the process of how we came to our conclusions, the more it will spur conversation regarding the acceptance of the committee. Our next meeting is on Nov. 3rd

Action Items from last month:

1. Contact Jim Clough regarding the Go Daddy accounts – completed
2. Update 2015 budget to reflect additional line items (International/Trustees) - completed
3. Add approved budget overrides for Delegate/Area Meetings – completed
4. Contact Finance Chair about possible workshop with Registration

Thank you, Rozanne.

**Registrar Jesus:** Since the ASC I've been updating Group info that I received at the ASC, and I was able to get in touch with Geoff District #01 Registrar. Maryka had asked me to contact him to see if I could help him because he was trying to deal directly with GSO. The main challenge is to assign the right sub-district to new and existing meetings. We've since created a new sub-district for a club that was transferred to them from Area 05; The Birch Alano Club. Like I said at my Area report, registration is an ongoing process/challenge but it's okay because I get to stay busy and some-what sane. I'm looking forward to the Area 05 Elections next Sunday. Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Jesus

**Old Business:**

- Archives Bank Account
- Archives Ad Hoc Committee
- Policy Ad Hoc Committee update
- Are / Special Meeting Ad Hoc Committee update
- Set October ASC agenda
- Archives Facebook page
- District #20

### **New Business:**

- GoDaddy Account credit card transfer
- Board involvement with Committees
- Ad Hoc Committee update
- Annual Report
- WebMaster
- Committee Chair attendance
- Sound equipment
- Attendance at end of Area events
- Bringing the Area together
- Motion made by Cesar to fund emergency replacement of broken sound/translation equipment, not to exceed \$4200. (of which \$1200. is from the approved Equipment budget). Joe seconded and Board unanimously approved. Upon further discussion, motion was withdrawn.

### **Action Items:**

#### **Full Board Action:**

- Review and translate letter to District #20 (being drafted by Secretary)

#### **Delegate Cesar:**

- No action items

#### **Alt Delegate Joe:**

- No action items

#### **Chair Sharon:**

- Forward Daily Pilot editor info to Cesar with regard to anonymity breaks

#### **Secretary Barbara:**

- To Eblast Area that website may be down for servicing periodically over next few weeks
- Send Carlos all the old minutes for the website
- Draft letter to District 20

#### **Registrar Jesus:**

- No action items

#### **Treasurer Rozanne:**

- To email Finance and Registration Chairs regarding possible workshop
- To research the need for an Annual Report

Agenda: Nov is Servathon, so agenda reviewed and set for Dec ASC.

Next Meeting: Sunday Dec 21st

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Meeting adjourned at 1:15p, motion made by Joe, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jesus, and meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement.

Minutes respectfully submitted by your grateful MSCA 09 Panel #64 Secretary, Barbara D.