### Motions 2000

# **January 9, 2000**

Approval of December ASC Minutes

The December minutes were accepted as published

#### Old Business

Proposal: To approve that MSCA have an Area WebPages and approve the guidelines that have been developed. The WebPages will be administered by a sub-committee of the Area Newsletter Standing Committee (George A.). The proposal was passed by a substantial unanimity.

#### New Business:

Proposal: to approve the Y2K MSCA budget (finance Committee). The proposal was passed by a substantial unanimity.

Proposal: To provide to the LACYPAA Bid Committee a letter of support for ICYPAA 2001 (LACYPAA Bid Committee). The proposal was passed by a substantial unanimity.

### New Proposal

That we disabled the Web Page Ad Hoc Committee. It was motioned and second and approved.

### **February 13, 2000**

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### March 12, 2000

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### **April 9, 2000**

Pre-Conference Workshop – no motions

#### May 21, 2000

**New Business** 

Proposal: That MSCA provide a letter of support for IRYPAA to host the 2002 ACYPAA Roundup. Tabled.

CPC Standing Committee Chair Election: Bruce H. was elected unanimously as new CPC Standing Committee Chair.

#### **June 11, 2000**

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### July 9, 2000

FORO – no motions

# August 13, 2000

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### **September 10, 2000**

#### Old Business

Proposal: That MSCA 09 provide a letter of support for IR.YPAA to host the 200:' ACYPAA Carried unanimously

#### New Business

Proposal: To approve the nomination of a candidate for US Trustee-at-Large. Nick Murray, Past Delegate Panel 48, volunteered and was nominated unanimously to be the MSCA candidate for US Trustee at Large.

Proposal: To approve the MSCA proposed 2001 Meeting Schedule. Carried unanimously.

Proposal: To change the Area Guidelines to include the DCM School as an Area Standing Committee (Add DCM School to Article IB1e, Article Ie1, and Article IIC2b (3) (Greg J.). Carried by substantial unanimity

Proposal: To approve that MSCA 09 create a table sign to be displayed at all convention events (Joe & Nancy B.) The proposal was withdrawn

Proposal: To approve District 4's request that MSCA 09 Delegate submit an agenda item at Panel SI General Service Conference to create a committee and chair concerning Special Needs and Accessibility at the General Service Board (Dave H) Carried unanimously.

Proposal: To have MSCA 09 Assembly confirm the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to investigate and, if feasible submit a preliminary bid to host the 2010 International Convention (Al P.) Curled by substantial unanimously.

Proposal: To approve the contents, production and distribution of the DCM pamphlet (Greg J.) Carried unanimously

Proposal: To have MSCA 09 obtain the services of a professional ASL translator for the October and December 2000 Area meetings. Requestor will need to notify Special Needs Chair at least 2 weeks prior to meeting (Robyn C.) Carried by substantial unanimity

Proposal: To have MSCA 09 confirm the Spanish Co-Chair Newsletter. Carried unanimously.

# October 8, 2000

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# **November 11, 2000**

Servathon – no motions

# **December 10, 2000**

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# **January 14, 2001**

**Old Business** 

None

**New Business** 

Motion: To have MSCA approved the 2001 Proposed Budget (John G.) Carried

unanimously.

Motion: To have the flyer "The GSR Report" adopted by MSCA for use at the Area GSR

School (Jim B). After much loving discussion the motion failed.

Motion: To have MSCA provide a letter of support for HACYPAA to host the 30111

Annual State Round-Up on February 2002 (David R.) Carried unanimously.

Motion: To confirm Pat S. as DCMC Standing Committee Chair. Carried unanimously

# **February 11, 2001**

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# March 11, 2001

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# **April 8, 2001**

Pre-Conference – no motions

### May 20, 2001

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# June 10, 2001

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### July 8, 2001

FORO – no motions

### **August 12, 2001**

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### September 9, 2001

Old Business

None

**New Business** 

Nick M., Panel 48, stood as MSCA's nominee for Pacific Regional Trustee. Nick was elected unanimously.

Proposal: Amount up to \$500.00 to be allocated to allow our Delegate to attend the Special Forum in Texas (Nick M). Motion was carried with substantial unanimity.

Proposal: To fund Area Archivist to attend & represent Area 09 at the National Archivist Convention (Mike N.) Motion was carried with substantial unanimity.

Proposal: 2002 MSCA 09 Meeting Schedule. Motion 1t as carried unanimously

Proposal: Change MSCA Guidelines Article IV B I (c) to read GSR's are not voting members of the Area Service Committee (Raul CH.) Motion was carried with substantial unanimity.

Confirmation of Special Needs & Accessibility Co-Chair. Kevin D. stood for the position and was elected by Motion was carried with substantial unanimity.

Confirmation of Ad Hoc Committee to look into Area procedures. Motion was carried unanimously.

#### October 14, 2001

Third Legacy Procedure was used to elect the Panel 52 Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Registrar. The results are as follows:

Delegate: Pete B. was elected on the 3rd ballot.

Alternate Delegate: Nancy J. was elected on the 4th ballot.

Chair: Carlos M. was elected on the 3<sup>rd</sup> ballot. Treasurer: Bruce H. was elected on the 3rd ballot. Secretary: Donna E. was elected out of the hat. Registrar: Darryl K. was elected on the 2nd ballot.

Congratulations to the new Panel 52 Executive Committee.

### **November 11, 2001**

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# **November 17, 2001**

Servathon – no motions

# **December 9, 2001**

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### **January 13, 2002**

Old Business, none

**New Business** 

Proposal To approve the 2002 MSCA Budget. John G. Questions taken and answered by John. After Opinions & Discussion proposal unanimously approved.

Proposal PO Box for H&I Standing Committee. Ward. Questions taken and answered by Bob. After Opinions & Discussion proposal approved.

Proposal To amend the 2002 Meeting Schedule to reflect the change of the Foro from July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 7<sup>th</sup> · Pete B. No questions, proposal approved.

Ad Hoc Committee Area Inventory Report

Melissa requests committee assignment extension until May 2002 in order to continue the Area Inventory. Motion made, seconded, passed.

### February 10, 2002

New Business

Proposal: Pete B. District 07

Modify the "MSCA 09 "Guidelines for Hosting an Area Meeting" by adding:

A 1. Use a Planning checklist similar to attached (example: Servathon checklist).

B. 15. Ask for a notation on the rental agreement for a refund if the facility is not open on time.

No questions

Proposal: David S., Archives Chair

The archive Committee is asking to increase the monthly rent from \$300.00 to a maximum of \$600.00 per month to find a new location for the Area Archives Repository. The current landlord has terminated our lease in Colton, which allows us to find a larger, better-maintailled facility to preserve and display AA historical material. The rent increase provides flexibility to search throughout the Area for a desirable location. The committee has created a search sub-committee to find a new location and will use the following criteria to guide its decision. Access, safety, size, and proximity to archivist & price. All suggestions are welcome. Questions and answer session followed.

Proposal: Joe B. for District 10

A 7 Tradition collection will be made at each Area Service Committee meeting and at each Area Assembly meeting. Collection will be taken with traditional "Basket-Passing". All funds collected will go into the Area's general Fund. Questions and answers session followed.

Proposal: Colby C., AOCYP AA Liaison

AOCYP AA request a letter of support needed by April 5th & 6<sup>th</sup>. This can be approved

at the next ASC if passed.

Questions and answers session followed.

# March 10, 2002

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### **April 7, 2002**

Pre-conference – not motions

### May 19, 2002

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### June 9, 2002

**New Business** 

2003 General Service Meeting Schedule

Returned to Executive Committee for calendar corrections.

Presentation on Correctional Correspondence

Linda H. wants H&I to have their guidelines done and approved before going forward with the P.O. Box for Correctional Correspondences. Alan V., H&I Chair said he has been in touch with N. Y. about this and there is no conflict. Jim C. gave an explanation about the opportunity for participants to use a local PO box without having to rent one personally. Use of a local P.O. Box in no way interferes with the Correctional Correspondences in New York.

#### July 14, 2002

FORO – no motions

#### **August 11, 2002**

**Proposal:** 2003 general Service Meeting Schedule Changes noted; motion approved unanimously.

**Proposal:** A motion by Linda H., CPC Chair, that the Hospitals Institutions Standing Committee incorporate the Corrections Correspondence Service and mailing forms into their guidelines, subject to review by the Literature Committee was defeated.

**Proposal:** A motion to modify the Preface to the MSCA Guidelines to include: MSCA wasn't to conform to "Conference Approve(d) Literature" and the General Service guidelines, made by Pete B., District 7, was defeated.

**Proposal:** A motion by Pete B., delegate, to table the Finance Committee Guidelines presented with deletions shown with underlines and the changes/additions shown with bold italics until the October 2001 Area Service Committee meeting to allow time for the Literature Committee to review, was passed.

Motion from the floor by Nancy J., to destroy he above document was defeated.

#### September 8, 2002

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Proposal: To have the Spanish Speaking Intradistrict Meeting as a Coordinate Committee (Jesus L.). Motion and second to table until January 2004 approved.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# **Proposal: 2003 Meeting Schedule**

Jason spoke to the meeting schedule pointing out that there is not a lot of business today and suggests a change in the Area procedures. Another point made was why is the January 2003 Assembly meeting on the first Sunday rather that the second. This is to avoid conflict between the Special Hispanic Forum being held in Bakersfield January 12-14, 2003. Motion seconded and passed.

Proposal: Support for Area 05 to host the 2015 International Convention (Pete B.) Motion seconded and approved.

### October 13, 2002

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#### **November 9, 2002**

Servathon – no motions

#### **December 8, 2002**

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### **January 5, 2003**

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### **February 9, 2003**

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#### March 11, 2003

Old Business

Proposal: To have Assemblies approve Assembly Minutes and ASCs approve ASC Minutes (Jason S.) Passed with substantial unanimity.

Proposal: Finance Committee Guidelines (Finance Committee) withdrawn.

New Business

Proposal: CPC Standing Committee Guidelines (Linda H.) Passed with substantial unanimity.

Proposal: Form a Remote Communities Standing Committee as part of the MSCA (Nancy J.) Not passed, vote to reconsider passed. Proposal passed.

Proposal: To change Area Meetings from Sunday to Saturday (Donna E.) Not passed. Vote to reconsider passed. Proposal defeated.

Proposal: Fund only committees that have submitted guidelines. (Pete B, District 7) suspended Pete absent.

Proposal: Support the coffee person to attend PRAASA (Joe B.) withdrawn.

Proposal: To establish a Quorum before each Assembly (Jason S.) Not passed, vote to reconsider passed. Proposal passed.

# **April 6, 2003**

Pre-Conference – no motions

#### May 18, 2003

**OLD BUSINESS** 

Proposal: To have Assemblies approve Assembly Minutes and ASC approved ASC Minutes. (Jason S.) No questions, no discussion, motion passed with substantial unanimity.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Proposal: CPC Standing Committee Guidelines (Linda H.) No questions or discussion; motion passed unanimously.

Proposal: Remote Communities Standing Committee as part of the MSCA (Nancy J.) Questions, discussion; Minority opinion (those voting for) heard; motion to reconsider the vote passed. Discussion. Motion did not pass.

Proposal: To establish a Pum before each Assembly (Jason S.) Tabled to September Assembly for lack of background information.

#### June 8, 2003

OLD BUSINESS - None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Presentation: 2004 Meeting Schedule Carlos M. Questions.

Presentation: To remove the current H&I (Hospital & Institutions) Standing Committee, and replace it with two individual, completely autonomous Standing Committees as follows: an Area Standing "CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE" and an Area Standing "TREATMENT FACILITIES COMMITTEE" Alan V. Questions. In abeyance to the next ASC.

Presentation: That Voting Eligibility at Area Assemblies be changed so that Standing and Coordinate Committee Chairs and Co-chairs NOT be voting members of the Assembly. The election assembly is not to be changed by this proposal. The chairs and co-chairs will retain full voting membership at the ASCs. Jim B. District 6

Presentation: ASC Agenda Change: Since GSRs are not voting members of the ASC, The GSR Preamble should be removed from the opening readings of the ASC Agenda. Jason S.

#### **July 13, 2003**

FORO – no motions

### August 10, 2003

OLD BUSINESS - None

**NEW BUSINESS** 

Presentation: 2004 Meeting Schedule Carlos M., Questions from the floor. Motion seconded to table until next Assembly in order to review the Ad Hoc Committee report on procedure and structure, motion did not pass.

Presentation: To remove the current Hospital & Institutions (H&I) Standing Committee, and replace it with two individual, completely autonomous Standing Committees as follows. An Area Standing "Correctional Facilities Committee" and an Area Standing "Treatment Facilities Committee" Alan V.

Presentation: That Voting Eligibility at Area Assemblies be changed so that Standing and Co-ordinate Committee Chairs and Co-chairs NOT be voting members of the Assembly. The election assembly is not to be changed by this proposal. The chairs and co-chairs will retain full voting membership at the ASCs. Jim B.

Proposal to remove the GSR preamble (Jason S) was not on the agenda because it is the Chair who determines what is read at the Area Meetings.

Motion to put the Newsletter guidelines on the September Assembly seconded and passed

#### **September 14, 2003**

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#### **November 8, 2003**

Servathon – no motions

# November 23, 2003

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# **December 14, 2003**

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### **Motions 2004**

Mid-Southern California Area 09 Panel 54

### **January 11, 2004**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Proposal: 2004 Proposed Budget-Proposal Passed

Proposal: Special Needs Guidelines-tabled.

Proposal: To replace translation headsets and transmitters with new and better

equipment-Tabled

Proposal: To form a Special Needs (Accessibility) Standing Committee or Secondary

Committee for the General Service Conference-Tabled.

# **February 8, 2004**

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### March 14, 2004

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# **April 4, 2004**

Pre-Conference – no motions

### May 16, 2004

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Proposal: Registration Committee Guidelines, (Henry B. Approved)

Confirmation: Nancy B., Special Needs Chair (Confirmed) Confirmation: Max 0., Literature Co-chair (Confirmed) Confirmation: Miguel M., CPC Co-chair (Confirmed)

Confirmation: Arturo F., Conventions Liaison Co-chair (Confirmed)

# June 13, 2004

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### **July 11, 2004**

FORO – no motions

# **August 11, 2004**

#### **Old Business**

**Visitation/Liaison**, the committee discussed on the liaison visitation and all the Area Officers give report back from district visiting.

Native American Conference, it was discussed.

Trustee At large U.S. Candidate Election, it was discussed.

**New Business** 

Area Officer's Budget Overides, were discussed.

Standing Committee Chairs Attendance at Area Meetings, it was discussed.

**Bid For 2008 Regional Forum,** it was discussed to put on October's ASC a proposal to host the 2008 Pacific Regional Forum.

**2004 Final Conference Reports,** were discussed.

**Copies:** It was discussed that copies (125 English & 7 5 Spanish) of all documents and proposals ASC's and ASAs be provided by the presenter/proposer.

**August 8,2004 Sanity Check:,** all the Area Officers agreed that it was a good meeting, good reports, good attendance and very good participation.

September Assembly Agenda Format, it was discussed.

**Next Area Officers Meeting,** it was discussed and *all* agreed to be the next Area Officers on September 16, 2004 at 6:00 PM

#### **Action Items:**

- 1. Carlos to email Servathon address & contact to Bruce.
- 2. Carlos to email all Area Officers Faro Guidelines revised.
- 3. Cesar to meet with Treasurer to acquire suitable computer for Secretary's needs.
- 4. Joe shall take Area Officers recommendation to Area Finance Committee.
- 5. Carlos to contact Convention Liaison.
- 6. Carlos to contact Grapevine Chair.
- 7. Cesar to email Jesus L.'s proposal to chair.
- 8. Linda will coordinate AOC visitation to Central Offices/Intergroups and H&I Intergroups

#### **September 12, 2004**

**OLD BUSINESS** 

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Proposal: 2005 Meeting Schedule: Bruce H. Proposal approved.
- 2. Confirmation of Web Site Chair: Nancy R. Confirmed
- 3. Confirmation of Correctional Facilities Chair: Alex N. Confirmed
- 4. Confirmation of Grapevine Chair: Melissa Confirmed
- 5. Election of Trustee At-Large U.S. Nick M. was elected by the Hat
- 6. Proposal: Public Information Guidelines Revision: Christine S. guidelines were approved.
- 7. Proposal: Send/Delegate/and or Alt Delegate to No. Nevada Native American Conference: Mike M. The Area Assembly approved to send both unanimously.
- 8. Proposal: Treatment Facilities Committee Guidelines New: Pat S. guidelines were approved.
- 9. Proposal: Change Area Guidelines pg. 6, No 4a under Secretary Duties to read on Lines I, 2 and after review by Delegate, and /or Area Chair: Linda H. Proposal approved.
- 10. Proposal: Correctional Facilities Committee Guidelines New: Alex N. Guidelines were approved.
- 11. Proposal: DCM School Guidelines New: Phil L. Guidelines were approved.
- 12. Proposal: Have Delegate Send Letter to Change G.S.O. policy in regards to requiring Photo I.D. for deposit of Translation Equipment at Regional Forums and The International Convention: Jesus L. Proposal table.

### October 10, 2004

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Presentation: 2005 Area budget: Mike M.

Presentation: Area Archives Committee Guidelines Revision New: Pete B.

Presentation: Convention Liaison Committee Guidelines new: Jason S. (Presentation

tabled)

Presentation: Bid for Pacific Regional Forum 2008: Nancy J.

Presentation: Foro Guidelines Revision: Carlos M. (Presentation tabled)

Presentation: To Provide on MSCA website link to Central Offices/Intergroups:

Nancy R.

## **November 13, 2004**

Servathon – no motions

#### **December 12, 2004**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Presentation: 2005 Area budget, Motion passed.

Presentation: Area Archives Committee Guidelines Revision New, Motion tabled.

Presentation: Convention Liaison Committee Guidelines new, (Motion Passed with some

friendly amendments)

Presentation: Bid for Pacific Regional Forum 2008, Motion passed. Presentation: Foro Guide lines Revision, (Presemation tabled)

Presentation: To Provide on MSCA website link to Central Offices/Intergroups, Motion passes.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Presentation: National Conference in Carson City Nevada: Jesus, Raul and Carlos gave a report.

### **January 9, 2005**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Proposal: 2005 Area Budget: Approved.
- 2. Proposal: Convention Liaison Committee Guidelines (New): Approved.
- 3. Proposal: On behalf of Area 09, the Area Officers Committee would like to propose to Pacific Region Delegates for MSCA 09 to host the Pacific Region Forum in 2008: Nancy J. Motion passed.
- 4. Proposal: To provide MSCA Website links to Central Offices/Intergroups: Approved.
- 5. Report: Area 93 Elections:

Nancy B reported regarding the Area 93 officers election held in Bakersfield in October. She mentioned that it was her first area election outside of MSCA. Nancy reported that she helped in the process, as other people who came from different areas.

**Jesus L** also reported on his experience at the Area 93 elections in Nov. '04. He experienced the spirit of the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Legacy Procedure in action. Jesus also reported that Area 93 will be hosting PRAASA in 2006.

### **AD HOC COMMITTEES**

**Cooperation with the Elder Ad Hoc Committee:** Bob reported that the committee is working on some guidelines.

**Translation/Interpretation,** Oscar informed that the committee is going to have a computer in order to put this committee to work.

#### **February 13, 2005**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Presentation: Area Archives Committee Guidelines Revision. Pete B.

**Presentation:** Foro Guidelines Revision. Carlos M.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Presentation:</u> To make Cooperation with Elderly Community Committee a Standing committee. Michael M.

<u>Presentation:</u> Directions on Registering a New Group or Group with a GSR. Linda H. **Presentation:** DCM Visitation Kit Phil L.

A motion came up from the floor: To dispense the District roll call and was approved unanimously.

**Ad-Hoc Committee: Native American Outreach,** Marita reported she attended one meeting at Morongo Indian Reservation Community Center, half of the attendees were women. In addition this meeting now has a GSR.

**Ad-Hoc Committee Translation/Interpretation,** Marcelo reported that this committee now has a new Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. The committee discussed on finding people that may be available to translate service material. The committee has now 2 volunteers to work on some documents. Lastly, the committee will put together some guidelines.

MSCA 09 FORO, Abraham reported that he brought some flyers regarding this event that is going to be in Spanish with translation to English. The committee is working on the program and some speakers to attend this event.

# March 6, 2005

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Proposal : Pete: Archives Committee Guidelines Revision: Forwarded to the May Assembly
- 2. Proposal: Foro Guidelines Revision: Carlos M.: Forwarded to the May Assembly with some Friendly Amendments
- 3. Proposal: To make the CEC Ad-Hoc Committee a Standing Committee: Michael: Forwarded to the May Assembly
- 4. Proposal: Directions on Registering a New group or Group with GSR Forwarded to May Assembly.
- 5. DCM Visitation Kit: Phil L.: Forwarded to May Assembly
- 6. Proposal: To loan old translation equipment to PRAASA 2005: Approved
- 7. Proposal: To fund \$100 per district and standing committees for PRAASA Joe B. Forwarded to the May Assembly

#### Ad Hoc Committee Reports.

Outreach to Native Americans Ad Hoc Committee, Marita reported that the meeting at Morongo Reservation continues to meet on Tuesday at 7:30 pm in Banning and we were visited by Rick W. staff member of GSO, Ernesto M. DCMC, Nancy J. and Carlos M. She also reported that there is a new meeting starting at the Martinez Reservation in La Quinta and will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm

<u>Interpretation/Translation</u>, Oscar reported that the committee will work close with the literature committee regarding on the Pamphlet What's All About It. Oscar also mentioned the one interpreter is need for the MSCA meetings.

#### **April 3, 2005**

Pre-Conference – not motions

#### May 15, 2005

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Confirmation: Public Information Spanish Co-Chair Luciano P. was confirmed.
- 2. Proposal: Area Archives Committee Guidelines Revision: Pete B. were approved.
- 3. Proposal: Foro Guidelines Revision: Carlos M. were approved.
- 4. Proposal: To Make Cooperation with Elder Community Committee a Standing Committee: Michael M. the proposal was approved.
- 5. Proposal: Directions on Registering a New Group or Group with a GSR: Linda H. the proposal was approved.

- 6. Proposal: DCM Visitation Kit: Phil L. the proposal was approved.
- 7. Proposal: That the area authorize no more than \$100.00 per district or standing committee for funding for 2005 PRAASA if needed: Joe B. the proposal did not pass.

### June 12, 2005

#### New Business

- 1. Proposal: 2006 MSCA Meeting Schedule: Bruce H.
- 2. Proposal: MSCA Guidelines Change; Delete Article IV, C, 2 (Meeting time & Place of ASC and change with the following. The time and place of each ASC will be selected by the executive committee. The time will be significantly different than the Area Assembly meeting. The place will be based upon the principal of rotation among districts. These will be approved by the area service committee.) Jim B.
- 3. Proposal: Modify Newsletter Guidelines Article VIII, Heading E Section 4, subsection b, Hyperlinks to Outside: Nick M.
- 4. Proposal: Revision Newsletter Guidelines Add Article VIII, Heading E, Section 3, sub-section e.: Nick M.
- 5. Proposal: Area 09 Expense and Budget Policy New: Mike M.
- 6. Proposal: Budget Override of Approx. \$150.00- \$200.00 to host a T.F. Workshop in the Fall of 2005. : Pat S.
- 7. Proposal: Budget Override \$1000.00 for Delegate Expenses at the 2005 International Convention: Nancy J.
- 8. Proposal: Budget Override \$120.00 for GSR School: Felipe G.
- 9. 9. Proposal: Change Name of Correctional Facilities Committee to Corrections Committee: Alex N.

Central Office Intergroup, Alex reported that on August 7 is going to be a picnic everyone is invited, and he mentioned that flyers were available.

Ad hoc Native American Outreach Committee, Marita reported that there are two meetings and one Special Forum is coming up.

Ad hoc Translation/Interpretation Committee, Oscar reported 13 people in attendance at the committee meeting, 3 new voluntaries for this committee, also discussion was on some guidelines.

### **July 10, 2005**

FORO – no motions

### August 14, 2005

ASC – District 11 (document missing – 2019.07.23 –mcb)

### **September 11, 2005**

- 1. **Proposal** 2006 MSCA Meeting Schedule, proposal approved.
- 2. Election candidate for Pacific Region Trustee, Pete was elected.
- 3. **Proposal** Modify Newsletter Guidelines Article VIII, Heading E, Section 4, subsection b, Hyperlinks to Outside, proposal passed.
- 4. **Proposal** Revision Newsletter Guidelines Add Article VIII, Heading E, Section 3, sub-section e. proposal passed.
- 5. **Proposal** Area 09 Expense and Budget Policy New proposal approved.
- 6. Confirmation of Web site Chair, Nick M. was confirmed.
- 7. **Proposal**, Budget Override of \$1000.00 for the Delegate Expenses at the 2005 International Convention: proposal was approved.
- 8. **Proposal** Budget Override of \$120.00 for GSR School: proposal approved.
- **9. Proposal,** Change Name of Correctional Facilities Committee to Corrections Committee: proposal approved.

#### **October 9, 2005**

Area Election Assembly (document missing – 2019.07.23 –mcb)

#### **November 5, 2005**

Servathon – no motions

# **November 13, 2005**

District 5 (document DRM – 2019.07.23 – mcb)

### **December 11, 2005**

ASC – District 6 (document DRM – 2019.07.23 – mcb)

### **January 8, 2006**

Bruce wanted some direction as to the format of this meeting. What is spoken about in this meeting will not be reiterated in the afternoon meeting report.

- First question involved rotation new person couldn't do the job so reverted to past officer. Review District guidelines. Does the past officer in the position discourage others for seeking to be of service? Keep the person in place to not stop the process. Other experience is to pass to the DCM as in the Service Manual; Spirit of rotation is important. Keep the open position on the agenda.
- Discuss the Agenda Items, Workshop topics so the GSRs and District officers can carry back information to get a better-informed group conscience. Background material for the Area Workshop roundtables, but don't wait for this for discussion. Review the Panel 55 GSC Report – Additional Considerations. This is a good GSR Report.
- Discuss areas of concern with AA unity as a whole. Are we losing the 12th step work,
  Tradition violations, outside issues in meetings? Recovery homes not under any
  committee work specifically, what kind of 12th Step work we are doing. Clubs.
  Explain to us what how do the words Discuss and Consider weigh in on the topic
  discussion.
- Will take one topic off the GSC Agenda and Bruce's committee commitment Treatment Facilities for the next meeting. Sober living Homes and Recovery homes. What problems do you incur in your Districts? Meeting names
- **Joint District Delegate Report** back meetings are encouraged. Please begin making plans any time after May 14, 2006 Area Assembly. Please tell Bruce what your District(s) want to hear, how long the report should be (time frame and format) Sat April 22, 2006 (red eye to NY) Sat April 29, 2006.
- **PRAASA** at Woodland Hills, CA in March You need to be pre-registered in order to be of service and recommended by the Delegate only.
- Regional Forum To participate fully, Friday night after 5 p.m. Doubletree Airport June 23rd June 25th AA.org, Member Services has agenda. Registration is available on line after March. AA.org is going through changes and is inconsistently of service keep trying. Bruce wants feedback.
- Registration question: do partial term GSRs elected to a full term need to resubmit a GSR form

Action items: contact GSO to find out the definition of Discuss and Consider. Nancy has hard copies to post on the Web Site.

Archives Rental up-date. \$800 / month for 2 years option at 3rd year at \$900. Archives are growing maybe we need to look for a larger facilities – proportionally more in rent when the archives have been instructed to limit rent expenses. 2006 budget has taken into account the lease increase. 2/3 vote required 142 eligible to vote 95 to pass 107 – 3; minority opinion quick and easy solution to a long-term problem. Initial Archives request cut expenses ½ 2006 will they. No one wanted to reconsider their majority vote. Motion passed.

**Area Budget** – discussion, no discussion MSP without opposition

**DCM Visits the Home Group** – discussion, Preparation and Presentation to the Home Group, in response to the Panel 53(?) to get increased participation in the Area. MSP

Coop Elderly Guidelines – discussion, MSP

Coop Elderly pamphlet – discussion, friendly amendment to remove Circle and Triangle was made. CEC Chair rejected outright, the amendment was then motioned and seconded. Discussion – suggestion to be careful for consistency of Area produced literature. Committee member requested Chair to compromise. Logo is not AA owned symbol, inference symbol is AA approved. Chair stated the circle and triangle is sentimental to them. 144 eligible to vote; 56 for amendment fails. Discussion reopens on original motion. MSP Minority opinion suggested again the confusion of AA approval of the symbol, confusing verbiage that does not address elderly directly, the chair states that personal testimony made available by currently produced AA literature is insufficient, that the reason to produce is because the CPC committee has a pamphlet are decisions based on personal preference not principles. Motion to reconsider fails.

Electronic Media Sub-Committee guidelines – discussion, Nick, friendly amendment non-mandatory rotating, eligible to stand for reelection. Tape; discussion. The term of office for the EMSC Chairperson shall be two years. The position of EMSC Coordinator is a rotating position and eligible to stand for re-election. – 90 68-15-7 Minority opinion p. 59 BW quote, no terms of service stated in the amendment. MS reconsider 28-41

Election of Media Sub-Committee Coordinator (webservant) Nancy Rantowich Area Secretary is directed to assemble inventory results and keep discussion before the Area until all issues are addressed. – Discussion, MSP no minority opinion expressed.

**Report of the Native American Ad Hoc Committee** – Mini Forum May 20 – 21st, Special Forum requested by Native American Indian AA community to discuss problems opening communication between Southern CA Indians on and off the reservations. Please supply Marita with names of professionals and treatment facilities serving the Native American community so they can distribute fliers for this event. 15 Areas, 9 states 760-322-5281 Marita marita@cc.rr.com

#### February 12, 2006

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Introduction to the process: Craig

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: That the Mid-Southern California Area institute a web-based forum on a trial period running from May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006 through January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The forum will be governed by a new section of the Newsletter Guidelines headed VIII.E.3.c. If the proposal for a trial period for the web-based Forum passes, the EMSC will put forward a second proposal for the October 2006 ASC agenda proposing that section VIII.E.3.c be made a permanent section of the Newsletter Committee Guidelines and that the Trial period text be removed from the guidelines.

To add a new section to the Electronic Media Sub-Committee: VIII.E.3.c

c. The EMSC is authorized by the Area Assembly to host an Online Discussion Forum with the topics approved by the EMSC. All trusted servants are encouraged to suggest topics for discussion. In the time frame leading up to the Annual General Service Conference, the EMSC will customarily post topics regarding items on the General Service Conference agenda. The forum will be governed by the content guidelines outlined in that section of this document headed VIII.E.3 – Web Page Content. All forum entries will be reviewed by the EMSC for content prior to posting to the forum. Additionally, the following points of decorum will be observed:

i. no last names will be posted

ii. no entries which attack or criticize another person will be posted

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v. entries found objectionable by 2/3 of the EMSC will not be posted.

The time frame for which a topic is open for posting will be determined by vote of the EMSC. All discussion topics and the postings will be archived and available for viewing on the EMSC webpage for a period not less than one year.

This proposal is on a time trial to see if will work or not and to bring results back to the area.

#### **QUESTIONS AND RESPONSE – ALL ARE ELIGIBLE TO ASK QUESTIONS.**

- **Q.** Will there be a review of the posting kinda like the 5 sec delay, how many EMSC people will do this, 48 hr. turn around. A. 6 active members, 4 constitutes 2/3.
- $\mathbf{Q}$ . What is the criteria for success? A. We will provide information to be judged by Assembly.

Re: iii, "no outside issues . . . " Q. What is controversial, provocative." – A. Mentions outside issues, "Doctor says" from the Doctor's Opinion.

- **Q.** Why is there not any such discussion forum on any other web site? A. Grapevine **Joe B.** Friendly amendment, no last name will be posted, to change to no names will be posted A. accepted.
- **Q.** Does the previous section of the previous guidelines provide for rotating, EMSC rotates 2 yrs.
- A. Webmaster is eligible to stand for reelection.

**Melissa,** Friendly amendment topics be Traditions, Concepts, GSC Agenda Items. -A. Not accepted, would limit participation.

**Q.** Direct link on the web site or log in, sign in? Send e-mail to Webservant only. Outside issues in a provocative manner, in the book Dr's opinions AA has an opinion; Q. outside AA does not have an opinion?

### March 12, 2006

### **Area Inventory Comments**

In past area meetings, so many of the proposals made by various committees and various servants, discussion as an attack on the committee and the people involved. This attitude does not allow our servants the right of decision, we 2 duess and focus on the personalities, what we would like to see. Our delegate in the last panel wanted to be funded for certain events. We need to be aware to be personally responsible. Anonymity is the spiritual tradition 12. If we don't practice anonymity, how do we? Sunday morning subject of my sharing reminded attracted to AA and like the drunk looking down at everybody, the fact you were getting along, with care and respect, not sure we can do anything about that tangibly, but what we can do personally, foremost in our minds.

We forget about principles, personalities because I am so involved with the discussion can't see the forest for the trees. Chair remind people to place principals before personal Chair does have the authority to call someone out of order. The chair has some responsibility to

Put it on the agenda, it is the best thing for the area. Not looked at the principle. Swing back,

We do not honor the responsibilities we want to make our marks, we do not seek guidance for what is the right way to do a proposal because everybody should know this is the best way for the Area. We need to detach and give it some thought what is the best thing for the area and AA as a whole. We insert our own personalities.

#### **New Business:**

# Electronic Media Sub-Committee guidelines – discussion, Nick,

That the Mid-Southern California Area institute a web-based forum on a trial basis for a trial period running from May 15, 2006 through January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The forum will be governed by a new section of the Newsletter Guidelines headed VIII.E.3 c. If the proposal for a trial period for the web-based Forum passes, the EMSC will put forward a second proposal for the October 2006 ASC agenda proposing that section VIII.E.3.c be made a permanent section of the Newsletter Committee Guidelines and that the Trial period

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Vote: 58 (Y), 9 (N)

Minority opinion, the forum is not a bad idea, content not going to be specifically general service topics. PI committee at GSO is the liaison to the AA website and is open to the public

<u>Recap of Actions</u> – Website Online Forum proposal forwarded to May Assembly (Vote: 58 yes/ 9 no)

#### **April 9, 2006**

Pre-Conference – not motions

### May 14, 2006

# **New Business**

Point of Order: All proposals need to be read aloud by the presenter.

### **Proposal: Online Discussion Forum:**

Read – "That the Mid-Southern California Area institute a web-based forum on a trial basis for a trial period running from May 15, 2006 through January 13, 2007. The forum will be governed by a new section of the Newsletter Guidelines headed VIII.E.3.f (amended to "".f"). If the proposal for a trial period for the web-based Forum passes, the EMSC will put forward a second proposal for the October 2006 ASC Agenda proposing that section VIII.E.3.c (amended to "".f") be made a permanent section of the Newsletter Committee Guidelines and that the trial period text be removed.

### Proposed new section:

"The EMSC is authorized by the Area Assembly to host an Online Discussion Forum with the topics approved by the EMSC. All trusted servants and Standing Committees are encouraged to suggest topics for discussion. In the time frame leading up to the Annual General Service Conference, the EMSC will customarily post topics regarding items on the General Service Conference agenda. The forum will be governed by the content

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#### June 12, 2006

# **Inventory discussion:**

"General lack of understanding of finance process at the area. – Committee budgeting process."

Timing to get the committee financial requests in to formulate the budget for the following year. The voting members of the Area Assembly approve the budget requests. Are we doing all that we can do with the assets and resources available to us?

- ♣ This is an area I don't really want to grow in. When I heard the previous comments, I realized that I am a Treasurer in training. How can I be of service? No growth comes without work. I have to open my mind.
- ♣ Heard for years, buck in the basket is not good enough. Then we started asking about the needs, where is it going to? When we start to talk about what we could be doing the money comes in. Looking to the Finance Committee working with the Standing Committees and in better communication with the GSRs and groups, we will have what we need. I believe our directions should be coming from the groups and the GSRs.
- ♣ It's up to us members to help others to understand. There are two pamphlets addressed to the treasurers, the AA Group pamphlet, the Grapevine book, The Home Group, the Heartbeat of AA. District 5 we did a budget and found out that we had the money but no one was spending the money. The groups are not supporting the committee work at the District level and the Districts at the Area level.
- ♣ In the past, the Area Officers would hold meetings at the first of the panel with Committee Chairs and DCM(C)s.
- ♣ Great materials are developed from time to time. New people do not see the material over time. We can archive these as resources on the website.
- ♣ Being fiscally responsible as an individual was rewarding. Being fiscally responsibly as a group will be rewarding too.

#### **Position announcements:**

**Area Secretary:** Article III Area Executive Committee, D.1. Vacancies; In the event of a vacancy in an area officer position, a replacement shall be appointed by the Executive Committee subject to ultimate confirmation by the Assembly.

Oscar G, is the secretary to be confirmed

<u>New Business</u> - proposal must be read. Two ASCs between Assemblies. The first ASC is a presentation of the proposal. The second ASC is a chance for discussion of the proposal. The Assembly then votes on the proposal.

Archives Budget Increase. – It is proposed that the MSCA Archives Committee 2006
Budget be increased by \$1,000.00 so that the Area's Archivist may visit the GSO Archives to research the early history of the Area. \$350 air fare, \$150 room
Lost history how and why it was formed. It is with the LA Central office where their repository is stored. LA Central Office will not allow access.

#### Question:

- 1. Does this have to be done right now? Airfare has been booked. Looking at increased costs if completed in 2007. The Area will celebrate 2008 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- 2. The 2006 budget was brought in line to pay for increased rent. What has changed that make the Archives think we can afford it? Per Treasurer Report, there was a balance of \$1900.00 more income than expenses, \$18,000.00 in the checkbook.
- 3. Why cannot we get into LA Central Office Repositories? Well-guarded.
- 4. We never see the Archivist in this body; the funds are above the approved budget. What gives the Archivist the right to order tickets? Archivist reports to the Area Archives Committee, not necessary for the Archivist to attend Area meeting. Voluntary reduced budget for rent because the Area said the rent increase will be a hardship now there seem to be funds available. We want to try to subsidize the Archivist because he is doing the Area's business.
- 5. Information on LA Area Archives.

Archives used to belong to Area 05 and were stored in the Central Office instead of someone's home. Locks were changed because the Central Office did not like the archives to be moved from one to another Central Office, they weren't be appropriately cared for. GSO asks areas not to copy their archives but to keep the archives of the Area.

6. How many days, enough time to fill in the holes? 4-5 days estimate. \$350 flight. He is going whether or not he is reimbursed or assisted financially.

### - **APPROVED** to proceed to next ASC.

**Servathon** – Guidelines Changes

Article V. Other Service Functions of the Area

- B. Servathon
  - 2. It is held in the fall of the year. Change to read

Proposal would change it to read:

2. It is held in the fall of the even-numbered years.

### Ouestion:

### 1. Why?

When held in the odd years lots going on. Attendance at Servathon was very low. Example: Meetings area election, Servathon, ASC. Rotation of the outgoing officers seems to be an event, a great event. Misconceptions, do not know what the Servathon. We have other service events, 4 Area DCM, lots of District events. Only have ASC in Nov instead of ASC and Servathon. Financial impact – save \$900.00

- 2. No Area event for the month. The ASC would be the only event.
- 3. What is the point; create confusion by having it every other year? More focused by having it every other year. The International Convention does not happen every year either.

# - **APPROVED** to proceed to next ASC.

**Assembly and ASC schedule changes** – Tabled for lack of presenter.

That during the year 2007, on a one-year trial basis, Area 09 hold two (2) Assemblies, a Winter Assembly in January 2007 and a Summer Assembly in July of 2007. That the Area hold four (4) ASC meetings during the year, two between each Assembly, for a total of Six (6) Area Meetings that year. In addition, an\ Election Assembly will be held in October 2007. All other Area events will remain unaffected. The two (2) Assemblies will be held in one location chosen by the Area Officer's Committee and hosted by a minimum of two (2) Districts per event.

Area Committee meetings will not be held on days Assembly meets. GSR and DCM Schools will be held at Assemblies.

At the end of one (1) year, during the first Assembly of 2008, the body of the Assembly will review the benefit of these changes and vote upon permanent status of this schedule.

### - NO VOTE TAKEN

#### **2007 Area Meeting Schedule**

Handout: amend schedule, April 15, 2007 because Easter is on April 8, 2007. Ouestion:

Would it be possible to alternate between Saturday and Sundays?

Contingency plan if tabled proposal to change the number of meetings is passed? The previous tabled proposal would provide the alternate schedule.

What about having it on the first Sunday in April? The 15<sup>th</sup> would allow for more discussion time on General Service Conference matters.

Would the tabled proposal require changes to the Area Guidelines? Is there a financial impact? All would rely on the proposal passing.

What is the problem with meeting on Easter? Is the Archives Open House in April and will it be a TBD? Yes, like last year.

- **APPROVED** to proceed to next ASC (with amendment)

**Open - Registration Committee Chair.** Confirmation of volunteer at September Assembly.

# **Recap of Actions:**

**Minutes for Feb** - APPROVED with changes, no publication of last names in the printed copy.

**Archives Budget Increase** – APPROVED to proceed to next ASC

**Servathon** – Guidelines Changes – APPROVED to proceed to next ASC

**2007** Area Meeting Schedule - APPROVED to proceed to next ASC (with amendment)

### July 9, 2006

FORO – no motions

### August 13, 2006

#### Area inventory discussion:

We had 8 topics to discuss and there was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience strength and hope on the topics for about 15 minutes.

# **Proposals**

# 1. Archives Budget Increase - Pete B.

*Proposal:* It is proposed that the MSCA Archives Committee 2006 budget be increased by \$1000 so that the Area's Archivist may visit the GSO Archives to research the early history of the Area.

Forwarded to the September Assembly

### 2. Servathon - Bruce H.

Proposal: MSCA GUIDELINES CHANGE:

ARTICLE V. OTHER SERVICE FUNCTIONS OF THE AREA

**B. SERVATHON** 

- 2. It is held in the fall of the year. CHANGE to read.
- 2. It is held in the fall of the even-numbered years.

Forwarded to the September Assembly

# 3. 2007 Area Meeting Schedule - Craig S.

Forwarded to the September Assembly

### 4. Budget Override - Cooperation with the Elderly Community (CEC) - Michael M.

Forwarded to the September Assembly

<u>La Viña 10th anniversary Celebration</u> (15 minutes participation shared the experiences how La Viña started out from the beginning thanks to everybody to support La Viña.) Raul.

### August Recap of actions.

March 2006 ASC Minutes were approved. As amended with Bruce's report

June 2006 ASC Minutes were approved as amended

Archives Budget Increase was forwarded to September A.S.

Servathon MSCA guidelines was forwarded to September A.S

2007 Area meeting schedule was forwarded to September A.S.

Budget Override (CEC) was forwarded to September A.S

#### <u>September 10, 2006</u>

#### **Area inventory discussion:**

We had a topic to discuss The Role of the Past-Delegate in the Area.

There was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience. strength and hope on the topics for about 10 minutes.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Confirmation: Area Secretary-Oscar G. (Approved by Assembly) Craig S.
- 2. Confirmation: Finance Committee Joseph M. (Approved by Assembly) Craig S.
- 3. Confirmation: GSR Schools Spanish Jose A. (Approved by Assembly) Craig S.
- 4. Confirmation: Registration Committee Ben. (Approved by Assembly) Craig S.
- 5. Proposal: Archives Budget Increase. Pete B
  Proposal: It is proposed that the MSCA Archives Committee 2006 budget be increased
  by \$1000 so that the Area's Archivist may visit the GSO Archives to research the early
  history of the Area. (Proposal approved by Assembly)
- 6. Proposal: Servathon. Bruce H. (Did not pass)
- 7. Proposal: 2007 Area Meeting Schedule. Craig S. (Approved by Assembly with Servathon)
- 8. Proposal: Budget override Cooperation with the Elderly Community (CEC) Michael M. (Approved by Assembly)

### September - Recap of actions.

January & May 2006 Assemble Minutes were approved. As amended.

Area Secretary - Oscar G. Approved by Assembly

Finance Committee - Joseph M. Approved by Assembly

GSR Schools - Spanish - Jose A. Approved by Assembly

Registration Committee - Ben. Approved by Assembly

Archives Budget Increase Pete B. *Approved by Assembly* 

Servathon. Did not Pass

2007 Area Meeting Schedule. (Approved by Assembly with Servathon)

Budget override - Cooperation with the Elderly Community (CEC) Michael M.

Approved by Assembly

#### October 8, 2006

### Area inventory discussion:

We had 8 topics to discuss and there was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience strength and hope on the topics for about 15 minutes.

#### **New Business**

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Modify MSCA Newsletter Guidelines to remove the trial period text from Article VIII.E.3.f

### 2. Presentation: 2010 Regional Forum Bid ......Bruce H.

#### Presentation: forwarded to next ASC

That on behalf of the Area Officers I present a bid to host the 2010 Pacific Regional Forum.

#### October Recap of actions.

August 2006 ASC Minutes were approved. As amended with (*Alex correction*)

Online Discussion Forum was forwarded to December A.S.C

2010 Regional Forum Bid was forwarded to December A.SC

### **November 11, 2006**

Servathon – no motions

# **December 10, 2006**

#### **Area inventory discussion:**

We had 8 topics to discuss and there was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience strength and hope on the topics for about 15 minutes.

#### **New Business**

1. Presentation: Online Discussion ForumNick M.
Presentation: Forwarded to January the Assembly
Modify MSCA Newsletter Guidelines to remove the trial period text from
Article VIII.E.3.f
2. Presentation: 2010 Regional Forum BidBruce H.
Presentation: Forwarded to January the Assembly
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3. Presentation: 2007 MSCA 09 Budget......Joseph M. Forwarded to January the Assembly

December Recap of actions.

October 2006 ASC Minutes were approved as a mended (name & Email.)
Online Discussion Forum was forwarded to January the Assembly
2010 Regional Forum Bid was forwarded to January the Assembly
2007 MSCA 09 Budget Forwarded to January the Assembly

### **January 14, 2007**

#### **New Business**

- 1. Proposal: Online Discussion Forum......Nick M. The motion PASSED
- 2. Proposal: 2010 Regional Forum Bid.....Bruce H. The motion PASSED
- 3. Proposal: 2007 MSCA 09 Budget......Joseph M. The motion PASSED as amended

### **February 11, 2007**

# Area inventory discussion:

We had 8 topics to discuss and there was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience strength and hope on the topics for about 15 minutes.

#### **New Business**

**Proposal:** Teleconference Meetings......Nick M.

1st proposal was accepted

**December 2006 ASC Minutes were approved** As a mended.

#### **March 11 2007**

#### Area inventory discussion:

We had 8 topics to discuss and there was participation from the floor. Members of the Area shared the experience strength and hope on the topics for about 15 minutes. Area Members share from the floor experience about PRAASA. Each person participated for couple minutes.

#### **New Business**

□ **Proposal:** Teleconference Meetings......Nick M.

1st proposal was passed to May Assembly 2007.

February 2007 ASC Minutes were approved 1st proposal was passed to may Assembly.2007.

#### **April 15, 2007**

Pre-Conference – no motions

# May 20, 2007

### **Proposals**

### **New Business**

1 Proposal: Teleconference Meeting......Nick M.

The EMSC proposes the teleconference A.A. meeting be listed as separate linked page under the website heading, "How to find an A.A. meeting ".

Passed

### May - Recap of actions.

- > Assembly January Minutes were approved as amended (with Bruce's report).
- > Proposal Teleconference Meeting proposal passed

### June 10, 2007

### **New Business**

PROPOSAL ON PSA-"A FORCE OF NATURE"

The Public Information Committee of MSCA 09 strongly recommends the PSA (A FORCE OF NATURE (public service announcement) as viewed by our PI Committee be discontinued for the following reasons:

- 1. It seems more of a promotion than an attraction
- 2. As recovering Alcoholics this is a misuse of the fellowships money
- 3. It is simply scenery with floating letters and a voice over. There are no. People, no alcohol, and appears to have been created by someone unfamiliar with Alcoholics Anonymous.
- **4.** The PSA, "A Force of Nature" be able for Area 09 to view no later than. The September Area Assembly so an informed group conscience & vote can be taken by the Area Assembly. This was voted on by substantial unanimity after adding #4 and if approved by the Area 09 Assembly we recommend it be forwarded to the 58th General Service Conference

### June 2007 ASC Minutes were table until next ASC to be approved

# **July 8, 2007**

FORO – no motions

# **August 12, 2007**

#### Inventory

Verbal report for each of the eight topics.

1. Concern about principles before personalities; one suggestion would be to change the format of the meetings to allow for a one-hour AA meeting to be held prior to every area event. This would serve to keep the participants focused on the recovery side of our program and it principals so that when the area meeting begins the body will have spiritual grounding.

- 2. Topic, general lack of understanding of the area meeting process ASC vs. Assemblies the process of placing items on the agenda and basically what we do at meeting. One suggestion would be to change the area calendar to two area assemblies a year, these assemblies would be two day full weekend events that look and feel like PRAASA and regional events. In doing so the difference between ASC and assemblies would be become very evident it would also drive group participation. A PowerPoint presentation would be created by the current chair that could be used at the districts to fully explains how the area functions and how to get an item of interest into the agenda process.
- 3. Lack of group representation. Missing the groups voice at the area and hearing mainly from individuals. Having two-day events would become a destination rather just a place to come. I called some other area that have quite a number of participation. Become examples of service to the people we go to and speak to and more importantly here at the area. The idea would be to keep the new GSR that does attend to keep coming back.
- 4. Financial procedures, lack of understanding and process and fiscal responsibilities. We have guidelines, the duties are listed under the guidelines and budget, and I find a lot of misinformation. out there. Sometimes Mike gets confused too! Mike uses the service manual and service sponsor. Best to ask the treasurer.
- 5. General lack of understanding on service board, i.e. groups, sub districts, districts, conference and board. The action to be taken. I would use the tools that are already in place. What's it all about pamphlet, the service manual. We need to make the sure the workbook is correct and checked before every structure. Also change the name of the GSR school to the GSR orientation. It should only take place at assemblies. Alt delegate should teach this orientation. The documents could be handed out at that time. District needs to have similar structure. Service manual should be treated the same as our recovery. Service manuals should be made available at any cost. We need to get back to one on one. A short session at every assembly should have an ask it basket. I hate to say it but POW wows need to be reinstated for the committees.
- 6, understanding the role of the past delegate. I will soon be one. Not to serve as committee chairs. They should be available to be used to be chairs of PRAASA and the like. Should over all presence should be transparent? Should be available to trustee or trustee at large.
- 7. We do not have a good cross section of the community represented at the area level. Less than 5% are represented at the area level. What is a good cross section? How is this relevant to our assembly and statement of purpose? Do we even need to be concerned about what populations are represented or do we believe that everyone who should be here is here? We need to look at our literature table to see the people in AA. Plenty of service related literature.

Vote for agenda topics for next month's assembly

Alex has corrections committee guidelines. Linda asked why it was so lengthy; Alex explained it is very descriptive to help any person who might be interested in joining the committee. Motion passes.

2008 calendar. Two dates need to be included by Pete B. Archives open house 4/6/2008 and heritage day 10/11/2008. Motion passes.

A four-year plan for pubic service announcement. After 2008 conference committee at a cost of replaces the initial 4-year period the oldest PSA, not exceed, 40,000. Change to; the MSCA PI committee recommends strongly it read instead, the conference committee on pi review the oldest <u>PSA</u> and make recommendations. This proposal was explained many times by many speakers during this meeting. The question was posed to change the proposal to read; *review before possible replacement*. Motion passes.

Force of nature is not available online. As of this date of showing. The PI committee MSCA 09 strongly recommends the PSA Force of Nature PSA as viewed by our PI committee be discontinued

for the following reason, it seems more of a promotion than an attraction, its as recovering alcoholics this is a misuse of the fellowships money, I don't think I need to keep that in there. It is simple scenery with floating letters and a voice over. There are no people, no alcohol and it appears to have been created by someone unfamiliar with AA. If approved by msca09 assembly we recommend it be forward to the 59th general service conference.

Amendment; strike everything after the word "discontinued". Motion has changed to take a motion to table proposal until next months assembly. Motion passes to table.

I propose to ask the MSCA09 finance committee to pursue the possibility of the purchase of new sound equipment and report back to the November ASC. Motion passes.

#### September 9, 2007

#### **New Business**

Corrections of guidelines have been updated. Open for discussion as it has been proposed to be accepted and seconded. All in favor of accepting with no accept ions. Passed.

2008 calendar for area 09. Motion accepted and seconded. Open for discussions, amendment by Pete b. Archives would like some dates added, open house April 6th and Heritage Day Oct. 11th Tina is looking for a place to host the area event in November. And this is our third time hosting in three years. It is permissible to host in neighboring districts. Purpose of districts hosting is to drum up excitement for your district. All in favor of the calendar with amendments, one against. Tina is against hosting three times in a row. Are there any persons who voted in the affirmative that would like to vote against? Article 4 sec. C #2, the time and place of each meeting will be selected by the executive committee based upon the principle rotation of each district as approved by the area committee. Any one to reconsider, seeing none the amendment passes.

Public Information committee proposal for PSA's. "After the initial four years this cycle would continue with the oldest P.S.A. (public service announcement) being replaced each year be reaffirmed and a new PSA be developed for review by the 2008 Conference Committee on Public Information at accost not to exceed \$40.000, and the oldest PSA in the four year plan be replaced." MSCA 09 Public information Committee strongly recommends it read instead; The Conference Committee on Public Information reviews the oldest PSA before possible replacement and makes recommendations to the 58th General Service Conference. Motion was made and is now open for discussion. Linda didn't want to show the PSA. Nancy J. Agrees with change but would like amendment to reflect; the intent to be taken by the delegate to the general conference. Maker reword that the delegate would forward to general conference or the delegate be instructed to take to the general conference. I want it reflected that we at the area do not have the intent to change a policy when we do not have the intent only the option to take to the General Service Conference for possible change. Media is unwilling to play old PSA's. Pete B. has moved for tabling this item. Motioned and seconded, motion withdrawn. New language. Modified MSCA 09 strongly recommends; that the appropriate general service conference body or bodies take action to change it to read instead, friendly amendment accepted. Continue discussion.

The motion passes as amended.

Fourth proposal has been withdrawn.

### October 14, 2007

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#### November 11, 2007

#### **New Business**

#### 1. Presentation: PSA "A Force of Nature:

The Public Information Committee of MSCA 09 strongly recommends the PSA (A Force of Nature (public service announcement)) as viewed by our PE Committee be discontinued. MSCA 09 Assembly recommends this be forwarded to the 58th General Service Conference. Not part of the proposal, more of a promotion than an attraction! How is it considered "promotional"? Response, This stinks, looks like a promotional promo. An abundance of connotations. Looks more like an advertisement for a travel agency! Can it be modified? Or Changed? Is there only one way to carry the message? What does this have to do with the PSA? (response) What's a promotion What's an attraction, check out the guidelines

#### 2. Presentation: Area Communications Committee

The Area Newsletter Committee proposes a reorganization of its committee to include responsibility for all communications media, all communications equipment and most translation efforts under a re-named standing committee called, the Area communications Committee",. This standing committee would have four sub-committees; (1) Newsletter Sub-committee; (2) Electronic Media Sub-committee; (3) Translation Sub-committee,

(replacing the ad hoc Translation Committee) and (4) Communication Equipment Subcommittee. It is estimated that this proposal would have no fiscal impact on MSCA finances.

# Would require a Guideline change.

- **3.** Presentation: 2008 Area Budget.
- 4. Archives standing committee proposal. Area 09, Mid-Southern California, Assembly recommends that the General Service Conference Archives Secondary Committee Become a full Conference Standing Committee. Pete B.
- 5. "What's it all about" pamphlet update, Patrick C.

Michael, under page 4, could you take off the "ly", reply yes. On page one, what seem to be the purpose of underlining "such as the General Service Manual"? This is an Area approved piece of literature and was already printed in this manner. Page 5 add "open to all aa members" as opposed to Closed meetings? Just an announcement. Page 16 take out "founders day" as we do not do that anymore.

6. Area guidelines for hosting and area meeting revision. Patrick C. Maintain...page 2 change referred to refer.

**Recap of actions**. Minutes were approved with amendments. Meet Pete b. at the area archives to get tapes of minutes for August.

## **December 9, 2007**

#### **New Business**

Proposal: PSA "A Force of Nature" .....Linda H. motioned passed. the public information committee of MSCA strongly recommends the PSA (A Force of Nature (public service announcement)) as viewed by our PI committee be discontinued. MSCA area 0 assembly recommends this be forwarded to the 58th General Service Conference.

Rich, I wanted to say thanks for bring that to the area. I will decline responding on that as it is up to the GSR's to vote on this. However it won't do much good if the GSR don't get an opportunity to view this, go to aa.org. Jim, believe this should be brought to the assembly, personally like the video believe there is more than one way to bring the message to alcoholics.

Proposal: Area Communications Committee ....Russ D. motion passed. The area newsletter committee proposes a reorganization of its committee to include responsibility for all communications media, all communications equipment and mistranslation efforts under a re-named standing committee called, the "Area Communications Committee". This standing committee would have four sub-

Committees: (1) Newsletter Sub-committee: (2) Electronic Media Sub-committee: (3) Translation Sub-Committee. It is estimated that this proposal would have no fiscal impact on MSCA finances.

Proposal: 2008 Area Budget .... Joseph M. motion passed.

Proposal: Archives Standing Committee.... Pete B. motion passed.

Proposal: "What's It All About" pamphlet update ... Patrick C. motion passed.

Proposal: Area Guidelines revision for "Hosting an Area Meeting".... Patrick C. motion

passed.

## Motions 2008

## **January 13, 2008**

#### **New Business**

1. Proposal: PSA "A Force of Nature" Motion by Linda H.

The Public Information committee of MSCA 09 strongly recommends the PSA (A Force of Nature (public service announcement)) as viewed by our Pl Committee be discontinued. MSC Area 09 Assembly recommends this be forwarded to the 5s1h General Service Conference.

Proposal was NOT approved.

- 2. Proposal" Area Communications Committee Newsletter Committee Motion: Russ D. The Area Newsletter Committee proposes a reorganization of its committee to include responsibility for all communications media, all communications equipment and most translation efforts under a re-named standing committee called, the "Area Communications Committee". This standing committee would have four Sub-Committees: (1) Newsletter Sub-committee: (2) Electronic Media Sub-committee: (3) Translation Equipment Sub-committee (4) Communication Equipment Sub-committee. It is estimated that this proposal would have no fiscal impact on MSCA finances. Proposal passed.
- 3. Proposal: 2008 Area Budget Motion: by Joseph M.
  - a. Amendment: to Increase CEC budget from 840.00 to total \$ I 250.00 (Motion by Michael M.) Approved.
  - b. Amendment: Allocation of \$2300.00 for districts to attend PRAASA at \$100.00 per district. (Motion: Tara E. DCMC Dist. I 0) Not approved.
  - c. Amendment: Decrease of\$410.00 from its original budget of 1486.00 for Grapevine/La Viña. (Motion: Kimberli A.) Approved.
  - d. Amendment: Increase Mileage from .35 to .40 cents per mile. (Motion: by Joe B.) Approved.
  - e. Amendment: Increase budget for 4-area DCM sharing session from \$250.00 to \$375.00 (cost increase due to ASL Interpreters.) (Motion: Santiago S. 4Area DCM Sharing Session Coordinator) Approved.

Motion: Joseph H.

Discussion: Joseph M. stated that the fiscal impact is better than expected. Kay asked if the budget is approved can items/amount be changed and the answer was, "Yes." Don asked why Archives gets an increase and everyone else gets a decrease? Answer was that this was the way it was presented.

Budget approved with amendments.

- 4. Proposal: To have an Archives Standing Committee Approved.
- 5. Proposal: "What's It All About" Pamphlet update Motioned by Maggie R. Suggested changes include: Front cover: add new revision date make sure Spanish version

mimics English version on front cover in bold words in center of cover, correct Spanish words. Page 1. under service meetings, line 6 and 7, should read: "the study of available literature such as the general service manual will clear up etc." Page 4, under pre-meeting activities. get rid of "H&I" and replace with "Corrections, Treatment Facilities", "La Viña" and "Cooperation with the Elderly Community". Page 5 under Forums remove "Special Forums are also held" as these will no longer exist. Under Servathon, add some wording so that it will read. "all aspects of service work to standing committee presentations". Add under top of page heading, "open to all AA members". Page 8 under Area Standing Committee. Get rid of "H&I" and add "Corrections, Treatment Facilities, La Viña, and Cooperation with the Elderly Community". Page 9 under "Central Office Intergroups" needs to delete a "Spanish central office located in Montclair". This central office is actually in Area 5. Bottom of page 9 under Eligibility to Office 3111 line, change "13 English speaking and 9 Spanish speaking" to "all English and Spanish speaking." Page IO at bottom under "Elections" 3111 line to bottom "13 English and Spanish speaking" to "all English and Spanish speaking" as on page 9. At top of page in table get rid of "H&I" and corrections" and change to "Treatment Facilities, Corrections, La Viña and Cooperation with the Elderly Communities". Page 12 under "Abbreviations" CEC, Cooperation with the Elderly Community and TF for Treatment Facilities. Page 15 under District 23, add Ontario. Page 17 does not change committees on this page because it is GSO not Area 09.

Approved by a unanimous vote.

- 6. Proposal: Area Guidelines Revision for "hosting an Area Meeting" Motion: Maggie R. In the Area Guidelines, page 2, delete the line, "do not to exceed 300.00 per occasion" and also, at the bottom where is states "in the amount over 500.00 dollars." Place at the end of the last sentence "to refer to current MSCA guidelines budget and contact the area treasurer." Approved.
- 7. SLACCYPAA Request for bid letter for its convention. Motion by Jason S. The Chair, Jason S, withdrew request. And removed from the agenda. SLACYPAA Coordinate Committee Not present on the floor when the request was called.
- 8. Proposal: Area Guidelines Revision: to accept and incorporate information regarding District 25 and on pg. 8 to remove "Newsletter Committee" and insert "Communications Committee". Motion by Joe B. Approved.
- 9. Proposal to accept District 25, and update all related area publications. Motion by Joe B. Approved.
- 10. Proposal that Mid-Southern California Area 09 approve the formation of District 25. Motion by Pete B. Approved.

11. Confirmation of Mauricio as Area Coffee Maker. Motion by Jason S. Approved

12. Election of Linda C. as communications committee Chair. Motion by Jason S. Approved.

## **February 10, 2008**

Of the things we have done as Area Officers, one of the things that didn't go quite as smoothly as we might have liked is regarding the purchase of the sound equipment. So I have a statement I'd like to read at this point.

After reviewing the Guidelines, Area Purchasing Policies & Procedures, Tradition 2 and Concept X, and speaking with many members of the Assembly, I would like to communicate the following: In light of the recently completed purchase of replacement equipment for the Area Sound System, and in reviewing past

purchases made during the terms of the three most recently serving Panels, I have come to realize that your Area Officers relied greatly on the assumption of precedent based on actions which, as it turns out, may have been outside of the Area Guidelines. I have been reminded that as your Area Chair, my duties include ensuring the health of the Area. Therefore, as your trusted servant, I offer my humble apology for action taken by me individually or as an Area Officer which was not within the current Guidelines, and despite conflicts between Guidelines and Policies and Procedures as they presently stand, I believe my responsibility is first and foremost to ensure that the Guidelines are always followed. Therefore, whatever the history of purchasing procedures by currently serving or past Area Officers, we ought not and will not repeat the same actions, which place us in conflict with the Guidelines and with other members. At the January Assembly, I appointed an Ad Hoc committee to review our Guidelines and to make recommendations they deem desirable. I will now ask them specifically to review the purchasing policies and procedures as they now stand. There is inherent conflict between Committee guidelines, Area Guidelines and customary purchasing procedures, which we can now see clearly. Having now opened a forum for discussion on these policies and Guidelines, I look forward to moving on and learning from our experience.

Throughout all the rancor and discussion of the last month, one thing has become very clear to me. Each of us serves because of a great passion for Alcoholics Anonymous, and despite our various interpretations of procedures, we are spiritually united in wanting the best for our Area. But as Bill W. wrote, the good is often the enemy of the best. And since my best is the least I can do for Alcoholics Anonymous, I assure you that in the future, and to the best of my ability, due diligence will be taken to ensure that no action will be taken which is outside the Guidelines of the Area or that could be divisive in nature.

In Unity & Service

Jason S.

Area 09 Panel 58 Chair

response to the statement read by Jason,

Today I'm here representing the Communication Committee and Linda C. our Committee Chair who could not be here today. I would like to commend the board for the decision

they made here today and say yes we will accept that equipment and we'll make a decision very quickly as to what should be done with it. Thank you Russ D.

## **New Business**

First order of business is the resignation of the literature chair, Maggie R. We'd like to thank Maggie for her many years of commitment to General Service and regret that she is unable to fulfill this commitment at this time. In addition we have an open position of Newsletter Sub-Committee Chair and also for a Special Needs Chair. So if anyone would be interested in standing for any of these committees contact the Area Officers.

## March 16, 2008

Ad hoc committee for 50th year of area 09 celebration. Tabled Feb. minutes until June.

## **April 13, 2008**

Pre-Conference – not motions

## May 18, 2008

# Discussion on problems caused by unattended children at the last two Area

meetings, the February ASC in Sun City, and the Pre-Conference Workshop in La Habra. Damage at the Sun City location cost the Area 200.00 in addition to an apology letter. We still don't know if we will be able to rent the room at this location again. At the La Habra location there was an unattended child playing with the outlets. Also the fire alarm kept being set off numerous times by the kids opening the doors.

It states in our contract that there be NO unattended children. Those who bring children must adhere this to.

Alex asked if the children on tape who were seen doing the vandalism have been identified?

Jason responded, No they haven't as quickly as they appear on the tape they sprayed the lens with paint. No one has been identified.

## **Proposal to Approve budget over-ride for Registrar.** Motion by Cesar F.

An increase to the Area Registrar's budget of 560.00 will be necessary to be able to continue his duties.

Motion was approved with substantial unanimity.

# **Proposal to consider a babysitting service/young people watching service.** Motion by Darryl K.

70.00 per day. Plus mileage.

How will this impact our budget? Consider this proposal to be developed a little further.

Darryl K. removed

this floor action to be removed until further development.

# Proposal that the past delegate be allowed to participate as a voting member of the finance committee. Motion by Bruce H. Scott R. gave a second.

According to the finance committee guidelines (1999) state, "although it is not part of their duties and for the continuity and experience the past delegate and past treasurer be asked as serve for a two year term. Bruce inquired to the finance chair why he had not been involved. The committee took and vote and decided not to have the past delegate participate. No minutes were developed as of yet and no decision was made available to the past delegate. The option is to be given to the past delegate and past treasurer not the committee as a whole.

Joseph stated the committee had a consensus to not have participation with the past delegate or the past treasurer due to conflict of interest.

Ernesto, why do we need a motion for something that is policy?

Gil, does this Area as a body have a right and authority to change a committees decision? Kay, you can't take away the decision that has already been given to the committee. Or you have to change the policy.

Pete B. two concerns both deal with procedure, one we may be establishing precedence where any member of this body and can stand up and change a standing committees guidelines without going through the committee, going through the process that has been set down. Second concern, if this is a change to the finance committee's guidelines and therefore a change to the area's guidelines. Our Area guidelines stipulate that changes to the guidelines have to go through two ASC's and then brought to an assembly. As it is we are by passing that procedure.

Jason stated that the motion is asking is that this body reaffirm that it would like to have those guidelines followed.

Mike M. Committees don't approve their guidelines you (the Area 09 body) do. You are the ultimate authority in this area. Committees come up with there guidelines and submit them to the Area or approval. This motion is not about changing their guidelines it is about having them adhere to their guidelines.

Keith made a motion to table the motion.

63 in favor of tabling.

Vote to table this motion, passed to table until September.

# Report on Young People's Video Project by Kay M. Area 09 Panel 58 Public Information Chair.

GSO has proposed this project. Jason and the area would like to invite 25 video submissions for the Young People's Video Project. History is in the flyer. Maybe is we could have some volunteers to make an example of a video, to show how it would work. This is a great opportunity to be involved and show some expression by way of video. You must be 18 years or older to actual submit a video. Younger people can hook up with other older young people and put this thing together. The guidelines are on the last page of the handout.

## Report on Remote Communities by Mike M. Area 09 Panel 58 Alternate Delegate.

A.A. World Services has defined a remote community as any community to which it is difficult to carry AA's message because of language, culture or geography. Now a little history on how MSCA has reached out to remote communities. The best example of this

is our Hispanic districts. Having attended district 20's anniversary, I heard a little of the history of how that district came to be 23 years ago. 30 years ago there were very few Spanish-speaking groups involved in general service. Some members from English speaking districts started visiting Spanish-speaking groups to get GSR's. The message of general service spread and the idea of forming a Hispanic district were taken to the Spanish speaking groups. With the approval of these groups, discussion began toward creating a Spanish-speaking district. On June 9, 1985 the Area Service Committee decided to create District 20, and reserved a block of numbers, 20–29 for future Spanish speaking districts. Over the past 23 years, 5 additional districts have formed, the last one being District 25, which came into existence in 2008. This is an example of what successful outreach can do.

There are many other examples of out reach to remote communities in our area. Some were successful and others were not. In 1997 a decision was made by the Area to translate: "So You've Been Told to Go to AA - and You Hate the Idea," into Vietnamese language, and distribute it to the courts, DUI schools, police stations, social agencies, and some of the churches in the 'Little Saigon'. Over 2,500 pamphlets were translated and distributed. A recent check of directories found no meetings in Vietnamese and no attendance at district meetings. Like many other areas we have attempted to reach out to the Native American Indian population. There are 19 reservations within the MSCA boundaries. Area 09 appointed an ad hoc Native American Committee to carry the message. Meetings were started on the Morongo Reservation and Torres-Martinez Reservation. On May 20, 2006 the GSO at the Morongo Reservation held a special Native American Forum. This was the culmination of several years of effort by our area. In addition to myself I hope others also learned a lot. Native Americans from all over the country attended that forum and shared their experience, strength and hope. We have many communities to which it is difficult to carry AA's message because of language, culture or geography within our area. Last year the delegate and our Pacific Regional Trustee to give them one of the first Farsi Big Books visited a Farsi group. They now have a GSR and attend district meetings. Successful outreach doesn't necessarily need committees or huge budgets. Communities consist of individuals and our program is at it's best when one alcoholic talks to another. The success of reaching out to Hispanic groups in my mind is because they were carried the message of general service, they carried that message to others. 2-way communication is vital to this process. They are now an example to other areas on how to carry the message to other communities. The problems of language, culture or geography are minor in comparison to the ability of our higher power. I have faith that where there is a need and a desire to reach and alcoholic, we will.

## **June 8, 2008**

#### **Old Business**

Ad Hoc Committee Report -6/8/08 (Submitted by Patrick S. to Area 9 @ ASC in Redondo Beach)

I was asked to be a part of this Ad Hoc committee in Jan. '08 and at that time was told the purpose of the committee was to determine what to do with our former Delegates. I was also told that we were going to review the Area Guidelines and additionally determine some way to help audit the Finance Committee &/or Treasurer.

I was told that the Committee Chair did not have a computer with email, but that somebody showed her how to use a web-based email account. I use that same program, so I offered to meet with the Chair and show her what I know about the program. I was also told that most of the communication amongst the Committee would be via email.

Approx. March 1, I was told that we needed to review the Panel 56 Area Minutes and determine what changes/ updates need to be implemented. I discovered on the Area web site that there were a couple of months where there were no Minutes published. Shortly afterwards, I was informed by the current Area Secretary that the missing Minutes were uploaded so I read all of the 2006 and 2007 Area Minutes. I discovered that the word "guideline" appeared 56 times, but that only 16 of these were directly pertinent to the Area Guidelines and issues that should be addressed.

My personal feeling is that there were several important issues which should be addressed:

- 1) Timely availability of Minutes. Other Areas make their Minutes available (either printed or thru the web) within 2-10 days.
- 2) Changing the Servathon to only be held in fall of even numbered years.
- 3) Area Inventory: I could not find any Minutes or Notes for the Area Inventory conducted in 2005; I could only find the Agenda. (After I gave this report, I was told that the Area conducted a more recent Area Inventory, but do not know if there are Minutes or what the results of that Inventory were.)
- 4) Other pertinent issues brought up by previous outgoing Delegate:
  - a) Making Pre-Conference workshop a 2-day event
  - b) Limiting Chairs from serving on more than 1 committee (consecutively), unless nobody else is willing to serve
  - c) Change GSR School to GSR Orientation, stop holding it at every Area meeting and have it only @ Area Assemblies & have it facilitated by the Area Officer on a rotating basis
  - d) Eliminate DCM School

I sent this message to everyone on the committee but got no response. Recently, I received an email from the Chair indicating that she had been doing a lot of traveling, but that she was ready to get busy doing some of the work. She also informed me that she recently tried to send me an email, but accidentally hit the SPAM button instead of the SEND button, so the email she meant to send me did not come thru and I am now flagged as a spammer on her end. One of the other people on the committee also just sent out an email indicating how busy she is and my impression is that she probably should not have taken on the commitment since she is not able to be of service.

#### **New Business**

Renaldo from District 23 is proposing that the GSR Preamble be presented to the General Service Conference for submittal in the Service Manual as part of the General Service Structure. The Chairperson Jason S. put forth to the Area 09 Body to make the decision a request to present a sense of the direction the body would like to see the officers act on a decision to either;

- 1. Vote to allow the Area Officers make the decision to determine that money spent on replacement of display material and Literature (separate from the allotted budget) would qualify as an "emergency purchase" under the Policies and Procedures and historical precedent of action taken by the officers when similar situations arose.
- 2. Declare the ASC a de facto assembly to vote on the reimbursement issue (as this was a time sensitive issue).
- 3. Take no action at the present time, thereby depriving the Convention Liaison Committee the funds it needs to operate until the September Assembly. (The request was made for supplies needed by the Convention Liaison Committee that are required in order for their responsibilities to be met as a committee. Due to unforeseen circumstances the previous set of supplies had been destroyed in storage, which was not known at the time the 2009 Budget was approved.)

The Area 09 Body expressed its wish to allow the Area 09 Officers to take action number 1. By substantial unanimity

## Recap of actions.

Feb minutes were approved with the acceptation of omitting the last names. March minutes were approved with no acceptations.

Alex will temporarily serve as acting Corrections Chair.

Patrick will chair the ad hoc committee.

Area Officers approved reimbursement for Convention Liaison Committee.

#### **July 13, 2008**

FORO – no motions

## August 10, 2008

## **Old Business**

Discussion of Area Planning Committee for 50th Year Celebration. An Ad-Hoc Committee was formed during this panel to plan the event. Every Committee, District, GSR or anyone else with any ideas is welcome to submit them for this celebration; see Jason S. or Joseph with the Archive Committee. Recommendations have been circulated by the an Ad-Hoc Committee within the Archive Committee

Jason had a "review" for feedback for the change this year by having the business portion of the meeting before the committees meet. The reason for making this change was for the result of more people being able to participate at Area ASC's & Assemblies because they are not leaving early before the business meeting starts.

Jason asked for Pro & Con opinions on having the business in the morning and Committees in the afternoon. The Cons pointed out that GSR's were not staying after lunch for the Committee meetings causing them to be mostly un-staffed and not able to do their work. Also there is no way for the committees to report what they are currently doing at the business meeting since they meet later. The Cons felt that the business was more important for GSR's to attend then the Committees & that the day is too long to keep GSR's interested in the entire procedure.

#### **New Business**

Proposal of Motion by **Linda H.,** MSCA Treasurer; Recommending changes to MSCA Guidelines for Structure & Procedure, addition being to add to Article 1F Permanent Committees Number 5 the following, "No Standing Committee should have a Treasurer". The background being: the Area Treasurer is responsible for keeping records of the Area funds & providing cash flow statements for the Finance Committee. By not having this addressed it may cause confusion concerning the possibilities of Standing Committee Treasurers that are not necessary since they would be abrogating the Area Treasurers duties & responsibilities. (Question & Answer period followed)

Motion to table to the October ASC by **Nick M**.

2nd by (voice not identified)

Motion to table passed

Proposal of Motion by Reynaldo DCM District 23 – Regarding the GSR Preamble: The GSR Preamble – "We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the World of A.A. We realize the ultimate authority is a loving God as He may express Himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants our job is to bring information to our Groups in order that they can reach an informed Group Conscience. In passing along this Group Conscience we are helping to maintain the unity and strength vital to our fellowship. Let us therefore have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share and the wisdom to do what is right for our Group and A.A. as a whole." The history & background: The GSR Preamble as stated above got it's start right here in Mid-Southern California Area 09 in particular. During the time that Gene L. was the Panel 24 (1974-75) Delegate MSCA 09 someone came up with a preamble to read at Area meetings which was quite as strong & directive to GSR's making them the ultimate authority over Alcoholics Anonymous. Gene asked Goldine (sic: Goldene) L. who was the Area Treasurer at the time to come up with something that would soften this preamble. She did and she came up with the one that we are still using today. Goldine (sic: Goldene) L. would later go on to serve as Area 09 Panel 28 (1978-79) Delegate. Thanks to the MSCA 09 Archives for this great information and the proposal is: District 23 wants the MSCA 09 to support us and request the possible inclusion of the MSCA 09 GSR Preamble to be inserted into our Service Manual (on pg. S24 in English and S28 in Spanish and in French to be determined before the Financial Support paragraph) to the next General Service Conference in 2009.

(Question & Answer period followed)

Motion 2nd (unidentified voice)

Passed with substantial unanimity

# **Motion Forwarded to September Assembly**

"Mini-Inventory" – How Are We Doing?
Presented by Mike M. MSCA Alt-Delegate
Questionnaire passed out to ASC attendees be reviewed later.

Presentation of the Budget Request forms

Presented by Joseph MSCA Finance Chair.

Budget request forms are available at this ASC for all Committee Chairs and need to be returned by the 14th of September (next ASC) where they will be compiled, put together & the committee will start hacking them apart to create a budget for 2009. Please turn them in.

Presentation and Discussion of Proposed 2009 MSCA Meeting and Hosting Schedule Discussion: Moderated by **Jason S.** Area Chair: Joseph Archive Chair requested adding "Archives Open House" in April (exact day to be announced) and Heritage Day in September (exact day to be announced). Though there was no proposal for doing so, a lengthy discussion did take place regarding combining the 50th Anniversary Celebration with Heritage Day & the Election Assembly for a two or three day event. All suggestions were taken as considerations by the Ad-Hoc Committee for the 50th Anniversary event. There was a Motion to Approve amended Calendar with Archives open house & Heritage day added by? (Woman's voice) & a second (male voice)

Motion to Approve amended Calendar Forwarded to September Assembly

## Recap of actions.

Treasurer's Proposal Item addressing Article 1 (E) (5) Tabled until Octobers ASC

Proposal by Reynaldo District 23 Regarding GSR Preamble to be included in the Service Manuel By the General Service Conference Passed to the September Assembly

Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2009 Passed to the September Assembly

Presentation by Finance Chair Joseph M.

Forms were passed out to Committee Chairs to be handed in by September.

Proposed Budget Override for Convention Liaison for 600.00 by Nick M. Passed to September Assembly.

# **September 14, 2008**

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

1. Proposal: MSCA 2009 Meeting Schedule

Jason S.

Correction to September 13th from September 6th.

## Carries with a substantial unanimity

Nancy objected to insufficient copies available.

2. Proposal: MSCA Candidate for U.S. Trustee at Large

Larry S.

Larry S. talked about the qualifications of a U.S. Trustee at Large and his experience serving as a Trustee at Large.

Candidates are, Nick M. Bruce H. Pete B.

Pete B. was elected by the third vote.

3. Proposal: GSR Preamble

Reynaldo District 23

GSR preamble to be placed in the Service Manuel on page 24 under "The General Service Representative (GSR) heading before the title Financial Support.

Carries with a substantial unanimity

4. Proposal: Budget Over-ride for Convention Liaison Committee In the amount of 600.00 Carries with a substantial unanimity.

Michael Mc K.

5. Proposal: Budget Over-ride for Finance Committee

Joseph M.

In the amount of 500.00 Carried with substantial unanimity

6. Proposal: Budget Over-ride for Newsletter Publishing Costs of \$400.00 for printing purposes. **Carried with substantial unanimity.** 

Linda C.

7. Proposal: Budget Over-ride for Finance Committee Joseph M.

In the amount of 1400.00 for area meetings. Carried with substantial unanimity

8. Proposal: Budget Over-ride for Finance Committee for translation funds. Joseph M. In the amount 900.00 Carried with substantial unanimity

## **Old Business**

1. Proposal: Finance Committee Membership Withdrawn by maker of proposal 09-07-08

Bruce H.

## October 12, 2008

(document missing – 2019.07.23 –mcb Area09 minutes October 08-DRM)

## **November 8, 2008**

Servathon – no motions

## **December 14, 2008**

Distribution of Area Guidelines Update by Ad-hoc Committee on Guidelines. Patrick S.

#### **Old Business**

Area 09 proposed 2009 budget. Joseph M.

Will be able to restore some of the cuts to the proposed budget. The original 17% cut was recommended to be restored to the area officer's expenses.

Motion was made by Michael M. to send the proposed budget to the January assembly. Opposed by Bruce H. Feels the budget was glossed over and is concerned this may cost the area many dollars in the end result. Motion carried.

Communications committee guidelines. Linda C.

Guidelines have been made available, no substantive changes were made. Motion was made by Linda C. Passed unanimously.

## **New Business**

TRICYPAA request for bid letter

Scott W.

Tri County Young people in AA are bidding for the opportunity to those the 38th annual all California young people in AA round-up in 2010. TRICYPAA services a vast area including portions of Area 5 and Area 9. over the past four years we have worked to become more involved in our area by chairing H&I panels for youth, facilitation other creation of new young peoples meetings and service committees, attending Central Office Intergroups and district GSR meetings and hosting events to outreach to young and potential alcoholics. In order to further untie our large service area we need to bring ACYPAA to our tri-county region. At this time we are requesting the support of are 9 incur bid for the 38th annual ACYPAA round-up.

Substantial unanimity to support this letter.

Proposal: Report formats. Alex N.

Purpose is to make more concise reporting at microphone. It's about making information available to GSR's. Motion to table until the area assembly by bill d. Table to next ASC-February. Motion carried to next ASC.

Proposal: Calendar and Meeting Schedule change. Alex N. Mike M made a motion to table this item to February ASC.

Proposal: "It sure beats sitting in a cell" Pamphlet changes. Keith S.

Change some archaic wording to be replaced by better words. Need to know what exact words to change it to.

Motioned to move forward to the assembly. Unanimously approved.

# **January 11, 2009**

#### **Old Business**

Confirmation: Alex O. Corrections Committee Chair

Motion by Scott substantial unanimity

1. Proposal: Guidelines of Communications committee Linda C.

Motion made by Jim C. Substantial unanimity

2. Proposal: MSCA 2009 Budget Finance Committee

Proposed amendment: Grapevine Chair Kimberli A. on behalf of Area 09 Grapevine and La Viña Chair

Angela R. Make a proposal to increase our combined total budget to \$500.00 Approved.

Proposed amendment to Alternate Delegate budget be restored to \$1,200.00 as requested in December.

Approved.

Motion by Pete B. To accept the 2009 budget at \$0.40/mi Does not pass by substantial unanimity.

Motion by Nick M. Proposes 2009 proposed budget be accepted at the rate of \$0.30/mi, incorporating the two budget amendments accepted today at the January 2009 assembly. Approved with substantial unanimity

Approval of budget with the amendments of the 2009 budget at \$0.30/mi Approved as presented with substantial unanimity

## **New Business**

1. Proposal: Changes to Pamphlet (p33) "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell" Keith S.

## **February 8, 2009**

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## March 15, 2009

#### **Old Business**

1. Proposal: Report Formats; Alex N. Rick called for question, motion carried. Scott R. motioned to forward Proposal to the May Assembly, motion carried. Several members spoke to the minority. Bruce motioned to reconsider voting for the proposal,

- motion carried. Discussion. Motion did not carry and proposal will not be forwarded to the May Assembly.
- 2. Proposal: Revised (Calendar Only) beginning 2010 Meeting Schedule: Alex N. Mike M. motioned to table to June ASC. Motion did not carry. Discussion. Motion was made to bring proposal to May Assembly, Motion carried.
- 3. Proposal: Policy Foro. Alex moved to withdraw proposal.
- 4. Proposal: Policy & Procedures Committee. Keith S. called for the question. Motion Failed.
- 5. Proposal: Prohibit Finance Chair from changing Assembly Approved Budget until the next assembly meets Bruce H. Bruce motioned to table to the next ASC. Motion to table Passed

#### **New Business**

1. Proposal: Motion to have MSCA approve a new three-year lease agreement for a new Archives Repository to be located at 7111B Arlington Avenue, Riverside CA. The monthly rent for the new repository is to be \$938 (\$0.70/square foot) for three years, with a 3% cost of living increase in 2010 (\$0.72/square foot) and 2011 (\$.72/square foot). Linda C. made the motion to approve action to vote as assembly for this proposal only, not as ASC. Motion carries. Scott R. moved to vote on proposal, motion carried with substantial unanimity.

## **April x, 2009**

Pre-Conference – not motions

## May 17, 2009

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## June 14, 2009

#### **Old Business**

Bruce H. Motion has been taken off the table. To Prohibit Finance Chair from changing Assembly. Approved Budget until the next assembly meets.

## New Business

Presentation: Carrie, District 18 had to requests of the assembly:

- 1) asked the assembly to request A.A. W.S. to rescind the contract with Amazon to sell the Big Book online for Kindle.
- 2) Ask A.A. W.S. to request permission from the groups to sell the Big Book for Kindle on Amazon.com in compliance with Tradition 2 and Tradition 9.

## July 12, 2009

FORO – no motions

## **August 9, 2009**

#### **Old Business**

**Proposal 1:** Carrie S. GSR for Saturday 915 12 & 12 Irvine: asked to request AAWS to rescind the contract with Amazon to sell the Big Book online for Kindle. 2) Ask AAWS to request permission from the groups to sell the Big Book for Kindle on Amazon.com in compliance with Tradition 2 and Tradition 9. Motion/2nd (Scott/Linda H). Motion failed.

**Proposal 2**: Bruce H. Past Delegate: Motion/2nd (Bruce/Mike M.) to present to the next Assembly to prohibit the Finance Chair from changing assembly-approved budget until next assembly meets. Discussion. Passed. Minority opinion was discussed. Motion/2nd (Alex/Linda H) to reconsider. Motion to reconsider passed. Motion to present to Assembly failed.

#### **New Business**

Calendar: Area Chair presents Proposed 2010 Area Meeting Schedule. Recommendations from the floor: removal of out of area meetings. Make October 10 an ASC. Change April 11 to April 4 due to Easter. Change hosting district for May 9 from District 15 to District 6. DCMC will be contacted from District 6 to verify. July 11 switch to District 24. Change May 9 to May 16. Discussion.

**Budget Override Request CPC**: Request for Budget Override: CPC Michael M. – Motion/2nd (Michael M/Yvonne) to CPC budget increase \$650. Discussion. Motion carries.

## **Budget Override Request GV/LV:**

Motion/2nd (Kimberli/Michael M) Combined budget for Grapevine/La Viña be increased by \$400. Discussion. Motion Carries.

Presentation of Background Information and Report of Area Attorney regarding current Corporate Status of MSCA09 and the necessity of changing the By-Laws to bring the Area into Compliance with CA Corporate Law. Her letter to the Area is attached. Her presentation was well received and many pertinent questions were asked and answered. There is no action required by the Area in order to change the By Laws. The corporation has been structured since its inception as a "Non Member Corporation", which means that the Directors (at this time there are two) are the sole decision makers for legal matters. The presentation was designed to inform the members of MSCA that the new by laws will change the structure of MSCA to a "Member Corporation" and that when the new board takes on its responsibilities January 1, 2010, that among their duties will be to serve as Directors of the Corporation. In addition, eligible voting members of the Area will also be voting members of the corporation. Therefore, MSCA will be structured to conform to the way it has customarily been operating for the past 22 years. The two directors were present and assured the assembly that they are very pleased with the adjustment and will look forward to turning over the responsibilities to all the members of the MSCA on January 1st.

## <u>September 13, 2009</u>

#### **New Business**

- 1. Cooperation with Professional Committee Chair is asking for additional \$650 to cover expenses. Bill motioned to increase. Bob seconded. Alex N. spoke to minority opinion. Motion carries.
- 2. Floor action that the MSCA 09 purchases a new computer for the Area Registrar not to exceed \$1,500. Call for Question. Minority Opinion was given. Motion carries.
- 3. Grapevine and La Vina are asking for a budget override of \$450 to get us through the end of the year. Call for the question. Budget override approved.
- 4. Proposal to Revise (Calendar Only) beginning 2010 Meeting schedule. Amendment to the MSCA 09 Guidelines. Alex withdrew proposal.
- 5. Area 2010 Calendar. Linda moved to approve the meeting schedule. Motion carries.
- 6. Area 09 By-Laws
- 7. Election of Candidate for Regional Trustee. Will move this to the Election Assembly.

## October 11, 2009

# **Election Assembly**

Pacific Regional Trustee Nomination went to Pete B. in the 4th ballot with 98 votes.

The election of Panel 60 Area 09 were as follows;

Linda C. was elected as the new Delegate by the hat.

Cesar F. was elected as the Alt. Delegate in the 2nd ballot with 117 votes.

Jeryl T. was elected as the Area 09 Chair on the 4th ballot with 95 votes.

Sharon K. was elected as the Secretary in the 1st ballot with 90 votes.

Joseph M. was elected as the Treasurer in the 2nd ballot with 100 votes.

Michael M. was elected as the new Registrar by the hat.

## November 14, 2009

#### **New Business**

- 1. **Presentation of Area 09 Proposed 2010 Budget**: Presentation of Area 09 Proposed Budget.
- 2. **Budget Override Request Secretary**: Jim B. (Finance Committee) Request for Budget Override: Secretary Sharon K. for \$300 to cover expenses through end of the year.

Motion to suspend ASC to approve a budget override for secretary for \$300. Motion/2nd (Michael M. /Bill)

Motion carries.

Motion to give a budget override to Secretary \$300. 45 for 4 against. Minority opinion – oppose GSRs not being present to vote. Motion/2nd (Scott R. /Doug) Motion carries.

3. **H & I Request to use Area 9's Sound Equipment** – Revo (chair for 2010 H & I conference), requested translation equipment and an operator use for the fundraising event for the H & I conference on November 21. Motion/2nd (Steve/Bill). Discussion. Scott spoke to minority. Motion carries.

#### **MOTIONS:**

- Motion to suspend ASC to approve budget override for Secretary for \$300.
   Motion/2nd (Michael M./Bill) Motion carries.
- Motion to give a budget override to Secretary for \$300. 45 for 4 against. Minority opinion expressed. Motion/2nd (Scott R. /Doug) Motion carries.

## **December 13, 2009**

#### **New Business**

Jim C. – Notification/Proposal:

- Notification: January 10, 2010 will be established as a Record Date for determining the members entitled to vote at a meeting of voting members in keeping with 4.8 (a) (ii) of the MSCA Bylaws. (No vote is necessary; notification only)
- Motion (Jim C./Scott R.) That the Area Assembly alter, by suspension, Article 4.3 of the MSCA Bylaws for that assembly only" (Motion will be presented with background material and explanation) Motion passes unanimously.

#### **Old Business**

Finance Committee:

• Discussion of Area 09 Proposed 2010 Budget Motion: Scott R./Jeryl motion/2nd to table proposal January Assembly. Bruce spoke to minority – "I think the area is in financial difficulties and go back to our current Treasurer to inform the body of this and think it has fallen on deaf ears. Now we have the translators can't even get paid here. I think that sometimes we look at these budgets and really don't look at the long-term implications when we approve budgets. We have approved a lot of overrides. I noticed you didn't trim anything in regards to the area meetings but trimmed three committees that now can't function. Also we can only afford to put \$1,500 to send the Delegate to the General Service Conference. That is the sole purpose of this area, to support the Delegate." Motion carries.