



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

Hosted by District 4  
June 11, 2023  
Long Beach City College, 4901 East Carson Street Long Beach,  
CA 90808  
and ZOOM conference call

The regularly scheduled meeting of Mid Southern California Area (MSCA) 09 was called to order by Alex W. at 9:02 a.m. Alex welcomed participants and made introductory statements regarding the virtual meeting protocols and led the group in the Serenity Prayer. Presentations at 9:15 a.m. were made by Delegate, Mitchell B. and Past Delegate, Jeryl T. Committee meetings began at 10:15 a.m. and commenced until 11:15. Total participants (in person and online): 130.

**12:00 P.M. ASC BEGINS**

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

**ASC READINGS**

Declaration of Unity read by Jodi in English / Carlos in Spanish.  
GSR Preamble read by Larry in English / Francisco in Spanish.  
The Statement of Purpose and Membership read by Vicky in English / Inaudible in Spanish.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**Past Trustees:** None  
**Past Delegates:** Jeryl, Panel 62 Delegate.  
**New DCMCs/Alt. DCMCs:** None  
**New Alt DCMs & DCMs:** None.  
**New GSRs/Alt. GSRs:** Colleen: Wednesday meeting at 6:30 pm; Frank: Friday night HB St Bonaventure 6 to 7 pm BB Study; Jade Under the Bridge in Long Beach at the Belmont Shore Chalet Friday at 8 pm;  
**New District Officers:** None.  
**Guests and Visitors:** 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 March 12, 2023**

A motion was made by Ariel, seconded by Jay, to accept draft minutes from the 12 March 2023 Area Service Committee (ASC). All in Favor. None opposed. 12 March 2023 ASC 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 May 21, I attended the Area EBoard meeting on May 28<sup>th</sup>. I will be presenting two motions, one from District 8 and the other from the Area EBoard, at today's meeting. My work continues on the Fellowship Connection, GSO database, and the Area database. I have forwarded a request to the Technology Committee, asking for their assistance in creating an AirTable database. I am

hopeful this project will be completed before the end of this Panel. Panel 72 ends on this coming December 31<sup>st</sup>. All Area, District and Group position listings, in Fellowship Connection, will end on that date. All persons elected to Area and/or District positions, for Panel 74, will need to forward their registration to me. If you are continuing, past December 31<sup>st</sup>, in your current service position, please let me know. You will need to let me know when your assignment will be ending. Thank you for this opportunity to serve. Yours in service, Don Smith, Registrar Area 09.

**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. My apologies for coming in late last month. I had to work a few hours in the morning. I want to thank Bob for covering for me during my absence in person. For May I was able to attend on Zoom Area meeting on May 21<sup>st</sup> and I was able to attend the e-Board meeting on May 28<sup>th</sup>. I will be brief on the Budget vs Actual Report since this is the first report from our Online QuickBooks and also to thank Bob again for helping with the printing and reviewing the report, this was a team effort. The actual is how much you have spent for the last few months and budget is the sum of the monthly balance and finally the % for remaining should be self-explanatory. Also, we will be starting the budget request submission due in September. If you have additional information, please see me. 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 Treasurer AR. This my report for the month of May. On 5-15-23 I went and collected the mail in Irvine. I entered all contributions into our QuickBooks account for a total of \$3,490.66 and deposited those funds into our checking account. On 5-21-23 I collected contributions at the ASA in Hemet for a total of 1,663.00. They were entered into our QuickBooks account and deposited into our checking account. On 5-31-23 I went back out to Irvine and collected the mail. I entered contributions totaling \$1,639.47 into QuickBooks and deposited them into our checking account. The PayPal contributions for May totaled 1,612.85. All contributions were entered into QuickBooks and the funds were transferred into our checking account. I attended the District 8 meeting on 5-17-23. On the 28<sup>th</sup> I attended the E-board meeting. Thank you for allowing me to serve! 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 May ASA, I attended the Districts 6/12/18 delegate share back in Costa Mesa on May 20; what a great event!! Last night, I attended the Districts 1 and 3 Founder's Day BBQ in El Segundo – what a fun way to fellowship – thank you for the invite! I will be presenting to an online meeting a Literature item, Anonymity in the Digital Age, on June 16. Furthermore, I composed the March ASC meeting minutes, sent a MAY ASA RECAP of actions, and attended the May e-board meeting. During this meeting, we have decided to develop a task list of our duties and responsibilities, so the new panel will be apprised of their roles. I am also excited to be involved in the board inventory that will take place very soon. I also worked with the communications committee to get the minutes and reports translated. Good work translation team on their hard work and fast turnaround time! I sent two e-blasts (last Sunday and yesterday) with the important materials necessary for today – including the 8 motions on the table, the June agendas, and March ASC minutes, and MAY ASA Recap of actions. As our Chair mentioned, the agendas and motions are also posted to the website on its own page- this eblast also includes a link to that page, along with all the separate links to each I item I mentioned. Please note that I have approximately 1,214 recipients on the email server. I can view if someone has received and/or opened one of my emails (the analytics for this meeting), and out of 1214 recipients approximately 38.5% (466 people) opened my email from last Sunday (79 clicked the links in the email, which is 6.5% people) and 29.7% opened my email from yesterday; only 54 (4.5%) of those recipients clicked the links in the email. However, If you didn't receive my email, or need to be added to the mailing list, please email me at [msca09secretary@gmail.com](mailto:msca09secretary@gmail.com), so I can make sure your name is added to the area roster. The [msca09secretary@gmail.com](mailto:msca09secretary@gmail.com) is the best email to use. 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 WebServant on the homepage of the MSCA 09 website. 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 (located 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 during any of our breaks or 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, Alex W.:** Good morning, everyone, I hope you are enjoying this ASC. Per the request of the many committees, we have given you multiple rooms to host your hybrid meeting and also host your meeting without any outside noise. I will be sending out a survey and feedback form for you all to fill out to see how we can further improve our ASC and Assembly meetings. I met with the board and put the JUNE ASC together. We had 10 motions submitted and will be hearing from 9 of them. Please Please please, before you submit a motion or a flyer, please ensure that the motion has gone through the GAP committee and has also been translate in Spanish and English. This is an important request to all members. Additionally, we are ensuring everything that comes to us, and all our events are in Spanish and English. In that effort we are purchasing new transmitters for the interpreters and will ensure if we are having workshops like today there is two translators. Thank you to Jeryl T. for hosting a workshop today on Roberts Rules of Order. The board and I are working on a task list and will have this completed by the Sept board meeting for the next panel. I have updated my responsibilities in the guidelines, and you will see that reflected today. I have worked with all motion makers, ensuring they went through the GAP committee and then translated their motions. I will have invited other past delegates to come and host a workshop during the morning of the ASC. Our August ASC is hopefully going to reflect today’s set up and I will continue to work with all districts who are hosting. The calendar is set, and you will see that the Spanish districts will be hosting ASCs and Assemblies. I am very excited about this. Additionally, I am working on a list of districts we need to visit and will ask Rozanne T. and this board to assist me. The board at my request will be conducting a board inventory hosted by past delegate in CT Matt K, upon completion we will be sure to keep ourselves accountable to the area. I am now working with Isaac and Vicki for the October elections; our first meeting is June 15th at 8pm. The audit committee is well underway. I am visiting D2, D7, D10, D 18 D30. I have put together a survey and am helping organize the ALL Area 93 chairperson meeting.

\*Please ensure you have documents translated prior to sending them to the board. Lastly, we have created a page on the website for all future meetings to ensure everything for the meeting is on there in Spanish and English. There is a motions page for in person attendees with a QR code which will direct you to the web page. Please ensure to use this for new business. If you need something on that page, please give it to us prior to the last Sunday of every month. We are working really hard for you and need you to meet us half way. I serve with my heart and feet, I hope to serve AA, this area and God well. Ask it basket questions will be here at our Assembly in September please submit them via email or chat. Thank you everyone for being a part of this area.

**Alt Delegate, Alex W.:** Good afternoon, everyone here is my second hat, Thank you for allowing me to be of service. I continue to do my best to serve the area as your alt delegate. I plan on attending the H&I Board meeting in June, our board meeting, the NAAD meeting the share backs for HBSC men’s stag, D21 D23, D9 I missed the first week of June share backs I was out of town for work. I am finishing up the planning for the FORO, . We have 6 translators and participation from the local social areas. Next, I am coordinating the servathon with Districts 1&3. I look forward to ending this year strong. I host our third Thursday

session this Thursday is our committee sharing session then the service committee meeting, where we will hear from our current class A trustees on why they are a trustee and a class B trustee on why we keep them around. I reached out to all committee chairs to submit reports and provide outside ASC online meeting links to put on the website. Next, I will work with them to update the website and ensure the emails, and description match their committee. Reached out to all committees who did not attend and reached out to all committees in general letting them know when their report will be given, when they will be meeting in the future, which is in the afternoon of the ASCs, and in the morning of the assemblies. I Worked with PI committee in D22 to help them have a great PI event and I plan on attending June 17th, with Rolando. Lastly, I am hosting a traditions study with members across this area on Wednesday we commence this week and I am soo excited to grow with these members.

We want to invite you all to our next area event, the annual FORO on July 9th, we will have speakers, workshops, working tables and translators for our English speaking members, The theme is mariachi. I want to thank Adrian, and Jerry who I have been working with to ensure this is an amazing event. We have area 5,8, and 93 that will be present. So far I have attended Districts, 4 8&11 sharebacks and will attend all that I can. General Service will continue even after the annual Conference, and I continue to keep myself informed on what is happening and what will be happening at next year's conference. Please know we are working so hard for each of you and I hope it is reflected in the area meetings. If you ever have a question, get stuck on something, or need clarification on things, please reach out to us, we are here to help. Thank you for allowing me to be of Service.

**Delegate (Mitchell B.):** Hi, my name is Mitchell, and I am an alcoholic. Since the May 12 Area Assembly in Hemet where I shared my Delegate experience from the 73<sup>rd</sup> General Service Conference in Brooklyn, April 23-29, 2023 I attended the May 28 Area 09 Executive Board meeting on Zoom. \* I attended District 20 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Costa Mesa on June 4. \* I have given the Delegate Shareback to District 25 on May 25, District 15 on June 6, and District 5 on June 8. I will be at HBMS Mens Stage in Hermosa Beach on June 12, District 21 on June 13, District 23 on June 16, District 9 on June 18, District 10 on July 5, District 17 on July 11, District 19 on July 16, and District 6 on August 1. \* I met with Pacific Regional Delegates on our monthly meeting June 1. Next month we have invited Vera F., non-trustee member of A.A.W.S. to meet with Pacific Regional Delegates. \* I have accepted an appointment as PRAASA Archives Advisor to work with the PRAASA ad hoc committee. Theron B., Area 58, will serve as the PRAASA Website advisor. The positions were approved in the 2023 PRAASA for a two-year term to develop potential website structure for future PRAASA and include archive material and records management. \* I look forward to the August 4-Area DCM Sharing Session in Costa Mesa. I anyone has attended PRAASA and, maybe the Pacific Regional Forum, the 4-Area DCM session ae a chance to have similar roundtables and discussion about service in surrounding areas. \* Looking ahead, the 2024 Pacific Regional Forum will be held in Las Vegas NV and the 2026 Pacific Regional Forum San Diego CA. \* Thank you for letting me be of service.

### **OLD BUSINESS-**

#### **1) Open Standing Committee Chair positions (Alex W).**

- a). Chair identified open area committee chair positions: CEC English Chair is open. David stood as English Chair. All in favor for David. All opposed: None. David confirmed as CEC Chair.
- b). Spanish Committees: Accessibilities, Communications, CEC, CPC, Corrections, Remote Communities. No one stood for these positions.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Alex explained the ASC-1 process: Questions and Answers only at the 1<sup>st</sup> ASC. Discussion at the 2<sup>nd</sup> ASC in August. Alex referred to the June Motions.

#### **1). Presentation of the 2024 Draft Calendar**

- a) Questions from the floor: Someone asked if there is a frequency of when districts are assigned events. Mitchell answered the question that typically districts are assigned within 2 years.
- b) No more questions from the floor.
- c) Draft of 2024 Draft calendar forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the September Assembly.

**2) Motion A: Revised English Literature Committee Guidelines - Submitted by Literature Committee**

- a) Introduced by Francine W., Literature Chair. Mentioned the redlined/track changes and clean copies were submitted.
- b) Questions asked by the body and answered by Francine W.: A body member mentioned that the last update of these guidelines was from March 2021. What constituted the changes in the past two years? Francine Answered: Committee reviews guidelines annually every March and felt a lot of things needed to be cleaned up and condensed. No further questions.
- c) Motion forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**3) Motion B: Revised English Technology Committee guidelines - Submitted by Technology Committee**

- a) Introduced by Justin V., Technology Committee Chair.
- b) Questions asked by body and answered by Justin V: Do we want language that the web servant is a paid position? Justin responded that we could input that information in the guidelines. Another question: Would you consider working with Maryka and the GAP committee to clean up the guidelines and resubmit them next month? Justin said he would consider working with them. Another question was about the technology committee is 4 or rather than 2 years. Are we emulating the guidelines of the Archivist? Justin mentioned that yes it does and the minutes are subject to review by the body
- c) Motion forwarded/not forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**4) Motion C: Revised MSCA 09 Guidelines - Submitted by MSCA 09 Executive Board**

- a) Introduced by Don S, Registrar of MSCA 09 Panel 72 Executive board. Don S. mentioned that the guidelines are presented to clarify who can serve and clarify and detail officer duties and mentioned the major changes.
- b) Questions asked by the body and answered by Don S: Body member asked why Guidelines stated in one area that all persons standing must be present in person or video conference, but below that it says all persons must be present at the assembly. Don noted discrepancy and will make change. Other questions about clarifications on the duties and responsibilities of the chair and the alternate delegate. Don noted clarifications and will make change. Another question from the body about the text being different from online and printed versions. Don noted that the online versions are more up-to-date and will work with that document. Another question is whether these changes going to be a part of the Bylaws changes? Don responded: These are changes that are only intended for the Guidelines only and not bylaws. We will cut out the changes to Guidelines. Was the intent to be gender specific? Answer: No. Should it be secretary to secretary or secretary to registrar? Don mentioned that it should read secretary to registrar and that typo will be changed (Note: Secretary to Registrar is in the online version).
- c) Motion forwarded/not forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**5) Motion D: Move to change the current Preamble on the Area 9 site to the GSR Preamble Submitted by District 15**

- a) Introduced by Steve A., DCMC of District 15. The chair explained that since this motion was submitted by the district it does not need a second. Steve A. provided/read background information that was submitted to the body.
- b) Questions asked by body and answered by Steve A.: Where does this document appear on the website? Does this not sound political? I think District 15 should write to New York. Question answered: It has been controversial, and many were not aware that there was a change to the Preamble on the Area 09 website. Our main role: Connect our groups with the General Service Conference. Question: Has the GSR preamble ever been approved by the GSC? I don't know the answer to that question. Question: Are we trying to pick a side of the controversy? Question answered: I think the GSR Preamble is a better preamble for the website and is not controversial. Question: Does the GSR Preamble have a different meaning on the website than the AA preamble? Does that change the meaning from what is on the site? Question answered: The GSR preamble is superior to what is currently on the site. Question: Could we add the GSR Preamble and the AA preamble? Can we have both? Response: I do not see where there would be room. Getting back to the traditions that we do not have opinion on outside issues and changing men and women to people is controversial. Not sure if this will satisfy some people in our districts and area. Question: I am confused. I feel you are trying to address a GSR appropriate document for the GS page and then you address the controversy – are these two separate issues? Answer: Yes, they are – “kill two birds with one stone.” Re-explained the background about 9 groups in district 15 had voted to not use the AA Preamble and move this to the area.
- c) Motion forwarded/not forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**6) Motion E: Move to make the Area Delegate Share-back a stand-alone event rather than it be a part of the area business meeting - Submitted by Districts 1&3**

- a) Introduced by Ramon, DCMC Districts 1 and 3. The chair explained that since this motion was submitted by the district it does not need a second. Ramon explained background that was submitted to the body.
- b) Questions asked by the body and answered by Ramon: Would there be a new line item in the area's budget for this event? Answer: Yes. Question: Would this motion negate the obligation of the delegate to drive to different districts? Would it reduce the time they have to spend travelling? Answer: No; just addition to. Question: Two-hour event – would this delegate share back take place of the business meeting? Or is it in addition to/added to a calendar as a 2-hour meeting? (In addition to a replacement). Answer: In addition to a business meeting. Question: The way this is written, we would have to stick to two hour? The best way to respond is to discuss with the board and see what they will go up to. Would there be a Q and A after the shareback? Answer: whoever is hosting the event will be on the agenda. Another question: If it is a separate stand-alone item, how will it affect the 2024 budget? Answer: I would assume so. Question: If this is another event, will this be a Sunday event or evening event? Whoever is hosting it will be up to the district hosting. Question: Will this be two events in one month? Every month? Questions answered: Yes.
- c) Motion forwarded/not forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**7) Motion F: Move that the Area to accept & assist with District 8 changes - Submitted by District 8**

- a) Introduced by District 8, Don S. of District 8. The chair explained that since this motion was submitted by the district it does not need a second.
- b) Questions asked by the body and answered by Don S.: Did District 11 cease to exist? Answer: Yes since District 11 has not functioned in a few years. Do we have a consensus of how many groups will be in district 8? Seems that this is a big geographical area. Will there be a dysfunctional district 8, but since some towns are so far away some people will go to district meetings? Answer: District 8 was split to District 11 (mountain communities), but District 11 failed. Question: Would it not be better to generate interest in District 11? Answer: No. I was once the DCMC of District 11 and I believe we gave the sincerest efforts

possible and it did not work. Question: District 8 is already servicing District 11 at present or has been the last few years. Answer: Yes. Question from current DCMC of District 8:

- c) Motion forwarded/not forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**8) Motion G: Move to have a biannual area inventory to be completed in February of all new panels beginning with the 2024 Area Board - Rozanne T.**

- a) Introduced by Rozanne T. Second: Maryka. Rozanne proceeded to discuss the background information submitted to the body.
- b) Questions asked by the body and answered by Rozanne T.: What kind of guidelines is the inventory using? What is the purpose of the inventory? Answer: To find things are working and not working in our area. I am wondering if you find something that is not wrong? Are you going to have a discussion with all people involved? Answer: It would be an outside person coming to conduct the area inventory for us. For example, the east coast has a great inventory. It will be up to the people how they conduct the inventory. Question: How will the ad hoc committee be selected? Answer: There will be five people selected. Question: What will you be wanting to inventory? Answer: What is working in committees; policies, guidelines, procedures – for example. Question: Terms of outside members – who will be chosen to take the inventory. Answer: Outside members will be chosen by the executive board – people who have experience doing inventories—past delegates, trustees, delegates, for example, but ultimately those conducting the inventory. Question: Why wouldn't the ad hoc committee from the area do the inventory. Because no "skin in the game" and so it would be fair. No reason to go one way or the other. Be unbiased. Question: The inventory is twice a year? Answer: Once a panel (bi-annual is once per panel). Question: Are we not governed by a loving God and our group conscience in our area. Are we not self-governing? Why would we want an outside bureaucracy coming to our area? Chair interjected: Question already been answered. Question: If there are issues arise in the district, would there be a way to request this kind of inventory to assist with any issue? Answer: Each district is autonomous, you can ask our board or anyone else do an inventory, so the format is doable. Question: Can we correct the spelling on bi-annual? Answer: I can change it to once per panel for more clarity (February of the first year of each panel). Question: Will there be a financial impact for outside people – expenses like lodging, gas, etc. Answer: Someone from east coast or elsewhere will be coming in, so most likely.
- c) Motion forwarded/not forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote to forward/nor forward to the Assembly.

**NOTHING FROM THE FLOOR**

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*(Submitted in Writing)*

<p><b>Accessibility English/Louis T.</b>— Date and Time: 10 am in Long Beach on June 11, 2023. One member present. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> I'm still in the process of recruiting members to join this committee. So far, I have a total of 3. I contacted the two other members today to confirm that they still want to be on the committee. I spent the remainder of today's meeting reading and studying the Accessibilities Kit, Specifically, I read the pamphlet AA for the Older Alcoholic – Never too Late. IF you wish to join the Accessibilities Committee, email <a href="mailto:louistrygar@att.net">louistrygar@att.net</a>. <b>Upcoming/Future Committee Events:</b> August 13, 2023 ASC.</p>
<p><b>Accessibility Spanish/OPEN</b>—no written report.</p>
<p><b>Archives/Kevin R.</b> – no written report.</p>
<p><b>21/22 Audit Committee, Janna R.</b> --- no written report.</p>
<p><b>Communications English/ Ed L.</b>— The primary members of the Communications Committee include Ed L as Chair, Ivan G as Lead Translator, and Vicki R as Secretary. There were five in attendance today,</p>



including Faith B, our webmaster. The proposed Communications Committee Guidelines were passed at the Area Service Assembly (ASA), so thanks to everyone for your support. Alex W has asked the committee to update the website’s outdated information, which we will do asap. Between January and May 2023, we received 42 requests with about 50 documents to be translated. In the month of May, alone, Manya and a few others provided a total of 40 documents<sup>1</sup>. Most of these documents were a backlog of committee and District reports that went back to March 2023, so we are hopeful that this was a one-time inundation and that we won’t be so swamped going forward. Although Vicki R serves as our Secretary, she really stepped forward to receive these documents, convert many of them, and help Ivan with translations. Please follow this process: (1) please submit all FINAL documents to a Board member or Communications Committee member (currently Ed as chair, Vicki as secretary, and Ivan as lead translator); (2) motions and formal documents should be submitted to the GAP Committee to be finalized, then the GAP Committee submits it to the Communications Committee; and (3) please indicate the date you need it by so we can prioritize; and (4) as quickly as possible, the translated materials will be provided to the original requester, Manya (or future Area Secretary) for eblasting, and Faith for posting pertinent materials, which will be distributed by the secretary (Vicki for now) including Word versions in English and Spanish and a pdf of the Spanish version. We should ask Manya about converting handwritten reports into Word or pdf documents as a Communications Committee task, which isn’t really translation. As Area 09 Secretary, I was responsible to do this, then get them translated into Spanish. I was able to complete a June newsletter, mostly focusing on Mitchell’s report-back from the 73<sup>rd</sup> General Service Conference (GSC), with a nice blurb from Stacey A, Chair of our Public Information Standing Committee. I may not be able to produce a July newsletter, as I’ve been invited to join 18 alcoholics to raft the Grand Canyon from June 22 through July 6. Vicki and Ivan said they will produce the July newsletter in my absence. Ivan suggested that we create a QR code for the linguistics groups that can be handed out at Area meetings that will take them directly to the newsletter. I trust that our timely, in-house translations by the Communications Committee have saved many dollars that can be spent towards helping the alcoholic who still suffers rather than enlisting professional translators. (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](mailto:msca09delegate70@yahoo.com)). Ed L., Communications Committee Chair.

<b>Communications Spanish/OPEN—</b>
<b>Cooperation with the Elderly Community/OPEN —</b> no written report.
<b>Cooperation with the Professional Community English/Andrea C.—</b> no written report.
<b>Cooperation with the Professional Community Spanish/OPEN</b>
<b>Convention Liaison English/Tim A. –</b> no written report.
<b>Convention Liaison Spanish/Hector R. — Name of the Standing Committee:</b> Liaison of Conventions and Congresses; <b>Day and time:</b> 6-11-23’ <b>Location:</b> 4901 E. Carson Street, Long Beach; <b>Committee Highlights:</b> Good morning, colleagues, I hope you have a great day. I inform you of the upcoming activities of the committee, the next thing we have is the Orange County convention event on September 15, 16 and 17, 2023 at the "Clarion" Hotel in Anaheim, the rooms are already available with a cost of \$143 with parking and \$133 without parking, The registration \$15 dollars and the banquet \$60, we will be waiting for you. Thank you for letting me serve. Coordinator: Héctor T
<b>Corrections and Correspondence/Jennifer L —</b> no written report.
<b>4-area DCM Sharing Committee, Julie F.—</b> — no written report.
<b>DCM School English/Rozanne T. —</b> Date & Time: 10 am Sunday, June 11, 2023 ; Place: LBCC. Number of Committee Members in Attendance: 10 online/in person; <b>Committee Highlights:</b> The whole

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.dropbox.com/s/k6af8netz1ea4dx/%40Materials%20to%20be%20Translated%20in%20May%202023.docx?dl=0>



<p>committee meeting was focused on how we will be creating a DCM School Workbook. Each member will think of up to 10 items that they feel are important to add to the workbook. We will meet in August to compare notes and create the workbook. <b>Upcoming/Future Committee Events:</b> Nothing until August outside meeting; first Tuesday of the month at 5 pm.</p>
<p><b>DCM School Spanish/Melequiades V.— Name of Standing Committee:</b> DCM’s – Spanish; <b>Day and Time:</b> Sunday 6-11-23 10:00AM – 11:00AM; <b>Location:</b> 4801 E. Carson St, CA 90808; <b>Number of Committee members present:</b> 11. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> I made the unity in the area assembly May 21, 2023, in which most of the attention was given to each point. One of the most discussed points was the zoom meetings, to which I did not agree because the attendance at this area meetings are less and less, but I also have to accept the decisions that were made by majority vote. At the table of the DCM’s today, we held our meeting with a guest of the Treatment Center committee. He shared a lot of information to the DCMs related to this committee. There were many questions to which they gave answers to all the questions. Cord. DCM’s – Spanish, Melquiades Garci</p>
<p><b>Finance/John R. —</b> no written report.</p>
<p><b>Guidelines and Policies (GAP)/ Maryka O.—</b> no written report.</p>
<p><b>Grapevine/ Debra L. —</b> no written report.</p>
<p><b>GSR School English/Ryan H. —</b> Date &amp; Time: 6/11/23 ASC. Place: Long Beach, CA                  Number of Committee Members present: 10. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> We had a great discussion on the great disadvantages of being a GSR. Being a GSR, you are a direct link for your meeting to AA as a whole. We worked on some sample GSR reports, which were gathered from online and other members. Thanks from Districts 4 and 6 for the documents I handed out. We had a great discussion on some pamphlets that could and should be helpful on their quest as a GSR. Please join me at the next ASC, as always a great time. Free buttons and Candy! <b>Upcoming/future Committee events:</b> Next Area Service Committee</p>
<p><b>GSR School Spanish/ Ruben H. —</b> Name of Standing Committee: GSR School                  Day and time: 6-11-23. Number of Committee members present: 24. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> We assisted 24 members for the study of Concepts 6 and 7 with goodwill participation in reading and with personal opinions to reach a common understanding. Thank you for letting me serve, Happy 24 hours. Ruben Z</p>
<p><b>Hispanic Women’s Workshop Planning Meeting (2023) —</b> note to Ivan: report to be inserted after minutes translated into Spanish</p>
<p><b>La Viña/Erika R. — Day &amp; Time:</b> 6-11-23; <b>Place:</b> Long Beach; <b>Committee Highlights:</b> Good morning, colleagues my name is Erika, and I am an alcoholic. For the moment I continue to motivate for the 27th anniversary event of La Viña that is approaching, it will take place in the month of July. I am present at the invitation I get. It is all for the moment. Thank you for letting me serve. <b>Coordinator:</b> Erika.</p>
<p><b>Literature English/Francine W.: Jun 3, 2011:</b> Started at 11am and ended at 11:27am) In Attendance: Francine W., 415-225-5783, <a href="mailto:info@fward.biz">info@fward.biz</a>, Palm Desert, District 09 PI Chair and GSR (No Matter What Women’s Group); Lori L., (310) 529-3417, <a href="mailto:Lalersch@gmail.com">Lalersch@gmail.com</a>, Manhattan Beach, GSR (Women’s Drive Thru Group. Today’s Agenda: • Approval of Literature Committee (the “Committee”) Minutes from May 13, 2023 (the “Minutes”). Lori approved and Francine seconded the Minutes. • Continued with the discussion about revising the Area 09 Workbook (the “Workbook”). • A draft ver1 will be sent to the Committee by the end of the day on Wednesday, June 14th. Please come prepared to discuss at the Committee meeting on Saturday, June 17th.  <b>June 11, 2023 @ ASC</b> (started at 10:10am and ended at 11:14am). In Attendance: 1. Francine W., 415-225-5783, <a href="mailto:info@fward.biz">info@fward.biz</a>, Palm Desert, District 09 PI Chair and GSR (No Matter What Women’s Group). 2. Lori L., (310) 529-3417, <a href="mailto:Lalersch@gmail.com">Lalersch@gmail.com</a>, Manhattan Beach, GSR (Women’s Drive Thru Group). 3. Janna V., (310) 486-2807, <a href="mailto:jannavt.aa@gmail.com">jannavt.aa@gmail.com</a>, HollyGlen, District 1&amp;3. Literature Committee Chair. 4. Rebecca E., (310) 403-4532, <a href="mailto:graciousmonkey@icloud.com">graciousmonkey@icloud.com</a>, Palm Desert, District 09 Intergroup Liaison, GSR (Stay Connected Group)                  Today’s Agenda: • Approval of Literature Committee (the “Committee”) minutes from June 3, 2023.</p>

<p>Rebecca approved and Lori seconded the minutes. • Themes for upcoming literature flyers. The Committee identified 15 themes for our literature flyers: AA History, Sponsorship, Steps, Traditions, Concepts, Home Group, Anonymity, Service, Newcomers in AA, Treatment, Corrections, God/Spirituality, AA Guidelines, Special Interest Groups, Remote Communities: • The next three flyers will focus on: AA History, Sponsorship, and Concepts. Janna has volunteered to provide a first draft to the Committee before our July 1, 2023 meeting. Below are proposed items to be included: • <b>AA History:</b> <i>AA Comes of Age, Pass it On, Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers, Language of The Heart, A Visual History of Alcoholics Anonymous.</i> • <b>Sponsorship:</b> <i>Questions and Answers on Sponsorship, Sponsorship –a vital stepping-stone to service &amp; sobriety, Country-to-Country Sponsorship: Carrying the A.A. Message Worldwide</i> • <b>12 Concepts:</b> Concepts Checklist, Concepts Illustrated, Short Form, Long Form, Service Manual, Concept Audios <b>Upcoming Committee Meetings and Agendas:</b> 1. Sunday, June 11th at ASC • Approval of June 3rd minute • Committee Guidelines on ASC agenda for initial discussion • AA Literature flyers (suggested themes) 2. Saturday, June 17h at 11amPT • Approval of June 11th minutes • Review draft ver1 of the Workbook. Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 11amPT on Zoom -Approval of June 17<sup>th</sup> minutes; - Review literature flyers for AA History, Sponsorship, and Concepts; - Review draft ver2 of the Workbook Zoom access information for non-ASC/ASA meetings: Meeting ID: 810 5976 9570   PW: 068055 Respectfully submitted by Francine W, Committee.</p>
<p><b>Literature Spanish/Benigno M.</b> — no written report.</p>
<p><b>Public Information English/Stacey A.</b>— Date and Time: June 11, 2023 at 10 am Place: Area Service Committee; Number of Committee Members in Attendance: 7 in person; 3 online; 1 past delegate. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> PI Committee discussed district 20 event coming up this weekend on 6/17 at 10 am (a CPC and PI hosted event) with Spanish and English translation. We shared OC Intergroup contact info re: volunteering at OC Fair Booth, July 14 to 23. Next PI OC Intergroup meeting is at OC Central Office June 28 at 5:30 pm. Davod B from D17 announced that H&amp;I meets in English and Spanish at the 502 club every month. If you are available, please join them June 25<sup>th</sup> 11 am Covina. New D2 PI Chair attended, and we encourage all districts to have their PI Chair or alternate chair attend our ASC and have them contact me, PI Chair at <a href="mailto:Publicinfo@msca09aa.org">Publicinfo@msca09aa.org</a>; <a href="http://www.msca09aa.org/public-information">www.msca09aa.org/public-information</a>.</p>
<p><b>Public Information Spanish/Rolando T.</b>— Day and time: 6-11-23; Location: 4901 E. Carson St, Long Beach; Number of Committee members present: 7. Committee Highlights: IP. Good afternoon, colleagues, I am Rolando, and I am an alcoholic. The Meeting began with the Prayer of Serenity, 7 members met at a single table, the English committee and the Spanish committee and tried to share experiences of how to continue motivating the districts and how to keep working with the community to continue passing the message of AA. Thank you for letting me serve.</p>
<p><b>Registration/Martin J.</b> — Day and time: 6-11-23; Location: Carson City, <b>Committee Highlights:</b> Good afternoon to all. My name is Martin, and I am serving at the registration table next to the registrar and my service is to remind everyone to register when they arrive at each assembly, and this time only 75 members were registered in-person. Thank you for letting me serve.</p>
<p><b>Remote Communities Committee/Ariel R.</b>— no written report. (Maryka gave a verbal report)</p>
<p><b>Treatment Facilities English/Brian</b> – Day and Time: June 2023; Attendance: 14 online; 0 online. We had 14 in attendance for our June 22nd TFC-En meeting. We discussed planning of our upcoming Bridging the Gap Workshop; what theme, when, where, why, how. For updates you can visit <a href="http://www.area9btg.org/events">www.area9btg.org/events</a>. Discussed updating our current Area 09 Guidelines for Treatment Committee - En. We will be adding an article about Bridging the Gap to various Intergroup and Area9 District websites. We currently have 14 of the english speaking districts with a Treatment Chair and active involvement. We have reached out to 12 treatment centers in the area to discuss Bridging the Gap. We are continuing to build our Bridging the Gap volunteer list and currently have ove 90 AA member volunteers. Year to date we have received 28 Newcomer Contact Requests for Bridging the Gap. Of those 28 we have had 13 successful bridges, 4 declined, 6 not completed and 4 still pending. <b>Upcoming/future Committee events:</b> Treatment Committee 4th Thursday Zoom Meeting July 27th 7pm: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85437550762">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85437550762</a> Meeting ID: 854 3755 0762 Passcode: 244472 Bridging the Gap</p>

Workshop "How it Works" Sunday August 20th 9:00 am to 1:00 pm 6820 Airport Rd #C, Riverside CA 92504 Workshop purpose is to train and inform on Bridging the Gap and how it works and intended purpose
<b>Treatment Facilities Spanish/Mauricio T.</b> – Day and time: Sunday – 11 – June-2023 Location: Long Beach, CA. Number of Committee members present: 5 present. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> Basic information was shared with the committee (school of the DCM’s) who are invited to form a committee of treatment centers of their local geographical area to which motivates to attend these invitations and at the same time invite this committee to their respective districts to bring better information. The 22nd district of Indio, CA invites us to give information about this committee.
<b>Women's Workshop/Mireya</b> –Day and time: 06-11-2023. Location: Long Beach, CA. <b>Committee Highlights:</b> Dear colleagues, the women's workshop 2023 sends you a warm hug. Wishing you a 24hrs of blessed sobriety. The information is: The Event will be held on Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 8 am 4 pm, at "Westminster Presbyterian Church" 1757 N. Lake Ave, Pasadena CA 91104. (Hotel Ramada) Only 25 rooms, they will cost \$115.60 with 2 Queen beds. The way we are working is: We hold meetings by Zoom, and the next one will be on June 25 at 4:00 pm in the afternoon. We gather ideas and prepare for the event. I want to invite all the women to go and participate in this Great Event, also I want to inform the treasurer that they can send their Area contribution. I am working alongside of District 21 visiting the groups to give them the information. Thank you for letting me serve.
<b>Young People/ Rory</b> — no written report. (Absent for three meetings)

**COMMITTEE COORDINATE REPORTS**

*(Submitted in Writing)*

<b>AOCYPAA--</b> no report.
<b>OCYPAA</b> — no report.
<b>HASBYPAA</b> —no report.
<b>DCYPAA</b> — no report.
<b>SOCALYPAA</b> —no report.
<b>INTERGROUPS</b> —no report.
<b>CENTRAL OFFICES</b> —no report.
<b>H&amp;I COMMITTEES</b> —no report.

**DISTRICT REPORTS**

*(Submitted in Writing)*

<b>Districts 1 and 3</b> — no written report.
<b>District 2</b> — no written report.
<b>District 4</b> – no written report.
<b>District 5, Isaac M., DCMC</b> — no written report.
<b>District 6, Kevin R., DCMC.</b> – no written report.
<b>District 7</b> — no written report.
<b>Districts 8 and 11</b> — no written report.
<b>District 9, Michael W.</b> — no written report.
<b>District 10</b> — no written report.
<b>District 12— Bob M, DCMC.</b> – First Thursday at Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church. Registered: 100+; Attendance: 55. We are currently planning our Summer Beach Party at Doheny State Beach on July 9. Our Labor Day picnic will be on September 4 in San Clemente – all are welcome. We will be hosting the August ASC – location TBD. We are planning a “commitments” workshop for group secretaries and other trusted servants in October and our Traditions Day event in Early November.
<b>District 14 — John F., DCMC</b> — no written report.
<b>District 15</b> — no written report.

<p><b>District 17— Julie F., DCMC.</b> Date &amp; Time: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm. Place: Spring community church, Temecula CA. Number Registered in District: 175 meetings. Number Present at District Meeting: 25. <b>District Highlights:</b> Working on revising our guidelines. Discussing doing a district inventory. Our PI Committee is very active, visiting schools, etc. We have a new Secretary and Treatment Chair. <b>Upcoming/Future District Events:</b> Hosting the Delegate Shareback on July 11 at 6:30 pm. Working on a “Unity Day” event with our H and I Group and Central Office with Intergroup.</p>
<p><b>District 18 —</b> no written report.</p>
<p><b>District 19 —Lesilee A.</b> -- no written report.</p>
<p><b>District 20, Erika R. Alt. DCMC - District Highlights:</b> Good morning my name is Erika and I am an alcoholic. The district continues to meet every Monday, and our Roll of visits are on Tuesdays and Fridays. I am present at the meetings of our Inter-district meetings. The committees are working in their service, La Viña will have a workshop on July 3 in the Fuente de vida group. <b>Upcoming/future District events:</b> The IP and CCP committee will hold a workshop on June 17 that will take place in the city of Garden Grove. This is all for the moment. Thank you for letting us serve.</p>
<p><b>District 21—</b> South Bay; Name: Roberto District Committee Meeting Day and time: Wednesday 8:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M. Location: Long Beach. <b>District Highlights:</b> The South Bay District 21 continues to meet on Wednesdays from 8:00 to 9:30 P.M. First Meeting: of Points. Second Meeting of Reports. Third Meeting: of Study. And Fourth meeting: of Internal. We are visiting two groups per week in the visit roll, motivating groups that do not have their G.S.R. We are located at 16407 1/2 New Hampshire Ave, Gardena, Ca. Happy 24 Hours. MCD: Jose G. MCD ALT: Luis J.</p>
<p><b>District 22— Date and Time:</b> June 11, 2023. <b>District Highlights:</b> District 22 is working visiting the groups 2 times a week and meeting every Tuesday with a study meeting and a work meeting each month. Each group is working to verify the data of each group and to have it updated since some groups are not active. In the district, it was approved not to attend the event of La Viña. An invitation was made to Rubén the chair of the school of the GSRs and Mauricio of the committee of institutions to give us more information in our district.</p>
<p><b>District 23, Jose G. MCD—</b> Date and Time: 4 Fridays of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at 10838 Hole Av. Riverside CA. 19 registered in the district 9; and 12 people in attendance. <b>District Highlights:</b> We continue to meet on the first 4 Fridays of the month. First Friday: Reports; Second Friday: Sharing; Third Friday: Points; Fourth Friday: Study. We continue to visit 2 groups per week with motivation to service, alcoholics are being motivated to attend the event of La Viña and there is a list for such an event. The inter-district meeting was held on May 28 with an attendance of 68 people. Thanks to those who accompanied us to the event. Upcoming / Future events: We are still preparing to attend the Foro this July 9th and we are ready for our area meeting for September 10th for the time being. Ready to receive our delegate on June 16 at our location. It is all for the moment. MCD: Jose G. MCD ALT: Luis J.</p>
<p><b>District 24, Teresa F., MCD—</b> no written report.</p>
<p><b>District 25, Adrian G, MCD / Alt Felipe O. -</b> Hoping that you are enjoying these 24 hours of sobriety, I gladly present the following report: Within Panel 72 we currently have 70 Minutes from January 3rd, 2022 to May 15th, 2023. The District reports 24 active and registered Groups with 16 active and registered GSRs. We have a new RSG Lorena from group “10 de JUNIO” a new secretary in the District: Modesto R. 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, 5<sup>th</sup> Monday if there is one, the District does not open. Delegate Mitchell was in our District 25 on Monday May the 22th, 2023. Everything ready for our FORO: Round Tables, Speakers, Location, Food, Posters and Invitations, everything is ready for next Sunday July 9th 2023, we’ll see you there soon. In addition to the cafeteria committee, we will bring Tamales!!! Our election day for Panel 74: Monday, October 9th, 2023, the day after the Area elections. We will be the hosts for the Hispanic Inter-District on Sunday July 30th, 2023. One more</p>

thing: We already have a date for the 16th anniversary of our District: Saturday, December 16, 2023. 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.

**District 30** — no written report.

## **JUNE 2023 ASC-1 RECAP OF ACTIONS**

**ACTION:** Presentation of the 2024 Draft Calendar to the body

- a). Questions asked and answered.
- b). The 2024 Draft Calendar is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion A: Revised English Literature Committee Guidelines** - Submitted by Literature Committee

- a). Motion introduced by Francine W., Literature Committee Chairperson. (Second unnecessary since it was approved by the Literature Committee.)
- b). Questions asked and answered.
- c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion B: Revised English Technology Committee guidelines** - Submitted by Technology Committee.

- a). Motion introduced by Justin V., Technology Committee Chairperson. (Second unnecessary since it was approved by the Technology Committee.)
- b). Questions asked and answered.
- c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion C: Revised MSCA 09 Guidelines** - Submitted by MSCA 09 Executive board.

- a). Motion introduced by Don S., Panel 72 Registrar. (Second unnecessary since it was approved by the Executive Board.)
- b). Questions asked and answered.
- c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion D: Move to change the current preamble on the Area 9 site to the GSR Preamble - Submitted by District 15**

- a). Motion introduced by Steve A., District 15 DCMC. (Second unnecessary since it was approved by the district.)
- b). Questions asked and answered.
- c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion E: Move to make the Area Delegate Share-back a stand-alone event rather than it be a part of the area business meeting** -Submitted by Districts 1&3

- a). Motion introduced by Ramon. Districts 1 and 3 DCMC. (Second unnecessary since it was approved by the district.)
- b). Questions asked and answered.
- c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion F: Move that the Area to accept and assist with District 8 changes.** - Submitted by District 8

- a). Motion introduced by Don S. (Second unnecessary since it was approved by the district.)
- b). Questions asked and answered.

c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ACTION - Motion G: Move to have a biannual area inventory to be completed in February of all new panels beginning with the 2024 Area Board. - Rozanne T.**

- a). Motion introduced by Rozanne T. and seconded by Maryka.
- b). Questions asked and answered.
- c). Motion is forwarded to the August ASC-2 for discussion and vote on whether to forward/not forward to the September Assembly.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- BUDGET Requests are due by September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- July 9<sup>th</sup> FORO (Announcement by Gerry)
- Maryka thanked everyone who attended today's ASC
- Announcement about CPC meeting for a district (June 20<sup>th</sup>) at Walton School in Garden Grove
- Announcement about Harbor Area Central Office – 1964 GSC was here where Bill W and Sister Ignacia was here at Veteran's Stadium, OPEN HOUSE next week. Go to website
- Alex: Send an email for workshop ideas (August). We will have a survey to submit after the meeting regarding any suggestions or comments.
- Tech questions please send to the Technology Chair

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

Debra: June 28 (18 years); Erica (June 14): 31 years; Debra (June 11): 32 years; Charles (June 30): 10 years; June 4, 1993 30 years (Inaudible)

**CLOSING**

Motion to close by all; seconded by John R.  
Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m. with the Responsibility Statement in both English and Spanish.

**UPCOMING AREA 09 EVENTS**

FORO – July 9, 2023 – Hosted by Districts 25 and 8: 15576 Main St, Hesperia, CA 92345

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