

San Diego / Imperial Area Institutional Committee (SDIAC)

San Diego H & I

Policy Council Meeting Minutes

By Zoom May 16, 2021

I. Meeting called to order by Diana at 11:00. Present were Lauren, Blaine, Diana, Larry F., Sherisa, Don C.

A moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

There were no birthdays this month.

II. Minutes – March minutes approval is still tabled in the absence of Sharmaine and the minutes. April minutes were approved as submitted.

Reports:

1. **Orientation (Del/Lauren)** – There has been no orientation since our last committee meeting. We will have two orientations to report on for the next meeting.
2. **Librarian (Chris R.)** – Nothing to report.
3. **Registrar (Howard)** - Not present; no report.
4. **Corrections Chair (David B.)** – Not present; no report. Larry noted that Donovan’s current coordinator may not be able to continue in the position.
5. **Contact on Release (Shelly)** – We reviewed COR – one new request this month. No DOR. No matches made; no follow-up. No phone messages this month.
6. **Treasurer (Diana for Lindsay)** – We had corrected March report as well as April report this month. There was a returned check in the amount of \$45.50. The easiest way to handle returned checks is to remove them from the original deposit, which we did. Also, the literature invoice amount was less than the reported order amount because of some literature on back-order. The back-order amount will be added back to the finance report once it ships and is invoiced. For April, our income was \$1,572, our expenses were \$11.12. Our current bank balance is \$30,211. This is high. Both the updated March report and the April report were approved.
7. **Treatment Chair (Open)** – Position is still open. Our prospective candidate advised he cannot take the position at this time.
8. **Clearance (Blaine)** – Blaine has clearance forms. He will distribute them when/if asked.
9. **Policy and Guidelines (Larry F.)** – Larry reported that he reviewed the material Diana sent to him. It has not yet been given final approval by the Policy Council. However, we will hold it in abeyance until we have resumed activity more closely approximating “normal”, and will then review, revise the P&G to match what is happening.
10. **Alternate Chair (Lauren)** – Lauren attended the Coordinating Council meeting and gave our report on what we are currently doing. Central office is planning to open for limited hours the weekend of June 5-6. They will have an “open house” with coffee. No plans for resuming in person after hour phones at this time.
11. **Chair (Diana)** – Diana reported that ACM this month is this coming Thursday. Will report on two ACM's next month. Attended Area Assembly on May 15th. Participated in the

BTGWW Zoom workshop. She will try to bid for SDIAIC hosting of the 2022 in person workshop which will be September, 2022. Responded to two inquiries on the website.

11. **North County Liaison (Don)** – Don reported that North County is doing a Book Blitz and asking facilities if they have specific plans for reopening to H&I at this time. So far the response has been minimal. Those that are expressing an interest are asking that panel members be re-vetted – probably for vaccination. There are 3 facilities currently having live panels. The committee is in need of staff: chairperson, secretary, and, shortly because Don will be moving, a facilities chair. The alano clubs in North County are reopening. The next NCAIC Committee meeting will be in person at the Oceanside Alano Club; there will be an in-person orientation in July.
12. **So Cal H&I Intergroup Liaison (Diana)** – Small attendance. No new news at the moment. This is a committee that works best with in person meetings. It's not a business meeting, but a time for inter-committee networking and acquiring of materials. (Also lunch.)
13. **Area 8 Liaison (Blaine)** – Blaine reported on the Area Assembly. Following are Conference decisions:
 - Change preamble: “Fellowship of **people...**”
 - Big Book: start work on 5th edition with no changes to 1st 164 pages; start work on 4th edition Spanish; create translation into Plain Language.
 - 12 x 12: change “same sex” to “**romantic entanglement**” and “mate of the opposite sex” to “**partner**”
 - Virtual Groups should register in the location of the primary contact of the group. There will not be a “virtual” area at this time.
 - For corrections: terminology is “**person in custody**”. This is being made in changes to the literature so that some institutions who won't accept “inmate” will still use our literature.

There are two committee meetings now – one of all DCM's in Area 8, and one of all Area Committee Chairs in Area 8.

The budget process for the Area is new this year. Much discussion about how to do the additions to the “bare bones” budget prepared by the finance committee.
14. **Spanish Liaison (Open)** – No report.
15. **GSDYPAA Liaison (Open)** – Lauren reported that they are planning a Field Day gathering at Balboa Park on May 29th. The H&I Liaison is looking for ways for them to be involved beyond CMH, where they were taking a panel. Offering recorded panels? Don and Lauren agreed that if there was interest, Don would provide link.
15. **Imperial County Liaison (Lou)** – Not present. No report.
16. **Website (Shelley)** – No report. If you have anything for Shelley to put on the website, please send it to her.

Old Business

Election of Stevan Saldana as alternate treasurer: we did not have a quorum at the meeting, but chose to affirm Stevan as our alternate treasurer, subject to review at the next meeting when we have a quorum.

Nick J. has determined not to make himself available for the position of Treatment Chair at this time. He may be interested in the future, if it becomes open again. Diana will contact the coordinators/facilities to see if/when they plan in-person reopening and what requirements (if any) there will be of panel members going in. Lauren will review emails received from Matt and make any updates to the treatment spread sheet for sending out after the orientation on Thursday.

New Business

No new business presented.

Meeting adjourned with the Declaration of Responsibility at 12:03 pm.

Thank you for letting me be of service