

District 21
Minutes of the Meeting April 2, 2019

Held on Zoom

Present:

Rick, Diana, Fess, James, Sahara, Justin, Kenny, Tom Q., Terri

Our next meeting will be on May 7th either at the Peñasquitos Lutheran Church or again on Zoom.

DCM Rick called the meeting to order and began with the Serenity Prayer.

Sahara read the GSR preamble.

Welcome/ Introductions/Birthdays

We introduced ourselves (for practice on Zoom).

There was one birthday: Tom celebrated 5 years. Congratulations, Tom!!

Secretary's Report:

Minutes to the March meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer wasn't present at the meeting and there was no report. We will table the report until next month.

Registrar's Report

Tom has no further report from last month. He has been considering putting together a listing of meetings in our district being held on line during this period. We confirmed that San Diego Central Office, North County Central Office, New York, and the Area all have listings of meetings on Zoom. The meeting app will also show this.

DCM Report

- Area 8 treasurer's report showed \$15,644.16 on hand.
- Following are cancelled events:
 - SD Spring Round-Up April 9-12
 - So Cal H&I Conference April 3-5
 - International Convention, Detroit, July 2-5
- Following are events which will be held on line:
 - April Pre-Conference Assembly April 4 – Zoom 967 586 177
 - General Service Conference
 - Post Conference Assembly May 16 either on line or in Escondido

- The GSO \$3.60 challenge is still going on. It is suggested that we individually give that amount to GSO via their website.
- The Delegate's Report is available on the website: area8aa.org under "Delegate's Corner"

Old Business

- We discussed our ideas on how to effectively spend our excess treasury.
We decided that in light of the current situation the Movie Night that Vlad had suggested at the last meeting was not a practical thing.
We talked about contributing the funds to other AA committees/service boards who need to continue to operate during this time, and who have reduced funding because on line groups are not collecting 7th tradition.
We determined that we still need to discuss actual use with our groups.
We determined that we would like to keep the funding in our area; that we would hope to use the funds to support the newcomer to AA.
We decided to wait until next month for any distribution so that we can hear from our treasurer and maybe have a better idea of what entities need funds given our current situation.

New Business

- We had a general discussion on the use of Venmo for making group contributions. Several GSR's will see what their groups can do about making contributions on line.
- We determined that we did not want to ask a speaker to come to our next meeting.

GSR Roundtable

- Tom Q. RBEB, now an online meeting in conjunction with the Harmony Group known as "Just Say no to Corona". They are not paying rent at the moment, but will distribute their 7th tradition funds according to their pie chart. The meeting is strong and big – 50+ people.
- Sahara, Monday Women's Book Study, the meeting is typically 35-40 women. Now on line is about the same. The meeting format is difficult for working on line; they are adapting.
- James, Tuesday and Thursday PQ, meetings had Zoom growing pains but are going well now. There has been no discussion about 7th tradition or contributions; James will bring it up.
- Kenny, TGIF, this is their third week on line – working pretty good now. The meeting size has been 55-70 participants; there have been 45-50 on line. There's a pretty good phone list for the meeting and they have been seeing some newcomers and some out of town people who used to come to the meeting. There were some questions about the use of Venmo, and Kenny gave a website for an article on why

continue to make contributions during this time <https://aasfmarin.org/online-contributions-your-digital-7th-tradition-guide-to-best-practices>.

- Justin, Poway Men's Tuesday, they have temporarily relocated the meeting to the Community Center. It has been tough to keep the meeting going. Many are doing the Scripps Ranch meeting on line. They have agreed to pay the Alano Club the \$35 rent while they are not at the club – both the hold their date/time space, and to support the club at this time.
- Rick, Rock the Talk, this meeting is not making contributions yet, but Rick will bring it up. They have had 2 meetings on line, with 10-11 attending.

Readings

Kenny read the long form of Tradition 4.

James read the short form of Concept 4.

We closed the meeting with the Responsibility Declaration.