

MID-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was held on Sunday **September 11, 2005** at
24112 Moulton Parkway Laguna Woods, CA 92336
Delegate's Sharing Session 9:30 AM to 10:15 AM
GSR School 9:30 AM to 10:15 AM
Lunch was served at 11:30 AM by the host District 12.

Bruce H. Area Chair opened the meeting at noon with some readings English & Spanish.
Declaration of Unit, Tradition 9, Concept 9. GSR Preamble. Assembly Statement of Purpose &
Membership.

Introductions: Past Delegates, Jim C., New GSRs, DCMs, DCMCs, Guests.

The May 2005 Assembly Minutes were approved with one Correction under Jim W Delegate reports from Area 05

DELEGATE'S REPORT Nancy J

Nancy J. welcomed all for attending the Area Assembly and thanked District 12 for hosting and District 19 for letting her give the Delegate's report last month. Nancy reported that she visited some groups in Big Bear a lot good input regarding General Service. The PI & Treatment Facility Committee from the conference 2005 are requesting the video revision "Hope of Alcoholics Anonymous" Nancy mentioned that these videos generally cost around \$10.00. Literature has a sub-committee to update the booklet "AA in Prison" Inmate to Inmate. Nancy brought some registrations and Flyers regarding the 2nd Annual Northern Nevada Native American Conference that is going to be held on October 14th -16th 2005 in Reno Nevada.. This event will have Speakers from California, Oregon and Colorado. Suggestions are needed for the "Themes and Topics" for the 57 Annual Meeting Workshops at the General Service Conference forms are available in English and Spanish. There is an opening for a non trustee appointed committee member on the trustee's literature committee. The 55th General Service Conference reports, the Spanish version was sent out from GSO last week as soon as arrive they will be distributed to our Spanish Speaking members. Nancy read some Emails and news from some Delegates from areas where Katrina did damage. Some events that they were scheduled in New Orleans were postponed such as The International Convention of Young People in AA, and National AA Archives. Nancy gave the estimates of Groups and Members as of January 1st 2005; in the US there are 52, 652 groups and estimated membership of 1, 190, 637 members. In Canada there are 4, 872 groups and estimate 95, 984 members. With a sub total US & Canada 57, 523 groups and 1,286, 621 members. Outside US & Canada 45, 209 groups and 729, 097 members. Grand total world wide groups registered 105, 294 and 2, 082, 980 members. Nancy ended her report giving thanks for letting her being on service.

Area Officers Reports:

Registrar, Linda read the Registrar duties from the MSCA Guidelines, and also she mentioned that she visited some districts and also she attended the Registration Committee Meeting.

Treasurer, Joe also explained what are the duties of the Area Treasurer. Joe also mentioned that 2006 Budget needs to be submitted for all Area Officers, Committee Chairs and Co chairs. For the month of August, total income \$4, 036. 56 total expenses \$4,923.64 given a balance -expenses of -\$887.08 The total year to date income is \$38, 683.39 and the total year to date expenses is \$35, 312.00 given a balance +\$3,371. 39 Also Joe reported that as of September 1st 2005 the MSCA 09 Checking account balance is \$12,786. 74 and our Savings account \$4,176. 57

Secretary, Cesar read the Secretary duties from the MSCA Guidelines and encouraged all to stand at the next Area Election. Lastly he thanked the Area for letting him being of service.

Alternate Delegate, Carlos also read the Alternate Delegate duties from the MSCA Guidelines. Carlos mentioned that he is working closely regarding the Servathon along with District 14, the event will November 5, 2005 Flyers are available, there will be an Archives Presentation.

Area Chair, Bruce also described in his words what the Area Chair duties are, for more information you can go to our Area Website and click Area Duties. Also Lastly Bruce reported that he visited some Districts.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1, **Proposal** 2006 MSCA Meeting Schedule, proposal approved.
- 2, **Election Candidate for Pacific Region Trustee**, Pete was elected.
- 3, **Proposal** Modify Newsletter Guidelines Article VIII, Heading E, Section 4, subsection b, Hyperlinks to Outside, proposal passed.
- 4, **Proposal** Revision Newsletter Guidelines Add Article VIII, Heading E, Section 3, sub-section e. proposal passed.
- 5, **Proposal** Area 09 Expense and Budget Policy New proposal approved.
- 6, **Confirmation of Web site Chair**, Nick M. was confirmed.
- 7, **Proposal**, Budget Override of \$1000.00 for the Delegate Expenses at the 2005 International Convention: proposal was approved.
- 8, **Proposal** Budget Override of \$120.00 for GSR School: proposal approved.
- 9, **Proposal**, Change Name of Correctional Facilities Committee to Corrections Committee: proposal approved.

Written reports:

CPC, The committee had 8 in attendance, the committee has a new Alt. Chair Ernesto M. GSO is supporting CPC Chair at a booth for the (ACNP) at the Palm Springs Convention Center Oct 19-22, 2005.

Literature, The committee had 7 people in attendance at the committee meeting, the committee discussed several topics; Reviewed August 14, Committee Minutes, discussed rules and responsibilities of literature Committee, discussed distribution of "What's all About Pamphlet to Central Officer. Also the committee reviewed 2006 workbook in progress, visitation groups, and literature display archives.

GSR School, the committee had a good turnout at the committee meeting, the meeting started with some readings. The GSR school fields questions on any aspect of AA from attendees. Answer to questions on distribution of group procedures, and a few outside issued were found in the principles of AA.

PI. Committee met both in English and Spanish, Damian from District 22 provided translation for our English speaking members. Luciano the Co Chair proceeded with discussion instruction from our PI workbook. PSAs were discussed, Literature distribution to libraries and Ideas, project were submitted. Also the committee reviewed the goals in the PI workbook including but not limited to placing directories in hotels, motels desks, Big Books in libraries. Placing Public announcements on radio, and TV.

Treatment Facilities, the committee had 7 people in attendance, Bridging the Gap has 5 new members signed up to do Bridging the Gap and approximately 10 blank forms were taken to go back to districts, groups to be completed and returned. The TFC budget request includes funds for panel 56 to host a workshop to invite Treatment Facility Staff people to come and learn about AA. Our Committee is looking for volunteers to help create and maintain a current and accurate mailing list of people to invite to this event.

May Birthdays

273 Years of Sobriety Celebrated

The Area Assembly meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted Cesar F. Area 09 Secretary