

San Diego-Imperial Area Committee
2650 Melbourne Drive, San Diego CA
Minutes of the March 21, 2013 Meeting

Meeting Called to Order

The Committee was called to order at 7:02 pm by Jane G., Area Chairperson, with the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Concepts were read in Spanish by Jose and in English by Wendy.

Introductions

New DCMs, new GSRs, new Committee Chairs and guests introduced themselves. Welcome! Birthdays since February were celebrated.

Roll Call: Monty

Monty, Area Registrar, conducted a roll call of the Area Committee, and declared that the requirements for a quorum had been met. Eight Officers were in attendance. Those not in attendance at time of roll call were: District 17; Native American Liaison (Needs Chair), North County H & I, GSDYPAA, NSDYPAA, Oficina Central Hispaña, East County Intergroup, Condado Norte Intergroup, North County Intergroup.

Approval of February 2013 Area Committee Minutes: Roxane R. Secretary

- Minutes are available in digital format. If you did not receive the February, 2013 minutes please contact our Area 8 Secretary and she will send you a copy via email. Let your 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, let the secretary know.
- MSP to approve February, 2013 minutes as read.
- *You may submit your monthly report to the Area 8 Secretary via email at roxroll@aol.com. Reports should contain your first name, district, committee or liaison, date and report. Keep it simple.*

Treasurer's Report: Butch, Alt.Treasurer

- Written report.
- 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.
- Treasurer explained contingency amounts appearing at end of Financial Report.

February	February 2013	YTD	2013 Budget	Variance with Annual Budget
Group contributions:	3,176.35	5,347.41	45,932.00	-40,584.59
Individual contributions:	45.00	55.00	.00	.00
District contributions:	50.00	125.00	.00	.00
Total contributions:	3,271.35	5,527.41	45,932.00	-40,404.59
Total budgeted expenses:	1,887.08	7,630.11	45,932.00	-37,551.89

Contributions less budgeted expenses:	1,384.27	-2,102.70		
Total unbudgeted expenses:	.00	400.00	.00	400.00
Area 8 Contribution to GSO	.00	.00	.00	.00
Total expenses:	1,887.08	8,030.11	45,932.00	-37,151.89
Contributions less total expenses:	1,384.27	-2,502.70		
Restricted Cash on Hand (Designated)*	5,350.00			
Unrestricted cash on hand:**	173.81			

*Restricted cash on hand=designated for a stated purpose.

**Unrestricted cash on hand= not tied to a specific obligation.

Master Calendar

Event	Host	Date		Time	Location
<i>Women Sponsoring Women Workshop</i>	Dist.	Mar. 23	2013	9:00a	270 "C" Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910
<i>San Diego Round-Up</i>		Mar.28-31	2013		Town and Country Resort-Fashion Valley
Pre-Conference Assembly (w/GSR Orient.)	Dist 4, 14 &19	April 6	2013	9:00a	Torrey Pines Christian Church, La Jolla
<i>H & I So Cal Convention</i>		Apr 12-14	2013		Orange, CA
<i>Traditions Breakfast</i>	NC Intergroup	April 14	2013	9:30a	Camp Pendleton SNCO Club
<i>Anonymity in the Digital Age</i>	YPAAAs	April 20	2013	10:00a	Torrey Pines Christian Church, La Jolla
General Service Panel	Area 8	May 4	2013	4:00p	Lake Henshaw Campground
Post-Conference Assembly	Dist 2, 16 &23	May 18	2013	9:00a	Torrey Pines Christian Church, La Jolla
4 Area DCM Sharing Session	Area 8	June 1	2013	9:30a	Family Fellowship Church-Oceanside
Unity Day Picnic	Area 8	June 8	2013	10:00a	Admiral Baker
<i>Seniors in Sobriety (SIS)Convention</i>	SIS	Sept 5-8	2013		Town and Country Resort, Fashion Valley
Budget Assembly (w/GSR Orientation)	Dist 10 & 12	Sept. 14	2013	9:00a	TBD
Election Assembly (w/GSR Orientation)	Dist 8 & 13	Nov. 16	2013	9:00a	TBD

Note: Non-Bolded Events Are Not Sponsored or Hosted By Area 8 Service Entities and are listed for planning purposes only. Updated Feb. 21, 2013. Information is subject to change. See calendar on the area website (www.area8aa.org) for the most up to date information.

Delegate's Report: Tom M.

Eight pre-conference workshop—over 800 people were able to hear these presentations and that is due to your work. My work is in collaboration with my alternate delegate. The graphic presentation by Dean was “just killer.”

AAWS Financial Projection for 2013- Last month I reported that the approved 2013 AAWS budget shows a projected loss of \$611,240. At PRAASA the delegates heard from Phyllis H., GSO General Manager, that the 2013 budget is a deficit budget that will purposely spend down the Reserve Fund by paying for La Viña losses, prepaid expenses for the International Convention, and an upgrade to the AAWS and AAGV office computer system costing approximately \$360,000. Phyllis commented that a deficit budget would not be approved for 2014.

General Service Board Initiatives- After about 9 months of work the General Service Board has put into place 14 initiatives designed to improve communication and unity on the GSB and between the two subsidiary corporations AAWS and AAGV while also making an effort to clarify governance guidelines. Here are the highlights:

- The AAWS and AAGV boards will exchange board minutes in an effort to improve communications and unity.
- AAWS and AAGV may share office space (GV office lease expires in 2014 and AAWS office lease expires in 2018)
- Members of each board are invited to attend the “other” board meetings.
- More effort will be made to provide initial orientation to new CL A and CL B Trustees
- GSB will set the size and scope of any subsidiary Board
- The eligibility for election as a General Service Trustee will be open to members of the fellowship and that non-alcoholics be eligible to serve as appointed committee members.

The General Service Board implementing all 14 initiatives as a part of their role as principal planner “with respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance” (Concept VIII) for A.A. In other words, there’s a change of practice by the GSB not offering a proposal to the fellowship or a request for sharing. We won’t cover this at the Pre-Conference Assembly. I have sent all of you the full document for sharing with district members.

Motion to create and Interlocking Directorate- A 2012 General Service Conference advisory action requested the GSB to *develop a plan to address the separate corporate existence of subsidiary corporations, AAWS and AAGV, as well as issues of governance, financial stability, and unity.* The proposed plan that will be discussed at the General Service Conference creates an **Interlocking Directorate** that all directors (members) of both corporate boards serve on. (There are three boards to keep track General Service Board, Grapevine Inc. Board, Alcoholics Anonymous World Service Inc. Board. It is important to remember that the Interlocking Directorate modifies the corporate boards only, AAGV and AAWS. The General Service Board structure remains unchanged because it oversees the corporate boards). The Interlocking Directorate meets quarterly to plan on behalf of both corporations. Each corporate board, when not meeting as the Interlocking Directorate, will retain their size and composition determined by the bylaws of the General Service Board. The corporate boards meet every six weeks and will continue to have an administrative corporate board responsibility.

Both the 14 GSB initiatives and the plan to create an interlocking directorate begin the process of addressing problems at the board level in AA. Ward Ewing, chairman of the GSB, describes the problem: *For at least the past twenty years problems of communication, finances, cooperation, and elections of Directors have resulted in conflicts and inefficiencies that have affected the functioning of the GSB. The consistent and pervasive character of these problems suggest they may be structural in nature. The GSB concluded that we needed to examine the structures as well as current practices to address the concerns.* At PRAASA the Pacific Regional Trustee and Phyllis H. advised us that this is just the beginning of a process that may take many years to unfold and that there are questions on this proposal that remain unanswered.

The proposal to create an Interlocking Directorate will be voted on at the General Service Conference so I am requesting sharing on this topic at the area assembly on April 6. The proposal is included in the document describing the 14 General Service Board initiatives recently sent. Review today’s report and the document prior to the assembly so that you may inform those at the assembly. A detailed Power Point presentation will fully describe this proposal. Send this report and the document describing the proposal and initiatives to GSRs. In Service, Tom M. delegate@area8aa.org

Alternate Delegate's Report: Dean B.

- PRASSA: Great opportunity for relationship building. Found chances to poll other members about topics in an effort to better form my opinion. I acquired more of a feeling of unity and service over the examples given at PRASSA. Be careful going into a debate about a particular concept—read past the point where you found something you thought was the answer. The concepts are balanced in representation. Watch how the group conscience develops. It is part of the spiritual program when we allow the group conscious to work.
- **FOUNDERS DAY PROGRAM / UNITY DAY PICNIC PLANNING HAS STARTED—**
- Parker will head up a “ride share” program for volunteers and for attending Unity Day. Remaining planning meeting dates are set for Saturdays 9:00a, at San Diego Central Office: April 20, May 11 and June 1st (on site at Admiral Baker Park)

My phone is 760-274-5309. If you have any questions or interest in helping, please call.

Area Assembly is April 6 and New GSR Orientation is highly recommended. The facilitator will be leading a mini-workshop on topics that will presented at the assembly.

Chairperson's Report: Jane G.

- No written report.

Remind groups that Area is in need of chair for the Newsletter Committee and a liaison for the Native American groups.

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.

The Area Committee meeting and all other General Service meetings are open to all AA members.

Break: 8:30p Resumed Meeting at 8:52p

ADHOC Committee: Gary: CEC (Cooperation with Elderly Community) Final report: Having contacted other committees, CEC, PI and CPC Chairs, we heard how transitions happened. Go to www.aascaa.org and follow links to CEC Committee (Area 5) Currently 3 areas have CECs within the Pacific Region. They have harmonious relations with other service committees and interact well. After giving a PowerPoint presentation at District 14 the group was very interested in this possible committee. Today 10,000 people turned 65 in the USA. That's over 3 million people a year. The average age of a homeless person is 47 and San Diego has the 3rd largest homeless population. 17% are thought to be over 45. San Diego could easily be an area where CEC could work together with PI and CPC. There appears to be enough work for everyone. Fellow committee members concur. This community could be a part of the staffing of a committee like this. When we discuss whether there is a need we have to also address the money question. It is the committee's belief that where there is a need, the resources are provided.

Discussion:

- Suggestion to ask Intergroup about working with PI about the possibilities for the potential CEC Committee. Outreach has happened via PI to retirement homes.
- H & I has taken meetings into retirement facilities but never uninvited, of course.
- Take this information to your groups and see if there is a need and whether members would support it.
- What direction has GSO given us with this idea? Are there guidelines for the intended committee? We manned a group at the Gerontological Society last year for 3 days. There may be two ways to think about this. We can reach out through the medical staff whether it is a CPC or a CEC focus. We raise the awareness in either case.
- Creating meetings is the next step. Outreach through the Aging and Independent Services, who want AA's help.
- We have to think as an area, how to staff this committee and what our focus will be.
- Institutions and retirement communities are different. Retirement communities are not part of H & I. A CEC Committee would work well in this area.
- Many of the elderly have issues with getting rides to meetings. CEC could also deal with this aspect.

Liaison Committee Reports

Coordinating Council: Jerry: It has been a custom that past area delegates do not vote at committee. He will defer to his vice-chair for voting. PI Committee has placed literature racks to library and schools. San Diego City Schools has requested a rack for every high school. Contributions towards placing these racks are graciously accepted.

North County Intergroup: Not present. (Currently need new liaison.)

East County Intergroup: Gary: The East County Intergroup Business Meeting is being held every 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Lakeside Community Center. Suggestions from groups are welcome. Chair gave update on Newsletter, considering articles to be printed on the website newsletter. Submit to www.eastcountyyaa.org. Informational handouts about duties of an Intergroup rep will be given to group secretaries. Literature may be ordered through the website or by called 877-993-2422, ext. 2. Virtual office phone had a few calls asking about meetings. There are openings for several service positions. Contributions were \$177.63. Expenses were \$20.93 for Virtual office, \$30 for 2 months rent and Literature purchases, \$165.44. Total in account is \$1,490.82.

Minutes and treasurer's report available upon request.

Oficina Central Hispánica: Fernando, chair. Not present.

Oficina Intergupal Condado Norte: Juan, chair. Not present.

4-Area DCM Sharing Session: Vince: **4 Area DCM Sharing Session:** Vince: Need input from Spanish districts about what they would like to hear at the session. There will be interpretation at each table. Need volunteers to help coordinate different parts of this event. Working on flyer for event.

Oficina Intergupal Sur, Chula Vista: Magdalena: Our meetings are every Tues at 7 pm. There are 7 groups that meet at our central office. A couple of people have outreach to our office. We have a special event committee that programs different events. We continue to ask support from groups and we are celebrating our 11 anniversary the 30th of March and we are also working on a newsletter. For the celebration the registration and badges cost \$10 and thank you for your support. We have a flyer for this and everyone is welcome.

GSDYPAA: Emily: Not present.

NSDYPAA: Connor: Not present.

AA in the Digital Age Workshop and Service Workshop—We are looking to co-host with districts and committees to put together an AA in the Digital Age workshop as well as a General Service Workshop in May or June. YPAA Chair available to come to district and/or committee meetings if you are interested in more information or co-hosting. I would like to hear back from any DCMs that discussed this at their last meeting. We're hoping to use Torrey Pines Christian Church for the venue. Looking for at least one representative from any district co-hosting. Financial contributions of seed money are needed. The total cost should be around \$600-700.00.

San Diego Bid for ICYPAA committee has reformed and the meetings are the first and third Sundays of the month at 3pm, alternating between North County and San Diego for the meeting location. *Jeremy is chair of the San Diego Bid for ICYPAA's Bylaws and Service Liaison and will be attending the ACM and AAM meetings in that role.*

Native American Liaison: Needs new liaison.

Mike: (Alt. Chair): Please sign up to get notification as to where our San Diego Group Dinner to be scheduled for Friday Night at PRAASA in Boise, Idaho.

Area Business:

Right of Decision: Round table discussions about Concept 3: Key words the committee was asked to focus on included leadership, informed group conscious, delegated authority versus ultimate authority, and trusted servants.

Discussion Report Back:

- What I understand is that if I understand the 3rd Concept I can make better decisions for my group.
- In regards to the 3rd Concept, Right of Decision, it tells us that we as leaders need to be informed and we need to document through the 12 traditions and 12 concepts so that when we do use that 3rd concept we have limited authority but we can make good decisions when necessary and that's what we delegate through the groups. We have to act according to the principals.
- My ultimate authority is my group. I am their trusted servant. They give me instructions on how to make decisions but they realize I am the one who receives the information and I know my group and how they want me to vote. I make the decision based on my group and AA as a whole.
- Our table broke down the 3rd Concept. You must know your group by taking a group conscious.

- Take input and provide them with new information. This is more than just being a messenger. A good leader is ready to make decision; Ultimate authority can counteract a poor decision. There is a balance in this Concept.
- We trust that decisions will be made by consensus. It's time to get groups interested in what we do. Sometimes things go fast and servants have to be trusted. God works through discussion and understanding. Remind participants that this is life or death for most of us. Near the end of Concept 3 is about reporting back solid information.
- We figured that you had to know your group in order to get a group conscious. If you do your presentations during the meeting break up your info into bite size pieces or put in on a clip board and pass it around during the meeting. DCMs visit groups and pay attention to what the groups say and take it back to the District. Be prepared and have the info available.
- Ultimate authority: We don't do that here. Delegated Authority: Do what you think is right. The Right of Decisions and Group Conscious goes hand and hand. Put all the info out on the table to allow for changes and questions. You don't make a decision in a vacuum in AA. More is revealed. Trust the GSR to do the job they were elected to do you must suspend your suspicions.
- Importance of your group conscience. Everyone is armed with different ways to get a group conscience. Every GSR has a different group and there is not just one way to get a group conscience. Follow up may be an important component. If the GSR is not trusted by the group it could change the dynamics of the decisions. The groups need to be informed by and informed GSR and an informed DCM.
- In the tenth step we are connected to our conscience. This is the miracle of AA.

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 1: Mike: Pre-Conference Assembly-District 1 GSRs are concerned about getting proper feedback from their groups for the Pre-Conference Assembly. Much discussion on that topic. AA in the Digital Age NSDYPAA workshop-checked out the kitchen facilities. Priced food items needed. No planning meeting scheduled yet.

District 2: Jeremy (Alt.) No report

District 3: Guy: No report

District 4: Michelle: 12 GSRs attended, 1 visitor. We had Kevin from CPC visit and give a presentation on what CPC does. We discussed obtaining volunteers and planning for the Pre-Conference Area Assembly we are co-hosting on April 6th. We reviewed the Conference Agenda Items and got a "sense of the group" for District 4.

District 5: Vince: No report

District 6: Renee: No report

District 7: George: 7 GSRs were present. Our main meeting topics were Concept III and a follow-up on the presentations at the Pre-Conference Workshops. Our District Guidelines were converted into MS Word and then updates. They are currently being re-reviewed by our GSR.

District 8: Tanya: No report

District 9: No report

District 10: Paul: Art, Accessibility Chair, visited District 10 for the ASL/Sign Language Fund and "Gold Can." Asking for feedback from groups and opinions on Conference Agenda Items from Pre-Conference Workshop Handout. Old business: Structure and guidelines, budget, visitations to groups, fill open officers positions.

District 11: Karen: 11 GSRs present. We are co-hosting a pre-conf workshop on Saturday, Feb 23rd with districts 10 and 12. I will be representing D-11 @ PRAASA next month in Boise, ID. Nikki has volunteered to broadcast 'reminder' text messages to our GSR's 1-2 days before monthly meetings and area assemblies.

District 12: Connie: Co-hosting Sept. Assembly with District 10. Emotional Sobriety Workshop in October planned.

District 13: Phil: 5 GSRs attended last meeting. Visit from Delegate, Tom M. Still working on dark meetings.

District 14: Gary: The District welcomed me home with a PRAASA Report night on the 13th of March. Much discussion ended up being about "THE PLAN" as presented by the Board. Our district members seem to be in accord with the decision to include it in the Pre-Conference Assembly Agenda. We discussed upcoming participation in the Assembly both as hosts and this month on the 27th we will be discussing how best to carry the message.

District 15: Cruz: We had 20 GSRs present. We have a new alternate GSR, Raul. We continue to motivate groups to attend PRASSA. Next 2/22/13 we will have an election of servants for vacancies. This group sends contributions to the area.

District 16: Linda: 17 GSRs present. We are ready for the pre-Conference Workshop tomorrow night. We will be hosting the post-Conference Assembly May 18th with District 2 and 23. Our next meeting will be to decide on menu for

breakfast and to solicit for volunteers from groups. Ham will visit with presentation on importance of registrar in District, Area and GSO. Will hold election for Alt. Sec, Treas. And Registrar next month. See you at PRASSA.

District 17: Not present.

District 18: Pedro: We meet every Monday. from 7-9 pm. The groups are working to contribute towards members who want to attend PRASSA. Contributions to the Area from district 18 are \$25 for February.

District 19: Peggy Rose: 16 GSRs present. District voted for treasurer to attend PRASSA. We are hosting Feb. 24 pre-conference workshop in North Park. We are co-hosting Pre-Conference Area Assembly. Reminder calls to service positions increases participation. 8 dark groups visited. Treas. and Reg. went to 2 men's groups. Next Meeting: How to take a group conscious.

District 20: Not present.

District 21: Bill: 9 GSRs Present. Alternate DCM (Diana) reviewed agenda items with GSR's. Attended Poway Alano Club Secretaries meeting looking to generate GSR representation. Attended planning meeting for YPAA's Anonymity in the Digital Age workshop.

District 22: Tom: 14 GSRs and 4 guests present. We are grateful that our guests provided clarification and enlightenment to our inquisitive district. Guests: Tom, Dean, Jane and Mike.

District 23: Dustin: 8 GSRs present. Dean gave a presentation on the Pre-Conference Workshop.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Accessibilities: Art: We need ASL interpreters. I have English brochures ready for distributions. We are hoping for a large turn out from the Spanish and Hearing Impaired communities.

Agenda: George: Met at 7 pm at Central Office on March 13. 9 in attendance. Went over and approved ACM agenda and the Pre-Conference Area Assembly to be held on April 6th. Reviewed agenda for ACM. We discussed the first draft of agenda for the Pre-Conference Assembly.

Archives: Linda: Meet the 1st Thursday of each month. No report.

CPC: Bob: Along with accessibilities, CPC sponsored event: NAMI April 13, 2013, 4000 walkers and 100 teams should be there. Pamphlets and brochures to pass out. If you want to join us, email us at bob@sixstephouse.org. Outreach to clergy planned for May. Watch for details.

Finance: Paul: Started review of Finance Committee Guidelines. Need 2014 budget requests by 2/24/2013. Reviewed one unbudgeted request.

Grapevine/LaViña: Suzanne: Could use 2 new members. We prepared for the Unity Day/Grapevine/La Viña Celebration--Firming up subcommittee for the event, planning the continental breakfast, and seeing who will assist with the recording booth to record Grapevine/La Viña stories at Unity Day. Tom, our delegate, visited the committee to explain the Grapevine/La Viña General Service Conference items. Reports on PRAASA were done. David, Tom and LaVeara attended. There were report backs on visitations--If anyone would like the Grapevine/La Viña Committee to visit. Let us know! If you wish for us to visit your event or District, my number is 760-271-2229.

San Diego H & I(SDIAIC): Debbie: Shared purpose of H & I (to establish and maintain AA meetings in facilities where people are confined and to bring AA General Service Conference approved literature into those institutions). We have more requests to bring a meeting in than we have volunteers, so we are always looking for new members. Individuals or groups may adopt a meeting. We have two Orientation Meetings each month: 3rd Sunday @ 12:00 pm Hall 5150 Kearney Mesa Rd 92111 and 3rd Thursday @ 7 pm Central Office 7075-B Mission Gorge Rd 92120. Contact on Release's purpose is to introduce alcoholics being released from confined facilities to AA in San Diego. When notified of a release in San Diego County, volunteers contact the individual and take them to their first few meetings. The 32nd Southern California Hospitals and Institutions Conference is April 12th – 14th at the Double Tree Hotel Anaheim/Orange County.

Information Technologies: Steve: Teleconference with a digital hat for their last meeting. We had the capacity for 9 people and we had 7 participated in the meeting. Not much business was accomplished but it was fun.

Literature: Ray: Struggling with members continuing their commitments. The projector is aging and being used by more than just the literature committee. Next meeting: 3/18/2013, 7pm at Central Office. Thanks to Steve for helping with an email change.

NCAIC (H & I): Dave (Alt.): Orientation this Friday at Alano Club, Oceanside. Working on an email list. Will have a panel at the San Diego Roundup.

Newsletter: Gary (Interim Chair): We meet at Denny's on the 4th Tuesday of each month.

Policy: Paul: The committee changed the *Structure and Guidelines Motion form* to include at the top, the “Name of the Motion” and also clarified the top portion that tracks the motions progress. The new form is available on the web site under the committee documents or Policy Committee links. The committee is still working on the update and change to the DCM Manual.

Translation: Alicia: Nothing to report.

Archivist: Joe: Not present.

Ad Hoc: Wes: Continuing with meetings.

AREA COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Tonight we are revisiting the motion to create a prudent reserve for Area 8.

Motion: Prudent Reserve

Proposed Text: That Area 08 San Diego/Imperial establish a prudent reserve of \$2500.00. Disbursement of prudent reserve funds will require a 2/3's majority vote of the Area Committee. The fund will be established using any excess funds exceeding 25% of the budget at the end of each quarter. Funding of the prudent reserve will have priority over sending of any excess funds to GSO. [The Areas current method of paying for unforeseen expenses will remain in effect until the prudent Reserve has been funded.]

Discussion: Once prudent reserve is funded the \$450 goes away. Any needs would then be funded by the prudent reserve...Each of us reports back to our district. The area would not be uninformed. Are we trusting our trusted servants. ..Eliminating item 2 without replacing with another sentence leaves a vagueness of communication with the assembly. I think this reserve would have helped us out over the last couple of years. We had a need but we had no way of taking action quickly. We still have no real way to access funds immediately. This may have created some distrust within the assembly. The way this is set up may end up this endless argument about what gets taken to the groups and what doesn't...Neither approach is wrong but I am not sure this would work in practice. Use of the funds would require a 2/3s vote. This would tell us if the approach was working...To be able to understand this I need to hear more about it. Why are we bringing this up? I don't feel informed...This motion, The Prudent Reserve Motion, is specifically for not being able to reach the budget that was already written...This says it is a Prudent Reserve but it is really about unbudgeted expenses. And this is a fund designed to fund expenses that exceed \$450...We would be on dangerous ground if we began to bypass the groups. I would speak against this motion...Prudent Reserves are set up to cover expenses when contributions are not sufficient to cover regular budgeted items. This is a contingency fund. Reminder: We are not a decision making body we are a steering body...We ask questions of the past and are we clearly defining the terms. There may be more moving parts than we can see...This is a good attempt to resolve some of the problems we tackle regarding changing events...Finance should make another run at this...If this motion empowers the AC to act quickly on a financial matter... This committee has never had this power. Maybe it does need to go back to the finance committee.

We need help cleaning up. It only takes 10 minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxane R., Panel 62 Area 8 Secretary and Gonzalo C., Alt. Secretary.