

June 13, 2021

CEC Minutes

CEC Committee Meeting -MSCA Area 09 Area Service Committee (ASC)

Attendance: Grant T. Area 9 CEC Alternate Chair (District 8), Jerry S. Area 9 CEC Chair (District 8), Michael M. Past Area 9 CEC Chair (, Bob O. District 19, Caroline P. (CEC Chair District 8), Carol D. (District 9), Linda V. (District 8 – 11) Sharon S. Area 9 CEC Secretary (District 8).

Jerry called meeting to order at 9:50 am with Serenity prayer, Responsibility statement and introductions. Welcome to committee attendees.

Jerry- reviewed minutes from 5/2/21 meeting and group accepts minutes as written. Jerry will post minutes to the Area 9 website.

Old /Ongoing Business:

1. Meeting place assessments, check for accessibilities for seniors and notify Central Offices of findings to update directories appropriately. Jerry discussed the importance of accurate meeting information to update directories.
2. Jerry discussed history of Guidelines revision effort as listed below:
 - a) The original Revision draft mirrored 2006 original Guidelines keeping committee structure of - ChairPerson, Co-Chairperson and secretary bringing it up to date with technology and communication advancements. Fortunately we have Micheal M. who was instrumental in the formation of the Cooperation with the Elder Committee here in Mid Southern California Area 9, She tells of the focus from the beginning of the cooperation and Participation from the Hispanic community. She mentioned Jesus Olivas Raul and Cesar Flores who helped to carry the message to the Hispanic speaking elder population.
 - b) After discussion we decided to try to reflect our culturally diverse Area 09 and wrote in for two CoChairpersons- a Hispanic and English Co-Chair.
 - c) March 14th At Area 9 review it was brought up that for budgetary reasons there optimally should be a separate Hispanic CEC with their own budget. Of course if the Group consensus of Hispanic community feels that they can accomplish more in the existing CEC committee we encourage and welcome all efforts to reach out to our isolated Elders.
 - d) April 4th we met with the GAP committee, with input Francine, Rich W., Ed L. and Mitchell, it was decided to go back to the original committee structure - Chair-Person, renaming Co-Chair to Alternate Chairperson for clarity and secretary.
 - e) April 28th Mitchell, Area 9 Chairperson requests final draft of guidelines for submission.
 - f) Grant checked grammar and spelling in CEC Guidelines update draft - noted needed corrections

New Business:

1. Presenting revised CEC Guidelines to ASA today [Original 2006 CEC Guidelines; Revised Guidelines in English; Revised Guidelines in Spanish](#)
2. Time to pass out [Accessibility flyers](#) to in person meetings. Jerry reviewed proofs with groups and the Spanish version should be ready 6/14/21. He will send to CEC members and Intergroups when available for distribution.
3. Grant reviewed activities and attendance at monthly All Accessibilities Committee meeting, next one on Monday June 14th, the 2nd Monday of the month at 4 - 5:30 pm PST ID 690-393-7306 ...
PC AAC2020 Great information is shared there on increasing accessibility to AA!

4. Group discussed Nursing homes and Senior Centers opening throughout our area. Group members decided to contact facilities in their individual locales to assess need for literature and other AA information. Report back to Jerry and CEC committee with findings. Michael will make list of contacts in Orange County, Bob will contact Judy, CEC chair for Area 19, to reach out in Victorville area, Grant will make list in Temecula area, Carol is in Coachella, District 9 and will make contact list in that area. Linda, Caroline, Jerry, and Sharon will reach out to facilities in San Bernardino area. Group discussed social workers might be best to contact, followed by case managers and administrators. Jerry will send list of suggested AA literature from Accessibilities Workbook that can be offered. Let Jerry know of literature you would like him to order or submit your receipts to Jerry for reimbursement consideration.
5. Michael shared that CEC gave presentations to County Offices of Aging and these were well received in the past. Literature was also distributed at the presentations. She is willing to continue this activity and has contacts in Orange County. Group discussed and agrees to plan and continue this activity.
6. Group discussed opening of “in-person” meetings across our area, with some offering hybrid zoom options. Bob shared he brings his laptop and has a mobile hotspot to offer zoom option during “in-person” meeting that is now open in Victorville area. Members expressed that Zoom type meetings are here to stay and some members prefer this option to “in-person” meetings for various reasons. Good news is there are more AA meeting options available than ever before! Please advise your local Central Office- Intergroup of any changes in meetings so directories have the latest meeting information to share with those looking for an AA meeting.

Jerry will contact CEC members with date and time of next meeting.

Adjournment at 10:40 am with Grant leading the Serenity prayer.

Yours in Grateful Service,

Sharon S. CEC Secretary