

## **DRAFT - APPROVED BY THE AREA**

### **Mid-Southern California Delegate Area 09**

Area Service Committee Minutes

Sunday, February 11, 2007

5720 Clark Ave.

Lakewood, Ca 90712

[www.msca09aa.org](http://www.msca09aa.org)

*LUNCH!!! Hosted by District 2, Suggested donation \$5 - 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon*

**MSCA Chair**, Craig. Opened the meeting at 12 noon with the Declaration of Unity, GSR Preamble . Scott, & Mauricio Tradition 2 Kith & Javier, Concept 2 Melquiades & , Scott Committee Statement of Purpose Membership Scott & Jose. Introductions: Past Pacific Regional Trustee, Past Delegates, New GSRs, DCMs, DCMCs Guests and Area Officers.

**Aproval of december 2006 ASC Minutes were approved** As a mended (changing name & add we need)

### **DELEGATE'S REPORT 2/11/2007 – Bruce. H.**

I would like to thank District 2 for hosting this ASC. Lets give a great big hand to Kimberli and her entire crew. Now for a update on PRAASA, the roundtables have been set . For further details check the PRAASA 2007 website. Remember all attendees that we will be taking a Area picture , time and place to determined.

GSC news all the final agenda items are out and you can download them from our Website, the Spanish version is out and will be posted on our website as soon as a computer problem is fixed. The background material will be in my hands no later than the 14<sup>th</sup> of this month. Boy that sounds like a great Valentines Day present for me to read. Once in my hands with the help of our Alt Delegate we will make sure that this material is in the hands of anyone who needs it so we can begin of full discussion on these items.

Since we last met I have visited District 5 ,21 and H#I Intergroup along with the 4 Area DCM Sharing session which was very useful and well attended by all Area's .

Now good news to report once again one of our Standing Committee has been recognized for all their hard work by having an article in the current issue of Box 459 for the months of Feb-March. 2007. Could all the PI Committee that worked on this event please rise so we can recognize you for your efforts. I would also like to suggest that we all read in this issue also the article about Taking pictures at AA events.

Now for AAWS news the price of the audio CD version of the 4<sup>th</sup> edition Big Book has been reduced from \$85.00 to \$55.00. News on the FNV database is out and our Record keeper Guru Jason will give all those details in his report.

Translation projects completed are Big Book 4<sup>th</sup> Edition in Croatian , “Information on AA.,” A Brief Guide to AA” and This is AA.” in Farsi, the PI Workbook in Greek and Turkish. Also the Twelve Concepts for World Services Illustrated” in Turkish. Contributions received were up 548,000 more than budgeted which is 12% greater than the total for 2005 .

Grapevine News El Grupo Base ( the Spanish-language edition of The Home Group); recording of an audiobook edition of Best of Bill in English, and a large-print edition of Language of the heart went to press

Grapevine Board Actions the names of Andrew T. and Ginger R. B> are being forwarded to the GSB trustee,s nominating committee for instatement to the Grapevine Board as non-trustee directors after the 2007 GSC. Also our Regional Trustee Madeleine P has been chosen to serve as a director on the Grapevine Board following the Conference.

News from the literature committee 34 stories have been submitted for possible inclusion in the Native North American pamphlet. Deadline for stories is still June 30, 2007. Please encourage those Native American to submit their stories.

The corrections desk still needs members to participate in CCS work see Alex N for details.

The Final report from 19<sup>th</sup> World Service Meeting in Malahide Ireland is out and I will just read a short paragraph from this report.

I also have the Final Report from the Southeast Regional Forum held in Knoxville Tennessee the weekend of Nov 21-23, 2006

In closing I realized that after last months discussion on the budget that maybe I needed some assistance personally in regards to my reaction to this discussion. So I turned to wiser voices , this time the wiser voice came from our Regional Trustee Madeliene P.I. now will read from her report from Board Weekend Jan 2007. The subject is the International Committee. I then read this page of her report.

Love thru Service Bruce H>

### **Officers Report :**

**Alt. Delegate:** Joe B. \*I was able to visit district 15 and talk about the upcoming Pre-Conference Workshop that their District will be hosting. They have already secured a meeting place for this event. It will be held at the Ebell Club, 313 Laguna Rd, in Fullerton, the cross roads are Bastenchury and Harbor. \*The Area DCM sharing Session Went well this year, the planning committee received a lot of very nice comments from a multitude of participants that day. \*I also went to visit district 10 for there open house and multi media extravaganza! Linda C. gave a wonderful presentation on the Grapevine and Grapevine.org. and Craig S. gave a magnificent presentation on the finer point of navigation and using the Area website. \*I was invited to speak at District 5 this week, I was pleasantly surprised to see our Delegate Bruce there along with his wife Linda and our Area Treasure Mike M. I was privileged to share some time with Bruce talking to the district about the basic conference structure, the final agenda items and Pre-Conference workshop. \*I want to give all of the Standing Committee Chairs the heads up... Bruce will be getting the background material soon and will be distributing them to the appropriate committee Chair to help better prepare for the Pre-Conference Workshop Roundtables. Lets all try to help Bruce be the most informed, best prepared and sharpest looking Delegate at the Conference this year.

Thank for giving me the privilege to serve.

**Treasurer:** Mike M. Working with Finance Committee on audit and taxes. Have only visited a few districts but to visit more. Looking forward to PRAASA and hope to see lots new GSRs there.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

**Registrar:** Jason S Thanks the Area for approval to purchase the new Laptop computer for use with the new web-base database. The new computer came pre-loaded with the new “vista” operating system: and is here today should anyone wish to inspect it. The annual group update forms have been distributed to the districts by mail, to the district mail boxes. The date for return these form is May 15, 2007. Form received after that date will not received in the time for changes to be reflected in the western States Directory, but will be entered into the database. All districts are reminded that the update forms are to be mailed directly to GSO using the mailing labels enclosed in your packets. It is not necessary to send this forms or copy of them to the Area registrar. In the mailing process, several districts were found to have incorrect information in the Roster regarding these post office boxes. Would all DCMC’s or district treasurers please check the district address in the Roster and submit all correction to the Area Secretary and the Area Registrar via email. We may be reaching through the website at msca09aa.org. There were 3,532 pages of group update forms for the Area 09. New this year are the pages listing the history of group changes and processed, which is the “Comments” sections of the current GSO database. This page gives a history of previous serving GSR’s for each group as well as any others changes to the database requested through the group change forms over the years. The fellowship “New Vision” database is nearing its unveiling as our first web based data input program. It is schedule to be operational in late March 2007.

In Unity & service. Jason S.

**Secretary:** I visited Intradistrict Spanish speaking meeting and was a great meeting they are going to rent a bus of 56 passengers to go to PRAASA, if some one need info please see Francisco from district 23. Also I visit district 20. Next month I will visit district 21 and 24. Thanks for let me be of service.

**Area Chair:** Craig. Thank you district 2 for hosting today one of our favorite facilities. There is one agenda item that did not make on the printed agenda for today. An agenda has/ proposal by the CEC Committee. We have change the format of the Area Officer’s meeting we will no longer to meeting offsite, but instead, are meeting at the Area event. Today was our first one, but was cancelled. Attended 4 Area DCM sharing session. Good job Joe, Sheryl. I visited dist 10 and give a presentation in the MSCA website – What’s available CFC. Went to bank of America to remove Melissa and add Oscar to signature card, correct status. Looking forward to PRAASA. Working in a letter of support for our 2010 Regional Forum proposal passed last month and give to Bruce.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

#### **Area inventory discussion:**

We had 8 topics to discuss and there was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience strength and hope on the topics for about 15 minutes.

#### **New Business**

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**Proposol:** Teleconference Meetings.....Nick M.  
1<sup>st</sup> proposal was accepted

### ***Standing Committee Reports***

**Archives - Pete.** Reported thank the Area for approved the budget. Committee Highlights, volunteer needed to send and catalog material and data base inputs. April 1<sup>st</sup> 2007 Archives Open House (speaker will talk about Doctor Opinion), Inland Empire roundup 2007, April 21<sup>st</sup>. October 6<sup>th</sup> 2007 heritage Day. Also will be glad to make out to make presentation in your district, group or you.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

**Cooperation with the Elder Community Committee - Michael M.** reported that she had 4 in attendance. Schedule district presentations- Intergroups district 6, 7 and 14 Spanish speaking district, (Alfredo has agreed to translate) district 7 attempting to establish SIS meeting in CC assisted in a living facility. District 9 attempting to establish SIS meeting in Palm Spring in assented living facility. 2008 3<sup>rd</sup> annual SIS Conference. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting planning on 2-24-07 @ 1515 Alexander Ct, Brea Ca, 714-686-7360 please help us we do know what we're doing April 14, 2006 Communities in sponsorship. Please take flyers and distribute to the meetings. We'll need help. Register for 2007 SIS Conference in Sedona.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

### **Cooperation with the Professional Community –**

#### **Convention Liaison**

#### **Convention Liaison Spanish – Open**

**Corrections - Alex N.** reported that they have 5 in attendance. 1) Reviewing the update Area 9 Corrections guidelines. Had discussion about some or the items & answered questions, voted in committee to approve the update Guidelines, will ask for placement as June/august ASC & and vote at Sep Assembly in approved at August ASC. (Future committee events) So Cal H&I Intergroup is last Sunday in Oxnard. April So Cal H&I Conference last weekend – Doubletree Hotel City in Orange.

**DCM School - Jim B.** reported that he has 21 in attendance. They were discussed workshops in the districts. Discussed encourage participant at Pre-Conference workshop and the importance of the delegate being informed of the groups conscience. They Discussed the DCMC's being a link in the chain of General Service information. They discussed that you do not need to be a GSR to do service. Also they Discussed explain to the groups how their contributions are spending by GSO and encourage members to celebrate birthdays with the contribution to the GSO. Today they have a share for the workshop topics for the Conference, please encourage your DCMC's to come to the DCM school to performing their duties on service.

Thanks for letting me be of service

**Finance - Joseph M.** reported that they are going to have report back from the consideration on the report for Finance committee and they do not have any recommendation to the Area Executive Committee on the consideration to the one Area auditor, this need to be done, they discusses other matter one was Jason computer.

Thanks for letting me be of service

**Grapevine - Linda C.** Thank you Scott, Nick, Francisco, for bringing display. \* Try audio Grapevine for free-website. \* GV need stories- list of themes for 2007 listed on line. \* Please visit AA Grapevine.org. \* California has most subscriptions of any state (8826 in 2006) but fewer than 2005 that number and other materials. \* There are books, for sale on the table, including copies of the 1<sup>st</sup> edition of the Grapevine from 1944 Please look at the display. \* She's available to make presentations at the districts or groups, email or call her.  
. Co- chair Linda C. (Linda@lje.com)

**La Viña – Francisco D.** Reported La Viña continues working well for those alcoholics will come 5 district in this Area are interesting to know how it magazine works. And also he went to Foro of GSO in Area 8. He received a letter from La Viña was positive year for La Viña. La Viña sold more than 10,000 subscriptions on 2006. Also he will be in PRAASA.

Thanks for letting me be of service

**GSR School - Scott R.** – Reported that he had 20 in attendance and some discussion about our primary purpose and responsibilities of General Service. He will visit district 5. Next month please bring a friend. Thanks for letting me be of service

**GSR School SPANISH - Jose A.** Started the meeting at 9:30 am with the Preamble and 2nd Tradition, then presentation or introduction to the GSR's. And study Concepts.2 Thanks to everyone that was present today. (20) At the next Area GSR Schools meeting the topic will be Concept 3. Also thanks to the person who did our translation today. I see you in PRAASA 2007  
Thanks for letting me be of service

**Literature - Patrick.** –reported that he had 11 in attendances, Comic book Pamphlets “What Happened to Alicia & Joe “ Have been update. He received Bruce H's input about conference approves literature. Preliminary agenda items add after” Current Experience indicates” where money and spirituality mix (iv Finance) page III not \$500 Area committee see current Assembly approved budget. Literature change process takes four month. Next month he will hand out Area 9 Guidelines to be reviewed and discussed.

Thanks for letting me be of service

**Literature Spanish –Cesar.** Reported that he had 11 in attendances. His report is some as in English His email is [cflores66@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cflores66@sbcglobal.net) Thanks for letting me be of service

**Newsletter – Russell D** Reported that he had 6 in attendance they start to put together the newsletter for the next month. In the forum topic for March will be working with the 12 STEPS responsibilities. Are going any lines. 200 extra copies for PRAASA 2007. Seeking sharing stories my 1<sup>st</sup> PRAASA experience for March. Planning on having a Special PRAASA issue to include stories for the past PRAASA events. To people are agreed to write articles, but we could

always use more. Also discussed today proposal for adding Teleconference AA meeting info to the EMSC website. Nancy R has requested that someone step-up to replace her as the Webservant so far now no one has accepted the position. Thanks for letting me be of service

**Newsletter Spanish Raul** Reported the report is the same in English.  
Thanks for letting me be of service

**Public Information - Linda H.** reported that she had 13 in attendance. There were. The Committee discussed how each District PI Committee was doing. They welcomed Elisa, Salvador, Lehel & Ron as new members. Under new business they discussed some of the Final Agenda Items and the Chair was asked to ask the Delegate to invite Gustavo, Delegate Panel 57, and Area 5 to our Pre-Conference Workshop and did because he would possibly be able to explain the "A Force of Nature" PSA. The Public Information Committee voted with substantial unanimity to have the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bi-lingual Workshop at the VFW Hall on 805 E. Sycamore St., Anaheim 92805 on September 16, 2007. They will need volunteers to bring doughnuts, coffee pot and coffee, plates, utensils, water and soda. They will be inviting the judiciary, DUI Schools, Teachers, and Police who deal with Alcoholics. They are excited and hope we have as good a turnout as we did in Sun City. As PI Chair, she was able to visit Districts 5 & 21 as well as the 4 DCM Sharing Session hosted by MSCA 09.

Thanks for letting me be of service

**Public Information Spanish - Damian**. He is working with Linda in the Pre-Conference Workshop. He is happy making the flayers in Spanish with Alfredo.  
Thank you for let me of be service.

**Register – Ben M** Reported that he had 6 in attendance, Jason went over the 2007 group update forms that were sent to the districts. \*Registrars are to update the forms and send in to GSO the forms that have changes. No need to send copies to Jason, the second page on the forms gives a tracking history of any changes to the group. \*New database for maintaining group update will start in March; if a packet of update forms weren't received the registrar needs to see their districts Treasure. \*Western directories will be published this year.  
Thank you for let me of be service.

**Special Needs - Rich**. Reported he had 6 in attendance. He made a Special Needs presentation in district 1 in January. And will be happy to visit your district. The Committee discussed working with Central Offices to implement wheelchair accessibility form. They are compiling a list of resources for Special Needs issues discussed upcoming Committees in partnership workshop their committee have some prospective speakers and will man a "Special Needs" Information table. They do need a Spanish co-chair.  
Thanks for letting me be of service

**Treatment Facilities - Pill**. Reported that he had 8 in attendance, Following the TFC agenda they did Officer's reports, old business, \*workbooks (Area WB), CIP workshop update, temporary contact update, review of final agenda TFC Items, PRAASA & TFC officer support financially. They were review of 2007 TFC goals & activities. They will make presentations

(districts meeting) Dist 7 on 2/12/07, dist 6 on 3/14/07, dist 11, dist 4 and dist 19. Also he will go to H&I Intergroup of south Calif. \*Please ask for us to come.

Thanks for letting me be of service

**OC Intergroup** - no report

***District Roll Call***

**District 1 - Christ**. Reported that he had 11 in attendances, 39 present in district meeting. Rich gave a presentation in January (Special Needs.) They have a new Treasure- Brian. They will be sending 10 people to PRAASA. 4 Dist Officers, 3 new GSRs and 3 DCM's.

**District 2 - Kimberli A.** reported that she had 13 in attendances, District meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 7 pm at mt Olivet church 4405 s St Lakewood Ca 90713. Thanks dist 2 the privilege of hosting today we had fabulous participation on behalf of district #2. It district approved funding to send DCMC to PRAASA 2007. 2 new GSRs Leslie C & James V. they will be having a film night with showings of "Bill own story" and "Bill discusses the 12 Tradition" and or possibly one other.

**District 3** - no report

**District 4 - Gregory**. Reported that he had 9 in attendances, today they have 2 new GSRs and 1 DCM, they are in the process of approving their 2007 budge, they will sending 3 people to PRAASA They will hosting a Treasures workshop later this year, date and time to be announced. They still need CPC, Literature, Special Needs, Treatment Facilities, Corrections and International Convention Liason chairs, and that rest positions have been filled.

**District 5 - Alex** reported that he had 9 in attendance today. 40 in attendance at district meeting; they meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 7 pm. Joe alt Delegate & Bruce Delegate come and discussed the Conference agenda items, Mike M. Treasure and Linda H. PI. They had preliminary discussions about stating a district newsletter table until next month. Passed budge for 2007 last month. Next month DCM Scott R. will give a presentation about General Service. April H&I presentation may GSRs report backs.

**District 6 – Mary Ann M.** reported that she had 9 in attendance. District committee meeting on Tuesday 12/5 at 7 pm. In 6652 Heil Ave (Comm. Methodist Church) they are sending 6 people to PRAASA. Last week Charles Area Archivist had a presentation in their district. Next month Phil is going to have TF presentation. They are in the prose's getting visitation in their district Thank you for let me be of service.

**District 7 - Sharyl**. Reported that she had 6 in attendance. They change the meeting date from 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month to the 2<sup>nd</sup>. They are sending 1 person to PRAASA to at own expense.

\*Updating orientation literature. Continue to tray and fill committee chairpersons positions. Phil TF, Bruce H. Michael CEC are going to visit their district to talk about Pre-Conference workshop. This summer they are working on an afternoon district 7 social picnic 2 years ago had it at Roque- was well attendance Thank you.

**District 8 - Ruth D.** reported that she had 2 in attendances. District committee meeting on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Last month they were discussed those who will be attending PRAASA. This month they will have Area Registrar, Jason S. he will offer them information about his position and take answer & questions.

**District 9 Don** -No report

**District 10 - Scott R.** . Reported that he had only 1 in attendance. Next month they will have a meeting to setup an agenda, and they desire to have it right after the district meeting. Thanks Joe, Craig, Linda, to showing up this past Wednesday, and given the presentation and was wonderfully and a lot enjoy, also a lot questions were ask. A few their members are going to PRAASA. Also we meet every 1<sup>st</sup> wed at 8 pm in Fullerton.

**District 11 – Joseph**. Reported that he had 4 in attendance. District committee meeting is 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month at 5:30 pm in Arrid Club San Bernardino. General meeting 1 new GSRs. They are sending 3 people to PRAASA. They are still working in the budge for this year.

**District 12 – Steve** reported that he had 4 in attendance. Thank for let me be a service.

**District 14 – no report**

**District 15 – Lynn** reported that she had 6 in attendances. Joe B alt Delegate visited district 15 to share his experience and suggestions on how a GSR can prepare the group for making informed group decisions on 2007 General Service Conference agenda items and they suggested a couple ways to accomplish a group vote to pass on to district 15 them on to our Area Delegate to take to the GSO Conference after April 15<sup>th</sup> Pre-Conference workshop hosted by district 15. Pre-Conference at Ebll club in Fullerton.

**District 17 – no report**

**District 18 – Tina** Reported that she had 5 in attendances, district meeting is 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in Odd Fellows hall Costa Mesa. In district meeting they had 30 in attendances. Charles the Area archivist is coming to the district meeting on this month. 1 person will attend PRAASA. Most of their Service positions are filled, only 2 are open. Visitation to meeting Continue.

**District 19 - Brian**. Reported that he had 5 in attendances, they have a committee to visit the groups in their district area to inform the groups about the topic of the Conference of General Service. Thank for let me be a service

**District 20 - Amador**. Reported that he had 12 attendances, they have our meeting every Monday at 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm, (1<sup>st</sup> &3<sup>rd</sup> reports 2<sup>nd</sup> study, 4<sup>th</sup> businesses) they visit 2 groups weekly informing about our service and import event in our Area, contribution to GSO. They are going to PRAASA, they have 17 people to who are going, they are going to rent 3 vans to go Portland. Also they are encouraging the topics for the Pre-Conference to have the voices of the groups to the GSO. La Viña and PI are working hard. Thank you for the opportunity to service.

**District 21 – Marcelo**. Reported that He had 10 in attendances. They are working hard to cover the needs the GSO have, and motive people into service. District meeting 3 Wednesday a month,

1st Wednesday is report, 2nd Wednesday business meeting and 4th Wednesday is step meeting. Usually we have 18 to 23 GSR attendances. Also we visit 2 groups a week; each committee in our district has their chair person. Also the committees of La Viña at the district level ask if they can go to the groups and have a raffle to have more people to subscribe to La Viña. The last Sunday 4 people from their dist attended to DMC meeting for the 4 Areas. Also there are 7 people to go to PRAASA. On 2-18-07 they are going to visit the group is in Caroline aisle, the tickets is \$59 round trip. Districts 4 & 21 will are the host the Foro of the Area 09 MSCA.

**District 22** – Pedro. Report that he had. 5 in attendances. They have weekly meetings and visit 2 groups per week. We accepted the invitations during Unity week. We are also motivating and they are encouraged to go to PRAASA. They have a place to have their businesses meeting 14500 palm dr desert hot springs Ca, 92240. They are also motivating and they train to encourage the service and continue to work sponsor and 7 traditions. Have happy 24 hrs.

**District 23** – Reinaldo Reported they have 34 groups, and they have 2 new groups \*La Mano Que Yo Esperaba. From Adelanto Hesperia. \*Luz y Esperanza. They have 4 committee working hard Archives, PI, Projections and Newsletter. 15 people will attend PRAASA. Also they have 6 new GSRs Victor, Gregorio, Jose L. Tomas, Francisco and Tomas. They are going to rent a bus of 56 people. Thank you

**District 24** - Santiago reported that they are working hard in it District. Thank to all GSRs they visit all that group and they talk about it 7 Tradition. La Viña have 200 subscriptions they are working hard Thanks

**District 30 – no report**

**AOCYPA/ICYPAA Outreach Committee Amanda T.**

**Central Office Intergroup.**

**Ad hoc Native American Outreach Committee,**

**Ad hoc Translation/Interpretation Committee,Jorge**

## **Announcements**

**December Recap of actions.**

**December 2006 ASC Minutes were approved** As a mended.

February BIRTHDAYS

93 Years of Sobriety Celebrate

THE ASC ADJOURNED at 2:15 PM

**Closing Prayer and Adjournment**

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

Panel 56 MSCA Secretary - Oscar G.