

Mid-Southern California Area 09 District 1
Zoom Meeting – Hosted by Alex W
Approved Minutes from April 9, 2020

7:30 pm Meeting Called to Order – Alex W (opening with the Serenity Prayer at 7:36 pm)

- I. Declaration of Unity – read by Jim B
- II. General Service Representatives Preamble – read by Karyn M
- III. Tradition and Concept of the Month ~ by Karyn M
[Asking for volunteer for Tradition and Concept of the next month]
Kirsten P J volunteer for May's T5 & C5
- IV. Introductions: ROLL CALL Introduction of all members (new GSRs, visitors and guests)
(21) Zoom Participants; see Anoosh for new GSRs he met with in Breakout Room #1 before our meeting
- V. April Birthdays – we have the following (6) participants who spoke up:
Kevin C (4/8/12) 8yrs
Ken O (4/28/88) 32yrs
Susan (4/1/86) 34yrs
Mike M (4/25/15) 5yrs
Ronney (4/25/18) 2yrs
Paul H (4/24/19) 1yr
- VI. Approval of Minutes (for March) see page 5-6
Ken O makes a motion to approve the minutes via chat, Karyn M seconded motion - Passed with substantial unanimity (there are no changes)
- VII. Executive Reports: 2 Minutes
DCMC - Alex W
Alt. DCMC - Marie
Secretary - Jeff
Treasurer - Jim B
Registrar - Anoosh Y
Finance - Charles
- VIII. Standing Committee Reports: 2 Minutes
Literature - Elvis {absent}
Grapevine - Stryker [Note: the electronic subscription (version) is still free at the moment]
Public Information (PI) - Charley A {absent}
Cooperation with The Professional Community (CPC) - Kristina {absent}
Accessibilities - Dylan [no report]
Website – (still vacant; see section X. below)
- IX. Service Positions Reports:
Cyber / Internet Liaison – (still vacant; see Section X. below)
Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Liaison - Michelle {absent}
Central Office Liaison - Burt M
Newcomer Orientation - Javad {absent}
- X. Unfinished Business
Continuation of Elections
 - a) By Simple Majority
 1. District Committee Members (DCM)
Men's Meetings {none}
 2. Standing Committee Chairpersons
Website (none)

3. District Meeting Service Commitments
Cyber & Internet Liaison {none}

XI. New Business:
None

XII. Pre-Conference Workshop Discussion

Please fill out the survey.

Per Alex: our Delegate Ed L has made available a Survey (see link in Alex's e-mail on April 6th) and associated Master Tables form for our GSRs and Individual Members to fill out, providing feedback to Area 09. Alex presents on screen share the (7) most voted on issues and our District body discusses some of these tonight in "open forum".

Following are Example(s) from the survey questionnaire:

V. Grapevine

""D. Consider revising the A.A. Preamble to use gender neutral pronouns. For example, "Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other..."E. Consider a request to change the language of the first sentence of the A.A. Preamble as follows: "Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share..."""

VI. Literature

""P. Consider requests to revise the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions:1. To remove the phrase "opposite sex" from paragraph two on page 117 in the chapter "Step Twelve."""

Following are Note(s) in chat text file from Ken O:

"We don't vote at the district level."

"The purpose of us discussing it here is to better inform you, so you can make a more informed decision on behalf of your group."

Following are Note(s) in chat text file from Jim B:

"We will have an Exec Committee meeting before May 12th so we could walk you through filling out the online form then or before."

"The Conference is struggling with deciding how to conduct the Conference and make sure all of the participants can get together. So, the jury is still out as to whether they will be successful or not. Most of this, in my estimation, will end up being sent to committee." (rather than voted on-the-floor)

XIII. Announcements (see the backside or second page of our agenda for event information)

MSCA Area Assembly - TBD

District 1 Executive Committee Meeting April 23, (4th Thursday)

7:00pm-8:00pm Via ZOOM Join Manually (see Page 1 or 7 of our agenda)

International Convention 2020, Canceled

Pacific Regional Forum 2020, Canceled

9:02 pm (Responsibility Pledge) Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted by:

Jeff L, Secretary