

**Minutes of the San Diego County CoDA Business Meeting
August 21, 2021**

Present: Diane, Gary, Sonya, Marlene, Sharleene, Csilla, Laurine, Isis, Aaron, Nancy, Tina, David, Elisa, Joe

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Diane, Community Rep. The CoDA Opening prayer was recited. Diane asked if there was anyone new to the meeting and explained that the meeting has two parts consisting of officer/chair reports, and new business where motions and discussion items are addressed. She also said that any questions can be put in the Zoom chat portion. Introductions were made. Diane read the Intention Statement. She read the Eighth Service Concept. Sharleene read the Eighth Tradition.

Officer/Chair Reports:

Diane, Community Rep: No report

Alternate Community Rep: Open

Laurine, Stand-In Parliamentarian: Laurine explained that the Community Meeting is conducted in accordance with the 12 Traditions, group conscience, and Roberts Rules of Order. Any member in CoDA is welcome to attend this meeting and has a voice. However, only Group Service Reps (GSRs) and most officers and chairpersons can vote. A quorum is reached when 30% of the total number of meetings has a representative at the meeting. Laurine also said that anyone having a motion or discussion item is encouraged to write it in the Zoom chat box.

Erin, Treasurer: Not present

Marlene, Regional Representative: Marlene reminded the group that there is no meeting at the SoCal level until September 11 at 10am. Everyone is encouraged to participate virtually. It is a business meeting format much our San Diego meeting is. The delegates to the Service Conference will be wrapping up the survey results and discussing what will move forward for presentation at the conference. Survey results should be available after that meeting. There were between 22 - 41 responses from the So Cal Region, down from 71 responses last year.

Laurene, Alt. Reg. Rep: No report

Secretary: Open

Csilla & Isis, Newsletter & Meeting List: Csilla informed the group the August newsletter is up on the web. Csilla thanked Joe for getting it posted quickly. She will work on getting it out earlier and is, as always, looking for feedback from this group on how to improve the newsletter going forward.

Isis was looking for updates for the August meeting list before releasing it. She polled the group for any changes to the individual meeting the group members attend on a regular basis.

David requested that the format of the meeting list be returned to 1 page (front and back) if possible. Isis explained that the current amount of information, including online, in-person, & hybrid meetings doesn't allow for that at the moment but is striving to get it back to one page as soon as possible.

Workshops, Panels, and Seminars: Open

Sonya, Public Information Mail: Sonya reported that all mail has been collected weekly and that the most recent statements and 7th Tradition offerings were mailed to Erin.

Gary, Public Information Phones: Gary reported that there were 15 calls this month to the info line asking for meeting information, meeting descriptions (what is a meeting like), This month there was one call asking for a meeting in Spanish and one asking for a signer for a court-ordered meeting.

Mika, Hospitals and Institutions: Not present

Sharleene, Literature: Sharleene reported: \$210.00 in sales, \$110.00 in petty cash, \$2044.10 in inventory after an order of 20 books. She has given Erin all financial data back to April for Erin's records. Sharleene also reminded the group that she is still doing individual sales and that folks are welcome to place orders directly at www.corepublications.com

Outreach: Open

Tina, Activities: Tina reported that the Crown Point beach party was successful with 10 people attending. There is an activity on September 11 that Tina is planning with the assistance of Aaron. It will be a hike at the Batiqitos Lagoon.

Joe, Webmaster: Joe reported that updates to the website are being made as they are received via email. He sent Isis information on how to preserve links in the meeting list PDF for ease of upload on this end. He announced that it is time to send an email blast around the first or second of September and queried what October activities are currently planned. If anyone else has anything else to be included in the blast, please email to Joe.

David asked who receives the blast and how to sign up, Joe gave instructions on how to sign up through the website.

Laurine, ad hoc committee: Laurine reminded the group that the insurance needs to be paid by December to avoid additional fees. The most recent bylaw changes have been passed and need to be added to the website.

Michelle, Email ad hoc: Not present.

GSR Reports:

Aaron reported that SD CoDA Warriors meeting regularly has 20-30 attendees and they receive a lot of positive feedback. They are staying virtual for now. His Sunday meeting is looking for a hybrid space but is doing well.

Sharleene mentioned that Paypal Moneypool is being discontinued if anyone is using that method of collecting 7th tradition. The Loving Support meeting on Tuesdays has tried a variety of hybrid methods and still trying to find the best way. It continues to be challenging.

Nancy reported that the Not Just Beginners meeting has a person wanting to be of service, but that person is unable to attend our monthly meeting. She suggested that we might look for other volunteer opportunities for those willing to serve in other ways that attending our monthly meeting.

Break was called at 10:55 am

The meeting resumed at 11:05am. It was determined that we have 27 meetings. Roll call was taken and quorum was met by 8 voting members.

The parliamentarian reiterated the procedure for submitting motions and discussion items.

Approval of the minutes:

June minutes: Gary made a motion to approve the June minutes and Elisa seconded the motion. Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 5 abstain. The motion passed.

July minutes: Gary made a motion to approve the July minutes and Csilla seconded the motion. Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 5 abstain. The motion passed.

Old Business:

1. Discussion of electronic 7th Tradition tabled until next meeting
2. Discussion of signatures needed to update banking tabled until next meeting

3. Discussion: Do we want to continue on Zoom, move to hybrid, or in-person meetings and will we continue to pay rent to Mira Mesa Presbyterian Church if we remain on Zoom. Aaron expressed preference to remain on Zoom. Isis agreed. Sharleene contributed that paying \$115.00 is very inexpensive to pay to hold the church space. Elisa is an out of state meeting rep for a meeting in SD County and would, because of that prefer Zoom or hybrid. Tina reminded the group that having available literature at the monthly meeting was very handy. Nancy suggested that due to the current situation, that we revisit this topic in 6 months.
Isis moved to continue as we are on Zoom and continue to pay rent to Mira Mesa Presbyterian Church and revisit the issue in 3-6 months. Gary seconded the motion.
Vote: 11 yes. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. Discussion: The 2021 budget was never approved. Should we enact a 2021 budget at this time?
Isis responded that at this point in the year, it would make more sense to plan and implement a 2022 budget and forego the 2021 budget. Nancy reminded the group that the budget is presented at the October meeting. Gary will pass along this information to Erin.
Laurine moved to forego the 2021 budget and begin work on the 2022 budget. Nancy seconded the motion.
Vote: 9 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain. The motion passed.
2. Sonya reminded the group that a Google Drive has now been set up for this meeting and group. Those that were able to access, and review liked it. Many were not able to access. Sonya asked any that did not receive information on how to access to send her their information. She will add them all to the updated contact list as well as to the drive itself. Joe suggested that the working docs could possibly be added to the website with password protection.
3. Discussion: Can someone hold a chair position and an officer position simultaneously.
Gary indicated that the bylaws are not clear on this issue. Diane reminded the group that if a person could hold both positions, they would only be able to cast one vote. Nancy suggested using the title "acting" for one of the two positions rather than the full title. Isis felt that if the group were ok with a person holding both positions, using the title "acting" would minimize the position and the service being given.
Isis moved to allow Sonya to take on both the Alternative Community Representative position along with her current Public Info Mail Chairpersonship. Elisa seconded the motion.
Vote: 7 yes, 0 no, 3 abstain. The motion passed.

Laurine moved to adjourn the meeting. Isis seconded the motion.

Vote: 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03pm, followed by the Serenity Prayer.