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Area 8 San Diego-Imperial
Area Committee Meeting Minutes 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

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7:00 Call to Order – A reminder to mute yourself when you do not have the floor **Adrian O.** -
A Moment of Silence followed by **Serenity Prayer**... Then
the **Declaration of Unity**...

"This we owe to AA's future: To place our common welfare first; to keep Our
fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to
come."

Roll Call (Registrar) (Please sign in) – REGISTRAR'S REPORT Angelina S. Please identify yourself
on screen by your position e.g. DCM8, Chair CPC, etc.

Introductions: New DCMs, Committee Chairs, Alternates

7:10 Secretary Report – Minutes of August ACM - Rose P. . secretary@area8aa.org

The minutes were sent in English and Spanish to the ACM email list. If you did not receive them please
text me in the chat or email me and we'll make sure you're on the mailing list. Are there any additions or
corrections? (wait) Is there anyone in opposition to approving the minutes? If not, the minutes are
approved.

7:15 Treasurer's Report - Lynn E.

By the end of August we had almost \$5100.00 in contributions. We did not have a lot of expenses,
about \$1900.00. Our contributions, less expenses, were just under \$3185.00. Our total expenses
including unbudgeted expenses was \$1880.00. Rounding everything up, we have almost \$36,000 in
cash and our prudent reserve is still at \$5,000.00. Later we'll be looking at the Draft Budget for 2023
and the Reallocation items. They are both agenda Action Items. Follow the link to the spreadsheet on
the Glide App.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Treasurer-Report-Sept-ACM-2022.pdf>

Unbudgeted Expenses: The Treasury Team and the Finance Committee need your projected unspent
funds for the rest of this year. This will be the basis of what we have for the Reallocation Funds.

7:20 Alternate Delegate's Report - Richard O.

As I share my report tonight it is likely I will be on a road trip to the Regional Forum in Utah. What a fun
three-day weekend we have ahead of us out there, so looking forward to it and seeing some of you up
there!

Read Richard's complete report. Follow this link: <https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Alt-Delegate-ACM-Report-Sep-2022.pdf>

7:30 Delegate's Report Monty C. I am currently in Salt Lake City for the Regional Forum.

Where is Monty now? Read his report to find out. [22 sep acm report.docx](#)

7:40 Chair's Report - Adrian O. General service, carrying the message, our lines of communication
and more. Follow the link to Adrian's full report.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1v2R9fYUmYGcrSO_KulqDtW_INsifoWMW/edit

7:45 Two-Minute Liaison Committee Reports - Cheryl F.

Everyone should submit written reports to Nihura via email, alt_secretary@area8aa.org.
(CLICK LINK FOR REPORT)

Greater San Diego Young People in AA: Christina, We are hosting Burning Man a musical festival in Campo California, please DM me if you're interested in joining us, thank you.

North San Diego Young People in AA: Christina, we meet every first and third Sunday of the month in Encinitas. We are a committee that does events, there's one coming in November. please DM me if you're interested in joining us, thank

East San Diego County Intergroup: Elke, Not Present/ NR

North San Diego County Intergroup: Patrick, Not Present

Coordinating Council San Diego: AleKsey,
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1584uZPmzLiqBpHy3actDlhDnnSQkx1PXMjeUkNf6L-A/edit>

Native American: Wolf Not Present / No Report

Oficina Central Hispana San Diego: José, we continue meeting every Friday from 7 to 9 pm. Coming elections in November.

Oficina Intergrupala Condado Norte: Not Present / No R

Taller de Mujeres Hispanas: Nancy, Brayana the chair of this committee had to step down because of health issues. We have been visiting groups and have gathered some ladies to help us with the workshop. We distributed some flyers to the chair Adrian, in English and Spanish. We have our meeting every Friday at 5pm.

8:00 Unfinished Business

- Final Big Day Assembly update - Greg and Richard

Greg alcoholic, DCM20. I touched base with Kevin and I'm gonna pick up the sound equipment from him this week. I have 3 GSRs helping out.

Richard R, DCM8. We're talking to Adrian. I'm going to have to find at some point to meet up after the Utah tramp, of course, to pick up the rest of the equipment, so we can make it out to Brawley next week. Two of my members from district 8, so they can make it online. Trying to get people out there's been a little bit difficult, so we're just trying to work that out. Trying to remind them that we would go to any lengths to drink so we should go to any lengths to stay sober. So I'm still working on that and reaching out to them. Thank you.

Adrian has the food, coffee, supplies, projector screens, etc. and someone else can PLEASE stop by his home to pick these supplies up.

Angelina - we have a QUORUM.

- Final Area Inventory Report - Cheryl F. See the attachment.

It is ready as a comprehensive document. It includes everyone's contributions, the stakeholders, i.e. the GSRs, contributed. How can we each do our job better? Are there suggestions?

The documents will be distributed digitally.

If each of you look at the forms we can then see what your feedback is, discuss it with your groups and get a report back. A task committee will be formed to prepare the information for a workshop.

- Final Proposed 2023 Area Budget - Discussion/Vote Lynn E./Cindy H.

Lynn, The draft budget shows a 9.3% increase; with requested adjustments of \$14,025.00.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Armed-Services-2023-Mileage->

[to-Camp-Forno.pdf](#)

The Armed Services Committee asked for \$910.00 for a special project. The project involves a group of marines who are in a remote area of Camp Pendelton who requested a meeting. The cost of taking a meeting to them is \$910.00. How to handle this expense? When it was brought to the Finance Committee it was discussed and approved unanimously as a budget item.

Clarification: A budget item on the 2023 Proposed Area Budget, not on the Armed Services Committee's budget.

Discussion and further clarification followed.

Adrian asked If there was anyone opposed to the status of this item. No one was opposed.

Lynn suggested this item, the Final Proposed 2023 Area Budget, be taken to the November Assembly.

Karen made the motion, Cheryl seconded it.

The motion: The vote that we are about to take is to recommend the Proposed Budget for 2023 to move forward to the Budget Assembly.

A yes/no vote is going to the poll for the Proposed 2023 Area Budget.

The motion passed by substantial unanimity with 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 Abstentions

Motion: to approve

A. Sending the Proposed 2023 Area Budget of \$53,127.35 to the area meetings to take a group conscience.

B. Holding a vote at the November 2022 Assembly whether to approve the Proposed 2023 Area Budget

YPAA-Young Peoples' AA - has a budget that reflects its active status.

CPC-Contact with the Professional Community will be more active as we are post covid; Literature and Grapevine/La Viña requested increases. Costs of books, shipping and copies has increased.

Area events went up by 12% as we budget for 5 assemblies instead of 3 assemblies.

PRAASA cuts - restored for the alt_delegate.

Oral and Spanish language interpretation fees have increased.

Other increases are the new electronic subscriptions that are necessary for the new OS on the new equipment. https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Motion_2023-Proposed-Budget.pdf

9:05 Master Calendar - Cheryl F. remember to notify Cheryl and/or Policy to get your events on the webpage.

9:10 Birthdays since last ACM (8/18/21) Cheryl F. Birthdays since 8/18; Monty, 9/14-19 yrs; Peggy Rose - 9/3 - 42 yrs; Lynn - 8/31 - 10 yrs. Johny O.- 14 yrs

Sponsoring the 2023 Assemblies - Adrian

Districts 21 and 22 you offered to co-sponsor Orientation Assembly in January. We have a tentative date, January 14th. We're taking bids for the Pre-Conference in March and the Post-Conference in June. Probably at next month's ACM we will be selecting dates for those assemblies.

There is no wifi at the upcoming venue for the Big Day Assembly. You'll see extra copies have been made and we're planning on using hot spots on our phones.

9:30 New Business - 3 reallocations. ALL THE MOTIONS ARE IN THE GLIDE APPS

This is the proposed amendment to establish reallocation as fiscal practice.

https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Motion_Reallocation-for-2022.pdf

Follow this link for GSRs info in the column, "Next Steps" regarding the following proposals.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lvjPlcTC-4lwjQzO91cGr2g1tp8eZlcTOULB8AbFIWM/edit>

- 2022 Budget Reallocation Proposals – Discussion Lynn E./Cindy H.

The Reallocation of 2022 Unspent Funds Motion: To approve the reallocation of 2022 unspent funds for the purpose of supporting the reallocation requests that we will review and discuss and will be selected at the November Area Assembly, based upon the group conscience of our membership.

Any money left from those expenses that have been reimbursed according to the budget lines for 2022 would be considered for reallocation towards direct or indirect twelve step work through Area 8.

We are going to present it at the **Big Day Assembly** for review and clarification and a vote to go to the groups. I don't want to miss a step in there. So between the Big Day and the November Assembly, it will be with the groups, and this is based on the group conscience of our membership.

Adrian read the motion, Cheryl 2nded

Here's the vote.

31 In favor; 0 - opposed; 1 Abstention. Motion passed with substantial unanimity for the recommendation of the ACM to bring this motion to the Budget Assembly.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2023-NAAAW-Expenses-for-Archivist-Reallocation-Request.pdf>

2022 Reallocation Request Form Committee: _Archivist_ Amount Requesting: \$2160.00

Requestor Name: _ Adrian O. - Area Chair_ Phone Number: _503-381-2771 /

chair@area8aa.org_ Purpose of Funds: To reimburse expenses for Area 08 Archivist to attend the 2023 National A.A. Archives Workshop (NAAAW) in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada to take place from 9/7/22 to 9/10/22.

These 2 questions are answered for every motion before we discuss it or vote on it.

1. How will this help Area 8, AA in San Diego or Imperial County?

The PRAASA experience is vital to the continuity of service at the Area level.

2. How will this support local Twelve Step work?

Servants are better suited to carry out Twelve Step work through Area Standing committees and districts.

- Structure & Guidelines Revisions / Flier Policy Chuck P.

Chuck very much appreciates the quality of the fliers.

1. He reminds us to Include an Area 8 email address rather than your personal ph#. Keep it simple, what's happening, where, when, and who is sponsoring the event.

2. The Structurer & Guidelines are a work in progress. Two years ago we did a revision which was accepted by the Assembly. But SURPRISE! In the last two years things have changed. There have been proposals, and we heard one this evening, for ways of dealing with those changes. The Policy Committee is going to be requesting submissions from the Area Officers and Committee Chairs for requests for changes to be brought forward. The

Policy Committee will review the submissions and study the Concepts and Traditions to see how they comply.

Karen requests emails be sent to her with the approved fliers so that events can be posted quickly. Keep her in the Loop!

Chuck says the turnaround time can be a week to 10 days.

Greg asked about where to submit a flier for approval. Fliers get approved by the Policy Committee.

- Ad Hoc Committee: Updating the Area Assembly Planning Checklist Adrian is looking for volunteers. Angelina and Rose volunteered and Adrian will be in the committee also.

- Ad Hoc Committee: Planning a Mock General Service Conference for 2023 **Adrian O.** More on this next month.

- 2035 International Convention Bidding Committee? Adrian O. / Monty C.

We'd need a venue that holds 65,000 people. Monty said Area 9, Area 5 and other southern CA areas are submitting. There's lots of local support for doing this.

9:45 Two-Minute District & Committee Reports (Odd Districts) Cheryl F. Everyone should submit written reports to Nihura, Alternate Secretary via email to: alt_secretary@area8aa.org

ARCHIVES: Tom C. I submitted my report to the alt- Secretary email tonight. We have our ROOTS flyer approval from the policy committee, and submitted to the Translation committee. We have 4 speakers already locked in for this year's ROOTS meeting that is going to be held on November 27, at the Carlsbad Community Center, from 1 to 3 pm. For the virtual flyer visit www.area8aa.org

ARMED SERVICES: Blaine H., we had 5 members attend our last meeting. We had a display at the Labor Day picnic. We now have 4 fully functioning regular AA meetings on board the Marine Corps base in Camp Pendleton. We received reports from 10 Areas regarding their efforts to carry the message to their military population. Some areas are having difficulty in setting up this meetings in their military bases like Texas. We are grateful that in area 8 our military ask us to bring the AA meetings to them .

COOPERATION W/PROFESSIONALS: Kenny H., NP/NR

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Paul K., In our last meeting we covered the talk about populate the glide app with the area equipment inventory "who has what? We need to reconsider how we're going to collect that information and where we're going to put it. We had a request from some committees to have recordings on their WEBSITE and that is totally complete. Remember there's a place for comments in the website, scroll down to find it. We also talk about the security program for the laptops called BIG DEFENDER. Currently we have 14 Zoom licenses, and we're finding out who's not using it so we can lower our costs. We talk about hosting the National Technology Workshop . I attended the Canada workshop online, it's not a big convention, but still needs a lot of help. Karen is also a part of this committee and explained about the information of the equipment inventory.

LITERATURE: Sasha J., NP/NR

NORTH COUNTY H&I: Hew B., We have our orientation meeting the third Saturday of each month, we participated in the Calabera Hills Carlsbad Labor Day event, it was a great day of service, with Monty and Adrian there. We're going to be celebrating a back to school, back to service theme season style event opportunity to participate in Hospitals & Institutions here in San Diego. We have a new facility open in our area it's called "Rainbow Glenn", in Fallbrook is an all men's detox, There's a lot of service opportunities there is a great and new place, and we were able to bring our first H&I panel. The Sixth Step house created a new H&I committee, with 40 people willing to participate.

YOUNG PEOPLE COORDINATING COMMITTEE : Shawn T., I'm Christina the Secretary, we had a great

workshop with District 16, we got to talk about unity in a Digital Age, It was a wonderful opportunity to connect with people that are new to the area and get them involved, I highly recommend doing this workshop. Thanks

DISTRICTS ODD MONTH REPORTS

D-1: Steve L. NP
D-7: Shirin M.NP

D-3: Brian E. NP
D-9:..... NP

D-5: Tonya L.NP
D-11: Michele Mc.NP

D-13: Stephanie Q., Nancy standing for the chair, she said she submitted the report to the area Secretary, we held our meeting and we been working diligently to keep our meetings informed and connected to AA. Our GSRs have done a great job at passing the information to their groups. In our last meeting with where visited by the finance committee and it was very helpful to learn about the pie chart, donations etc. We also had some GSRs bringing grievances in an inappropriate way, so we asked Monty to help us mediate because it got kind of ugly and heated.

D-15: Marina V. Jose, Secretary of D15, standing for the chair that is traveling. We keep meeting every Friday 7 to 9 pm. We will have two events coming up, on October 30th, the District Committees event and the District 15 Elections on November 27.

D-17: Reynaldo V. NP

D-19: David A. NP

D-21: Terri H. NP

D-23: Rick L., We had a "Pick Nick" it was Great because Adrian was our main Speaker, we had 5 committees, Grape Vine, Armed Services, Finance, H&I had so much literature etc. We had some games, great food, we spend \$950.00 in all the BBQ stuff and we raised \$925.00, so it pay itself ,, besides that we had about 130 guest celebrating AA sobriety.

10:00 Close with the **Responsibility Statement...**

"I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

Respectfully submitted by Rose P, Area 8 Secretary and Nihura M. Alternate Area 8 Secretary
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