

Minutes of GSR meeting, District 15, April 1st, 2010

Call to order: 19:02

Attendance: Barbara M, Peyman H, Pam H, Nikki N, Henry T, Jack Z, Michelle S, Lindsay V, Kim K, Mike G, Cindy J, Marcus Q.

Preamble: read by Cindy

Introductions: New GSR's: Jack Z GSR for Brea 12+12 Mon 5.30pm

Minutes from last month: The March minutes were approved by Cindy and seconded by Henry.

Officer Reports: **Treasurer:** Peyman handed out Treasurers Reports. Payment made to Union Hall in Buena Park for the May Area Assembly to be held.

Secretary: Approved minutes continue being sent to be uploaded onto Area 9's web-site and can therefore reach a larger community. Volunteers to fill in for Barbara for the next few months needed, Nikki has blank minute documents available for volunteers.

Registrar: Henry reported that the database is now up-to-date and the new GSR's should be receiving their packets from New York. A new attendance roster has been created.

Archivist: Absent. Nikki got in touch with Area Archivist regarding a District 15 field trip to volunteer some hours.

DCM: Absent.

Alt DCMC: Mike reported that he went to PRASSA and found it very informative especially the business side. Stated he was impressed at how smoothly things ran at PRASSA.

DCMC: Nikki attended Area Assembly last month and PRASSA.

Committee Reports: GSR School: Jack attended. Barbara says she has old GSR information and will bring it to next meeting for Mike. Literature –Absent. Public Information: Absent. Hospitals and Institutions: Absent. Inter-group Liaison: Absent. Grapevine: Michelle said she would be interested in being District 15's Grapevine Representative. Conference Liaison: Lindsay updated us that the Orange County Convention coming up in April.

Questions/concerns/challenges

Old Business: Area Assembly planning for May 16th. UFCW Union Hall **8530 Stanton Ave** Buena Park, CA 90620 has been reserved for the Area Assembly. Priced at \$400 it was lower than other facilities we had looked into. Nikki will arrange to get proof of insurance from Area. Barbara and Nikki will arrange getting the word out. Lunch menu was discussed: Henry suggested going with the pizza place in Placentia we dealt with 2 years ago – good and cheap. Peyman informed us that the Union Hall give us a coupon for a pizza place that they work with – Lindsay will look into price and size of their pizza's and get back next month. Henry suggested salad bags from Costco. Dessert was mentioned and Nikki stated that the guidelines suggests cake in order to celebrate birthdays –Lindsay, Kim, Mike and Barbara all agreed that Costco cake was by far the best and most economical for large groups. Cindy was looking into paper and plastic goods and also suggested Costco as the provider. A question was raised as to whether the pizza came with plates; however quality could be an issue. Mike and Mark are looking into refreshments and Peyman suggested at least 3 waters per person. Nikki reminded us that Area will reimburse us up to \$1000 for the event to cover costs. Cindy volunteered to head a group of helpers for set up from 7.30am. Mike volunteered for the same for clean up from 3.30pm till end. Nikki also reminded us that we can ask our groups for volunteers and those who may wish to see what happens at an Assembly like potential GSR's and also the newcomer who wants to be of service.

New Business: Conference agenda items: Nikki sent out an attachment to an e-mail recently that we should all read and take back to our groups for discussion. We can bring any notes back to the District/ Nikki to bring to Area or there is an option to bring any questions or concerns directly to the Delegate through the web site. PRASSA: Nikki has an MP3 version of the conference available to share with the District. Nikki stated that there was too much to share this month and will table it for next month, however she did share with us a copy of AA's originally 6 steps hand written by Bill W that was available from the Archives.

Readings/Discussions:

Tradition 4: Mike gave a brief report describing that within your own group there are no laws or rules and each group can do whatever so long as it doesn't affect other groups or AA as a whole, Nikki mentioned her experience of how at a meeting there were those who identified as something other than an alcoholic.

Concept 4: Peyman gave a brief report that each group has a voice and all who can vote can truly participate, your vote counts as good as the next person.

Volunteers for next month: Tradition 5: Marcus and Concept 5: Jack.

April Birthdays: Marcus 4 years on the 4th. Henry 5 years. Congratulations to all.

Next Meeting: May 6th 2010

Meeting adjourned: 20:28, Motion to adjourn by Peyman, seconded by Cindy.

Closing Responsibility Pledge by Marcus.

Minutes submitted by: Barbara M. District 15 Secretary