

**THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
OF CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Date: May 19, 2012

Call To Order. The regular monthly meeting of the San Diego County Community Committee of Co-Dependents Anonymous (the "Committee") was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by the Community Representative Karen.

- **Community Representative – Karen** – The meeting was opened with Serenity Prayer and introductions. The 12 traditions and the intentions statement were read. The fifth Concept of Service was read by Karen (Community Rep).
- **Alternative Community Representative – Jon – No report.**
- **Secretary – Nancy** – Asked for people to update the phone list as appropriate. Offered gratitude to Susie for her willingness cover for her at the June community meeting.
- **Parliamentarian Steve** – Steve reported on the parliamentary procedures used in the meeting for reports, discussions and motions and outlined the layout of the meeting format. Each officer has 5 minutes to give their report but may ask for a 2 minute extension.
- **Treasurer – Margaret** – She read amounts in savings (about \$2200K) and checking (about \$5500K) for the current month. A copy of her written report, with all the amounts, was turned into the Secretary.
- **Regional Representative – Darcie** – No report but will be attending the June meeting at the conference.
- **Alternate Regional Representative – Vacant**
- **Workshops, Seminars and Panels – Fati** – Discussed the up-coming Super Saturday, June 1st. Would welcome any help. So, please speak to her after the meeting.
- **Public Information/Mail – Craig – Absent**
- **Public Information/Telephone- Robin – Absent**
- **Website Master—Tim – Absent.** Karen reported in his absence. Spoke to Tim, our web master, regarding needed changes to the website and, as far as she

knows, all the changes have been completed that were specified at the last meeting.

- **Hospitals & Institutions-Lynn- Absent.** Frank reported in her absence. The men's jail evening meeting has dissolved but there is a plan to create a daytime meeting offered on the same day. This is yet to be implemented.
- **Literature-Chuck** – No report at this time because he hasn't done inventory this month. However, he did deposit \$1000 this morning.
- **Outreach- Vacant**
- **Newsletter – Yvette** – Shared that Nancy M. asked for an announcement in the Newsletter for the Del Mar Fair outreach. Unfortunately, she was not able to do this because she didn't receive it in time. Yvette asked that all announcements be sent to her by the 10th of the month previous to newsletter publication (i.e. May 10th for the June newsletter). Yvette also mentioned that she had some disagreement with her literature segment in the newsletter but did it anyway because it was CODA approved. Nancy M. said that if we have concerns about words in CODA approved literature then we can submit a motion to CODA SoCal which, if approved, could go to CODA world for changes.
- **Refreshments – Vacant.**
- **Activities-- Vacant**

Break

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Frank shared an experience at a meeting in Las Colinas and the theme of the meeting was "spiritual awakening". He shared that a woman once miserable found hope and peace within the jail due to her connection to the animals there (wild animals that are very tame).

1. Quorum

The group representatives and officers of the meetings introduced themselves. The Parliamentarian confirmed that a quorum was present (**17 voting members**). ($32 \times .3 = 10$ voting members needed).

2. Old Business

- A. Minutes of the April meeting were approved by a majority.

- B. 7th Tradition was performed.
- C. Karen described the community level open positions (3) and asked for nominations. None were taken.

Open Positions:

- Outreach Chair
- Alternate Regional Rep.
- Activities

- D. Parliamentary Procedure. Steve refreshed us on procedures used for discussions and motions; 2 minutes to talk about each new business item. Then each person has 1 minute to respond and may ask for a 2 minute extension. The various forms were described: pink forms are used for new business, the gold forms are for motions brought before the group.

3. New Business

- A. How long should old meetings be posted on-line? Submitted by Karen for our web master, Tim. Discussion ensued regarding keeping 6 months to 3 years of minutes on-line. Yvette suggested 3 years so each community person would have access in order to address issues that require researching past minutes. Steve agreed with Yvette regarding the 3 years because we need a place to archive the minutes. The general consensus was a year minimum and more than that may cause a formatting problem for the web-master. One additional question is regarding cost to maintain the additional documents. Nancy Y. will review past minutes to see when posting the minutes on the web-site was approved/discussed.
- B. Should meeting minutes be posted on-line prior to approval? Submitted by Karen. The general consensus was that no pending documents should be posted.
- C. Mike requested a discussion about trusted servants. Asked that people that have served in the currently vacant positions at the community level to share at community meetings (i.e. Super Saturday) to encourage other CODA members to participate. Specifically, share how valuable each position is to the individual and the organization as a whole. Karen also suggested articles could be submitted for the newsletter. Karen asked Mike to chair the Ad Hoc committee to spearhead this project. Mike agreed. Nancy M. volunteered to speak on behalf of "Outreach". Fati shared that this strategy made a great difference at her home group.
- D. Omar wants some advice regarding literature. He shared that his meeting is struggling and the attendance fluctuates. The recent literature person has stopped and still has the literature. They have no literature and he feels that they might close. Frank wants to support this meeting and provide additional

literature. Omar tried to locate her but she had not put her number on the phone list. Nancy Y. shared that literature doesn't make or break a meeting and to bring back a list of desired literature to the next meeting.

4. Discussions:

None at this time.

5. Motions:

- A. Cheri – made a motion to request \$50 for a beach activity for CODA fellowship this summer. Fati seconded the motion. The money would be used for hot dogs, hamburgers, etc. additional food would be pot-lucked. The date and location will be determined by the next community meeting. Nancy M. made a friendly amendment to raise it to \$75 which was accepted. Should there be extra money it will be returned to the community. The motion passed. (17 yes – 0 no – 0 abstain).
- B. Cheri – made a motion for having a booth at the San Diego County Fair for each weekend the fair is open and designating \$100 toward this event. This will pay for the application fee and the literature copying fees. Nancy M. will co-chair this event with Cheri. Tim seconded the motion to open it for discussion. Volunteers get a free pass to get into the fair and each volunteer commitment would be 3 hours long. Darcie said her group has at least 4 people that want to volunteer. (16 yes – 0 no – 1 abstain).
- C. Frank – made a motion to archive 3 years of community meeting minutes to the web-site. Yvette seconded the motion to open it for discussion. (16 yes – 0 no – 1 abstain).
- D. Frank – provide to Omar's group (Ash Street) the \$75 literature given to new meetings due to the "lost" literature. Tim seconded the motion to open it for discussion. Frank said that this meeting is in an area that is in dire need of meetings and he wants to support it so it remains open. (17 yes – 0 no – 0 abstain).

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn from Darcie and seconded from Nicole. The motion passed and with no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:40am.

Next Meeting: June 16, 2012