

# Minutes of the San Diego County CoDA Business Meeting

January, 2018

Present: Fran, France, Gary, Csilla, Laurine, Bryna, Nancy, Frank, Marcy, Diane P., Addie, Dave, Peggy, Leanne, Victoria, Nota, Diane, Susie, Mary, Pat, Robin, Barbara, Donna, Travis, Lorna

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 by Fran, the Community Representative.

The CoDA Opening Prayer was recited. Members introduced themselves and told which position or group they represented. Fran read the service concept of the month and the 12 Traditions were read by meeting participants.

## **Officer/Chair Reports:**

**Fran, Community Rep:** Fran reported that elections would be held today. France, the alternate community rep, will facilitate the election process in the second half of the meeting. There are several positions that are currently vacant which we hope to fill. These include Regional Rep; Public Info Mail; Public Info Phone; Outreach; Workshops, Panels, and Seminars; and Activities chair. Since it is an even year, Community Rep, Treasurer, Hospitals and Institutions, and Literature Chair would also be voted upon today. If you wish to run for an office, please fill out a goldenrod form and submit it to France.

**France, Alt. Community Rep:** No Report

**Csilla, Recording Secretary:** Csilla hoped that everyone received the December minutes, had a chance to read them, and would vote on whether to approve them during the Old Business portion of the meeting. She passed around the phone list, asking for everyone to make corrections and check off their name.

**Laurine, Parliamentarian:** Laurine read the guidelines for how the meeting would flow. The pink form is to be submitted for a discussion item and the goldenrod form is used to make a motion.

**Gary, Treasurer:** Gary gave the following report for Jan.1- December 29, 2017:

Total Income	\$4,270.85
Total Expenses	11,916.62
Total Other Income	9,029.55
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Net Operating Income	-7,645.77
Union Bank Savings	14,597.39
Petty Cash – Literature	3,997.59
Total Assets	18,594.98

NET INCOME

\$1,162.82

**Regional Rep:** Open

**Bryna, Alt. Regional Rep:** Bryna reported that the next quarterly SoCAL meeting will be held in March. She will report on that meeting at our March Community meeting.

**Dave, Newsletter.** Dave asked if anyone knew about the email subscription policy and no one at the meeting knew about it. He said he would look deeper into this. He would like participation from the CoDA membership and welcomes them to submit articles, poems, etc.

**Workshop, Panels, and Seminars:** Open Nancy gave Sherri's report on the Holiday Party:

One turkey, one ham, and three door prizes	\$139.43
Use of the main hall and kitchen at Kensington Comm. Church	125.00
CoDA checks for expenses	375.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Tradition donations	46.02
Total cost of the holiday party	218.41
Reimbursement to CoDA	156.59

**Publ. Info Mail:** Open Laurine has been picking up the mail and delivering it to the appropriate person.

**Public Info Phones:** Open Lesa has been taking the calls until someone steps forward for this job.

**Frank, Hospitals and Institutions:** Frank reported that he has been in this position for 2 years and his term of office is up. He has coordinated Las Colinas while Linda has coordinated the Vista jail. Frank will continue coordinating and going to Las Colinas, but will no longer chair this committee.

**Travis, Literature:** Travis reported the following:

Deposit	\$756.20
Orders	726.00
H&I Donation	80.00
CORE Order	448.62
Money in Cash Box	92.90
Kirkland Order Forms	74.35
Inventory Value	3,307.15

Travis also reported that he is working out with CORE the problem of receiving 20 wrong booklets.

**Rob, Webmaster:** Absent

**Outreach:** Open

**Activities:** Open

**Fati, World Conference Liason:** Absent There was discussion about the upcoming world conference to be held October 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Mission Valley. Fran said that Fati will need lots of committee chairs and that GSRs should take back this info to their group. Bryna said that it was important to get hotel reservations made ASAP since room rates will be going up. She also said that we need to get the World Conference info in our newsletter.

**Announcement:** There was an announcement made regarding the March 10<sup>th</sup> event, Sisters Day of Recovery. There are flyers on the table and there will be information in the newsletter.

**Break** was called at 10:47. The basket was passed and 7<sup>th</sup> tradition was collected beforehand.

The meeting resumed at 11:00. Laurine said that according to the meeting list, we have 28 meetings, so a quorum would be 8. Roll call was taken and the quorum was met by 21 voting members.

Laurine then reiterated the procedure for submitting motions and discussion items. Anyone wishing to hold a board position needs to fill out a goldenrod form. The applicants will have 2 minutes to briefly give their qualifications, then they will be open to questions.

### **Old Business:**

The December minutes were approved as written.

France facilitated the election of officers and chair positions as follows:

**Community Rep.** Fran gave her background in CoDA saying that she has held several positions in her home group. She assumed the job of Community Rep last year when Lesa needed to vacate this position early. There were no questions for Fran. France then moved that we elect Fran as Community Rep. Diane seconded it. There were **21 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions.** **Fran** is the Community Rep.

**Treasurer:** Gary said that he has enjoyed getting more familiar with the accounting package and he is feeling good about how his numbers end up balancing. He would like to continue in this position since he has not served a full 2 year term. France moved that we elect Gary as treasurer, Peggy seconded the motion. There were **20 yes; 0 no; 0 abstention.** **Gary** is the Treasurer.

**Literature:** Travis has been doing literature for the last 1-1/2 years. He would like to be elected to serve a complete 2 year term. Someone asked about the time early in his term that he had wanted to leave the position. Travis said that yes at that time he did want to leave, but now he has made the job easier and wants to stay and finish out a full 2 year term. France made the motion and Gary seconded it to have Travis as literature rep. **20-yes; 0-no; 0-abstention** **Travis** is the Literature chairperson.

**Activities:** We had two candidates for this position – Nancy and Victoria. Nancy chose to withdraw from activities and run for something else. France nominated Victoria and Bryna seconded it. Victoria gave her qualifications and has been in the program for 3-4 years. She has organized activities for another group, getting flyers out in a timely manner. She is confident that she can do the same for CoDA. The voting went: **20-yes; 0-no; 0-abstentions.** **Victoria** is the new Activities chairperson.

**Workshops, Panels, and Seminars:** **Nancy** chose to run for this position. She gave her qualifications and although, she has never held this position, she will gladly do it with the help of other CoDA

members. France moved that we consider Nancy for the position and Addie seconded it. The voting went: **21- yes; 0 – no; 0 abstentions** **Nancy** is the new Workshops, Panels, and Seminars chairperson.

**Regional Rep:** France asked if anyone was interested in this position. SoCAL meets 4 times per year and usually there are a few people who go up for the meetings so you don't need to go alone. Bryna has been acting as de facto rep and gave some info about the SoCAL meetings. **No one** stepped forward to take this position.

**Public info phones** – This position is still open. Diane P. did it in the past and said that the job consisted of checking the phone lines to see if anyone was looking for information about CoDA. Usually, the amount of phone inquiries was only 6-8 per month. **No one** stepped forward to take the position.

**Hospitals and Institutions** Frank gave us some background on what he has done as H&I chair. Linda and Dolores coordinate 6 meetings in Vista which serve veterans. Frank coordinates the meetings at Las Colinas. There was discussion about whether as H&I chair you need to attend CoDA meetings at the jail. It was pointed out that if you are attending meetings at the jail, you need to be cleared by the jail and take their class. There was a motion to extend for 2 minutes, Travis seconded it so that we could continue the discussion about whether there could be a chairperson who didn't go to CoDA meetings at the jail, but would keep in touch with Frank who serves as coordinator. This chairperson would come to the monthly community meeting to report on H & I activities. There was also discussion about the position being expanded to include CoDA meetings at Veteran's Village and Solutions for Change, two more places that some members would like to add to H&I. Addie decided that she would like to be H&I chair. France moved that Addie be H&I chairperson, Nancy seconded it. Addie gave her qualifications, which include chairing H&I for CoDA World. The voting went: **21-yes, 0-no; 0 abstentions**. **Addie** is the new Hospitals and Institutions chairperson.

**Public Info mail:** Laurine gave a description about how she picks up the CoDA mail and distributes it to the appropriate place. **Peggy** volunteered to take this position. France moved that Peggy be elected to Public Info Mail. Gary seconded this motion. The voting went **19-yes; 0-no; 0-abstentions**. **Peggy** is the new Public Info Mail chairperson.

**Outreach Chair:** Nancy talked about how this position is important since our primary spiritual purpose is to carry the message. In the past we have set up information tables at the Women's Resource Center as well as the Del Mar Fair. She pointed out that CoDA World offers support for doing outreach work, even including how make effective flyers. **No one** stepped forward to take this position.

France pointed out that in order to hold an office or be a chairperson, you could no longer be a GSR. And, the bylaws state that you must attend 4 out of the last 6 meetings. If you have not attended 4 meetings, you become an acting officer or chairperson until you have attended the required number.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 followed by the Serenity Prayer.