

San Diego-Imperial Area Committee

2650 Melbourne Drive, San Diego CA

Minutes of the November 19, 2015 Meeting

Meeting Called to Order

The Committee was called to order at 7:03 pm by Roxane R., Area Chairperson, with the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Traditions were read in Spanish by Alicia and in English by Colin. 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.

Approval of September 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.
- September ACM minutes were emailed out. They will be emailed out once they are translated into Spanish. A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented. 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.*

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.
- "The Area Treasurer informed the Area Secretary on September 30, 2015 that, due to a data entry mistake, there was an error in the August group contribution figures reported at the Area Assembly and Area Committee meetings in September. The figures shown here are the correct ones."

October 2015	October	YTD	2015 Budget	Variance with Annual Budget
Group contributions:	3,922.68	28,861.97	43,367.00	(14,505.03)
Individual contributions:	10.00	567.05	.00	.00
District contributions:	135.00	1547.00	.00	.00
Total contributions:	4,067.68	30,976.02	43,367.00	(12,390.98)
Total budgeted expenses:	1,744.09	27,552.45	43,366.60	(15,814.15)
Contributions less budgeted expenses:	2,323.59	3,423.57		
Total unbudgeted expenses:	886.41	3,207.10	.00	3,207.10

Total expenses:	2,630.50	30,759.55	43,366.60	(12,607.05)
Contributions less total expenses:	1,437.18	216.47		
Total Cash Balance: October 2015	9,816.30			

Master Calendar

- The master Calendar was emailed out by the Alternate Chair. It's posted on the area website.
- Information is subject to change. See calendar on the area website (www.area8aa.org) for the most up to date information.

Delegate's Report: Dean B: See report attached in English and Spanish.

Alternate Delegate's Report: Jane G. See report attached in English and Spanish.

Chairperson's Report: Roxane R. See report attached in English and Spanish.

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: The 2016 budget was passed by the council. The hard cover "Big Book" will remain on sale for \$7.50. Limit 5 copies per group. The November book of the month is the hard cover "12x12" for \$6.90. Limit 5 copies per group. The December book of the month is \$2 off any "grapevine" book. The currently any pamphlet is on sale for 5 cents each.

North County Intergroup: Ralph: not present

East County Intergroup: Gary: Not present

Oficina Central Hispaña: Leticia: Not present

Oficina Intergupal Condado Norte: Raul: Not present

Oficina Intergrupar Sur, Chula Vista: Not present

NSYPAA: Riley: NSDYPAA's Broomball event will also be on December 5th. There's an A.A. meeting from 7:30pm-9pm at Tri-City Medical Center, then Broomball will go from 10:30pm-1am at the Escondido Iceoplex. It's \$10 to play and free to watch.

-NSDYPAA's 12th Annual Beginners Workshop will be on December 5th from 6:30pm-9pm at Tri-City Medical Center. There will be two 20 minute speakers and one 40 minute speaker.

GSDYPAA: Gabe: Not present (emailed report) 1. **GSDYPAA HAS OFFICIALLY CHANGED ITS MEETING SCHEDULE FROM EVERY THURS TO EVERY 2ND AND 4TH THURSDAY AT PB ALANO.**

2. We cohosted halloween dance in Oceanside with NSDYPAA doing the heavy lifting. I think it's also important for our committee to honor the level of commitment and unity NSDYPAA exhibited towards GSDYPAA. They have attended our business meetings, some of their members served in the past and with each other too. They offered a financial cohost which is an extension of sharing money. We split costs and profit 50/50 - which used to be a common arrangement amongst AA committees of the past, but recently it's much too rare between southern california young people committees whose spiritual condition serve the interest of young people meetings, as a whole. If the committees lack spiritual connection to our program, it's typically under represented at the Area level. So it's necessary to commend a YPAA committee who walks concept 9 with actions that are in line with Tradition 1. Thank you NSDYPAA! i can say because I was there... your committee has greeted us in our relaunch with way more love and unity than GSDYPAA demonstrated with your launch in 2006/2007. On a group level it's important for GSDYPAA to mention in hopes of amending actions of the past, because that committee is all drinking except me and a couple others....your example vs our example will yield outcomes better than my missed friends, that I am more sure of in our uncertain future together. Humbled. Thank You. Let's keep the love flowing in area 8.

3. Both NSDYPAA & GSDYPAA are cohosting with ACYPAA, the All California Young Peoples of AA, New Year's Dance in Garden Grove, Area 9 at the Christ Cathedral Cultural Center on New Year's eve. The meeting starts at 8pm, with dance to follow until 1am. We're gonna party like 1999, so don't miss it - you'll have the time of your recent sobriety.

4. There has been elections held for a group that has formed called the Social Bid for ICYPAA. There was information sharing sessions which went around to different areas in Social to garner support. Among 3 meetings and a 4th scheduled, none came to Area 8 prior to the elections. In the first meeting in Area 9, both Gsdypaa and Nsdypaa membership attended and weren't treated with a welcome warm AA energy. GSDYPAA has since retracted from participation, and I am not sure of NSDYPAA's official position - but I would like to request that if this group asks AREA 8 for a letter of support, you promote reconciliation. Members of our YPAA community have faithfully supported an ICYPAA bid with Area 8, and I believe there is a will to continue the bid. But, first the Ypaas of SD need unity and to serve AREA 8 in ways they haven't while focused on an ICYPAA bid for 5 years. This is why a formation of YPASSA is important, it allows AA to explore YPAA within the general service structure and not just the conference structure. With GSOs endorsement of ICYPAA, there is ego and spiritual attainment in winning a conference bid. Now, add on the only conference GSO endorses despite the long history of other state conferences like ACYPAA. It doesn't take an alki genius to understand how ego can creep into the spiritual process of bidding for both bidders and advisory members who have dedicated nearly a decade of sobriety to ICYPAA conference bidding to advisory. Bill certainly warned of the dangers of ego, control and power conspiring together - hence our spirit of rotation advocates a healthier outcome than that of one that builds bleeding deacons who lose sight of concepts, if they learned them, the moment their ego ignites again.

5. Western Area Young Peoples of AA (YPAA conference which represents PRASSA states but it isn't YPAA PRASSA, that's what YPAASA is hoped to be... anyways WACYPAA (wacky paa) is this Dec. 17-20. If you pre-registered and want to laugh at the conference then contact me and I'll have ACYPAA pre-register you. Wacypaa chair dared the entire ACYPAA committee that if California could get just 50 pre-registration to a conference in Oregon, he would walk out on stage at the main meeting in a diaper and say he was the "ACYPAA new year's baby" so its rule 62... yes? Don't you would like go to WACYPAA now?

6. I will be proposing an agenda and calendar planning subcommittee for 2016, soon. My email is datguygabe@gmail.com if you are interested in attending or passing along your suggestions, or participation via email.

Thank you for allowing to be of maximum service to Area 8.

Native American Liaison: Daniel: Not present

2016 4 Area DCM Sharing Session – Harlan B Had one meeting. Workshop will be in Simi Valley. Working topics and agenda for the event. It coming along. The event will be held on February 20, 2016 at 3900 Avenida Simi Simi Valley. We are looking for two volunteers for Spanish Interpreters from each area. We are currently in the process of the making the flyers.

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. 08 Officers were in attendance, 16 DCMs, and 10 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.

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: 8:25pm Resumed Meeting at 8:37pm

Concept 11 was read in long for in English by Renee and Spanish by Roberto.

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

District 1: Jerry: We continue to have between 13 and 15 GSRs at our monthly meeting.

1. Our GSRs discussed workshop ideas for 2016 and we have now prioritized them. We'd like to have the first one in March. Here are the final six topics (although we will not do all six). We'd welcoming working with other North County districts on these

- a. Spirituality and Getting Closer to your Higher Power
- b. Living Sober—How do we Do It?
- c. Getting in the Middle of AA—and Staying There
- d. The Purpose and Promises of the Twelve Steps
- e. Step 11—Purpose and Practice of Prayer and Meditation
- f. Living Without Fear.

2. Educating our GSRs and Groups about Area Committees: The District approved the concept of discussing one Area Committee each month, then having the GSR include this in the monthly GSR report to their group. The purpose is to a) have the GSR become more familiar with these committees (and potentially volunteer), b) make the group aware that these committees exist, c) generate interest in the Area and Committees among our members. I'll be reaching out to the committee chairpersons as we get closer.

3. Our District is very concerned about the lack of a Prudent Reserve due to the Area's corporate poverty position. They've asked me to develop and submit a proposal to our Area to change this. We acknowledge this will take time, but feel it's very important to have this changed.

District 2: Scott: (not present) emailed report- District 2 met on November 2nd 2015, 8 GSR's were present along with the DCM. Elections for officer positions were performed by the group.

A new DCM was elected, along with Alt. DCM, Registrar, Treasurer will remain in office until March 2016. The Secretary Position remains' open. Five GSR's are leaving district 2 for other commitments. Breakfast item's for the area elections were purchased & delivered, participation was encouraged for setting up & service of breakfast. District groups were also encouraged to participate at the election assembly.

District 2 officers for 2016 - 2018 are as follows: DCM - Sutton

Alt. DCM - Maureen , Secty. - open , Registrar - Elaina , Trsry. - Tanya .

District 3: Guy: Discussed District 3 assistance to District 21 in January 2016 Orientation Area Assembly. Louis Luick, ALT DCM, is Point on this one. Encouraged GSR attendance at the November Area Committee meeting. Invited NCSDIH&I to our December 7th meeting. Accepted and Chair is bringing a guest with her. Sent an email to the Native American Liaison Chair to attend out meeting. No response. No answer on phone calls either. Is there a North American Liaison Chair. Continued discussion on which Area Committee Chairs we would you like to visit District 3 Meetings. Next Meeting will be December 7, 2015.

District 4: Jason: was present but left.

District 5: Colin: Inclusion Workshop December 6. St David's reservation are made. Districts will be hold elections on November 23rd.

District 6: Renee: We had our meeting on Nov 9th at 6:30pm at Denny's. 5 people were in attendance. We had a new GSR from district 6 join us. We had our elections. We had our planning committee with district 6, 7,& 19 for the New Year's Eve/Day Alkathon.

Groups can pick meeting times for the alkathon on Twiggs on Park Blvd on Dec 12th from 3pm to 4pm. Flyers have been made.

District 7: Dennis: Discussed the election assembly and what to expect. Also discussed the Alkathon on New Years.

District 8: Chris: November's meeting saw progress on our operating budget for 2016.

Our group approved the suggested budget proposed by Kim M. arrived at by discussion at his group's business meeting.

We had a spirited discussion, then approved it virtually unchanged. Thank you District 8!

Alkathon season is upon us! On October 22nd, District 8 held our meeting to draw time slots at South Bay Pioneers. My heart-felt thanks to those who attended and chose to participate this year.

The Alkathon dates and time are as follows:

Thanksgiving Day

4:30 pm - 12 midnight

Christmas eve/Christmas day

1pm Christmas eve-

12 noon Christmas day

New Year's eve/New Years day

1pm New Year's eve-

12 noon New Year's day

Please join us at:

South Bay Pioneers
270 C st.
Chula Vista 91911

Dec 7th 2015 will be our next gsr meeting. Two agenda items are scheduled; Jane G. will present a request for funding an upcoming event, and we will hold elections for upcoming positions rotation.

Please consider expanding your service experience by "rotating on" instead of "rotating out"

District 8 held its regular monthly meeting one week later than normal on 9/14/15 due to the Labor Day holiday. We had 16 GSRs attending, which is about average. District 8 has been in the process of putting together a budget for annual operational expenses based on our outreach goals. As you know budgets can be thorny issues to gain consensus on. The initial discussion went very well, we were able to agree (pretty much) on what those goals will be in the coming calendar year. The details will be discussed at our next meeting on October 5th.

A request was made by the D8 Registrar, Kim M., with no takers. A similar request was made by the D8 DCM for volunteers to be Alt. DCM; Kenneth B. stepped up and was approved by the group. Thank you Ken B. for your ambitious addition to your service life.

District 9: Lorie: Not present.

District 10: Alan: We had our elections, we filled all our positions, except Treasurer. George from District 12 came and helped facilitated. We also voted in the 2016 district budget.

District 11: Janedra: During our last district meeting, we had 11 GSRs in attendance. Starting our budgeting process for next year's workshops. Starting to re-focus on dark meeting. Holding a Mediation Workshop on Saturday in La Mesa. Voted in a new Registrar.

District 12: George: We met in La Mesa at 6:30 on Sept. 3rd. We had 13 in attendance. We finalized the arraignments for the "Emotional Sobriety Workshop". It will be held on Saturday Oct. 10th, from 1pm to 4 pm at St Dunstons at 6556 Parkridge Blvd San Diego, CA.

District 13: Julie: Secretary Workshop Jan 9, Put together flyer. Finished Packets for dark meetings. New meeting in the district.

District 14: Gerry: We did a rap up of mental health workshop. We had our elections. The alternate is the new DCM. We did elect a new Alternate also. Got most of the important business done.

District 15: Roberto: Our last district meeting was held on 13th of November. . 9 GSR present. District has its 5 committees: CPC, PI, Treatment, Corrections, and La Vina. Finished early. Took advantage of time and studied the 5th concept. We have decided that if we finish early with our business, we will study the concepts.

District 16: Linda: Our last mtg was Monday, Nov. 2 with 6 District officers, 9 GSR's, 1 new GSR and our visitor Roxanne, who facilitated our 2016 Third Legacy elections. We have a new DCM & alt who will here at ACM next month also a new Sec & alt and new registrar and alt.....

The Assembly was mentioned with the suggestion of carpooling, as always the GSR's are reminded to invite group members to Area events. Our Dec mtg will be a week later Monday Dec. 14, it will be a Potluck and movie night, all is invited. Dean will be our visitor, he will be showing the movie, it will be my last District mtg as DCM. I am ready to step down and start a new level of GS.

District 17: Not present

District 18: Efrain: Tomorrow on November 20, will be the 26 annual congresso. On the 21st and 22nd, the Congresso will be held at Brengle Terrace. Starts at 6pm. On the 13th of December, we will hold a workshop in regards to Sponsorship at the group Grupo Mucho Demino (I'm sure I misspelled it, sorry) in Vista. Everyone is inviting. Thank you for helping and hanging with us at the area assembly elections.

District 19: Harlan: 16 GSRs, Alternate GSRs and officers, with one guest speaker and an interpreter attended District 19's meeting on November 3, 2015. Tradition Eleven and Concept XI were reviewed. An Alkathon liaison has been identified and will attend the planning meeting on the 10th of November. A GSR volunteered to fulfill the responsibilities of our district Registrar for a one-year term. District 19 will close out 2015 with an end-of-the year Sharing Session instead of a traditional meeting. Diana A., H&I Chair delivered an informative and well-received talk about both the history and current activities of this vital activity.

District 20: Eddie: We are having our altkathon at the end of the year. We do have a DJ. We will do some dancing and food. The district has an alternate, David. The district is growing.

District 21: Brian: (not present) DCM Report – Brian reported that our Area Chair had given a recap of an information session with an accountant about the Area Tax filing and record storing recommendations. The finance committee will review the suggestions and propose any amendment to the Structure and Guidelines to accommodate these requirements. It was suggested to put the storage of tax records on the website in a non-public location. The proposed motion to purchase equipment to support video conferencing of the Area Committee Meeting was approved. The IT committee will work to purchase the equipment.

Flyers were available for upcoming events: Central Office Anniversary Breakfast; Meditation Workshop; 30th Annual ROOTS Meeting; and the Inclusion Workshop. Flyers for all these events are on the Area 08 website www.area8aa.org.

Old Business – Initial plans for hosting the Orientation Assembly in January. We reviewed the volunteer commitment requirements and the food requirements. Terry suggested a restaurant supply company he has access to for comparison food shopping. Diana will send him a list. We will do extensive planning at our December meeting, and make sure all is in order at our January district meeting before the actual Assembly on the 23rd. All will start looking for volunteers, though we will do actual recruiting during January (After the holidays and closer to the event). Reports from unrepresented meetings – Brian advised that he will obtain an updated master list of meetings. Donna stated that she would make an effort to visit the Saturday women's meeting at the PAC.

New Business – We will meet next month at the Hamburger Factory. Brian will arrange for us to have a “reservation” – we hope to have it in the alcove in the back. PLEASE NOTE: The meeting will be at 6 pm; not 6:30 as usual.

Round Table Sharing –

- Donna – Early Birds – reported that their steering committee would be meeting this coming Sunday. She will talk about the Area Assembly hosting at that time. They are doing packets for vets this month – with a coin (created by them) and pamphlets from AA. There will be a game night on Saturday – AA Jeopardy. It's a lot of fun. They are planning to read Tradition 12 in the format of the meeting because there has been difficulty with “principles before personalities”, and they hope to incorporate the “who you see here, what you hear here, let it stay here” into the format as well. Attendance has been up.
- Jeff – There is a Solution – the group sent in a “new group” form to get a GSO#. Apparently they never had one.
- Rick – Scripps Ranch Men's Tuesday – they have 40+ attendees, with a topic out of the Big Book and a “tag” format. There haven't been too many cakes this month. Rick also attends the Tuesday and Friday San Rafael 7 am meetings. These are not registered at this time.
- Jill – TGIF – People in the group are reaching out to each other following several deaths of long time members of the group. They are getting some newcomers, and have some people who are coming back after absences.
- Line – RB Women's Group – the group has growing pains – it is now about 50 women! The meeting is 1 hour long and they read from the Big Book. Line asked for suggestions on how to handle the size. The business meeting is taking inventory: limit cake time to talk; shorten the format; do the business reports and GSR reports by email.
- Terry – Sunday Men's PAC – the meeting time is an hour and fifteen minutes. The 15 minutes is for administrative matters and cakes. Attendance is 45-60 depending on outside distractions. Terry's alternate can no longer do the commitment. He is looking for a replacement, but has had no takers. He has someone with 90 days interested. We suggested he bring this person to our meeting!

District 22: Heather: Don't have a lot going on. Lot of questions. Will be doing elections next month. Hitting meeting inviting GSR's. In

District 23: Heather: The Alternate will be the new DCM, Jim G. Had a good discussion about the structure and guideline. We are currently reading them and making some changes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Accessibilities: The Accessibilities Committee will be holding elections for the positions of Chair and ASL Interpreter Coordinator next week. We welcome all who might be interested in standing. Our meeting will be next Tuesday night at 7pm at AA Central. We also have put out a new flyer titled, “Why Pass the Gold Can”. This might be helpful to groups or meetings who don't understand why we collect funding for ASL Interpretation in our Area and what the Fund is at present and what monies are required to keep our currently interpreted meetings going.

Agenda: Paul: We haven't gotten any suggestions. We took last year and reconstructed some themes for recommendation. If you would like still participate, please contact the chair or committee. Time is running out. The committee will meet on December 10th.

General Service Conference Theme Suggestions

The Theme, Presentation/Discussion, and Workshop Topics for each General Service Conference are discussed by Delegates during the week of the Conference. In the early years of the Conference (1951 through 1961) the theme of the Conference became defined following the Conference meeting itself, from taking a "sense of the meeting." Definite themes came into being beginning with the 1962 General Service Conference. We do not have documentation attesting to the selection of the topic or about the decision making process at this time. However, letters mailed to speakers/presenters prior to the Conference tell us that a definite theme was selected, before the start of the Conference.

These revolve around basic principles of A.A. and can spark thought-provoking discussion at Area and District meetings as well. Regions, Areas, Districts and Groups may incorporate discussion of these topics into Meetings, Workshops, Area Assemblies, etc. This gives A.A. members involved in service the opportunity to participate and become more informed about A.A.

Every year our Area submits a suggestion for the overall Theme of an upcoming General Service Conference in New York. We also submit Presentation, Discussion, and Workshop Topics that support that overall theme. The Area 8 Guidelines assigns this responsibility to the Agenda Committee, but we would like your input. Please provide us with your idea for a Theme for 2017 and as many ideas for Presentation, Discussion and Workshop Topics as you can think of. The focus is on getting ideas, not necessarily about completing the entire form.

Please submit your suggestions to the Agenda Committee by November 1st 2015.

Archives: Anne: ROOTS – Rock & Roll! Archivist Interviews – Complete and recommendation submitted to Area Officers November 19, 2015. Archives Open House - March 26, 2016 1:00-3:00 PM (add to master calendar)

CPC: Ted: The CPC committee held our regular meeting on Oct 26, 2015 at the AA Central Office. Seven committee members were present.

The main topic of discussion was the Employee Assistance Professionals Convention booth which we staffed at the request of GSO. Six committee members and one volunteer pitched in for this task. We provided GSO a list of literature which we felt was appropriate for this audience.

GSO contacted me last week with a new request to provide staffing for an AA booth at an April convention in San Diego.

We had considered buying booth space at the Jan Society for Personality and Social Psychology convention but after contacting the event organizer the idea was dropped.

Monday Nov 30, 2015 at AA Central Office.

Finance: We are discussing how to present next years proposed budget. It looks like we will be grouping several districts together in a workshop format for the presentation. It is hoped that doing it in that format will result in a more informed group understanding and group conscience. Also we will be putting together a spread sheet that list all the budget request by the officers and committee chairs. Making the process more transparent and understandable.

Grapevine/LaViña: La Veare: Coming Issues: Dec, 2015 The Joy and Challenges of getting involved in General Service; Jan 5, 2016 Fun in Sobriety; Feb 5, 2016 Our Annual Prison Story

LaVina – December 2015 Stories on Sobriety during the holidays. January 4, 2016 AA in prison

On December 13, 2015 The Grapevine/LaVina will be there elections along with a potluck.

I would like to thank you for letting me be of service. It has been a pleasure and time to grow. I learned a lot and it is great part of my dream to be part of the area committee.

SD H & I: Diana: 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.

This month we are doing a "Fall in Service". Our business meeting in reviewing the budget. We have elections and vote in October. The Round committee has contacted the committee to set up a display.

Information Technologies: Bill: From the 1st of November to today November 19, we have some unique visitors. 21,548 hits. Top countries US, Ukraine & China. Top pages—slide calendar, send a message, Webservant, Delegate's corner, Area info, Newsletter. Unk from sites: Google, Yahoo, AASanDiego. Search phrases or words – San Diego AA, CPC, AA, Intergroup, Area 8

Literature: Karen: We have been very busy. We participated in Emotional Sobriety Workshop, This is AA Workshop in Encinitas Workshop, SOCALYPAA in Woodland Hills. We will be at the Meditation Workshop this weekend. Thank the districts for having us come out. Very enjoyable right now. There will be a movie night coming up.

NCAIC (H & I): Suzanne: We are continuing to work on our updated website for NCAIC. Details will follow. Please view our info on the North San Diego County AA Central Office website and click on the link Service. We had much success at our October 17th New member Orientation. Many showed up to be placed on H and I panels. Our next board meeting will be on November 21, 2015 1pm and we will discuss our year-end review. Place: Oceanside Alano Club.

Newsletter: Monty: We met last Tuesday November 17. We held elections. We elected a new chair, alt chair, and secretary. We are really looking forward to the new year.

Policy: Emily: The next Policy committee meeting is December 1st at 6:30pm at San Diego Central Office. We have now finalized the "How We Do Business" document, as well as the "Flyer Guidelines." We have a solid draft of the Area Assembly Setup Guidelines. Thank you to all who provided me past documents and information. We will be revising the Motion Submission Form at our next meeting to ensure the most pertinent information is always provided on the front page. Tony was elected the new Policy Chair and Cecil is the new Alternate Policy Chair. The Policy committee is currently pursuing the means to share documents online. Our preference would be to be able to log in to the website and upload/ download/ manage documents but we may be signing up for a Google account with Drive.

Translation: Alex: Things are well. Been very busy. I will be going on vacation. If anyone needs anything translation, please contact Hugo.

Area Motions:

Accessibilities committee: Motion for unbudgeted expense

The motion is to fund the amount of \$81.80 to the Accessibilities committee to make up funding loss from its budget from contacting by mail all contributors of ASL Funds.

Discussion:

This is a list of over 3 three people. We did have some people send new checks. We never know when people will send check. The funds came out of our budget. We are short to pay for the interpreter for our November meeting. We will not meet in December. Did you get any response from anyone you mail? We got a handful. We got some mail returned.

The motion is approved by the Finance committee.

This is just re storying the funds on something they didn't anticipate. For those that didn't know, this stems from mail that was lost or stolen from the Treasurer after picking up from the post office. The total amount that they spent by the committee is notable. Although

we can't fill line items with money, I will personally be make a donation to the area of the amount that is request. This way the area will not be out of the money.

The motion was reread and seconded. A vote was taken and approved. No opposes.

Proposed amendment to S&Gs: Inclusion and contributions Motion

This motion is being brought forth to change the text for The Area Treasurer as describe on V.G. (1) (pg4) and Financial Guidelines of the Area Assembly on V1 B. (pg 5)

Current text: Receive and record contributions from AA Groups, Individuals, and Districts acknowledging each contribution in writing.

Proposed text: Receive and record contributions from AA members and all entities comprised of AA members according to our Seventh Tradition acknowledging each contribution in writing.

Proposed text: Area Assembly will accept contributions from all individual AA Members, AA Groups, Districts, and AA service boards and committees. ~~In the San Diego Imperial Area to insure that the Assembly remains directly responsible to those it serves.~~

My group was discussing about sending money to the area but per our guidelines, we couldn't. Will this change that? Yes. You would be able to send money now.

By me reading this with the proposed changes, this still does not include the Spring Round up? Yes it's still a committee. It has a host committee ever year.

This exclusively non-aa members why? We are not looking up to open this up to everyone. We would will like to keep with the traditions. Say for instant, an Alano would be able to contribute. It will most likely not happen but it would still be viewed as an outside entity.

My parents are very glad that I'm an AA member. If they wanted to make a death gratuity, could they donate? GSO will not take it. Intergroup will.

The principle of the area is that we are directly responsible to the groups we serve. The groups consist of AA members. When the guideline was modified to add district, it never occurred to them that we would be included the district. They had the change. We are still responsible. This is why we don't take outside contributions. It seems to be unfashionable. But our area has proudly worn the badge of doing things different. I feel like this motion weakens that.

In the guidelines of the area, does it tells us anything about the intergroup making contributions? No. we are modifying that the intergroup could contribute if they want to. In the Hispanic community, the area should not be receiving money from the central offices because they are there to support the groups. Each group makes contribution to the central office. The central office is not part of our structure. We are not asking we are making it available if they would like to. We had to return the funds.

Why did you make the change and take out AA members? We felt like it was more encompassing.

Through the years, people have wanted to make a contribution but when we tell them they cannot, they fell left out. I promise them that I would help to change that. Looking at other areas, we are the only area that is restricted.

There is a lost in our intuitional memory when we don't go back why and when thing are done. This would have been a good teachable moment but good background.

It took me maybe 5 year to understand our financial guideline. Look at them they do not make the service manual. That is fine. We exist to keep AA alive in the future. We waive the service manual but our guidelines don't match them. This is our responsibility.

There is a guideline from GSO that is called Conference, Conventions and Roundups. It explains all this.

We have always done things one way. We are aware. You have a vote. I am here to present the motion to recommend or not recommend to the area assembly.

Our 4th Tradition says that we are autonomous. We are autonomous.

Conventions are attended by AA. Members. Like AA they have money for stated purposes.

After lengthy discussion, ACM has decided to recommend to the Area Assembly.

Announce Selection of New Area Archivist. Take vote for recommendation:
The interview Mike Sotelo has the necessary and enthusiasm to do the position.
Discussion – it will be tough shoes to fill. He is a great person.
A sense of the meeting was taken. It was unanimous decision.

Announcing next Area Assembly Hosted by Districts 3, 21, and 22

Orientation Assembly January 23, 2016
1st United Methodist Church of San Diego
2111 Camino Del Rio S
San Diego, CA 92108

Closing: Responsibility Pledge.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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