

Mid Southern California Area 09
Alcoholics Anonymous District 09 Committee Meeting Minutes (Zoom Meeting)
January 15, 2023
4:00pm - 5:00pm - Meeting

Meeting Opened at: 4:00 pm.

- Attendance: (15) Michael W., Francine W., Jodi B., Larry B., Eli W., Stephanie G., Loren A., Christina C., Steve P., Dave W., Eve W., Dan K., Rebecca E., Michael G., Jack H.
- Serenity Prayer Read
- GSR Preamble Read
- Concept 1 Read
- Approval December, 2022 minutes
Motion: Jodi B.
Second: Rebecca E. .
Approved: Yes
- Treasury Report: Approved last month's treasury announcement

Reports:

Secretary Report - Attended the January Area 09 Assembly and will now send out the agenda prior to our meetings.

DCMC Report - Shared reflections on the January Area 09 Assembly, including gratitude for everyone who helped and admiration for the Spanish speaking groups who are active in Area 09 and GSR recruitment. He would like to find volunteers to fill DCM positions in our District 09 four subdistricts. He also plans to visit a Spanish language district meeting and invite a member to our district meeting.

Alternate DCMC Report - He congratulated Michael for quarterbacking our participation in the January Area Assembly. He brought three sponsees to the assembly and was impressed by the passion during committee break out discussions. Dave W. also reminded all members that GSRs have an opportunity to participate in GSR school at the Area 09 meetings and prior to our District 09 monthly meeting.

Intergroup Report -The book of the month is the 75th edition of the Big Book. The price is \$10.00. All volunteer shifts are filled and the zoom meetings are humming along. Please remind the group treasurers that the New York Seventh Tradition contributions address has changed. The new address is on the front of the Desert Lifeline. A new committee has formed regarding the bylaws of the Board of Directors and open positions. They are also starting an outreach committee.

Public Information - Francine W. is developing a weekly "12 Concepts for World Service" Workshop. District 09 members are interested. The plan is that every week we would focus on a new concept. She will find a time to hold that workshop. The district reimbursed Francine for 25 copies of the Pioneer Women book, as gifts to the first 25 attendees of the October 8, 2022

workshop. She shipped them out and will provide the district with the receipt for shipping and handling.

Registrar -

GSR Tool Kit binders are on backorder. To obtain an electronic copy of the GSR Kit, go to <https://www.aa.org/contents-general-service-representative-gsr-kit-list>. New GSRs or anyone interested may reach Christina at (760) 475-2739, or onefunmom3@outlook.com

Area 09 Assembly: Attended the Registration Committee Breakout. Discussed access to Fellowship Connection, GSO's database of Group IDs, GSRs, and Committee Chairs. Area registrars and DCMs have access to FC but District DCMs and registrars do not. Most registrars maintain a separate database. Area 09 Registrar is working with other Area Registrars to find a solution to access Fellowship Connection that works for everyone. Visited Grapevine & LaVina committee chair, Debra L. She gave an update on materials and books available.

Will attend the District 09 Meeting on 02/19/2023 and Area 09 Pre-Conference Workshop on 04/15/2023

DCCYPAA - They have 3-4 new members. They are discussing their next event in a month or two and figuring out a logical way to do treatment center panels. Some DCCYPAA members will be attending ACCYPAA. They helped clean up the January 8 Area Assembly.

H and I - They meet the first Wednesday of every month at 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. 15 people came to the last meeting and want to be on panels. The current H and I list was emailed to District 09 committee members. David stepped down as Secretary. Jodi B. was invited to attend the DCCYPAA meeting.

GSRs -

- Rebecca E. attended the Western Forum and Area Assembly. She learned about collecting group conscience. She suggested we start raising awareness of the General Service Conference potential agenda topics in our groups.
- Francine W. recommended that all who enjoyed the Area Assembly plan to attend PRAASA. She commended Michael on his job as DCMC. The January 8 Area Assembly was well-attended by zoom as we had approximately 75 members join us online. Regarding the General Service Conference, she has been sharing with her home group the last few months and scheduled her workshop on final agenda items. She will choose those that are relevant to her group.
- Eli W. stated that members of the Shipwreck group were fortunate to be of service at the January 8th Area Assembly. It made a big impact.

Old Business:

Grapevine Subscriptions: Michael W. found out that it doesn't work well to designate donations.

Hybrid Meetings: Dave W. tried to contact the technology coordinator at Fellowship Hall, but she has not responded. He doesn't anticipate technology issues and plans to get the hybrid meeting going soon.

New Business:

H and I Assistance: People can help by putting their name in to be on a panel. If you want to get involved, contact Jodi B.

PRAASA Scholarships: We want to encourage participation. Scholarships are available, however we should ask for group support first. Michael W. will send out an email.

DCMs: If anyone wants to do it, please contact Michael W. We have four subdistricts. Christina expressed an interest in taking Palm Desert/ Rancho Mirage. We will revisit this topic.

Responsibility pledge read and meeting closed at 5:00 pm