

Approved District 8 Business Meeting Minutes April 19, 2023

ZOOM MEETING: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81358831671>

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General Service Area 09, District 08

Corona, Jurupa Valley, Mentone, Moreno Valley, Norco, Redlands, Riverside, Yucaipa

and participation with meetings in District 11 boundary

Big Bear, Bloomington, Blue Jay, Colton, Crestline, Fontana, Grand Terrace, Highland, Lake Arrowhead, Loma Linda, Rialto, Running Springs, San Bernardino

****SECRETARY'S NOTE:** Zoom internet connection was bumping in-person attendees in and out, several times during this meeting. Items that were discussed in Zoom during the episodes of internet loss were not heard or recorded by secretary. So sorry for the technology challenges!

Call to Order with Serenity Prayer by Jerry S. at 7:00 pm.

GSR Preamble- George G.

Welcome and Introduction of

New GSR's: Ellsworth W. -Sun Candlelight Redlands

Visitors: **Mark S. Area 5 District 3** to announce Camp Spiritfire to be held in Running Springs, May 26-29 and flyers are available.

Ryan H. Area 9 District 5 and GSR school chair for Area 9. Discusses GSR school and resources and information for GSR's. (Zoom internet connection was bumping in-person attendees in and out during Ryan's presentation and he may return to further discuss this important topic at a future meeting.)

Debra L. Area 9 Grapevine Chair here to discuss Grapevine materials that have been updated and how to access. Now a QR code that is safe to scan, with hyperlinks to available literature, podcasts, and you-tube videos. Also, a QR code link to the Area 9 website and contact information for Debra. Please have your group Grapevine Reps contact her for questions and support. She provided a sign-up sheet for those interested in literature and free resources. Grapevine is supported by subscriptions and appreciates new subscriptions.

Total Attendance – 33 (On site 17 + Zoom 16) Please remember to sign in on Zoom or in person!

Happy Birthdays  **Jerry S. April 9, 1986- 37 years**

Sharon S. April 9, 1986- 37 years

Traditions : Tradition 4 : Ron W. Next Month: Tradition 5: Christie E.

Concepts: Concept 4: Lynette B. Next Month: Concept 5: Cindy V.

GSR Report: We're here for you! Any questions, comments, or concerns for your District? **None at this time.**

Officer Reports

DCMC: Jerry S. DCMC (per submitted written report)

Celebrated 37 years Clean and Sober April 9th

Finally, out of isolation from snow and weather in February and March. Thankful for Zoom!

Attended Mitchells "Chat with the Delegate" Agenda Q&A

Attending DCM school online meetings reviewing Guideline revisions

Attended Report and Charter Committee with Alex for Preconference preparation

Attended the April Area 9 Mock Conference focused on Report and Charter Agenda items.

- Consider posting an anonymity-protected Conference Final Report on aa.org73rd General Service Conference agenda
- Review feasibility report of a ASL translation of The A.A. Service Manual/ The Twelve Concepts for World Service

- Consider posting an anonymity-protected Conference Final Report on aa.org

Attended Panel at Serenity Lodge

Serving on the Big Bear Mountain Conference Committee

Service opportunities: Our District Service committees are modeled after our Area 09 Service Committees which are modeled after the General Service Conference committees. All offer Manuals, workbooks and loads of resources.

Alternate DCMC: Cindy V. (per submitted written report)

- Attended the DCMC School chaired by Rozanne and we are currently addressing DCMC's committee guidelines and amending those for approval by the area in May.
- Attended the pre-conference workshop in Costa Mesa, and was amazed at the work that everyone did on the general service conference agenda items. It was a full house with people from all over southern California, representing many districts and hosted by district 18 with amazing facilities, fellow shipping and lunch items. I think our area delegate Mitchell received a lot of really good feedback for his trip in April to New York. My work was in the treatment and accessibility committee and I learned a lot by participating.
- Received a request by the alt delegate, Alex, to work on the AREA 09 audit committee to review 2021 and 2022 income and expenses. Given that our timeline is six months to complete it I imagine it's a big job.

****Secretary: Sharon S. Thank you to those who've already sent your written information to me and please continue to send your monthly Officer and Committee chair reports for the minutes, thank you! Very helpful!** Resubmitted February's approved minutes with **Phil L.'s** written report included. Apologies to **Phil L.** and the group for leaving out his written report. Presented March 15, 2023 minutes and **Olivia P.** motions with **Deborah A.** 2nd to approve minutes as written. All were in favor and March minutes approved as written.

Attending the Area 09 Service Meeting on the 3rd Thursdays.

Treasurer: Ron W. reviews Altura statement and financial reports, including detailed report. **Sharon K. asked about update on tax filing situation.** **Ron** states he is working on this and there is a long form 1023, approx. 20 pages long, he will need to complete. He plans to ask for the 5-year grace period and will need to provide 5 years of budget information. He will be working on this.

Attended the finance committee at Preconference, reviewing some agenda items; an example is raising the contribution amounts for individuals and members bequests-all participants were in favor of this. Another item discussed was returning the Preamble to its original wording and the majority were in favor, although there was a minority opinion expressed. Discussion info was given to the Delegate for the General Service Conference.

Please send him copies of receipts -email is best - and he will mail out necessary reimbursement.

Registrar: Olivia P. Please continue to register zoom attendance using the link in the chat; and use in person sign in rosters so Olivia has the current attendance. **Olivia** busy getting new GSR's registered. One new GSR tonight in-person. Attended Preconference and it was interesting and fun. Her committee was Agenda, Admissions and Policies and they discussed changing the prayer at the end of the International Conference from the Lord's prayer- some mentioned replacing it with a different prayer or the Responsibility Pledge. Also discussed changing the General Service Conference location from New York, possibly to Akron, or rotating between the 2 cities. Committee discussions were shared with delegate, **Mitchell**, for the General Service Conference. He will be attending our May meeting with his share back and there will have pizza served.

DCM Sub-District Reports:

A- Redlands, Yucaipa, Mentone Phil L. attending meetings, to encourage involvement in General Service. Reaching out to new GSR's and involved in service commitments.

B- Riverside, Rubidoux, Mira Loma *Open* Service opportunity available!!

C- Moreno Valley *Open* Service opportunity available!!

D- Corona/Norco – Deborah A. Attended the mock conference and found it amazing. Joel, past trustee from San Diego, chaired the event. She was on the literature committee in a closed room for discussions which worked out well. Involved with GSR's to support them as they obtain their group's conscience. She is also involved in the Ad Hoc committee to revise the District 8 guidelines to add subdistricts E and F.

E- Fontana, Bloomington, Rialto, Colton, Grand Terrace, Sam Bernardino, Highland, Loma Linda

***Open* Service opportunity available!!**

F- San Bernardino Mountains area *Open* Service opportunity available!!

Old Business:

1. **AA needs YOU! Available Service Opportunities** in District 8: DCM's for Sub Dist. B, C, E & F Committee chair for Accessibilities, H & I, CPC. Please raise your hand if interested. Please announce at your meetings
2. Update report on District 11 Ad Hoc Committee report (See District8 Proposed Revised Guidelines.pdf) **Don S.** presented changes and answered many questions; and reports the committee worked with the Gap committee at Area 09. **Don S.** motions to approve changes as written tonight to submit at the Area meeting in June. **Phil L. 2nds.** **Olivia P.** asks for a friendly amendment to include all the named communities included in, "What's it All About", and Don accepts the amendment. **Gary H.** makes a point of order that Area 9 website has separate pages for District 8 and District 11. **Don S.** explains this is why the motion and guidelines, if approved tonight, will be brought to the Area because their assistance will be needed to implement changes in published boundary and district information. Motion passes with 21 for, 1 abstain and 2 opposed, minority opinion heard and motion carries.
3. Update report on Ad Hoc committee to create a District website. **Aaron B.** states the committee has not met yet and states she will be more available to meet in June.

New Business:

Cindy V. expresses appreciation for **Ron W.**, as an "excellent treasurer" for District 8. She puts forth a request to the DCMC to create an Ad Hoc Committee, to formulate some parameters for district spending. This was done prior to my being asked to do the audit. Having served in general service for many, many years, I feel that it is imperative that we have transparent and consistent guidelines when spending our members 7th Tradition money that can be easily referred to in our written guidelines.

Ron W. thinks protocols should be reviewed and updated for the treasurer.

Deborah A. suggests it might be prudent to pay a tax guy if we are required to file taxes.

Cindy V. is willing to chair this Ad Hoc Committee and Jerry will be in contact with her to organize and seek participants.

Committee Reports: Due to time constraints full committee reports will be heard at future meetings.

*** Accessibilities: *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** Archives: Joseph H.**

*** Coffee: Bob H.** no report. Thank you for coffee!

*** Convention Liaison: Olivia P. announced the** Convention is coming up April 18-20, and Area is participating and it should be an exciting event.

*** Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC): *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** Corrections: Teri M.**

*** Grapevine (GV): *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** GSR School: *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** (H&I) Liaison: *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** Intergroup Liaison: *Open Service opportunity available!!**

*** Literature: Aran B**

*** Public Information (PI): Sharon K.**

*** Technology: Teri M.**

Volunteer for GSR Report-back Session: 1min.-none tonight

Service Sponsor Volunteers - show of hands.

Meeting closed at 8:43 pm by **Jerry S.** with the responsibility statement:

I am responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that I am responsible.

**** Next Meeting: May 17th 2023 7pm – 8:30pm****

ATTACHED: District 8 Financial Report April 2023.

MSCD8

MSCA DISTRICT 08 FINANCIALS 2023 ANALYSIS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
2023

MSCA DISTRICT 08	2023	TOTAL	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
OPENING CHECKING BALANCE		20,517.75	20,517.75	20,290.70	20,628.28	21,148.15
INCOME						
MEETING CONTRIBUTIONS		2,292.90	258.25	485.19	754.95	794.51
REIMBURSEMENTS		-				
UNCASHED CHECKS		-				
INTEREST		3.32	0.84	0.86	0.79	0.83
TOTAL INCOME		2,296.22	259.09	486.05	755.74	795.34
DISBURSEMENTS						
Fee		24.63		6.86		17.77
RENT		-				
SUPPLIES		34.54				34.54
PRINTING		52.20		30.01		22.19
INSURANCE		-				
GRAPEVINE		2,445.48				2,445.48
POST OFFICE BOX		-				
POSTAGE		9.65				9.65
REFRESHMENTS		33.06	13.98		19.08	
OFFICERS		232.60		51.60	111.00	70.00
COMMITTEES		604.50	412.16		45.79	146.55
PRAASA		4,055.16				4,055.16
AREA 9 HOSTING		-				
DISTRICT EVENTS		-				
VERIZON		240.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
ZOOM		159.64				159.64
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		7,891.46	486.14	148.47	235.87	7,020.98
RESERVE		3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
ENDING BALANCE			17,290.70	17,628.28	18,148.15	11,922.51
OUTSTANDING CHECKS						
UNDEPOSITED FUNDS						
ENDING STMT BALANCE			20,290.70	20,628.28	21,148.15	14,922.51

DISTRICT 8					
2023 Budget JANUARY 18 2023					
Description		2022	2023 Approved Budget		2023 Spent
Opening Checking Balance		15348.04	20517.75		
INCOME:					
Group Contributions		10000	10000		2292.9
AREA: Meeting Hosting (ASC)					
AREA: Servathon 2022, Foro2023		1600	1600		
Interest Inc., Reimb & Adjustments			10		3.32
Total Anticipated Income		11600	11670		2296.22
	2022 Total Actual Income	13410.53			
EXPENSES:					
Business:					24.63
verizon			720		240
Zoom		180	150		159.64
Rent		900	1800		
Insurance		315	315		
Post Office Box Rental		176	180		
Postage		100	120		9.65
Printing		50	250		52.2
Office Supplies		15	100		34.54
Refreshments		150	150		33.06
Officers:					
DCMC		50	50		
Alternate DCMC		50	50		
Registrar		75	125		
Secretary		50	50		
Treasurer		50	50		
Sub Districts A,B,C,D, E, F		200	1200		162.6
Committees:					
Accessibilities		300	300		
Archives		150	250		
Coffee		100	150		
Cooperation with the Elder Comm		250	300		
Corrections		500	500		192.34
Cooperation W Professional Comm		350	350		
Grapevine/La Vina		200	3200		2445.48
GSR School/Orientation		500	500		
Literature		300	300		
Technology		500	1000		412.16
Public Information		750	1000		
		3900			
Other:					
PRAASA for DCMC		1200	1200		70
PRAASA for District		5000	8000		4055.16
Hosting Area Meeting		0	0		
HostInForo		1600	1600		
District Events		600	1800		
Grapevine - Carry the Message		0	0		
Prudent Reserve		3000	3000		
Total Projected Expenses		17661	28760		
Total Actual Expenses		8658.85			7891.46