

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

MINUTES AREA SERVICE ASSEMBLY

14 January 2018
Hosted by District 05 on 15 May 2016
Walton Intermediate School
Garden Grove, CA

Call to Order: Past Delegate, Jesus at 09:03 a.m., called the meeting to order.

In Attendance: Jesus, Past Delegate then introduced the Panel 68 Board: Delegate Jesus O., Chair Hiro S., Registrar Sharon K., Alt Delegate Ryan B., Treasurers Todd W. and Ed L., and Secretary Mitchell B.

Readings: Declaration of Unity read in English and in Spanish. The Statement of Purpose and Membership read in English and in Spanish. GSR Preamble read in English and in Spanish.

Introductions: Past Trustees, Past Delegates, New DCMCs/Alt. DCMCs, New DCMs/Alt. DCMs, New GSRs and Alt. GSRs, Guests, Past and Current Area Officers.

Delegate Jesus O.: Since our last Area meeting; I attended the board meeting with the new and old board. Received my welcome letter from New York. The 2018 GSC April 22-28th. am assigned to the Conference Public Information Committee, I have access to the GSO dashboard (huge Dropbox) with lots of information. We have close to 60 preliminary agenda items and will have the full list by Feb 15th. My conference buddy is Bob D., Delegate from Area 85, Ontario, Canada. I wrote an article for the January Newsletter and helped with Area Elections in San Diego for a new Alternate Chair, Sutton K. My topic at PRAASA is “The Home Group; the Driving Force”. If you are going to PRAASA for sure and want to volunteer to be of service, please give me your information so I can pass it on to the PRAASA Program Chair. You will either speak, read or run the lights and time upfront. It’s usually done by lot I think they put all the names in a hat and assign the job that way similar to being elected by the hat. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Alternate Delegate Ryan B.: Hello everyone, my name is Ryan, I’m an Alcoholic and your Area 09 Alternate Delegate. Thank you all for the opportunity to serve as Alternate Delegate. Yesterday I had my first service opportunity in this position. Jesus and I traveled down to San Diego Imperial Area 08 to assist with a special election for the Alternate Chair, Sutton K. was elected. An excel file with the 137 new officers was submitted to Sharon K and Mitchell B to assist with the 2018 Roster creation. Some of the functions on the horizon include: (1) I’ll be attending the 4 – Area DCM Sharing Session taking place on February 3 at 3936 N Muscatel Ave in the City of Rosemead. Taking place from 9 AM to 3PM. (2) Will be chairing a New Panel Orientation for the newly elected Panel 68 Committee Chairs, which is tentatively scheduled for late February. (3) I’ll also be going to be headed to Sparks, Nevada on March 1st to get a head start on P.R.A.A.S.A. 2018. Taking place March 2nd through the 4th at the Golden Nugget The Pre-Conference Workshop is the horizon on April 8th to be hosted by District 21. Thank you all for allowing me

to be of service.

Chair Hiro S.: No report.

Secretary Mitchell B.: Mitchell thanked Ed for his service and helping him transition into this position. Mitchell attended the Executive Board Meeting in November and December and Ed has been working with me to transfer the documentation and email service. Mitchell shared the unapproved minutes of 10 September 2017 and the October Election Assembly Minutes asking for any corrections. xx made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by xx, and unanimously approved by those in the assembly.

Treasurers Todd W. and Ed L.: Ed L. introduced himself as the Treasurer responsible for receiving contributions. Todd W. has boxes available for expense reports.

Registrar Sharon K.: Sharon attended Panel 64's final board meeting in December.

Committee Elections:

The **Archives Committee** already elected **Ryan R.** as the Archives Chair and now seeks Area 09 confirmation of his election. After he introduced himself he was unanimously approved by the Assembly to serve as the Archives Chair.

The **Finances Committee** elects the Finances Chair. Past Finances Chair, Todd W., introduced **Gregory J.** as the recently elected Finances Chair. After introducing himself, Gregory was unanimously confirmed by Assembly as the new Finances Chair.

Committee Chair Elections: The minimum suggested sobriety is five years. All commitments are for two years.

Communications: When **Don S.** was elected English chair and **Andrew A.** was unanimously elected Spanish chair.

Cooperation with the Elderly Community: This committee chair is still open.

Cooperation with the Professional Community: There are both Spanish and English Chairs for this committee. With only one person standing, **Michelle M.** was elected as English Co-Chair and **May B.** was approved as the CPC Spanish Chair.

Convention Liaison: **Jim B.** was the only person who stood for this English position, and was unanimously elected as the new Chair. There was not a Spanish-speaking Convention Liaison for Panel 68. **Jim B.** stood for this position was unanimously selected.

Corrections: **Josie F.** was voted as English chair. The Spanish chair position is still open.

DCM Schools: Nancy H. stood for this position. **Nancy H.** was selected by a majority vote for the English Co-Chair DCM School position. **Jose F.** ran for the Spanish

Co-Chair, and **Jose F.** was unanimously selected.

GAP Committee: GAP stands for “Guideline and Policy” Committee, which was newly formed in the fall of 2015. The function is to assist the Area in drafting, interpreting, and understanding motions as they are brought before the Area. **Bob L.** was unanimously selected.

Grapevine/La Viña: The Grapevine Chair position is still open. Members standing for the La Viña Chair included **Martin J.**, who was elected to this position.

GSR Schools: Those standing for the GSR School in English included **Phil G.**, who was unanimously selected. **Dario D.** stood for the GSR School in Spanish, and was unanimously selected.

Literature: There are both Spanish and English Co-Chairs for this committee. **Carlos I.** stood for the Literature English Co-Chair and was unanimously selected. **Paco G.** stood for the Literature Spanish Co-Chair and was unanimously selected to this position.

Public Information: Those standing for English Public Information Chair included **Evan J.** was unanimously selected to stay in this position. **Juan B.** was unanimously selected for the Spanish Public Information Co-Chair.

Registration: This committee does not have a Spanish co-chair. Those both English and Spanish chair positions are still open.

Special Needs: The English co-chair position is still open. No one stood to be the Spanish co-chair position.

Treatment Facilities: **Tanya D.** stood for the Treatment Facilities Chair and was unanimously selected.

Coffee Commitment: **Julius S.** indicated we do not have a coffee commitment person, and asked for volunteers.

Sound Person: **Rigo C.** was unanimously selected to be the new sound person.

Old Business:

- Proposal for update to Finance Committee Guidelines passed with substantial unanimity.
- Proposal for revision to Communications Committee Guidelines passed.
- Proposed change name of “Special Needs Committee” to “Accessibility Committee” passed with substantial unanimity after discussion.
- Vote on Proposed 2018 Budget passed unanimously.

New Business:

- No new business.

Standing Committee Reports: (Submitted In Writing)

Archives Ryan R.: Archives Committee will meet this Saturday, January 21, at 7111 Arlington Road, Suite B, in Riverside. We are currently planning our annual Open house to be held March 25, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. We will bring flyers to the next Area meeting. Also, we will email Area members. There will also be an Archivist Workshop for new and existing District Archives Chairs. It will be open to all interested parties in the preservation, A.A> history at the District, Area, and wider level. Date and time to be determined.

Communications Don S. and co-chair Andrew A.: No report.

Cooperation with the Elderly Committee: open

Cooperation with the Professional Community – English: Michelle No report.

CPC- Spanish: May No report.

Convention Liaison Jim B. Three members attended. We elected Jim B. as the English-speaking co-chairperson for conventions. Congratulations Jim B. and outgoing co-chair Karen H. wished Jim an enjoyable term. Good luck, Jim! Jim: Thank you Karen for recommending me for this position. Our first convention is the SFV A.A. Convention – January 27,28 and 29 – in Woodland Hills. Thanks also to Jeanne R. for volunteering to be a member of the committee. Together we are grateful for this opportunity to service MSCA 09. Upcoming Committee Events: San Fernando Valley A.A. Convention, Jan.27 – Jan.29, Woodland Hills, CA. Website: URL: <http://sfvaa.convention.org/>

Corrections and Correspondence Josie F.: Six members attended committee meeting. Elected new chair Josie F. Planned visitation to SoCal H&I Intergroup meeting on Sunday, January 28, 2018 in Long Beach. Reviewed draft of flowchart describing the role of the Area Corrections committee as it relates to SoCal H&I Intergroup activity. Upcoming Committee Events: Visitation to SoCal H&I Intergroup meeting in Long Beach on January 28, 2018.

DCM School Nancy H.: No report.

Finance Gregory: No report.

Guidelines and Policies (GAP) Robert L. No report.

Grapevine: open

La Viña Martin: No report.

GSR School English Phil: No report.

GSR School Spanish Dario: No report.

Literature English Carlos: No report.

Literature Spanish Paul: No report.

Public Information Evan J.: No report.

Public Information Spanish: open

Registration: open

Accessibility: open

Treatment Facilitates Tanya D.: No report.

District Reports (submitted in writing):

District 1 Ethan C.: Number of member present at the District meeting: 40. Full rotation of leadership with standing Committee Chairs and District Service commitments in January. Establishing plans and goals for Service among chairpersons, committees and GSRs, including: 2018 Budget; Cooperation with Professional Community; Public Information; Preparation for Pre-Conference Workshop; and other internal projects, e.g. website updates, etc. Upcoming District events include a possible preparatory event for Pre-Conference Workshop.

District 2: No report.

District 3: No report.

District 4: No report.

District 5: No report.

District 6 Manya: There were 55 members in the last District meeting. We welcomed new district officers for 2018-2019 board panel. Committee and Subdistrict DCM elections. All positions have been filled except for sub-district 6D and 6F, as well as Accessibility and CEC committee chairs. We will resume these elections in February. Members are encouraged to attend PRAASA in March 2018. Announced monthly pre-business board meetings at 6:30 p.m., before the regular district meeting. All DCM and Committee Chairs are invited and encouraged to attend. Announced monthly committees feature that will focus on one committee each month where the committee chair will discuss current service opportunities and upcoming events.

Future and Upcoming Events: ● Liaise with District 20 in preparation for July 2018 FORO ● Discussion of District visit to the Area Archives on the third Saturday in February (February 17, 2018) ● Pre-Conference Workshop preparation for April 2018.

District 7 Cheryl M.: There were 24 members at the last District meeting. District 7 has started 2018 with new interest in general Service. We had four new GSRs this month and looking forward to growth in the district. Our new officers are gearing up for the upcoming panel. We are in the planning stage for hosting the Area Assembly in April 2018. We are in discussion with other local districts to participate in a workshop, prior to Area Pre-Conference, on the Conference Agenda Topics. Future and Upcoming Events: ● April 8, 2018 – hosting Area Assembly.

District 8 Bob H.: Last District meeting had twenty-one in attendance. We approved a budget for 2018. We had four new GSRs attend our orientation. We filled our correction liaison position (Jill). Kristin N. is the new Archives Chair and we have a new H&I Liaison, Amy. Working on an Open House Workshop for our District. Future and Upcoming Events: ● Next meeting – Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 7 p.m. – GSR orientation at 6 p.m.

District 9: District 9 is hosting an event February 11 on the history of A.A. talk, with two local old-timers speaking on A.A. The event will include people involved with General Service and H&I to introduce members in District 9 to service work.

District 10: No report.

District 11: No report.

District 12 Nancy H.: The last District 12 meeting had between 75-100 people in attendance. The new service board discussed procedures for the budget for 2018 and for amending the District Guidelines. John J. gave a report in information he received from GSO for the Public Information Committee. The Treatment Committee reported about creating a web page for Bridging the Gap that will link with the area. They are hoping to host an event in April for A.A.s on how to welcome the newcomer while upholding our singleness of purpose. Future and Upcoming Events: ● Memorial Day Picnic – 28 May 2018 ● April – Bridging the Gap event.

District 14 Rich N.: The recent District meeting had twelve in attendance. District 14 held officer elections last month (9 December). We filled all positions. District 17 came over to help officiate the elections and later had a meeting discussing hosting future workshops.

District 15 Jeff N.: District 15 meeting had nine in attendance on January 4, 2018. The meeting had three new GSRs, one pending GSR, one guest, and four regulars – Duane, Mike and Pam. Albert was voted temporary DCM and will go to meetings and pick up new GSRs. Anne was voted in as the new Secretary, replacing Matt C. The District Grapevine Display was stolen. The meeting voted not to replace. The District voted not to continue discussion of joining District 15

with District 10. Future and Upcoming Events: ● February 1 is the next District 15 GSR meeting ● August 12, 2018 – ASC Meeting hosted by District 15.

District 17 Collette M.: Alt. DCMC Collette M. presented the District 17 report for DCMC Becky F. One our GSRs mentioned has have a beach on Lake Elsinore. Elections were held in December for DCMC, Alt. DCMC, Secretary, Treasurer, and Register. We are looking at matching our service committees with GSO and Area 09 structure. District 17 will be hosting an ASC in June 2018. We are encouraging our GSRs to have regular discussions / conversations / dialogues on concerns/issues/questions to or from District/Area/GSO instead of trying to fit it in the end of regular A.A. meeting time. Future and Upcoming Events: ● Traditions Workshop, combined with Home Group Service Structure. Workshop

District 18: Evan T.: District 18 met on January 9 at the Halecrest Park, 3107 Killybrooke Lane, Costa Mesa. The district highlights include * Newly elected District Officers seated * Informed District members of remaining open positions * Newly elected DCM-I * Newly elected Grapevine/La Viña Committee chair and Literature committee chair * Three new GSRs present. Upcoming/future District events: Planning with other Districts for the Pre-Pre-Conference Agenda topics presentation, with Districts 18, 5,6,7, and 12.

District 19: No report.

District 20: Melquiades V.: Day and Hour Every Monday 7: 30-to-9: 30PM place 205 W. First St., Suite 206, Tustin CA 92780. Number of Registered District: District # 20. Number of Presents in the District Meeting: 40 present. District 20 welcomed its new Panel # 68 with all positions covered, full panel, official committees and service links organized on Monday, January 1, 2018. Continuing with our service schedules, we continue to view two groups per week with a 15 attendance prompting. Presents the roll of visits & invitations from District 20 to the groups; sharing the message that we have an active committee working for the event of PRAASA 2018 - Coordinator Rogelio 949-xxx-xxx and Treasurer Alverto 714-xxx-xxxx. The reservations already have 7 rooms reserved and 3 vans for the attendees with a budget of \$140.00 per person There had been 14 volunteers registered as trusted servants. We finished our first internal meeting, which is called "I finish three months". Next / Future District Events: We will host the inter-district meeting on 02-25-2018. District assistance to this meeting 21 present. Alt. MCB Gildardo A. and MCD Melquiades V.

District 21: No report.

District 22: Ruben O. - Day and Time 1/14/18 8: 30-3: 00 pm as 12181 Buraro St., Garden Grove CA. Number of Registered in the District: 22; Number of Presents in the District Meeting: 10. Today you have 8 companions. Good afternoon colleagues Thank you for allowing me to serve. I am Ruben O. and I am an Alcoholic. I started the new Panel 68 with a lot of enthusiasm, and a full table with the change of panels on 1/2/18 and change of work duties. I visited 2 groups that week and motivating the service and groups that do not have RSGs, to motivate them to send a new GSR and also have study meetings after the work meeting every Tuesday. That is all for the moment and thanks permitting me to serve. Ruben O. MCB Dist. 22 Panel 68, Victor Alt. MCD. Next / Future District Events: The District will host the Area ASC in District # 22 - 31-189 Robert Road, Thousand Palms CA 92276.

District 23: Hector G. - Day and Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m. Primary Purpose Meeting, Riverside Co. with 23 present at the District Meeting. We meet and welcome our 23 members and visit two groups per week. We are also working with Conlos Groups to visit weekly with share experience with CPC. Planning for the La Viña anniversary celebration and finally other information to carry the message to the AA Groups Our Meetings on the 4th Friday of each month. Thank you, that all that for now. We are united and in the Fellowship. Alt. MCD Hector G. Next / Future District Events: We are working for attending PRAASA.

District 24: No report.

District 25: No report.

District 30: No report.

Wrap-Up:

Recap of Actions: Recap was given by Mitchell B., Secretary.

- Approval of Minutes from 10 September 2017 ASA passed with corrections unanimously and minutes from October 2017 Election passed unanimously.

- Committee Elections

- Elections for Committees

Archives	Ryan R.	
Communications	Don S.	Andrew A
CEC	open	
CPC	Michelle	May
Convention Liaison	Jim B.	
Corrections and correspondence		Josie F.
DCM School	Nancy H.	
Finance	Gregory	
Guidelines and Policies (GAP)		Robert L.
Grapevine	open	
La Vina	Martin	
GSR School	Phil	Dario
Literature	Carlos	Paul
Public Information	Evan J.	open (Spanish)
Registration	open	
Special Needs	open	
Treatment Facilitates	Tanya	
Coffee Commitment	Julius	
Sound Person	Rigo	

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Announcements:

January Birthdays: Robin - 14 years; Jesus - 25 years; Julius - 5 years; Sam - 17 years; Jacqueline - 26 years; Lucy - 5 years, Rodrigo – 11 years, Hector – 38 years.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment:

Next Meetings:

- Next Area 09 Event: 11 February 2018: ASC, Thousand Palms, CA
- 24 February 2018: Panel 68 Orientation, MSCA 09 Archives Facility, 7111 Arlington Ave., Suite B, Riverside, CA 92503 10 AM – 1 PM
- 11 March 2018: ASC, UFCW Union Local 324, 8550 Stanton Avenue, Buena Park, CA 90622

- 20 May 2018: Area Service Assembly, Walton Intermediate School, 12181 Buaro St., Garden Grove, CA 92840. Hosted by District 7
- June 10 ASC – District 17: Murrieta Community Center, 41810 Juniper St, Murrieta, CA 92562

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m., motion made by Carlos, 2nd by Sharon and meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement in both English and Spanish.

Minutes respectfully submitted by your MSCA 09 Panel #68 Secretary, Mitchell B.