

## Minutes of the San Diego County CoDA Business Meeting 10/21/2017

Present: Susan, Scott, Travis, Fran, Laurine, France, Gary, Addie, Diane, Fati, Bryna, Frank, Michelle, Susie, Victoria, Donna, Debbie.

The meeting was called to order by Fran, the Community Representative.

Opening Prayer

Introductions of attendees.

Reading of the 10<sup>th</sup> Concept of Codependents Anonymous

Reading of the 12 Traditions

### ***Reports of Officers and Chairs:***

**Fran, Community Representative-** Glad to be back after her surgery.

Had received two emails-

1) Next Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, is the third conference call for the committee discussing an Alternative Conference Format. Contact Christine K. at 818 269-9368 if you wish to be part of that discussion.

2) 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hispanic CoDA Conference announcement and flyer, 'A Trip to Recovery', Fri., Sat., and Sun, Dec. 1, 2, 3, 2017. 100 N. Third Ave., Covina, CA. 91723

Manned an Outreach table last week, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Parent Health Fair Program at Hedenkamp Elementary School. Ran out of literature with many interested parents and Hispanic parents interested in Spanish meetings.

**France, Alternate Community Representative-** Welcomed Fran back.

She also talked about Rob, the current webmaster, being unable to update the website because he is out of the country. She had sent him an email requesting his status but had not received a reply by the time of the meeting. Rob had explained to the business group that he would be out of town but thought he would be able to update the site from his location. People have emailed him but no changes have been made. There have been difficulties due to connection problems that have not been successfully dealt with and the website is not reflecting the current position of the community.

Scott said that he would try to do the updating if he could get info he needed to do so. It would be discussed during the business part of the meeting.

**Laurine, Parliamentarian-** Explained how the business meeting works.

**Recording Secretary, Csilla-** Csilla was absent and Gary had agreed to take the minutes for her. The roster was passed around for corrections and changes.

**Treasurer, Gary-** Gary gave the report as follows:

For September 2017

Income - \$429.25

Expenses-\$ 15.00  
Total Income- \$ 414.25  
Total Bank Account (Checking and Savings) \$14,359.77  
Other Assets (Literature) \$4,841.37  
Total Assets \$19,201.14

### **Regional Representative- OPEN**

**Bryna, Alternate Regional Representative-** The next SoCal meeting will be at the Spanish CoDA Conference to be held in Covina. Bryna will be there. There may be a Spanish translator at the conference. There were flyers on the front table.

Bryna mentioned the "Alternate Conference" call that an Ad hoc committee for SoCal is having on Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss different ways to conduct a SoCal conference. If interested, contact her or the person Fran mention, Christine K.

**Frank, Hospitals and Institutions-** Frank said he appreciated the literature and help he received from the SDCCoDA community while he was unable to get literature from CoDA.org. Literature is becoming available again and the meetings are amazing. If interested in serving the community through H&I, contact Frank.

**Fati, Liaison to CoDA World Conference-** Fati stated that she had receive boxes from Yvonne which she still had to go through. She said she has questions: a) the timing of the conference and b) the cost of the conference which is currently \$65.00. That may change as the conference committee looks into similar conferences and compares costs, and finally, c) have we done SoCal and World Conference together before? It was offered that we had in 2010.

Fati asked that all the Group Representatives put the word out to their groups that she would be needing volunteers for the conference.

**Scott, Super Seminar Saturday Ad Hoc Committee-** Scott started by saying he still needed a Keynote speaker. Travis will be at the event with literature for sale. GSR's will need to pick up their literature at SSS.

Scott said he is concerned about the message, flyers and info, getting out to the community and would like the GSR's to inform their groups about the event and what it is offering on Nov. 18, 2017.

The SDCCoDA Business Meeting will be held during lunch, 12:15 – 1:30, at SSS.

Bryna offered that a sign could be put on the door of the church informing any GSR that didn't get the message about picking up literature orders at SSS with the location of the event. Since she has a meeting at the church the night before, it would be simple for her to put the sign up for the next day. She was asked to follow through with her idea by the community.

**Travis, Literature-** (Travis' report was actually given at the beginning of the business meeting but placed here for convience.) Travis stated that he was sorry for not being present at the last meeting and that he

had done his best to be available to GSR's to deliver literature that they would have picked up at that meeting. His report:

Petty Cash- \$137.00  
Value of Inventory- \$2048.15  
Deposited- \$545.00  
Ordered Lit.- \$730.99  
Donation to H&I- \$250.00

**Omar, Newsletter-** absent

**Workshops, Panels, and Seminars- OPEN**

**Public Information, Phones- OPEN**

**Public Information, Mail- OPEN** Laurine said that she continues to pick up the mail from the P.O. Box. Two 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition letters were all that she had receive recently which she forwarded off to Gary.

**Outreach- OPEN**

**Activities- OPEN** Cheri is planning on organizing the Holiday Party and will be requesting funds to rent the Church Hall and purchase food for the event. Scott stated that she would be attending the next business meeting to do so and to be recognized by the business community as the Ad Hoc person-in-charge of the event.

**Break for 10 minutes and then the start of the business part of the meeting.**

**7<sup>th</sup> Tradition**

**Quorum count-** There were 13 voting members present to do business

**Old Business-**

1) Scott, discussion item- new email system that he would like the business meeting to consider but still gathering information. Tabled until next year.

**New Business-**

2) Bryna, discussion/motion item- Bryna suggested putting a sign on the door of the Church directing GSR's who came to pick up literature at the regular meeting place, to go to St. Dunstan's Church, the location of SSS. Bryna was asked to go for it.

3) Scott, Motion item- Scott asked to receive the "codes" for the website so he could update the website with the flyer for the seminar and information about the seminar itself. He was hoping to get help from the past webmaster. After discussion, the vote was: yes-12, no-0, abstentions-1. The motion passed.

4) Gary, discussion item- Gary asked what the agenda for the business meeting would be since it is normally a two hour meeting and the proposed time for the meeting at the seminar is one hour and fifteen minutes – What will be leaving out and what will we be including?

Discussion followed- Send out reports early, send to members of the business committee for them to look at and if wanted, include on the agenda.

Reports go to Csilla to be distributed

Fran would like the business items, discussions or motions, in to her by Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, which she shall send out to the business community

Read the short form of the Traditions.

Will we have time to eat?

Email motions and discussion items to the members of the business community so they are prepared to vote on them.

Caution- Discussion of business meetings can get involved with more of the CoDA community attending and participating.

! Want people to see what we do and see the importance of the Business Meeting to the CoDA community in San Diego. Get Involved!

Prioritize items to be discussed.

No break in-between parts of the meeting

Priority for food line so members can get to the business meeting.

5) France, discussion/motion item- Newsletter position and lack of a newsletter, meetings list, and participation by the current newsletter chair.

France brought up the problems with Omar and the output of the chair in the position of Newsletter Chair. Omar is also responsible for the meetings list and for getting a current list to the webmaster to be posted on the website. Omar did not show up for the meeting. Discussion followed:

Omar did put out one newsletter in September.

Should we have some communication with Omar to discuss the situation?

Been here before- Omar committed to the community to put out a newsletter.

Has he communicated to anyone why he wasn't going to be here?

We have so many open positions- Can we afford to let him go? Can we fill the position?

Perhaps announce at Super Seminar Saturday.

More harm to have someone who doesn't fulfill the needs of the community than have an open position.

Is there a deadline for the Newsletter and Meetings List?

Yes, the business meeting. Updates ongoing for the website.

Omar did say he would step down if he couldn't fulfill the commitment.

Conditions were laid out for him to continue.

Help him by letting him out of the commitment.

How will he be informed of the community's decision?

Comm. Rep or Alt. Comm. Rep will be responsible. France will do it if Fran doesn't want to. Fran will let France contact Omar who will choose to email him.

Need a motion for action- motion presented and seconded to let Omar go from the position of Newsletter Chair. Vote- Yes-10, No-0, Abstain-2. France will inform him after working with Fran to compose an appropriate letter.

Motion to end the meeting, and seconded. The meeting was ended with the Serenity Prayer