

Communications Committee Report – January 2023

Since November 2022, I have served in the interim position of Communications Chair. This means that Rich W, Panel 72 Chair, has appointed me to this position, but it will not be finalized until there is a vote at the January Assembly to confirm me in that position. Given the responsibilities of the new Technologies Committee, whose guidelines were published on 1/9/2022¹, much of what the Communications Committee once did is now assumed by this relatively new committee. In response to Francine W's motion that the Communications Committee be restructured, I've revised the guidelines in English², and with help from Ivan G and Raul C, we also have versions translated into Spanish³. The draft guidelines will be submitted at the February Area Service Committee (ASC) as a proposed motion to revise the original guidelines⁴, which are dated 1/11/2009. I continue to serve as the newsletter editor, producing the December 2022 newsletter with a Christmas message from our Grapevine Representative and the January 2023 newsletter with a message from Carmen M, Panel 72 Accounts Payable Treasurer. Ryan H has provided me with a story on the function of GSR School, which will be featured in the February 2023 newsletter. I received a call from past delegate, Cesar F, a few days ago saying that he has moved back to Costa Mesa and that he will help me communicate with the Hispanic community to ensure that ALL materials are translated from English to Spanish as accurately and quickly as possible. Again, I'd like to thank Ivan G for translating all newsletters since September 2022. Rich W has scheduled a conference Zoom meeting with Area 09 Board members on 1/15/2023 to discuss the function of the Communications Committee.

(Note: As past delegate, I am anxious to turn both the Communications chair and newsletter editor positions over to another Area 09 member. I am assuming these positions only as a means to ensure they resume their functionality, as they have been dysfunctional for a while now. If you are interested in either position, please contact me at msca09delegate70@yahoo.com).

Ed L., Communications Committee Chair

¹ <https://www.dropbox.com/s/ybc2ylr68wzssvj/Guidelines-Technology-Committee-English-2022.01.09.pdf?dl=0>

² <https://www.dropbox.com/s/1wnrf5iw6rt2wey/Communications%20Committee%20Revised%20Guidelines.English.10-31-2022.pdf?dl=0>

³ <https://www.dropbox.com/s/xf4syq4y7ihrrou/Communications%20Committee%20Revised%20Guidelines.Spanish.1-5-2022.pdf?dl=0>

⁴ <https://www.dropbox.com/s/lflbivdkjhh46i8/Communications%20Committee%20Guidelines.1-11-2009.pdf?dl=0>