San Diego-Imperial Area Committee

2650 Melbourne Drive, San Diego CA

Minutes of the August 20, 2015 Meeting

Meeting Called to Order

The Committee was called to order at 7:02 pm by Roxane R., Area Chairperson, with the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Traditions were read in Spanish by Abel and in English by Jason. Introductions were offered and several new DCMs, Standing Committee Chairs and their alternates introduced themselves. Guests and visitors also stood up. All were welcomed to Area Committee.

Roll Call: Michelle (Registrar)

Michelle, Area Registrar, conducted a roll call of the Area Committee, and declared that the requirements for a quorum had been met. 10 Officers were in attendance, 18 DCMs, and Committee Chairs were present. As rotations begin, remember to send in records of the leadership changes to the Area Registrar. Please submit emails to registrar also.

Rosters are updated regularly and any corrections need to be submitted to Registrar as they occur.

Approval of June 2015 Area Committee Minutes: Monty C., (Secretary)

- Minutes are available in digital format. Contact Area 8 Secretary and for a digital copy (via email.) Let new DCMs and Committee Chairs know to please submit email information with the Registrar as soon as possible. If your alternate would like a digital copy, add email address to the Registrar's roster.
- June ACM minutes were emailed out. They will be emailed out once they are translated into Spanish. A
 motion was made to accept the minutes with changes as noted. The motion was carried with approval.

 It is time effective to submit your monthly report to the Area 8 Secretary via email at
 mcavalier2004@gmail.com.

Master Calendar

The master Calendar was emailed out by the Alternate Chair. It's posted on the area website.

Treasurer's Report: Butch, Treasurer

- Written report submitted.
- Remind groups who contribute to the Area to include an e-mail address so we can process contribution acknowledgements electronically, and at a lower cost.

July 2015	July	YTD	2015 Budget	Variance with Annual Budget
Group contributions:	4,052.88	19,921.54	43,367.00	(23,445.46
Individual contributions:	56.80	557.05	.00	.00
District contributions:	0.00	1,247.00	.00	.00
Total contributions:	4,109.68	21,7125.59	43,367.00	(21,641.41)

Total budgeted expenses:	206.90	18,924.13	43,366.60	(24,442.47)
Contributions less budgeted expenses:	3,902.78	2,801.46		
Total unbudgeted expenses:	.00	2,080.87	.00	0.00
Total expenses:	206.90	21,005.00	43,366.60	(24,442.47)
Contributions less total expenses:	3,902.78	720.59		
Total Cash Balance: July 2015	6,444.03			

<u>Delegate's Report: Dean B</u>: See report attached in English and Spanish.

Alternate Delegate's Report: Jane G.

Thank you to everyone that has contributed to Unity Day. We have enough money. We have enough money to give subscriptions to the Grapevine and La Vina. There are several speakers in the room.

We will need people who are experience in forming a group conscience. We will need people to help policing food tables. Need help with registration. Contact for the event is Jane G.

Any materials that you have been in a service position, please join in on the round tables.

Chairperson's Report: Roxane R.

Like many of you I want to leave my mark on the world. I suspect that having survived a deadly disease, it is not uncommon to try and make the rest of our life count. Have you ever read an anecdote in the back of the Big Book and wondered at who that person was or how they came to be a contributor to what some would call, one of the greatest achievements in American history? Did you know that the Big Book was chosen by Time magazine as one of the 100 best and most influential books written in English since 1923? I'd say these alcoholics left their mark. Won't you leave your mark by writing your story for the Grapevine or one of the new pamphlets?

The General Service Trustee-at-Large will be visiting our area next month. We are delighted to have him share at our Budget Assembly and at a couple other venues around the county. I understand that Bob W. is a young, energetic man who has been covering a lot of territory in the past months. We may get a glimpse of how AA looks and works in other countries where we send AA Literature and other twelve step help. He has been to El Salvador, Latvia, Japan, Russia, and the Ukraine, to name a few.

Joe C. is rotating out of his position as Area 8 Archivist. I have recently received one resume from someone interested in taking his service commitment. I would agree that Joe's footprints will be difficult to fill and we now have someone out there who has a burning desire to share their knowledge of AA history with the alcoholics in San Diego and Imperial counties. If you think you might be interested also, please search your hearts and email me today.

For teachers, the month of August is just one long Sunday night. I will endure two days of staff development before meeting my new students. This is why I am feverishly writing my chair report and setting up two agendas a full 2 days before they are due. By the time you read this, school will be in full swing.

Because of my father's rapid deterioration, I have been attending an Alzheimer's support group with my mother of late. It is quite interesting and if you'll pardon my audacity, amusing. I believe the support group helps my mother immensely because they can laugh at the antics of their loved ones who are behaving in the most unbecoming ways. The grandmother who flips people off or the grandpa who pats his neighbor's bottom is still funny to me because my father has not reached that platform in his disease. It is progressing and there is no stopping it. When it's read, "...our experiences will benefit others," I sort of think it relates to our drinking and subsequent recovery. But in reality—it is about our life that we must share our experiences so that we do not drink over the things we would ordinarily drink over. My father is a strong, capable retired Marine officer. It is unfathomable that today he cannot perform the simplest tasks. At my home group a man I have known for 30 years shared with me that his wife is in a nursing home due to her Alzheimer's. It was the most poignant 20 minutes I have shared with a fellow alcoholic in a long time. You will never know the impact you might have on someone's travails if you don't take a few moments to share your hope.

As your chair I continue to attend Policy, Agenda and Information and Technology Committee meetings. I occasionally attend North County Intergroup and North County H & I Committee meetings. I have submitted the Area 8 Pamphlet to be printed finally. I will have it at the Budget Assembly. There have been decisions this month regarding flyers we'll post, taxes we'll file and copies we'll print. It's all in a day's work. I am honored to serve as your chair

Area Committee Meeting

The Area Committee meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 7 PM to 10 PM. The location is 2650 Melbourne, San Diego, CA. All AA members are welcome to attend. To get an item on the agenda, please contact chair@area8aa.org to begin the process. If required, your specific request or proposal will be directed to the assistance of one or more of our Area's standing committees.

Liaison Committee Reports:

Coordinating Council: Steve: Since group contributions are in line with the budget we are continuing the 10% discount through September. The August book of the month is "Daily Reflections" on sale for \$8.25. The August pamphlet of the month is "Is there an Alcoholic in Your Life?" for 5 cents each. The September book of the month is "Pass It On" on sale for \$8.50. The September pamphlet of the month is "FAQ Frequently asked Questions" for 5 cents each. Also there is a need for daytime phone volunteers on alternate Fridays 1pm to 5 pm anyone interested should call Central Office. The PI committee has a need for volunteers to assist with rack refills all over San Diego County. They have racks in 65 locations and have provided 2500 pamphlets in 2015.

North County Intergroup: No report East County Intergroup: Gary: Not present Oficina Central Hispaña: Leticia: Not present

Oficina Intergrupal Condado Norte: Raul: Not present Oficina Intergrupal Sur, Chula Vista: Not present

NSYPAA: Riley: If you know anyone who is interesting joining, please let us know. We have meeting at all of our events. We meet at

the moose lodge in Oceanside on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each monthly. Please come out and support.

Bid for ICYPAA: not present.

Native American Liaison: Daniel: Not present

Finance committee is responsible for the area equipment. We currently during an inventory. Please fill out the forms and get them back to the committee.

Birthdays: Five person celebrated a birthday since the last meeting. Congratulations! There is a collection can for the cake each month. The 7th tradition does not pay for our birthday cake.

Break: 8:35pm Resumed Meeting at 8:53pm

Concept 8 was read in long for in English by Blaine and Spanish by Paulio.

DISTRICT REPORTS (Districts submitted reports digitally or on report form)

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District 1: Jerry: Our last meeting was held August 11th. Sixteen people were present. We covered four key topics.

<u>Updating list of District One Meetings:</u> Our District Registrar is making great progress on this project. There are many new meetings in our District and GSO's list is decades out of date.

<u>FINANCES</u>: We discuss the relationship between the Seventh Tradition and both its spiritual and financial components. We discussed the concept that the greater the level of understanding our groups and members have on the specific actions we collectively take to carry AA's message, the greater the interest in getting involved and donating. We discussed the Area's June financial report and ways to present this information to our groups. Finally, we discussed the Area's upcoming Budget Assembly.

<u>Share your Experiences Outreach:</u> We reviewed the opportunity members have to contribute their stories to GSO; provided fliers on the process and encouraged sharing with group members.

<u>Workshops and Events</u>: We discussed progress on our plan to collect proposed topics for 2016 Workshops. We discussed more specifics on Unity Day and the importance of getting our groups enthused about attending. Finally, we discussed and distributed fliers on the upcoming Labor Day Picnics in our area.

District 2: Scott: District 2 DCM and GSR'S met on 8 /3 / 2015 at King of Kings church in Oceanside. This meeting opened at 6:15 with 9 GSR's in attendance, the serenity prayer was recited by those who chose to participate. Participation for the upcoming Unity Day potluck was discussed also the co - hosting of the Labor Day picnic. GSR's reported handing out flyers for both event's at their meeting's and encouraging member's to participate in our upcoming event's. There was discussion of a redistribution of the pie chart in meeting's to encourage a greater disbursement of fund's to area 8. The topic will be proposed to those individual group's and the standing treasurer / secretary. Scott G. announced his two year commitment with the district was up in October. After further discussion, it was noted that even though Scott started as a GSR in October of 2013, alternate DCM, treasurer and then to the position of DCM although this all had taken place in a two year span, it was suggested Scott complete one more year in the position as District 2 DCM.

District 3: Guy: Area Delegate Dean came to the meeting and presented his post conference experience. Discussed District 3 assistance in January Area Assembly. Next Meeting will be delayed to Second Monday in September due to Labor Day Holiday.

District 4: Kevin: no present

Paul from Finance visited our district and fully reported our proposed 2016 Area 8 Budget. Lively discussion on topic and our GSR present said it was a very helpful visit. Possibly the best meeting this year. Which I take umbrage offense to since I set our agendas! Great job Paul! Dean is scheduled to visit our district on August 4th. Another reminder to change your workbooks and website to correct our date from 1st Wednesday to 1st Tuesday each month.

As coffee and set up chair, we suffered a loss/theft in our shed. For this purpose I recommend we purchase a plastic or wooden box to hold supplies in access of \$20.00 in value. Discussion took place on this matter.

District 5: Colin: Sponsorship Workshop Update: 4, 6, 14, 15 participated. Financial report summary will be made in August. Dean presented 65th Annual GS Conference outline as well as summary of agenda items, in two formats. Discussion was held as to which was an easy read. Both found to be of great help taking information to groups.

Dean reminded GSRs "what we do and why we are here." He provided a new two-page summary of Conference items that is easy to follow.

District 6: Helen: Dean, Area 8 Delegate, visited our district. We discussed the upcoming visit of the Trustee at Large; the 3 conference literature items which GSO has sent out a "call for sharing" about and how to give a report incorporating your experience, strength & hope.

We are starting preparations for the Area 8 New Year's Eve Alkathan. Renee R is in the process of securing the location. We would like to reach out for confirmation of other districts interested in helping to put on this event.

We discussed the upcoming election season & pending rotation of our DCM, with the possibility of leaving the position vacant until an available volunteer is found.

I am reaching out at this time to members of the ACM, if there is anyone who has an ability to meet prior to the meetings to help a wheelchair bound member who desires to come to the meetings get to the location. Please contact the DCM.

District 7: Dennis: Thanks to Butch for presenting the budget. We discussed briefly the upcoming assembly. Also the district discussed whether to do lunch or breakfast at the September Assembly. (Lunch)

District 8: Chris: Our regular meeting was held on August 3rd. 14 GSRs attended. We were blessed with a visit from our Delegate, Dean B. He explained actions and other considerations from the General Service Conference. A spirited discussion took place after the meeting addressing the banking error occurring earlier this year; the air was cleared substantially! A request to support Unity Day motion was made, seconded, and passed! D8 sent a check out for \$150. Georgene N. made a motion and request for funds supporting ASL Interpretation. The motion passed and a check was sent out for \$150. Our September meeting falls on Labor day weekend (the 7th), an email vote was taken and the responses support moving the meeting back one week to September 14th. This meeting will be devoted entirely to resolving the D8 budget.

District 9: Lorie: Not present.

District 10: Alan: This month we had a short discussion about an anonymous letter, wanting our district and Area 8 to weigh in on courtslips and the criminal element that they bring to meetings with no desire to stop drinking. Then we had a very enlightening visit from our Delegate Dean. He was able to spark some interest in some GSR's, got them asking questions and interested further in general service efforts.

District 11: Cindy: Our usual meetings are held on the last Monday of the month. Last month it was moved up 1 week due to them painting. It's now back to its original day and time. A lot of meetings in the district have increased the time between sending monthly donations in balance in bank account is around \$1035.00.

Next event will be Donuts with the Delegate scheduled for September 26 in La Mesa. Flyer is on the website. We are always going to dark meeting. Everything else is business as usual.

District 12: George: We met on 7/02/15 at 6:30 pm. I wasn't able to attend the meeting as I was at General Service Conference.

District 13: Julie: Discussed 8th concept Talked about secretary workshop and what to do to offer to whole area visiting meetings.

District 14: Eric: 13 attendance at meeting. Wrapped up sponsorship workshop, huge success. Working diligently on mental health workshop on October 10 9-1. CEC at a district level just had second presentation power point went well.

District 15: Roberto: District 15 will hold a General Service Round table on 8/26/15. District 15 has 5 committees; CPI, PI, Treatment, La Vina, H&I.

District 16: Linda: (emailed report) Our last meeting was Monday, Aug 3. We had 14 GSR's & Alt. Our guest was the Inter-group rep from the Belly Up Tavern. He shared what the Inter-Group Rep is, his position within the group, District and Area. Only ½ of the meetings had Inter-Group Rep's, they were all interested any asked many questions. Our Labor Day Picnic is planned, we are ready to have a great Picnic with hula hoops, water toss and a GV raffle, plus a meeting at 10am before picnic and a quest speaker at the end of the picnic. All is welcome, flier on the web. Our "This is AA" workshop has a flier for approval and ready for the calendar. Date Oct 17, 1-3pm Encinitas Sr. Center. We formed an Ad-Hoc committee for our District Inventory. Our next meeting has been changed to Sept. 14 because of the Labor Day Picnic.

District 17: Not present

District 18: Efrain: On the 23rd of August 2015, La Vina will hold their workshop, which is held every year, the event will take place at the group Volver A Vivir from 9 to 12pm. The district continues to be busy. We visit groups, and have orientation meeting for the New GSR's on Thursday. Committees in our district are H&I, PI, Archives, & La Vina.

District 19: Harlan: August 2015 District 19 Report Area 8 14 GSRs and officers, 2 new Alt. GSRs, 6 guests, 2 speakers and an Interpreter attended District 19's meeting on August 4, 2015 to hear the budget presentation by Tanya T. and a heartfelt talk about his experiences as our Area Delegate, Dean B. The Concept Boot Camp committee continues to develop its framework, generating round table questions and recruiting concept presenters. Please contact Nicole Z. at (619) 602-6097 if you are interested in stretching your concept wings.

District 20: Miles: We had a roaring at our last meeting. Our meeting is held on the last Tuesday of the month. The main discussion was how to handle the absence of the DCM. The alternate will be here in his place.

District 21: Brian: DCM Report – <u>DCM Report</u> – At the AA Int'l Convention, the GSO/Literature Committee is seeking stories from its members to update/create the various pamphlets: "AA for the Woman"; "AA and the Gay/Lesbian Alcoholic"; and the yet-to-be-created, "AA and Mental Health" (title pending). Two motions concerning Area tax records were tabled to research more information before returning to the Finance Committee for revision & resubmission to the ACM: Maintaining Tax Filing Records; and Annual Tax Filing. Still need increased contributions to the Area – please ask your group for additional donations. The June financial report showed year-to-date contributions at \$17,600 and last year's contributions were \$21,000 after 6 months. Resumes for the Area Archivist are still being accepted. Check the Area 8 website for details.

Old Business – Unity Day will take a workshop format, with all the Area Committees participating in some way. This will be on August 29th from 9 to noon, at the church at 6301 Birchwood St., SD 92120. Four of our district GSR's will attend, along with me. There will be two picnics on Labor Day, one in Carlsbad and the other in Encinitas. Flyers are on the website. The budget Area Assembly will be on September 12th. Please plan to discuss the information we covered last month with your group and be prepared to come to the Area Assembly with your input.

New Business – None.

Round Table Sharing -

- Rick Tuesday Men's: Attended the International Convention. It was well attended.
- Terry Sunday morning Men's: Meeting is well attended. They have increased their Area contributions. He reported that he got permission from his group to "skim off the top", to allocate some extra funds to the Area before making regular money distribution.
- Jill Friday TGIF: The meeting has changed location within the church. When the basket went around my Monday meeting, I murmured, "\$2 is the new normal," and several people anted up! Also, the disruptive man from the RB Thursday night

- meeting did not appear this week. That group was relieved and grateful when I reported Brian's and Bill's efforts to support that meeting.
- Andy Tuesday 12x12: The meeting has slowed down during the summer months. He received his group's consensus to alter "pie chart" slightly to allocate more to Area.
- Duncan Wednesday Beginners: Gave the budget to the treasurer. No input received yet. He cautioned us on the delicate nature of the funding conversations about adjusting the "pie chart" distributions with our groups.
- Line Monday Women's BB: Meeting doing well. Format changed to accommodate birthdays.
- John E. Treasurer of the Thursday night PQ BB meeting: No report.
- Simon PAC Monday night: Strong meeting, lots of sobriety.

District 22: Daniel: Area Budget was presented to district. No further business.

District 23: Heather: I am grateful to report that we elected the standing secretary as the third signer on the account. Our resignstrar resigned and we elected a new one. We held discussion on the Labor Day Picnic Planning Committee's status. We approved a picnic budget based on an itemized summary of the ten previous years. This gave us an opportunity to review the Structure and guidelines for our District as well those for District 2 and how it applies to the moving parts of our picnic. We were grateful to have the DCM of District 2 in attendance to share in this discussion.

I presented an informational flyer intended for use in upcoming outreach to unrepresented meetings. It was approved to print 20 copies with the addition of the district mailing address. GSR's began to "sign up" to visit unrepresented meetings in our district on a list assembled from the GSO list and the list North County Central Office maintains for the directory they distribute.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Accessibilities: Out message to the Area this month is that the contributions to the American Sign Language Fund (Gold Cans) are down and that we are in danger of cancelling some interpreted meetings for the deaf. Please take this message back to your GSRs and meetings. I have flyers with instructions on how to contribute and please see me if you would like to bring a Gold Can to your meetings.

Agenda: Paul:

- Discuss a possible Conference Committee Agenda Item "If there is a limit to how much a group can contribute"
- Creating an updated form for the solicitation of the 2017 General Service Conference Theme, Presentation/Discussion and Workshop Topics, will be e-mailing to DCM's and will available on Area 8 Website
- Review and gave suggestions to Area Chair and Alt. Chair for the August 2015 Area Committee Meeting Agenda
- Review and gave suggestions to Area Chair and Alt. Chair for the September Budget Assembly

Theme for the 2016 General Service Conference:

"Our Spiritual Way of Life: Steps, Traditions and Concepts."

Presentation/Discussion Topics for the 2016 General Service Conference:

- a. Connecting With the Newcomer:
- 1. All Inclusive Never Exclusive
- 2. Are We Doing Enough to Help the Newcomer Are We Going to Any Length?
- 3. Home Group Where It Begins

- b. Connecting With Each Other:
- 1. Singleness of Purpose Staying Pertinent in a Changing World
- 2. Informed Group Conscience The Key to Unity
- 3. Be Involved, Be Inspired, Be of Service
- c. Connecting With A.A. as a Whole:
- 1. Participating in All of A.A.
- 2. Understanding Self-Support
- 3. Reaching Out to the Next Generation of A.A.s

The workshop topic for the 2016 General Service Conference

"Anonymity – The Spiritual Foundation."

Archives: Linda: We met at Central Office this month, the meeting was all about ROOT'S, which is Nov. 22. We planned our committees, working off the check list to make sure all is in order. We would like to ask the Area if anyone knows or anyone with 40years + who hasn't spoken at ROOT's in the past, let us know.

CPC: Ted: The CPC committee met on Monday June 29, 2015 for their regular monthly meeting. The 6 bedrock committee members were in attendance. Only one of the perspective members assigned to the committee from quarterly Area Assembly's in the past 12 months have attended more than one CPC meeting. In fact, none of the people assigned from the last 2 Area Assembly's have attended a CPC Committee meeting.

During the first half of the meeting we discussed old business i.e. the Sharp Grossmont Hospital panel discussion de-brief, the NAMI Walk, a CPC stamp I purchased to stamp return address envelopes for our reach out campaign, and the upcoming Employee Assistance Professionals Association Annual Conference booth in September.

We then moved on to the IVAT conference in August and whether or not we should participate. The consensus opinion was to ask them if we could place an unstaffed information rack in the vendor area. I have asked the person in charge of vendors and have not received a response. We also discussed CPC participation in the Unity Day Potluck, and Recovery Happens event in Balboa Park. Both of these will receive support and participation from CPC.

Finance: We discussed the two tax motions and have put them on hold until the Area Chair and the Treasurer report back their findings discussed with the accountant.

We went over the Unity Day Finance Committee assignment.

Developed the Area Capital Assets report form.

Went over a suggestion from the Area Delegate on possible Finance Committee Liaison to the Area Officers. Mainly a way to remind officers and Committees Chairs to get their money reimbursement in on or at least a quarterly basis.

Grapevine/LaViña: La Veare: The committee has a new book that will be out on September 4th called "Forming True Partnership." This book is to improve all members of their relationship in the program. The new print and online version in on sale now.

This month current spotlight is Technology with special emphasis on anonymity. These coming up issues is asking for stories are:

- 1. Staying sober through adversity (September 1, 2015)
- 2. Old Timers (October 5, 2015)
- 3. Relapsing (November 10, 2015)

Coming up issues for La Vina At the Nation connections

- 1. General Service (September 8,2015
- 2. "AA in prisons (January 4, 2016)

"Did you know In 1978 the GSC recommended the groups be encouraged to increase their subscriptions a membership increase."

On our meeting on the second Sunday in August 8, 2015 at 1:30pm. We talked about and done some very serious planning on our writer workshop for the Grapevine/LaVina workshop.

SD H & I: Diana: (emailed report) The San Diego H&I Committee meets the third Sunday of the month at the Machinists' Hall at 5150 Kearny Mesa Road, SD, 92111. Policy Council at 11:30; orientation at noon, business meeting to follow orientation. All AA members are welcome at both Policy Council and at the general meeting. We also have an orientation the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at the San Diego Central Office on Mission Gorge Road. We are always in need of H&I volunteers; we are also in need of people who are willing to serve as committee members.

Contact on Release is a subcommittee of the SD H&I. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:45 pm at the San Diego Central Office. We are also in need of volunteers and committee members. Pamphlets and flyers are on the counter. If you know anyone who might be interested, please take them one. Or both. We are particularly in need of COR volunteers in the South and East portions of the County.

Please check out our website for complete information about our meeting schedule for 2015 and our current minutes and financial reports, including a listing of group contributions.

We are in process of creating a slate of nominees for our election upcoming in November. We will be hosting the H&I Intergroup meeting on August 23rd at our Machinists' Hall location. This meeting runs from 11am – 2pm and includes lunch. If anyone is interested in knowing what goes on in H&I around Southern California from San Luis Obispo to the Mexican border, please join us. All are welcome. We look forward to participating in Unity Day on August 29th. We have sent a financial contribution for this event. H&I will be hosting a "Fall into Service" workshop event on September 20th. This will also be at the Machinists' Hall, and will precede our usual orientation and business meeting. Please come and bring any friends or sponsees who might be interested in either H&I or Contact on Release service work.

Information Technologies: Bill: We reviewed the IT Committee Structure and Guidelines. Reviewed "how to use calendar video".

Literature: Karen: We meet right before the ACM meeting. We are looking forward to participating in Unity Day. We came up with some great ideas about how to develop and get the committee out there.

NCAIC (H & I): Suzanne: The next New member Orientation will be October 17, 2015 at The Oceanside Alano Club. Elections will be held. The board meeting is at 11am, At Noon, The Board and Panel Coordinators will meet, 1pm Lunch will be served and then New members' orientation will occur. Mark your calendars.

- 2. Our last meeting was August 15th and much was discussed.
- 3. Our plans for Unity Day on August 29th are coming together-We will have two tables there--one for the Service Fair portion and one round table.
- 4. The NCAIC are updating their website and we are looking at designs of other sites. The web team will be on September 6th, Christine S's house.
- 5. Regarding panels--Our Treatment Chair Caresse Q. is currently seeking new panels and La Posada panel will soon be open. The

Vista Jail has two openings for panel members as many others. Please call for info 760-271-2229.

6. We are buying literature to bring into the institutions for those confined.

Newsletter: Ray: Not present. Sent an email - I have not been able to attend the ACM meeting.

Policy: Emily: The next Policy committee meeting is September, 1st at 6:30pm at San Diego Central Office. At our last meeting we reviewed two flyers. One flyer was using a copyrighted image and needed a new image prior to posting. This is a reminder for all those submitting flyers with images to ensure the flyer does not place the area8aa.org website at risk of being served with a copyright infringement takedown notice. This is easy to do from Google Images. Under "Search tools" select "Labeled for noncommercial reuse with modification." Then you will only see images safe for posting to the website. This tip is currently being added to the flyer guidelines. We have almost completed the revised "How We Do Business Guidelines." We expect to have both the new Flyer guidelines and the How We DO Business guidelines available next month. We will then being the compilation of the Area Assembly Setup Guidelines. I'd like to thank everyone for forwarding me versions that have been utilized previously by the Area or your District.

Translation: Alex: The translation committee has been helping with some Flyers for the unity day event, Labor Picnic, as well with the area 8 web site June Minutes too. (Currently working is the newsletter). We are ready to share a round table for the unity day 2 or 3 committee members only (lack of participation from the committee members).

Announcing next Area Assembly:

Budget Assembly September 12, 2015

1st United Methodist Church of San Diego (Linder Hall)

2111 Camino Del Rio South San Diego CA 92108

Closing: Responsibility Pledge.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monty C., Panel 64 Area 8 Secretary and Alicia H., Alt. Secretary.