



***** UNAPPROVED MID-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA 09 MINUTES *****
AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (ASC) MINUTES

Hosted by District 7

March 12, 2023

Walton Intermediate School

12181 Buaro St

Garden Grove CA 92840

and ZOOM conference call

The regularly scheduled meeting of Mid Southern California Area (MSCA) 09 was called to order by Rich W. at 9:03 a.m. Rich welcomed participants and made introductory statements regarding the virtual meeting protocols and led the group in the Serenity Prayer. Total participants: 92

10:48 A.M. ASC BEGINS

Call to order with the Serenity Prayer (Rich W.)

READINGS

Declaration of Unity read by Joe in English / Erica in Spanish.

GSR Preamble read by Charles in English / Teresa in Spanish.

The Statement of Purpose and Membership read by Stacey in English / Leopoldo in Spanish.

INTRODUCTIONS

Past Trustees: None

Past Delegates: Jeryl, Panel 62 Delegate; Ed L. Panel 70 Delegate.

New DCMCs/Alt. DCMCs: Ariana new DCMC District 7

New Alt DCMs & DCMs: None.

New GSRs/Alt. GSRs: Cindy, Silver Seniors Dist 14; Dist 17, Catherine, Lake Elsinore, New GSR Tustin Tues BB Study; Kirk 7:30 am Acceptance meeting in Tustin; Elsie Dist 17 Meeting; Larry Men in Hemet at 7 pm; District 20 GSR; Lake Elsinore District 17; Matt GSR Tustin Area group zoom and District 5 Cinventon Liaison; Claro District 24 Group We start today; Nefertiti GSR for Down the Rabbit Hole in District 1 and 3;

New District Officers: Char District 14 Registrar.

Guests: None

Officers: Don S., Registrar; Carmen, M, Treasurer AP, Bob H., Treasurer, AR; Manya W., Secretary; Rich W., Chair; Alex W., Alt Delegate; Mitchell B., Delegate.

Approval of Draft Area Service Committee Minutes of February 12, 2023

Secretary makes a correction under "Approval of Draft Area Service Committee Minutes of December 11, 2023, to 2022; Secretary added the written report for the Chair, which will be added to the approved minutes on the website (once approved).

A motion was made by Michelle, seconded by Jenna, to accept draft minutes (as amended) from the 12 February 2023 Area Service Committee. All in Favor. None opposed. Minutes approved unanimously.

OFFICERS'/DIRECTORS' REPORTS

(Submitted in Writing)

Registrar, Don S.: I am Don, I am an alcoholic, currently serving as the Area 09 Registrar. Since the Area Service Committee meeting, on February 12th, I attended the Area Board meeting on February 19th, District 8 on February 15th, the Inter-District Meeting on February 26th and PRAASA March 2nd through March 5th. I facilitated the Area Meetings Ad Hoc Committee meeting on February 26th and the District 8 Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee on March 9th. My work continues on the Fellowship Connection, GSO database, and the Area database. I have started work on the report designs for the Area database. Once the 2023 Budget is passed, we can begin to seriously consider developing an Area09 AirTable database. Thank you for this opportunity to serve. Yours in service, Don Smith - Registrar Area09.

Treasurer AP, Carmen M: Good afternoon, my name is Carmen I'm an Alcoholic and the Treasurer AP. I'm glad to be here and grateful to be sober and be part of this amazing program. For February I was able to attend Area meeting on February 12th, was not able to attend the e-Board meeting on February 19th and also attended the Spanish Interdistrict on February 26th to assist on interpretation. I was also able to meet with Bob and John on Wednesday 8th to review the budget and also the books to make any adjustment. I was able to attend the 59th International Women Conference on February 16 - 19 to participate with the Spanish meetings included in this amazing Conference. I was also able to attend the 13th Convention in Mexico on March 3rd - 5th, national Convention that takes place every 4 year. There I was able meeting the Oaxacan women's group and it was amazing to see they filled up a whole row. Thank you so much for continuing to send your expense forms and receipts to treasureap@msca09aa.org. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Treasurer AR, Bob. H.: My name is Bob and I'm an alcoholic. Thank you for trusting me to serve as your AR Treasurer. Since we last met, I started collecting February contributions on 2/12/23 at the Feb. ASC in Hesperia. I collected a total of \$1,286.00 in contributions (including the food kitty). They were all entered into our QuickBooks account and those funds were deposited into our Bank of America checking account. On 2/15/23 I went to our PO Box in Irvine and collected the mail. I entered all contributions into QuickBooks for a total of \$2,893.75 and then deposited those funds into our Bank of America checking account. On 2/28/23 I went back out to Irvine and collected the mail again. I entered all contributions into QuickBooks for a total of \$2,245.71 and deposited those funds into our Bank of America checking account. Our February PayPal contributions totaled \$1,749.91. All contributions were entered into QuickBooks and those funds were transferred into our Bank of America Checking account. I also attended the District 8 meeting in Riverside on 2/15/23, on 2/18 23 I attended the Inland Empire Men's BBQ planning committee meeting and the MSCA09 Archives committee meeting both in Riverside and on 2/19/23 I attended the Area Eboard meeting. And I also attended PRASSA last weekend. Thank you for Trusting to serve as your AR Treasurer! Bob H.

Secretary, Manya W: Hi, my name is Manya, and I am an alcoholic. I am grateful to serve as your Area 09, Panel 72 Secretary. Since the February ASC, I sent a RECAP of actions in mid-February and attended the committee/DCM Sharing session for our area and voiced the concerns of our committee members (primarily about running hybrid meetings during breakouts and locating venues that meet the hybrid meeting specifications of our tech committee) and brought these concerns to the February e-board meeting. Please know that your voice is being heard, and we are working toward a fluid monthly hybrid meeting and will be assisting in helping DCMCs with finding venues that meet the WIFI requirements. Don, our registrar, is leading the ad hoc committee that is making this concern a priority. and took notes for the meeting. I also went to PRAASA last weekend! Who went? Wow was that an amazing event. I received the opportunity to scribe for the AV/Tech committee roundtable and attended a Treatment and accessibilities panel. Although I've been to a few PRAASAs before, I am never disappointed. Thank you to Area 09 for turning up and out - I loved seeing you all! I attended the district 6 meeting this past Tuesday and sent an e-blast this past week for today's ASC. There was a bit of a glitch for the Zoom meeting, so I resent an email

with the correct link – I apologize to our Zoom attendees for any inconvenient this has caused. If you didn't receive my email, or need to be added to the mailing list, please email me at msca09secretary@gmail.com, so I can make sure your name is added to the area roster. I am also happy to receive your reports and announcements via email or in-person. Please see the trays and red and green folders up front. If you have not been receiving the e-blasts, please let me know and I will make sure you are on our mailing list. If you are new to the area, or you are not receiving emails, you can also subscribe at the bottom of our home page at msca09aa.org, as well, and you will get a nice Welcome email in return! For anyone who knows the drill: Remember that the DCMC and Committee Reports are also fillable. However, probably the easiest way to get your report to me is through the WebServant. The Webservant portal will post your report online to our websites, and I will be able to retrieve it for the meeting minutes. UPLOAD your report to the Area 09 website using the Submit Files to Webservant widget on the MSCA 09 website homepage (below the link to subscribe). Please submit your reports by the first of the month, so I can make sure they are entered in the meeting minutes for the corresponding area meeting. Only written reports will be included in the meeting minutes. If you are not sure how to access the webservant portal, I am also happy to show you after the meeting. Also, one last note: I would really appreciate it if you are one who has done any of the readings, introductions, birthdays, announcements for this meeting that you speak slowly and clearly into the microphone because I cannot catch all names via audio for my meeting minutes. If you have any other questions, I am happy to help. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Chair, Rich): no written report for March 12, 2023 ASC.

Alt Delegate, Alex): Hello all. Thank you for allowing me to serve you all as your alternate delegate. My full report is in the minutes. First, I did not attend our Feb Board meeting, but I did attend my H&I commitment, PRAASA, treatment committee, District 1&3, tons of conversations with Mitchell, our Thursday Committee session, NAAD and planning for many upcoming events. The 4 area DCM sharing session is hosted by Area 09, We have Ramon, Julie, and Heather coordinating this event with areas 5,8, and 93. Secondly, The H&I conference will be held this May the first weekend. Most of the panels across southern California are back open and the issue with Spanish literature being available seems to be handled within our committee. I am not participating in the H&I conference this year. But I will continue to bring the voice of Area 9 to all their meetings. The SOCAL Convention is happening and I am hoping to be on the planning committee to ensure Area 09 has a presence as we did last year. Third at our most recent committee sharing session the committees brought to our attention their concerns they had regarding having effective meetings. I will continue to do my part in ensuring that this is remediated in a timely manner. The following events that I am responsible for are scheduled and further planning is undergone. With the assurance that they meet minimum qualifications to have an effective meeting. The Preconference, the FORO, our elections and the Servathon are well underway. I have also reached out to the districts hosting the upcoming ASC and Assemblies if they need assistance. The workshops have continued to be a highlight for our area and I hope we can bring this into the area meeting so people walk away learning something new not just it being all business. We are working on mini workshops during the area meetings to help educate our members. I hope you find this to be fitting. In addition, we have various items available in the back. Mitchell and I have been in close communication regarding what is occurring within the fellowship. I have studied every item in his committee in addition to the other committees, he has apprised me of as much as he can, and I feel confident in my awareness of what is occurring should I have to go to the conference. He has prepared me, and I know Mitchell is prepared to go to NY this year. We have received many items for feedback. Please keep them coming. We have so many options to educate and give feedback please take advantage. Love and Service, Alex W.

Delegate (Mitchell B.): Hi, my name is Mitchell, and I am an alcoholic. Since the February ASC in Hesperia on February 12 I attended the Executive Board Meeting on February 19. * On February 17 and 20 we received 73rd GSC. Final Agenda background material in English, Spanish and French. GSO has sent additional background for Agenda, Literature and Public Information background. The background has been added to the MSCA 09 website. * On February 19 I visited District 19 to present

on the 73rd GSC Agenda items in Hesperia. On February 27 I visited District 25 to present on Agenda items in Spanish. On March 9, I presented online to District 1&3 on the 73rd GSC Agenda items. * I attended NERAASA 2023 for February 24-26, 2023, in Albany NY using the online option. The main sessions were recorded but roundtables are not recorded. * I am holding online session for February-March to encourage GSRs to gather group conscience with a combination of online and in-person sessions for English and Spanish group and District meetings. The next session will be March 19, with details on the MSCA 09 website under "Events." * The Delegate Dashboard has begun posting documentation for Committee work and preparation for the 73rd GSC. * I attended PRAASA March 3-5, 2023 in Los Angeles at the Marriott LAX. I thank Area 09 Alex W. (Panel 02) and Lei M. (Panel 06) for speaking, Heather M. (Panel 05) for reading, and the work of Ivan G. for translation of all Business documents at PRAASA. During PRAASA the Pacific Region Delegates met with three current Trustees to discuss the General Service Board. There will be an all Delegates Meeting with Trustees on March 16 to discuss the GSB Chairperson resignation at the January Trustee meeting. * On March 10, I spoke at the online Three Legacies Fellowship from Sacramento CA. * Thank you for letting me be of service.

11:15 P.M. Lunch-

(\$7.00 Suggested Contribution)

Alex and Manya on The Agenda Item Process *Presentation*: How to present the items to your home group and provide feedback to our Delegate, Mitchell (Note: *Presentation borrowed from Area 11*),

12:14 P.M. ASC continues-

1. **Ask-it Basket Questions:** Asked by area member regarding registration information and answered by Don.
2. **Standing Committee Reports in-person** (see below after "From the Floor" for reports submitted in writing).

OLD BUSINESS-

- 1) **Open Standing Committee Chair positions (Rich W).**
 - a). Chair identified open area committee chair positions: CEC Chair is open.
- 2) **2023 MSCA09 Budget**
 - a) Motion re-introduced by Chair.
 - (1) 15-minute discussion on motion for the budget ensued. A member asked if the GAP Committee needs to pay for their own translation. She continued to clarify why the budget was increased so much. Another member asked: Are we treating this as a second ASC and then moving it forward to the assembly?
 - b) Point of Order by a member to turn ASC into an Assembly since this motion was tabled last month. Second point of order regarding clarification on the voting membership for the ASA. Clarification from chair on who can vote.
 - c) Chair announced motion to convert ASC into Assembly for purposes of the 2023 MSCA Budget,
 - i) 37+12 Opposed: None; Motion passes. We are now an assembly.
 - ii) Discussion ensued (15 minutes). A member discussed concerns about the budget for the rent (is there a typo; has that been requested?). Net revenue also has a discrepancy (\$7,100). Carmen responded to the rent. It was not a typo; she was reconciling the online and manual entries (duplicate entries) and they have now been removed and are accurate. Roughly \$1155.00 is the current rent at Archives. Last question about an additional amount of money put in her money for translation, but we already have \$10,000 for translation (which includes Spanish interpretation at area events and written translation). Another member mentioned as previous GAP chair why translations are part of the GAP committee? Another member asked to please

give clear directions. Another member wanted some clarity. Another member asked about the Eboard requesting money for events. Mitchell just mentioned that it depends on the roles and responsibilities and how they estimated their costs.

- d) Discussion closed. Voting ensued: For: 66 Against: 6
 - i) Minority Opinion: Based upon GAP translation, it looks like there is duplicate allocation for translation for GAP and \$10,000 for regular translation.
 - ii) Chair: Having hear minority opinion, anyone want to change vote?
- e) Motion for 2023 Budget passes and ASA returns to an ASC for remainder of meeting.

3) Revised Communication Committee Guidelines

- a) Motion re-introduced by Chair.
- b) Discussion ensued. One member clarified that this motion was postponed so we can have revisions. The Chair clarified that this is still the 2nd ASC because of the motion. Same member mentioned that in an effort of transparency, they will be voting against these guidelines moving to an assembly for the following reasons: (1). Guidelines cannot be written by a sole committee member. (2). Suggests that we have a period of when this committee can function. (3). The Executive Committee should not be involved in the composition of this committee's guidelines. (4). I will be voting against moving forward to the ASA. The GAP Committee Chair spoke to the last point made by the previous member and mentioned that never in their experience in Area 09 had seen the Executive Committee so involved in drafting the guidelines. What a board member said about the written translation (professional translators): The EC had one stance and Interim Communications Chair had another and does not understand who is responsible for what. I am not sure, so I will be voting not to send these guidelines to the ASA until the drafted guidelines are configured re: the written translation situation. Another member respectfully disagrees with the previous two members. The Communication chair sent the guidelines to entire and entire body, so we can review them. I think as a responsible member of our area, we should move the guidelines forward. The Communication Chair commented. Communication committee member said that there should be no confusion about who should be doing the translations. If we do not have the guidelines, then the committee cannot move forward with its work. Another member commented about what the guidelines state about how written translations should be handled. A board member mentioned that our board has a right of decision to use professional translators for agenda and minutes. The Communication Chair mentioned that the Right of Decision of board can be made if there is no timely translation and no other avenue of communication. The Chair had reiterated that we would still vote on this in May as this is a transition period.
- c) Discussion closed. Voting ensued: For: 40 Against: 14 (vote by simple majority)
 - i) Minority Opinion heard: Members discussed that they need to take time to allow what this committee is and how it functions. I think the committee will do a great job. I am so confused by this motion that we need more time to understand and that we only had a few people on the committee. I hope somebody takes this to a revote because that is who we are representing.
 - ii) The chair asked if anyone is in favor of forwarding assembly, or do they wish to change the vote? None wishing to reconsider.
- d) Motion forwarded to the May Assembly for GSR vote.

4) Motion to hold Area Assemblies and Area Service Committee meetings in person only.

- a) Motion re-introduced by Chair.
- b) Discussion ensued. The original motion maker iterated that this motion is only for assemblies. One member suggested that this motion will leave out an innumerable number of people because of health, work, childcare, etc. Another member said she was opposed to the motion. Another member said that this motion merits additional discussion; it should not be rushed. Another member made a

motion to table the motion, but this member already spoke so the motion can't be tabled. Many members gave reasons for and against the motion: I am opposing this motion because it doesn't coincide with concept one, for it doesn't include our whole fellowship. Another member said we should not exclude anyone. Those who cannot make it in person should be able to go online. Another member said that we should meet in person because it is more beneficial and hybrid meetings have been problematic, especially for committee chairs. Another member said that we need to improve the tech we have; make it more functional, so we can avoid screen freezing, etc. but we should keep it hybrid because it is the direction our area is going. Another member is opposed to the motion: You do not need to know why I am not here. Passing this motion is exclusive, and I want to be inclusive. I do not see any issues with online. Another member is against the motion: He remembers when his group's meeting hall closed down, so he found a meeting online to share what he was going through and is in favor of this motion. Another member said they will be voting against the motion because not everyone can make the meeting, so they are able to go online. Another Spanish member discussed his thoughts about online meetings. Another member discussed being active in person and online. If we decide that we only go online, we will lose participation.

- c) Discussion closed. Voting ensued: For: 34 Against: 25
 - i) Minority Opinion heard: We will be eliminating a lot of people. A lot of areas across the nation are eager to do their business via hybrid. We are cutting out people showing up year after year and their contributions to this area. As DCMC I want to be informed and bring as much information as I can.
 - ii) The chair asked if anyone is in favor of forwarding assembly, or do they wish to change the vote? None wishing to reconsider.
- d) Motion forwarded to the May Assembly for GSR vote.

NEW BUSINESS

April 15, 2023: Pre-Conference Mock Conference (Alex W 5-minute presentation).

FROM THE FLOOR

Ramon, Districts 1 and 3: I move that the delegate share back be a social event rather than it be included with the May Area assembly. Second by Janna. The Area Chair mentioned that this motion will be heard at the June ASC. Ramon continued to discuss why he is making the motion. Rich reiterated this motion will be heard at the June ASC.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

(Submitted in Writing)

Accessibility English/Louis—Date & Time: Sunday, March 12, 2023. Place: Zoom. Number of Committee Members present: 1. *Committee Highlights:* I attended PRAASA 2023 and Chaired the Accessibilities/Treatment Rountables on Friday and Saturday. I gained a tremendous amount of knowledge on the scope of Accessibilities and how it interacts with Treatment issues. I will continue my efforts to recruit members for the Area 09 Accessibilities Committee. My goal is to conduct an Area 09 Accessibilities Workshop. I would like to coordinate with Grant T. (Cooperation with the Elderly Community) and Ariel R. (Remote Communities) and Brian and Mauricio T (Treatment/Facilities) to determine if they are interested in participating in the workshop, *Upcoming/future Committee events:* Area 09 Pre-conference Workshop April 15, 2023.

Accessibility Spanish/OPEN—

Archives/Kevin R. – no written report.

Communications English/ Ed L.— During the 2/12/23, Vicki R of District 5 accepts my invitation to serve as the committee secretary. I immediately provide her with templates for agendas and draft minutes, and the minutes of the 2/12/23 committee meeting attended by me, her, and Raul C. In response to Jeryl T's request, I mark up the 1/11/09 Communications Committee Guidelines to show how the 2023 revised Guidelines have changed using **bold green to show additions** and ~~red strikeout to show deletions~~. On 2/13/23, we provide Mitchell with translated PRAASA documents requested by Pacific Region Trustee, Reilly K. On 2/14/23, Vicki agrees to perform pdf-to-Word conversions. Vicki also translated the “What’s It All About?” document that is unique to Area 09, and has not (yet) been translated into Spanish. Thanks to Jay for his write-up on the Boot Camp, which was highlighted in the March newsletter. There were three other PRAASA-related documents that Mitchell asked to be translated, which were completed, usually on the same day of the request, thanks to Ivan. Between February and March, a total of 10 documents were translated. The committee meeting this morning consisted of me, Ivan, and Vicki, with a very good meeting to talk about committee function. A key part of the discussion was our Area 09-unique document, “What’s It All About?” both revising it in preparation for translating it, which has not been done before. Finally, I’m concerned that the Board is not taking full advantage of our committee. We have yet to receive any requests to translate either Area agendas or minutes, which leaves me to conclude that the Board continues to pay for a professional translator when we are fully capable of translating those materials in-house, for free. (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.

Communications Spanish/OPEN

Cooperation with the Elderly Community/Grant T. 3/12/23, Garden Grove, CA. 2 in attendance. Follow-up to Senior Facility Outreach. Encourage members use SMF-208 Accessibility Checklist for their meeting places. I am moving out of area and stepping down from CEC. Great experience and service opportunity. I have records, files, meeting minutes, flyers, literature racks.

Cooperation with the Professional Community English/Andrea C.— no written report.

Cooperation with the Professional Community Spanish/OPEN

Convention Liaison English/Tim A. — Good afternoon - I am pleased to report that our committee continues to be actively engaged in performing its intended area service work. Our committee's purpose is to staff an information table at AA conventions in and around Area 09. In essence, we remind AA group members how important it is to have a GSR so they are able to participate in AA as a whole, to answer general questions about GSO, and to make free AA literature available for distribution. Since my last report, our committee participated in the Orange County AA Convention held April 7, 8, and 9, 2023 at the Hilton Hotel - Costa Mesa. We were quite pleased to be joined at our table by our Area 09 Delegate Mitchell. We had over ten volunteers work the table who answered questions, handed out pamphlets, and supplied lots of candy to passersby. Our next scheduled event is the Inland Empire AA Convention to be held April 20-23, 2023 at the beautiful Soboba Event Center, Resort and Casino, [23333 Soboba Rd, San Jacinto, CA 92583](https://www.iaaac.org/). You may register at <https://www.iaaac.org/>. We are currently developing plans for our participation in the upcoming Desert Roundup and Southern California Conventions. We will be finalizing our shift schedule to staff our information table. Join us for meetings, panels, sporting events, and more. Also, I was asked to, and did, attend the March District 12 to waived the flag of Area 09. After the meeting, I also discussed with other attendees the purpose of the convention liaison committee. Finally, we are awaiting delivery of several more of our distinctive "We Are Not From Earth/We Are From Area 09" tee shirts so that they will be available to new committee participants at upcoming events. For more information about our committee, please text 949/677-0100. In love and service, Tim A.

<p>Convention Liaison Spanish/Hector R. — Good Morning ladies and Gentleman in A.A, the convention liaison committee was visiting the 23rd Hispanic A.A convention of Orange County, nothing more to inform you than to get contributions for the event is having marathon meetings in the different groups and today it will be at the group "Nueva Luz" starting at 10:00 a.m. and next March 26 In the Group “Second Tradition”, we will continue to inform, also for the other districts please inform us of any event that they would like us to be present the display of the area we are here to serve you, thank you for letting me serve. Hector R</p>
<p>Corrections and Correspondence/Jennifer L — no written report.</p>
<p>DCM School English/Rozanne T. — Standing Committee Name: DCM School. Date & Time: Sunday 03/12/2023; Place: Garden Grove, CA. Number of Committee Members present 14; Committee Highlights: Discuss day and time for outside meeting so committee can do more projects. Reviewed agenda topic: A for Corrections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Got initial opinions about adding information to the existing literature. - Discussed background info and “inside” sponsorship survey. - Took a vote to see if people thought it was a good idea to add. 10 Pro / 3 Con <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Already enough information out there. What would be included, if current info effective <p>Upcoming/future Committee events: Continue assisting DCMCs / DCMs in prepping for the GSC</p>
<p>DCM School Spanish/Melequiades V.— Date and Time: 03/12/2023 Time: 10-11 am. Number of Committee Members in Attendance: 12 total. <i>Committee Highlights:</i> We held our meeting of the MCDs, with the following present Districts: 20, 21,23,24,25 with 5 visitors whom made the unity in our meeting. A concern was presented by the DCM of district #25 that was discussed in our meeting, this concern was related to concept #9 How to make decisions with a better vision for the future of AA?, at the time to work points either at our Area 09 as well as the conference topics, the MCDs, Members, and Visitors whom were present shared their experience and views in service and leadership, together through these appropriate and timely methods that the concept 9 talks about. Thank God and You for Allowing Me to Serve. Kind regards, DCM Spanish Chair: Melquiades.</p>
<p>DCM Sharing Session: 3 in attendance at Garden Grove on 3/12/23 (Ramon, Julie, and Heather). <i>Committee Highlights:</i> Event will take place; Event August 26th at Norma Hertzog Center, 11 to 4 pm or to be determined. “Our Great Responsibility: The Future of AA” is the theme. <i>Up coming/future Committee events:</i> Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, March 15, 6:30pm. Further planning meeting. More details on event to follow.</p>
<p>Finance/John R. — no written report.</p>
<p>Guidelines and Policies (GAP)/ Maryka O.— no written report.</p>
<p>Grapevine/ Debra L. — no written report.</p>
<p>GSR School English/Ryan H. — Date & Time: March 2023 ASC. Place: Garden Grove, CA Number of Committee Members present: 14 in-person/virtual. Committee Highlights: Great attendance at today’s meeting. Largest one yet. Great discussion on the duties and responsibilities of the General Service Representative. We also talked about creating and giving a report from a meetings’ GSR. A great handout was given out. Found online from District 6 in Area 09. A lot of great discussion about the different meetings reporting. Attended P.R.A.A.S.A., and it was great to see everyone – the membership in action, sharing ideas, thoughts, solution, the ever so items that need work. And the functionality of the Pacific Region. Upcoming/future Committee events: The next area event.</p>
<p>GSR School Spanish/ Ruben Z. — 03-12-2023: GSR School Meeting Agenda. # 3. 1. Opening with the Prayer of Serenity; 2. Presentation of GSR's, GSR's Alt and Visitors; 3. Previous minutes reading; 4. Concerns or questions regarding the RSG's service, Or groups; 5. Study of the common agreement between those present; 6. Report (conclusion of the session). Thank God there is a lot of motivation on the part of the GSRs, We opened with the Serenity prayer, attended by 20 members including 2 new</p>

<p>GSR's. We studied the concepts 3,4,5 with very good participation of all those present in the reading and in personal opinions, we closed with the Declaration of Responsibility, Thank you for letting me serve, Ruben Z.</p>
<p>Hispanic Women’s Workshop Planning Meeting (2023). —3/12/23: My Name is Mireya alcoholic. And the way we started working the District 22, 25 and 21. We are 3 women who were present 2-14-23 at District 22 with address 34116 Date Palm Dr. Suite 17, Cathedral City, CA, 92234. The next district where we will carry this message is District 25. On 03-05-23 we had a meeting in PRAASA we met approximately 25 to 30 Hispanic women. It was agreed that we have a deadline 03-05-23 to 04-16-23 to deliver the drawing that will carry the motto and emblem for the Hispanic women's workshop. The host area is Area 05, location: Westminster Presbyterian Church 1757 N. Lake Ave., Pasadena, CA 91104. Next visit we will make is District 25. Thank you for letting me serve. District 21, Area 09. Women's Workshop Liaison. Mireyacontreras1030@gmail.com. Kind regards. Mireya. Flyer information for 8TH HISPANIC WOMEN’S WORKSHOP Hybrid Event (attend in-person or on Zoom) When: Saturday December 9th 2023 from 8am-4pm Host Area 05, Participating Areas 03, 06, 07, 08, 09 and 93 Location: Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1757 N. Lake Ave., Pasadena, CA 91104 Zoom Meeting ID: 891 3842 5577 Passcode: area05 For more information, contact 8votallermujereshispanas23@gmail.com</p>
<p>La Viña/Erika R. — Committee Highlights: My name is Erika, Coordinator of the La Viña Mid-Southern California Area 09. As Chair I continue to visit the districts to motivate the magazine, I was present at PRAASA 2023 in Los Angeles CA. I was in two round tables, in the first table I met our editor Paola, there was very good information, in the second table there were two important points. FIRST POINT: It was motivated that each magazine carry a QR code to make registrations easier. SECOND POINT: Some members who speak different dialect motivated the La Viña to make literature in their language and committed themselves to buy at least 3 magazines per member. Thank you for letting me serve. Erika R.</p>
<p>Literature English/Francine W. – Date & Time: March 2023 ASC. Place: Garden Grove, CA; Number of Committee Members present: 9. <i>Committee Highlights:</i> At our online Zoom meeting 28 February 2023, the group reviewed the English Literature Committee Guidelines proposed changes. Francine, Committee Chair, revised the guidelines as we went through. A second draft will be emailed to the committee prior to our next online meeting 1 April 2023. The goal of that meeting is to finalize the Guidelines and send them to the GAP committee. In today's breakout room the committee had three new visitors: Angela, Robin and Neffertiti. The group reviewed proposed layouts for the AA Newsletters Flyer and chose a flyer. The flyer will be finalized in Canva by Janna and then all committee members will be able to distribute by email, text or printouts. It is the group's goal to inform members in our districts about AA literature beyond the Big Book. <i>Upcoming/future events:</i> 11 am Saturday 1 April 2023 – next online Zoom committee meeting to discuss committee guideline revisions. Next project after newsletter flyer and guidelines: the "What's It All About" pamphlet. Submitted in loving service by Kris C., Area 09 English Literature Committee Secretary.</p>
<p>Literature Spanish/Benigno M. — no written report.</p>
<p>Public Information English/Stacey A.— I’m Stacey, Alcoholic. Our committee met today at the Area ASC. We had (4) attendees and will meet again on zoom the 2nd tuesday of the month 6pm. That’s this Tuesday on zoom. We are asking that all Area 09 districts please encourage your Public Information chair to sign up online. There’s a QR code on the MSCA09 website under public information committee, or you can email me at Publicinfo@msca09aa.org. You can also text or call me at (714) 727-8935. Blanca from D20 is trying to find a space for the upcoming PI event in</p>

<p>Santa Ana. Event will be on June 17th, 2023. D20 PI Met with Intergroup public information committee and attended a high school panel this week at Oceanview and will be attending a panel at Bolsa High on the 17th. Sharron K from D8 is working with her committee to create a route in her local city to distribute literature racks to police stations, colleges/universities, senior centers & medical clinics. Each pamphlet will be stamped with the D8 Central Office contact information & phone number. Thank you for allowing me to be of service!</p>
<p>Public Information Spanish/Rolando T.— Committee Highlights: We began the meeting 9:45 A.M with the Prayer of Serenity. Chair Rolando and 5 other members, the introduction of the book of the IP guides was read and we shared the purpose and meaning of bringing the message of recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers, a volunteer came forward for secretary to join the committee and continue working and it was agreed to visit the districts starting with district 21. That's all and thank you for letting me serve.</p>
<p>Registration/Martin J. — Committee Highlights: no written report.</p>
<p>Remote Communities Committee/Ariel R.— no written report.</p>
<p>Treatment Facilities English/Brian –Date & Time: 03/12/23; Place: Garden Grove, CA. Number of Committee Members present: 4 Zoom; 10 in-person. <i>Committee Highlights:</i> We had 14 in attendance; 4 on Zoom and 10 in person. Also including 2 visitors and 2 new committee members in attendance. Started with Serenity Prayer. Each person introduced themselves and what district and role in committee. Chair gave brief overview of Bridging the Gap program and how it is working for Area 9. Chair gave a walk through of the Area 9 Bridging the Gap website (www.area9btg.org). Opened the meeting up for general discussion and questions. Discussed how English and Spanish can work together utilizing the same resources; website, literature, etc. Suggestions were made for improvements to literature, distribution of literature, and how to get more involvement from H&I and Intergroup. <i>Upcoming/future Committee events:</i> Treatment Committee 4th Thursday Zoom Meeting March 23rd 7pm: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85437550762; Meeting ID: 854 3755 0762; Passcode: 244472. 38th Annual OCAA Convention - April 7 - 9. Hilton Orange County 3050 Bristol Street, Costa Mesa, CA</p>
<p>Treatment Facilities Spanish/Mauricio T. – Numbers of Committee Members Present: 8 / 6 English Speaking - 2 Hispanic. <i>Committee Highlights:</i> Our Meeting began with a general shareback of the various activities carried out by the English-speaking districts, we can also visit our website, WWW.AREA9BTG.ORG for more information about our committee. <i>Next/Future Committee Events:</i> Also, I want to give thanks for the translation of material from English to Spanish for better understanding of committee activities. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve.</p>
<p>Young People of AA (YPAA)/ Rory— Date & Time: 03/12/23; Place: Garden Grove, CA. Number of Committee Members present: 2. <i>Committee Highlights:</i> This month for me was about connecting with Area 09 YPAA committees in general and introducing myself. I was able to get added to the All CA YPAA group chats, and facebook pages. I also outreached to Area 09 YPAA GSR's to gain insight on lack of attendance at ASC's and Assemblys. Common answers were, "I can never remember when it is (Outreach issue)", "It's a really long committment" and "it's too far away usually." This isn't exactly new information, but it really puts emphasis on what this committee's function will be in the coming months. A lot of the YPAA's in the area just had their elections, so I will be working with their newly elected General Service Liasons to get them involved. I attended PRAASA: YPAA had a large presence at PRAASA by way of discussions, meetings, and service opportunities. Something cool that happened, is we created a special group chat via Facebook so we could keep eachother in the loop about where we were eating, what meetings we attended, etc. NOCYPAA Is hosting their elections today! They are a brand new YPAA committee representing North OC YPAA. <i>Upcoming/future Committee events:</i> ACYPAA 2024 awarded to SDYPAA in Area 08. DCYPAA will be hosting a Sober Prom 4/1, tickets are \$10 presale or \$15 at the door. If you do not plan on attending but want to contribute, there is an</p>

option to purchase a ticket for a newcomer. See myself or Lauren P for more details. TVYPAA is hosting “Field Day” at Pauba Ridge Park on April 15th at 1pm.

COMMITTEE COORDINATE REPORTS

(Submitted in Writing)

AOCYPAA -- no report.
OCYPAA — no report.
HASBYPAA —no report.
DCYPAA — no report.
SOCALYPAA —no report.
INTERGROUPS —no report.
HARBOR AREA CENTRAL OFFICE — Joe G. – Chair 5; (562) 743-4633; jg125813@gmail.com . Serving Districts 1, 2, 3, 4. Report to Mid Southern California Area 09. 1. Archive Display is Open! Did you know our Central Office was established in 1948? Come by Central Office to view and interact and learn more about Harbor Area Central Office history. 3450 E. Spring Street #109, Long Beach, CA 90806. 2, Our website has been updated to serve the Newcomer and provide interface with meeting guide app. Please make sure your group’s information is up to date and correct by visiting: hacoaa.org .
H&I COMMITTEES —no report.

DISTRICT REPORTS

(Submitted in Writing)

Districts 1 and 3, Ramon R. — Second Thursdays @7:30PM at Hermosa Beach Kiwanis Club. District Highlights: Districts 1 and 3 has an official finance committee. Our district was able to sponsor GSR finances to PRAASA. We will be revising our district guidelines to serve the combined districts. We create a new type of email blast that sends out a summary of our district meeting. This summary includes all the hot topics that were discussed at the business meeting. Our aim is the be helpful to GSR and have a simplified report to give to their homegroups. Our area is hosting the DCM sharing session and the theme is our great responsibility ~ the future of alcoholics anonymous. A flyer will be distributed in the coming weeks.
District 2 — no written report.
District 4 – no written report.
District 5, Isaac M., DCMC —
District 6, Kevin R., DCMC. District 6 Committee Meeting is the 1st Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm. Place: 6652 Heil, Huntington Beach, CA. Number Present at District Meeting: N/A District Highlights: no written report. Upcoming/future Committee events: no written report.
District 7 — no written report.
Districts 8 and 11 — no written report.
District 9 — no written report.
District 10 — no written report.

<p>District 12— Bob M., DCMC. 1st Thursday of the Month at 6:45 pm. Place: Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church, CA. Number Present at District Meeting: 55; Number of registered: 100+ District Highlights: We are co-sponsoring Boot Camp with Districts 6 and 18, as well as the shareback meeting on May 20. We are moving forward with several other events. Our Annual Sponsorship Workshop in May, our Labor Day picnic in September, and a beach party this summer. We are looking to identify additional events. Our monthly meeting continues to grow, both in attendance by current GSRs and by new groups. Our dark meeting list continues to shrink. Our next meeting will be April 6 at 7:15 at Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church. Visitors are welcome. Upcoming/future District events: Boot Camp March 25, Walton Intermediate School in Garden Grove. Sponsorship Workshop May , Laguna Hills Methodist Church, 24442 Moulton Parkway, Laguna Hills. 1:00 - 4:00pm. Lunch is provided! All are welcome.</p>
<p>District 14 — John ., DCMC. Date and Time: 3rd Wednesday 7 PM. Place: Arrid Club 120 S. Harvard St. Hemet, CA. District Highlights: no written report. Upcoming/Future District Events: no written report.</p>
<p>District 15 — no written report.</p>
<p>District 17— Julie F., DCMC. Date & Time: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm (2/14/23). Place: Spring community church, Temecula CA. Number Registered in District: 90 meetings. Number Present at District Meetin90 meetingsict Highlights: Meeting was well attended. Discussed the preconference workshop, details and scheduling. Committee reports were given. H&I liaison reported increase in panels and great need for volunteers. 2 concepts and 2 traditions were reviewed with the body. We are preparing for conference season. We discussed agenda items, 3 events, Bootcamp, Dist. 17 preconference and area preconference. Created a ad hoc committee for the bi-annual review and revision of the bylaws. Upcoming/future Committee events: Preconference workshop April 1st, 2023 1:30-4:30pm, Serenity Circle Hall, 27574 Commerce Center Dr., #139, Temecula. Review of agenda items with the District.</p>
<p>District 18 — Jay R., DCMC. District 18 meets on the 2nd Tuesday at the St John the Divine Church in Costa Mesa. 25were present during the meeting. District Highlights: - District 18 participated in PRAASA in March and provided registration to those wishing to attend. District 18 co-hosted the pre-conference Bootcamp with Districts 6 and 12, Saturday, March 25th @ Walton Intermediate School. Approximately 75 people attended. We are busy planning the April 15th pre-conference “mock conference” as well as our May 20th Delegate Shareback event. Our Grapevine / LaViña committee is working on possible gift subscriptions to 1st Step homes. District 18 co-hosted the pre-conference Bootcamp with Districts 6 and 12, Saturday, March 25th @ Walton Intermediate School. Approximately 75 people attended.</p>
<p>District 19 — no written report.</p>
<p>District 20, Erika R. Alt. DCMC. NUMBER OF REGISTERED IN THE DISTRICT: 30. NUMBER OF ATTENDEES AT THE DISTRICT MEETING: 15 members. District Highlights: D20 Report - Through this report I inform you that our District continues to meet every Monday from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm and visiting two groups per week. And we also did unity at the PRAASA event, where we had a lot of information about the Conference and we are also already working with the topics of the 2023 agenda, we are carrying the topics to groups that do not have their GSR to hear the voice of the group and can participate in the Conference. Thank you for letting us serve. Alejandro G (MCD) and Erika P (MCD alternate). Upcoming/Future District Events: Pre-conference April 15, 2023</p>
<p>District 21— Mireya A. A. Date and Time: Sunday at 10:30 am. Number of Attendees at the District Meeting: N/A District Highlights: no written report.</p>

<p>District 22— Date and Time: Tuesday from 7 pm to 9 pm. Place: 3416. Date. Palm Dr Suite 17. Number of Committee Members in Attendance: District Highlights:</p>
<p>District 23, Jose G. MCD— Date and Time: 4 Fridays of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at 10838 Hole Av. Riverside CA. NUMBER OF REGISTERED IN THE DISTRICT: 18; NUMBER OF PEOPLE PRESENT AT THE DISTRICT MEETING: 22; <i>District Highlights:</i> The District continues to work the first four Fridays of the month: 1st Friday reports, 2nd Friday for sharing, 3rd Friday of points, 4th Friday of study. 2 groups are visited per week to motivate service. And planned meetings are attended where the district is invited. The committees are active, the P.I. Projections newsletter, and La Viña give us their report month after month. We were also present at PRAASA this March 3, 4 and 5. I'm glad to report that 11 attended and it was a lot of information. <i>Next/Future District Events:</i> For the month of May, we will be hosting the interdistrict. You are all invited. We will send you the information. And September 10 we will host the Area meeting, you will be sent the address of that event. For the moment, that is all. José G (MCD) Luis J (MCD Alternate).</p>
<p>District 24, Teresa F., MCD—Meeting: 330 N. State College Blvd. Suite 206; Anaheim CA. 92806. Phone 714 956 7243. District Highlights: no written report.</p>
<p>District 25, Adrian G, MCD – Hoping that you are enjoying these 24 hours of sobriety, I gladly present the following report: Within Panel 72 we currently have 58 Minutes from January 3rd, 2022 to March 6th, 2023. The District reports 24 active and registered Groups with 16 active and registered GSRs and 2 new Alternate GSRs. We have a new secretary in the District: Alejandro and Modesto alternate secretary. In the District meetings we are present between 12 and 14 members and during the visits to the groups between 6 and 8 members of the District. We continue to meet from 7pm-9pm, 4 Mondays a month: Reports, Sharing, Old and New Businesses and Study, 5th Monday if there is one, the District does not open. Our Delegate Mitchell was in District 25 on Monday, February 27 sharing information regarding the items and soon La Viña committee will visit us on March 27th Our election day for Panel 74: Monday, October 9, 2023, the day after the Area elections. We will be the hosts of FORO 2023 on Sunday July the 9th and the Inter-District the same month on Sunday the 30th of July. Thank you for giving me the privilege of serving, it is a true privilege to have you as colleagues, God keep us United and in Action for many more 24 hours.</p>
<p>District 30 — no written report.</p>

RECAP OF ACTIONS

ACTION: 2023 MSCA09 Budget

- Motion re-introduced. Vote approved for ASC to be converted into an ASA
 - a) ASC to ASA: 49 for; 0 against.
- Discussion ensued.
- For: 66 Against: 6 Minority Opinion Heard
- Motion forwarded to the May Assembly for GSR vote.

ACTION: Revised Communication Committee Guidelines

- Motion re-introduced.
- Discussion ensued.
- For: 40 Against: 14; Minority Opinion Heard.
- Motion forwarded to the May Assembly for GSR vote.

ACTION: Motion to hold Area Assemblies and Area Service Committee meetings in person only.

- Motion re-introduced.
- Discussion ensued.
- For: 34 Against: 25 Minority Opinion heard.
- Motion forwarded to the May Assembly for GSR vote.

ACTION: Floor motion that the Delegate Shareback in May be organized as a social event and separate from the May Assembly

- Motion made by Ramone; seconded by Jena
- Chair indicated this motion will be heard at the June ASC
- Motion will be forwarded to the June ASC Agenda for questions by the body.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Bob, 37 years (March 24).

CLOSING

Motion to close by all; seconded by Jena.
Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m. with the Responsibility Statement in both English and Spanish.

UPCOMING AREA 09 EVENTS

Pre-Conference Workshop Norma Hertzog Center 1845 Park Av Costa Mesa CA 92627 April 15, 2023, Hosted by District 18

Draft minutes respectfully submitted by Manya W., Area 09 Secretary / finalized by Alex W., MSCA 09 Chair.