

General Service District 1 Area 9 Panel 70
Executive Committee Meeting
August 27th, 2020

Call To Order: 7:03 pm

Open with the Serenity Prayer

Purpose of the EC Meeting: Setting the Agenda for the District 1 Business Meeting. (Guideline description deferred in the interest of time).

Roll Call: 9

Alex W- DCMC

Jim B-Treasurer

Marie D- Alt DCMC

Karyn M-Alt Secretary

Charles-Finance

Erin W-D3 Liaison

David –New GSR –Denver Group Sun 7 pm HB Rotary Club

Stryker-Grapevine Chair/DCM for Hermosa and Manhattan Beach

Jeff L-Secretary

District Reorganization Report presented by DCMC of District 1 (Alex W) and DCMC of District 3 (Erin W):

Erin spoke about the Area 09 Board Meeting on Sunday 8/23/2020 and D3 reaching out for help from D1.

It was suggested that the D3 DCMC should dissolve the D3 Executive Board and use the Executive Board from D1.

Next, it would be necessary for D1 to adopt D3 Executive members. District 3 Executive Board, would be absorbed by District 1.

Erin then posed the following motions:

Motion A: District 1 approves absorbing District 3

Erin will submit background information for this motion.

Motion B: District 1 instructs their Executive Board to serve District 1 and District 3.

Erin will submit background information for this motion.

Jim asked if motion B is for the Exec Committee to decide, or for the district to decide. Alex explained that this motion goes first to the Exec Board and is then submitted to the district.

Jim's asked about Motion B, which is specific to the Executive Board approval. Alex responded that because two Exec Board members were not present, that we would not be voting on it in this meeting.

Motion to Exec Board will be put on the agenda to be voted on by the body in our next district meeting.

Jim expressed confusion. Karyn explained that this needs to be presented to the body so that they understand what this means "in practice" for them. Alex has done a great deal of research on this action. The concern is how we present this action to the body. If we want them to receive it favorably, we will need to identify what will change for them in their current positions. Alex stated that it is the person making the motion that must communicate their needs from District 1.

Erin then responded that the Area directed her to find a solution to the D3 problem. Combining with D1 is the proposed solution. The Combination would include:
D3 would no longer be in service, their board would be dissolved

D3 would use the D1 Executive Board

D3 will maintain their letterhead

D1 will be serving D3 cities, which include Lomita, Harbor City, San Pedro, Wilmington, and Carson.

D3 will need DCM's for each of those cities.

D1 Committees will have more cities to cover

Charles offered that the purpose of the Exec Board is to research all proposals so that we understand and can be a resource for the body. We should guide the understanding of the proposed motion. We should continue to serve AA by keeping the light on. We have guidelines and roles in D1 for our positions and committees and these may need to be revised. We want to explain the proposal to the body so that they are able to make an informed decision.

Alex explained that she wishes to answer our questions now, so that we may present the motions as a united front. She then stated that she did not want to be alone in this effort to serve D3.

Karyn asked if our name would be changing. Erin responded no, that if approved, the name would be D1 and D3 so that down the line, when we may need to separate, and we can maintain our names.

Karyn asked if we had the list of the meetings in D3? Alex answered yes, from the Area Website. Karyn asked that we present this proposal in a comprehensive manner so the body is able to understand what they are voting on.

Jim suggested that we were "putting the cart before the horse". He does not feel that Westside Combined Districts is an example that would work for us.

He suggested that we start by asking D1 if they wish to help D3. We should ask them first before we tell them how we want to help D3. If they do want to help D3, he felt that we should create an ad hoc committee to address the details of the merge.

This is a district decision and they don't have enough information yet to make an informed decision. In the area board meeting Ed recommended not making long term changes. Districts 8 and 11 have had this problem for 1.5 years and they are still working it out. Jim feels that this process is unfair to the district in that they won't be able to make an informed decision in 15 minutes when we present these motions to them. It's not our call, it's the districts call. We are not giving them enough information.

Alex expressed that in the Area Board Meeting, Hiro had a different take from Ed. Hiro said that we have the power to make the decision. He also said that we are already operating in the role of D3 guidance. We are 100% here to serve the district and she asks that we respect her effort to serve the district.

Charles does not feel that we can achieve this effort quickly. We need people to understand and accept the proposal. He feels that we need guidelines on how this will happen.

Erin said that there are no rules and no outline for D1. She thinks that D1 just has to be willing.

Jim asked if the District or the Executive Board is approving motion B. The motion is re-written to clarify that the Body is instructing the Executive Board to serve D1 and D3.

Karyn offered a third motion to include the recommendations of both Jim and Charles.

Motion C: District 1 to consider forming an ad hoc committee to identify the duties and functions of D1 and D3 serving as one.

There is no Old Business for the Business Meeting Agenda.

All three motions were added to the Agenda for the next Business Meeting under *New Business*.

#10 of the Business Meeting Agenda was deleted because it was redundant.

Guidelines Update: Alex asked if the Website and the Financial Guideline revisions were going to be presented to the District. Jim explained that they needed to go to the Executive Committee first. The guideline revisions were provided to Marie as the Alt DCMC and then Ken O was identified as the Guideline Committee Chair. Ken O is not at this meeting to update us.

The revisions for both the Website Guidelines and the Finance Guidelines await review. There are three people on this revisions committee and there is no meeting scheduled yet. This issue was removed from the Agenda for the Business Meeting.

The Exec Board agreed that the “breakout rooms” were helpful for the committees in the business meeting.

We reviewed the Business Meeting Agenda for distribution. We reviewed upcoming events.

The Holiday Party- Will be discussed in next meeting.

The Finance Committee submitted the proposed budget for 2021. The Executive Board has received the budget. The body has to review and approve the proposed budget. This will be proposed to the body as a motion in the next meeting.

The Exec Meeting closed with the Responsibility Declaration.

Adjourn: 8:09 pm