**MID-SOUTHERN 09 CALIFORNIA AREA**

**AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (ASC) APPROVED MINUTES**

***October 13, 2024***

**Hosted by: District 21**

Location: Long Beach Community College

4901 E. Carson Ave., Long Beach - Bldg. “T” / Rm “T-1200”

**Meeting ID:** 896 6166 6203 **Passcode:** P74service

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**12:00PM ASC BEGINS**

Call to order with the Serenity Prayer

**ASC Readings:**

Declaration of Unity -Matt / Sergio

Preamble – Phil / Geraldo

Statement of Purpose and Membership - Justin

Tradition – Travis / Felipe

Concept of the month (10) Larry / Antonio

**Introductions:**

Past Delegates; Mitchel panel 72 New DCMCs & Alt. DCMCs (Sergio); New DCMs & Alt. DCMs;

New GSRs and Alt.GSRs; Alfredo district 25, Jack district 7, Joshua district 1, Hugo district 1, Mary district 13, district 22, John district 4

New District Officers; Guests and Visitors; and Area Officers

Approval of Draft Area Service Committee Minutes of August 2024

Teddy made motion to approve / Vicki second the minutes

**12:15 - 12:50PM OFFICER REPORTS**

Area Officer’s Reports: (5 minutes each)

**Treasurer AP** – On September 1,2024 our checking account balance was $31,750. Ryan made deposits totaling $10,928. I paid bills and reimbursements totaling $10,490. Our balance on September 30,2024 was $32,187. I prepared a preliminary budget for 2025 and sent it to our Finance Chair Carmen. I will work with Carmen and the Finance Committee to craft a 2025 final proposed budget which will then be presented to the Area Assembly and voted on at the December Assembly. I continue to review and pay all reimbursement requests that are appropriate, within our budget and supported by our Area 09 Guidelines. All reimbursement requests require a fully completed Statement of Expenses form and supporting receipts. The form can be found on the Area website.

**Treasurer AR** – no report

**Secretary** - I have made a fillable PDF report for districts and committees. Will request to upload onto website. Please send reports that way.

**Registrar** - I continue to receiving information to register new  GSRs in fellowship-connection and all those new  GSRs who attend an assembly for the first time,  during the course of this month 2 new groups were  registered with their respective GSRs, and there  were 11 new GSRs that I registered. There are  currently 5 new groups in pending status, (Sunday  Night Sunset Group D. 9), (El Milagro del Poder  Group D. 17) (Women’s & LGBTQ 12 X 12 Book  Study Group D.7) this groups that are needed more  information like address and location , to be able to  change there’s status. If anyone else has questions about your group or there is information you need, please contact me at registrar@msca09aa.org and finally I continue to invite everyone who attends via zoom please identify yourselves with your name, district and position of service to register your attendance.

**Chair** – Since our last meeting, I was able to have a very productive meeting with our Tech Chair going through every aspect of our Zoom meeting set up, reconfiguring the settings which we believe will improve our hybrid process. It has been a long process, and I truly appreciate your patience as we continue to learn better ways to make the hybrid meetings more successful.

I worked with the 4 Corners Ad Hoc Chair on the 2025 calendar, which I'll show you in a moment.

I continue to work with our Insurance Rep getting Certificates of Insurance (COIs) for Nov, Dec, and Jan.

I have also been helping on the Pacific Regional Forum bid committee and was able to secure a proposal from the Hyatt Regency Orange County.

I've been thinking about how much work goes on behind the scenes in order to keep our area running. Everyone who has a commitment does their job differently and to the best of their ability and I would like to personally thank those of you who have stepped up and gone above and beyond to help me in this first year of our Panel.

I feel blessed and very grateful for this wonderful experience as your Area Chair.

**Alt Delegate** – Hello Fellow Area Servants! My name is Manya, and I have the honor and privilege of serving as the Mid-Southern California Area 09 Alternate Delegate for Panel 74!!  So..who is ready to go retro this November?? Break out your poodle skirts and oxford shoes because the Next big fun service event is the Servathon, and the theme is the 1951 General Service Conference Car Show and Sock Hop Servathon. District 6 is holding this awesome event at the Norma Hertzog Center in Costa Mesa on November 17 from 1 to 6 pm. Flyers are on the website and alternate delegate page, and some are on the back wall. If you are a committee chair/area committee, you will be a very important part of this event! Your committee will have its own booth, theme, and game related to the 1951 general service conference (trivia questions). I have circulated a google signup sheet at this ASC RE: your attendance (or committee rep attended), as well as what you would like to do for your booth. We also secured two great speakers for the event: Dyanne G, Past MSCA 09 Panel 32 Delegate (when she was 32 years old!) and Triona O. - Past MSCA 09 District 6 GSR, DCM, and Literature Chair! We will also have live music from one of our own District 6 music meetings - I hope everyone is ready to dance! We will have a great car show, a 1950s costume contest, and a 51/50 raffle! Area committees will have their own booths, games, and prizes. If you visit all the booths, you can earn your way to win a PRAASA or International Convention ticket! Lastly, we will have a special Archives display room of nostalgic material from the 1951 General Service Conference (and beyond), AA trivia, literature giveaways, as well as a special surprise from the Archives committee!

**Where I was:** I attended the NAAD meeting on October 1, as well as the special Pacific Region Alternate Delegate meeting on October 6. We discussed upcoming elections for panel 73 and November’s rotation for next panel. an). I also hosted the September 19 Service Manual Study where we had Scott H., current General Service Board Chairperson, discuss his experience, strength, and hope at the General Service Conference (Chapter 8: The General Service Board). THIS month (October 17) is Chapter 9: The Board’s Operating Corporations; and Chapter 10: The General Service Conference – Billy N, Past General Service Conference Trustee and Chapter 11: A.A. World Services, Inc. Reilly K. Pacific Region Trustee. **How to find meeting info:** [**https://msca09aa.org/event/service-manual-study-8-15-2024/**](https://msca09aa.org/event/service-manual-study-8-15-2024/) HOW CAN YOU GET MORE INVOLVED? GET YOUR GSRS MORE INVOLVED? LAST SERVICE STUDY MEETING OF THE YEAR IS NOVEMBER 14 -. WHERE: “Virtual Only” Meeting ID: 873 6607 8505; Passcode: Area09p74: **6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.: Chapter 12: A.A. Grapevine, Inc. Paz P. General Service Trustee/AA Grapevine Director; 6:30 pm to 7 pm: Q and A.** If you are a committee chair and DCMC please join us at 7:15 after the service study for a sharing session - we will be discussing THE SERVATHON. I also hosted 5 Servathon planning meetings with District 6 (via Zoom) and attended District 6 (my home district) meeting on the first Tuesday of each month since September. I plan on attending their meeting in November, as well as assist its board in their annual board inventory. I will also be hosting a board Traditions and Concepts study this January.

**Where I am going, I will be attending Area 05 elections on October 20 in Downey and the** H and I Intergroup meeting on October 29**.** In November, I plan on attending the last NAAD meeting of the year, as well as our last Pacific Region trustee meeting.  I am attending the So Cal Convention in the City of Industry on November 8 to 10. I will be supporting Alex and other delegates as they share their experience, strength, and hope on the General Service panel. Next Year Area 09 is hosting; I hope it to be an amazing event. Thank you for letting me be of service.

**Delegate** – Thank you all for allowing me to be of service to you. My name is Alex W I serve as your Panel 74 Delegate *Please note a detailed update is available in the Bitly and on the delegate page.*

Good afternoon, I hope you all are gearing up for a wonderful holiday season. I want to thank you for allowing me to have the honor and privilege of a lifetime to serve you as your delegate. Our region alongside many others are currently undergoing elections. Every election cycle I am reminded that God is truly in charge, and nothing is happening by mistake. I am excited to go to the International Convention where we will be reunited on the Vancouver home front. I submitted Mitchells information to be our Trustee at large nominee. During lunch of conference week, we will all present our candidates and then vote on one to be nominated. Rozanne, Debra, Jim, Angela and I have been working hard to gather contracts to put forward for this bid. A presentation, contracts and bid are in a folder available for you to review in full. I look forward to the Ad hoc Committee update and going to the Yorba Linda Location in Jan. Alongside is a new way we will be conducting business. Every year my home group takes part in the Chili Cook off. We are committed, despite not winning. Every month we hold a Eboard meeting where I am able to communicate with my fellow board members who I love equally. Truly lucky to serve with these amazing servants. I advised our eboard to give time back to the area as the nov board meeting will be held in Nov and more updates will come pending that meeting. I am hoping for that,

We have formally requested Carolyn W - AAWS Chair to facilitate our elections as our Pacific Regional Trustee is not available and doing Idaho elections. I met with the pacific regional delegates where we are gearing up for the end of panel 74 and welcoming in the panel 75 delegates. Our cpc committee was set to meet for the feedback call however we were advised that there are no proposed agenda items for our committee so that meeting has been canceled. I urge everyone to please attend the service manual study this area puts on the third Thursday of every month. We put this on to help educate the members within the area. When I did share backs this year many members were not aware of the structure of general service, dates, process and or concepts. These meetings are recorded, and you can listen to them online if you are unable to attend. The next time we will meet again is in December. Between now and then many things will be occurring. The Plain language bb will be available, and I look forward to the feedback from the fellowship. Please note I will be online for the Dec ASC. but I look forward sharing coming as I will have a one hour presentation on where we are headed going into panel 75

I hope to see you all at the SoCal AA convention, I will be speaking alongside my fellow delegates at 9:00am. I will be attending the panel 75 area 93 elections and missing the Servathon. But hear it will be amazing. As we head into the holiday season, I hope you enjoy it and cherish the time with you loved ones. As always, it’s an honor and privilege to serve you as your panel 74 delegate. Where I am reminded daily who I serve is God and the fellowship collectively. Grateful to not have found it necessary to drink but certainly have found it necessary to stay close to my home group, sponsor, God and loved one.

**GRAPEVINE**

* Print/App/Complete Total 59,032
* Income total $ 1,004,892
* Expenses $ 1,361,695

Income Loss $ (487,363)  
*Grapevine net loss for the first six months of 2024 was $487k.*

**La Vina**

* Print/App Total Circulation 7,158
* Income total: $ 53,454
* Total Expenses: $ 347,703

*La Viña revenues and expenses for the first six months of 2024 both approximate budget.*

*Class A trustee applications have been closed. My mom did receive an email that she is being officially considered.*

*We will be looking for an ACM for both pamphlets, Asian/Asian American and Transgender*

As of June 30, 2024, the Reserve Fund Assets total $12.26 million consisting of cash and certificates of deposit. Members and groups contributions so far have totaled 4,935,000 up 113%. The General Service Board met in July. I will have more information on the status of advisory actions coming after the July board weekend.

\*Plain language BB is expected to be available for $11.00 at Nov 1st, 2024.

PAIs deadline was Sept 30th. The Preliminary agenda list will be available Nov. 6, 2024, Conference Committee Background and final list on Feb. 17, 2025, and the List of PAIs not forwarded Feb. 24, 2025

* Please use my delegate link for ALL the latest information that I put out or the delegates page.
* Fifth edition of *Alcoholics Anonymous* is in progress as well
* Story submissions from 2,500 to 159 then to 50
* Working on expanding the existing ideas in Appendices III and V

**Plain language UPDATE FROM CONFERENCE**

* Letters of concern, appeals, process concerns, and letters of support,
* Related floor actions will be receiving individual responses.
* The Advisory Action from the 74th GSC plus the first 10 "minor editorial changes" from the Publishing memo.
  + Relocation of the “A.A. Steps Table” to constitute an Appendix (on the Twelve Steps) at the back of the new publication.

Replace the references to “addiction” and “addicted” with language related to alcoholism.

In love and Service

Alex Wheatley   
 Panel 74 MSCA09 Delegate

 CPC Committee Chair

Member of Shut up and Cross talk

**12:50- 2:00PM COMMITTEE REPORTS (District Reports if time allows)** Committee Reports: 2 minutes/Spanish 4 minutes

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| **COMMITTEE** | **English** | **Spanish** |
| Accessibility  Archives  Communications  Cooperation with the Elderly Community  Cooperation with the Professional Community  Convention Liaison  Corrections and Correspondence  DCM School  Finance  Guidelines and Policies (GAP)  Grapevine & La Viña  GSR School  Literature  Public Information  Remote Communities  Registration  Technology  Treatment Facilities  Young People | Bob read report  Vicki read  Cindy B  Katherine read  Angela read  Erica read report  Debra read report  Carmen read  Don  Francine read  Scott read report  Debra read report  Charles  Eric read report  Teri read  Lauren read | Mauricio  Rolando  Hector  Adrian  Gil  Blanca |
| **OTHER:**  Hispanic Women’s Workshop  4 Corners Ad Hoc Committee  4 Area DCM Sharing Session | Claudia and Angela Ryan H - Chair  Don and Leopoldo |  |

**2:00- 2:30PM OLD BUSINESS**

● Regional Forum Bid for Area09 – all information will be on delegate page

● Budget Discussion – budget was due sept 30 2024. Carmen mentioned that they received forms two weeks ago. One person will start it and then another person will review the document. Bob says we are doing good regarding money. Alejandro asks why do we increase budget if they do not comply. Rozanne stated that we cannot punish people. Jody asked if mileage comes out of committee budget and not area travel funds? Rozanne answered yes. Eric did not submit budget because he did not need it. Annie suggested that Tech should submit a budget.

**2:30-2:50PM NEW BUSINESS**

● Calendar 2025 – Rozanne shared the rough draft of Calendar – Vicki asked if the calendars were looked at side by side. Katherine said one of the location does not have the ability to carry the internet of that location of district 32. Teddi from district 17 wanted to know how the hosting would look like in the future. Michael said it would be easier if all the assemblies would be in one location. Bob the only financial cost would be the lunch. Bob thinks its better if one district just host. Neoplo saw that oct 12th the election would take place and then the grapevine event, also the last Friday of the month has their interdistrict meeting. Felipe announced that district 25 would be open to host. Miguel offered to host. Tara says she loves the idea of working with the other areas.

● Increase to Literature Budget-Literature Committee – Jim asked what happened to grapevine. Debra answered that there was no physical literature to be handed out. Erica asked what about Spanish? Debra stated that there is a Spanish literature person. Erica asked about office services expenses. Debra said it cost to purchase QR codes. Katherine said she does not see the motion on the website. Cathy asked if we are to asked if we are to approve the motion now how much money would be saved versus waiting until next year. Debra answered that 5$ to 15$. Jim is unclear about the money going for. Debra answered by showing the qr codes. Debra purchased safe qr codes and laminated.

● Letter of support for LACYPAA-LACYPAA Member – Brian second the motion. Mitchell asked if he has engaged the area 09 young people committee. Matt answered yes. Teddi asked if they are the same bid as her homegroup. Mike answered that it is separate with no conflict. Cindy was confused about the groups. Mike clarified ICYPAA versus LACYPAA version ACYPA. Alejandra asked that AA does not do is giver letters of recommendations. One of the bid requirements is to do it at district or area level. Alejandro fear that he may use the letter for improper use. Vicki asked if the area in the past ever written a letter of recommendation? Yes, the area has. Tara asked if the YPAAS all wanted to host would it be possible to host at the same time? Yes.

**2:50PM WHAT’S ON YOUR MIND**

● Any last thoughts or questions from the membership?

Announcements –

October Birthdays – Andy 9 years.

**Motion to close - 3:00PM**

**Upcoming Area Events:** (Check msca09aa.org for details)

October 26th: Halloween Party Hosted by District 4 and District18 Long Beach October 26th: South County H&I Chili Cook Off Twinkle Park, Costa Mesa November 17th: Servathon, Norma Herzog Community Center, Costa Mesa December 8th ASC: Hosted by District 17

**Closing with the Responsibility Statement**

**Committee Reports**

Archives Committee Report October 2024

Our committee last met on September 21st at the repository in Riverside. Two of our members went to the Archives National Workshop September 28-29, 2024. We helped host the first Hispanic Women’s Heritage Day on 9-6-2024 at the Archives in Riverside. We submitted our budget for 2025. We also purchased more Women Pioneer books in both English and Spanish. When we next meet on 10-19-2024 we will start to update our timeline in the back room. Also, our 36th Annual Heritage Day will be Saturday November 16th in Yorba Linda hosted by District 15. We continue to collect, preserve and maintain the history of MSCA 09. We are open every Saturday from 10am – 1pm or by appointment and are available to host your AA event.

Thank you for trusting me to serve as your Archives committee chair. Bob H.