

# Area 8 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

San Diego Central Office

7075-B Mission Gorge Road, San Diego

**October 8, 2018**

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**Declaration of Unity:** This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first; to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and lives of those to come.

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## Agenda

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1. Open at 6:30 with Declaration of Unity
2. Introductions, Efrain (treasurer), Paul K. (alt. Treasurer) Cheryl (secretary), Joshua (chair), Alicia (interpreter) Monty (Area Chair), Paul G., Rich W.
3. Review September 2018 minutes were approved with one correction on the Quarterly report and two typos September minutes.
4. New Business
  - a. September Financial report — Efrain
    - i. Total Contributions \$4,984.14
    - ii. Total Budgeted Expenses \$7,691.40
    - iii. Contributions Less Budgeted Expenses \$-2,707.26
    - iv. Total Expenses \$9,469.53
    - v. Total Cash on Hand \$14,110.90
    - vi. Amount TRANSFERRED to prudent reserve \$ 0.00
    - vii. Prudent Reserve Balance \$5,000.00
    - viii. Unbudgeted expenses \$400.00
    - ix. Contribution to GSO \$874.00
  - b. 2018 Quarterly report –
    - i. Total Contributions Q1: \$ 11,860.97 Q2: \$ 13,863.78 Q3: \$ 15,771.41 Q4: \$ 0.00
    - ii. Total Expenses Q1: \$ 13,428.81 Q2: \$ 9,859.79 Q3: \$ 14,254.04 Q4: \$ 0.00
    - iii. Cash on Hand Q1: \$ 10,218.91 Q2: \$ 15,812.00 Q3: \$ 14,110.90 Q4: \$ 0.00
    - iv. Amount TRANSFERRED to local forum Q1: \$2,665.00 Q2: \$ 0.00 Q3: \$4,577.96 Q4: \$0.00

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- v. Amount TRANSFERRED to prudent reserve Q1: \$0.00 Q2: \$0.00 Q3: \$0.00 Q4: \$0.00
  - c. Monty is looking for ideas for a panel at the Budget Assembly.
    - i. Unbudgeted expenses
    - ii. Capital equipment
    - iii. GSO send off
    - iv. Area 8 Finance Structure and Guidelines
    - v. How Officers create proposed budget requests
    - vi. How we make the budget
  - d. Potential impacts of the proposed budget.
    - i. Add a new line K.08a Spanish Woman's Workshop preparation travel mileage with an addition of \$300.
    - ii. K.17 Increase to \$10,500
    - iii. Increase K.15 to \$4,815
    - iv. Add K.08a for Spanish Woman's Workshop prep miles
  - e. How to interpret Area spending in structure and guidelines. There was a long discussion about how this should be viewed. A number of members believe the structure and guidelines allows the ACM to approve as much money as they want at each ACM meeting providing each item is \$450 and under. The other committee members believe the ACM should only be allowed to approve a total of \$450 at each ACM. This topic of discussion has been tabled for later discussion.
- 5. Old Business
  - a. District presentation reports:
    - i. Efrain will visit District 15 on October 12
    - ii. Joshua District 2
    - iii. Paul visited Districts 21, 13 and 19
    - iv. Ginger visited Districts 5 and 6
  - b. Finance committee discussed holding a Treasurers Workshop. The majority of the committee is in favor of hosting this workshop.
- 6. Next Finance Committee Meeting is November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

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- a. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 with the responsibility pledge.

## Responsibility Pledge

When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there;  
and for that, I am responsible.