## District 21 Minutes of the Meeting July 9, 2015

Present: Brian, Donna, Simon, Duncan, Jill, Lynn and Sherisa, and our guest for the evening, our Finance Committee member, Rachel.

Our DCM, Brian, called the meeting to order and began with the Serenity Prayer. Duncan read the GSR preamble.

Birthdays: None

Minutes to the June district meeting were approved as submitted.

Simon gave the treasurer's report. Balance forward June 4, 2015 \$593.51. Contributions were \$105.00. There were no expenses this month. Ending balance June 4, 2015 \$698.51.

## DCM Report

- The Area treasurer misplaced a group of checks from the Area PO Box which were picked up on January 24<sup>th</sup>. If your group has an uncashed check from January, would you please have your group contact Butch, stop payment on the check, and issue a replacement one? Thank you.
- The Area is in the process of searching for a new Archivist. If you know of anyone interested in AA history or archives, please let them know. Resumes may be submitted until June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- The Unity Day is still being discussed. It will take a workshop format, with all the Area Committees participating in some way. This will be on August 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 to noon, at the church at 6301 Birchwood St., SD 92120. See New Business for further district discussion.
- There will be a sponsorship workshop on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Flyers were available, and can also be found on the Area website.
- There will be two picnics on Labor Day, one in Carlsbad and the other in Encinitas. Again, flyers are on the website.
- The budget Area Assembly will be on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to discuss the information we cover tonight with your group and be prepared to come to the Area Assembly with your input.

## **Old Business**

 Reports from visits to unrepresented meetings – If you plan to attend an unrepresented meeting, please contact Brian and he will provide you with materials for a brief presentation.

## **New Business**

- Unity Day discussion: Jane G., Alternate Delegate, is encouraging everyone who has an interest in being of service at the home group level (so not just General Service!) to attend the workshop day. Brian had flyers, an agenda for the day's events, and a description of the various displays/roundtable discussions. Brian also asked if our district was willing to contribute financially to this event. We voted to contribute \$200 to this event.
- Rachel, our finance committee representative, gave a report on the proposed Area 08
   2016 budget. We need to take this information back to our groups and solicit input. The

groups vote on the budget, with the understanding that they will provide contributions to cover the budget that is passed.

- Rachel noted that our first obligation is to fund the Delegate's activities completely.
- We then cover our yearly fixed costs insurance, storage and rent for Area Assemblies and Area Committee.
- We also cover the costs for interpretation both Spanish language and ASL.
   The Spanish oral interpreters are asking in increase to be in line with general interpretation costs.
- O This budget reflects a slight decrease in contributions from the 2015 budget. Actual contributions are less than budgeted in 2015. Fixed costs are roughly the same. Where there is a significant difference from the 2015 budget amount, there are notes to explain. Please use these notes when discussing with your group. If you have any questions during or after group discussions, please ask Rachel, any member of the finance committee, or Butch, our treasurer. Contact information for all is on the Area 08 website.

Thank you, Rachel, for taking the time to share the information about the 2016 budget!!

The Big Day (Budget) Assembly will be on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Our next meeting will be on August 6, 2015.

Rachel read Tradition 7. Simon read Concept 7.

We closed the meeting with the Declaration of Responsibility.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Adam with notes from Sherisa (thank you, Sherisa, for taking the notes!!!)