

Mid-Southern California Area 09 (MSCA)  
District 1 – Committee Meeting  
Minutes from January 14, 2021

Zoom ID 929 014 8764; PW panel70

6:00 - 6:45pm Concept 10  
6:45 - 7:25pm GSR & DCM Sharing Session  
7:00 - 7:25pm GSR Orientation - Breakout Room #1  
7:30 - 9:00pm District 1 Committee Meeting *<words in italics are written submissions>*

- 1) Call to Order  
7:30 pm Meeting Called to Order – Alex W (Serenity Prayer) \_\_\_7:30\_\_pm  
w/ opening with remarks on how the Zoom meeting will be conducted.  
Declaration of Unity read by \_Erin W\_\_\_\_\_:  
“This we owe to AA’s future; To place our common welfare first; To keep our Fellowship United.  
For on AA unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.”
- 2) General Service Representatives Preamble, (screen share) read by \_\_Michelle B\_\_\_\_
- 3) Tradition and Concept of the Month ~ this month, Trad 1 and Con 1, to be presented by \_Kirsten PJ\_\_\_\_  
[Ask for volunteer for Tradition and Concept of the next month]  
Next month: \_Jeff L\_\_ volunteers for February’s Trad 2 and Con 2.
- 4) Attendance – Zoom Participants – up to (\_32\_\_\_\_) counted at \_\_7:38\_\_ pm  
(\_1\_\_) Names introduced themselves / copied from chat notes:  
Danielle G to Everyone: Alex W, please add me to the email list. I have not been receiving emails.  
Introduction of all members (new GSRs, visitors and/or guests)  
new GSRs:  
Doug H, Surf & Sand Sun 7pm  
Veto G, SBAC Fri 5:30  
Ryan H, Sapphire Beach Sun 10am  
Michelle B, Man. Bch. Women’s Mon 6:30  
Karen M, 12x12 Mon 7:30pm  
Lauren F, Flourishing Church Tue 7:00pm  
Jane W, AA Way of Life Women’s Thur 5:30p  
Visiting from District 3: Erin W, District 3 Liaison; Scott M, Treasurer; Leslie R  
Visiting from Area 09: Ed L – A09 Delegate
- 5) December and January Birthdays – Congratulations (7):

Ramon R	Dec 15, 5yr	Kirsten PJ	Dec 29, 21yr
Jamie W	Jan 18, 5yr	Maureen M	Jan 17, 26yr
Alex W	Jan 4, 8yr	Doug H	Jan 26, 29yr
Brandon	Jan 11, 12yr		
- 6) Approval of Minutes from our previous CM November 12, 2020  
Ref.: filename (\_\_pp) = 2020.11.12 D1 CM Minutes Rev-A\_Unapproved.docx  
Motion to approve: \_Charles\_ 1<sup>st</sup>, \_Apryll\_ 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion? Comments? (none): Minutes are approved as presented in unanimity.
- 7) Executive Reports: 2 minutes  
DCMC - Alex W, *Happy New Year everyone. Welcome home. I am so jazzed to be here, and I hope you are to. We are getting ready for General Service - Service Season. The next couple months will be vital to the future of AA and is the whole reason why we all are here. The 71st General Service Conference will be conducted during the scheduled time period of April 18-24, 2021 via remote meeting technology. Sessions of the 71st Conference will be conducted on a digital platform. We will make sure to set you all up with as much information. Please pay attention to your emails and our website for access to the agenda items coming virtually from New York. As we did last year, responses will be submitted online. This year we*

will be devoting all of march to breaking down the agenda items, helping answer any questions your home groups may have and helping you be as informative as possible. If you have any questions, please write them down and ask.

PRAASA will be held virtually on the first weekend of March, the board and I will be discussing allocating funds for any GSR who would like to attend and can't afford to. Please do write in the chat if you are interested in attending this year. The area service committee meeting occurred in December and the assembly occurred this past Sunday of which I was in attendance for.

Area updates

GSR app

Servathon – District 1 is hosting in Nov. first time ever stay tuned.

Bootcamp event March 20th 10-1pm. We need four volunteers who are willing to present on an agenda item. Anyone who is willing please let me know.

Three Motions Passed. a). Emma new registrar. b). Calendar for 2021 c). \$5000 for GSO d).

Budget for 2021

AA as a whole.

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As a reminder we meet starting at 6:00pm for concepts and a mini workshop at 7:00pmish. We will be devoting the next several months to the agenda items and ensuring you can effectively understand and bring to your home groups. Thank you for my sobriety.

Love and Service. Alex Wheatley.

Alt. DCMC – Marie, comments on Holiday Party, planning for success paid off

Secretary – Jeff, announcement on status of Minutes and their distribution to the group [copied from chat notes] 20:15:45 From Jeff L to Everyone: If you or anyone wants something written in the minutes you can e-mail me at [district1area09.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:district1area09.secretary@gmail.com) and/or contact me via the Contact Us link on our website [www.msca-district1.org](http://www.msca-district1.org).

Treasurer - Jim B (D1) *Treasurers Report 1/14/2021*

Given that there was no District Committee meeting in December, for purposes of continuity in the record I will combine the December 2020 Treasurers report with this January 2021 report.

On November 1, 2020 our beginning checking account balance was \$1822.87. We had deposits totaling \$156.39. Expenses including fees was \$166.84. Our ending balance was \$1812.42. Our beginning savings account balance (prudent reserve) was \$1601.14. We earned \$.01 in interest. Our ending prudent reserve balance was \$1601.15.

On December 1, 2020 our beginning checking account balance was \$1812.42. We had deposits totaling \$316.42. Withdrawals, expenses and fees totaled \$501.61. Our ending checking account balance on December 31st was \$1627.23. Our beginning savings account (prudent reserve) balance was \$1601.15. We earned \$.01 in interest. Our ending prudent reserve balance was \$1601.16.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

In Service,

Jim B.

MSCA 01 District 1 Panel 70 Treasurer

Treasurer - Scott M (D3), D3 has smaller expenses and deposits, one expense for example being our PO Box, we paid out \$51.00.

Registrar - Charles A *Registrar Report*

*Attend Area 09 Area Svc assembly 1/10/21.*

*Working on list of GSR in Dist. 1 & 3*

*Area 09 list GSR*

*Bought supplies printer ink and folder.*

District 3 Liaison – Erin

- 8) Standing Committee reports: 2 Minutes  
Literature – Elvis [*copied from chat notes*] 20:13:52 From Elvis M to Everyone: [msca09aa.org](https://msca09aa.org).  
[mscadistrict1.org](https://mscadistrict1.org) (GSR Kit) need literature.  
Grapevine – Stryker (absent)  
Public Information (PI) – Vacant  
Cooperation with The Professional Community (CPC) - Christina W  
Karyn C announcement: *District 1 CPC has provided Books and pamphlets to the Social Work Department at Torrance Memorial Medical Center for their use in their Emergency Room, Employee Assistance Program and wherever else they deem appropriate. On the Area Level, The CPC division is providing two-year Grapevine/La Vina subscriptions throughout the Area as requested by the CPC members.*  
Accessibilities – Dylan  
Website - Jim B *Website Committee Chair Report 1/14/2021*  
*The District 1 & 3 Website Committee met on December 3, 2020. Under discussion were general topics centered on events posting and integrating information on District 3 into the website. There was also discussion of the District 3 PayPal account to be created and how that would be integrated into the website contributions dialog. Thank you for letting me be of service.*  
*Jim B.*  
*MSCA 09 District 1 & 3 Website Committee Chair*
- Service Positions Reports: 2 Minutes  
Cyber / Internet Liaison - Vacant  
Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Liaison – Michelle  
Central Office Liaison - Robert  
Newcomer Orientation – Javad

- 9) Old Business:  
General service Conference Agenda Item - Motion by Cindy (Surf and Sand SS Group) Re.:  
"Safety Issue" - Rough Draft *Motion*  
*GSB to create a Safety in AA Quickstart in Three Parts:*  
1) *Q&A for Traditions & Safety Decisions (3), e.g. When does meeting safety rise to the level of impacting AA as a whole? What reputational risks to AA are there given related outside issues and events? How does Tradition Three impact group decisions on whether to ban a member?*  
2) *Provide examples (3) that illustrate a range of solutions within the bounds of AA Traditions, e.g. Coiled Snake Poster 13th Step = Sexual Predation. 13th Steppers are Predators. Stay Away.*  
3) *What is a crime? Provide a list of illustrative examples. eg, sending pornographic images to others without consent.*

*Purpose*

*Provide quick, concise guidance on safety to meetings that may not have experienced members, leadership, and sponsorship.*

*Background*

*Pornographic photos were sent to members by a circuit speaker, who is the brother of a celebrity. He used his informal authority, power, and influence, and AA's governance structure, to prey on meetings with mostly newcomers. Consequences were delayed while the meeting debated what could and should be done. One member at those meetings shared about the divisive experience during a group study of Traditions at Hermosa Beach Surf 'n Sand Sunday night.*

*Surf 'n Sand Sunday night is the sponsor of this motion. The meeting will begin testing a new format to contribute to a culture of safety within AA. The meeting believes that AA's safety resources need to be more readily accessible to the most vulnerable members.*

Jane W reports that Cindy never got a full group sponsorship commitment as implied in the above presentation.

Veto G announces it WAS discussed and authorized by the Surf & Sand SS Group.

Cindy is stepping aside, and in her absence tonight, the motion fails as presented, however as possible co-sponsor(s), Doug and/or Jane may wish to reintroduce the Motion at our next ECM for possible reconsideration in the next year's (2022) GSC.

10) New Business:

Contribution to GSO – Treasurer

Jim B comments: “no” this is NOT an action in the works; there’s not enough money at this time.

11) Continuation of Elections – (2) significant positions:

Finance Chair

Alex W comments – every odd year District Committee Meeting; she reads and screen shares Finance Chair minimum qualifications from the District 1 Guidelines.

No one stands, no nominations – to be tabled till next time.

District 3 – Ad Hoc Advisory Committee Chair

Leslie R volunteers (her home group is the Sunrise Group Attitude Adjustment)

No one stands in opposition; Leslie R is approved unanimously.

Jim B and Karyn C volunteer to help Leslie R.

Continuation of Elections – by Simple Majority

a) District Committee Members

DCM Men’s Meetings (none – tabled till next month) \_\_\_\_\_

DCM Women’s Meetings (none – tabled till next month) \_\_\_\_\_

DCM Torrance (none – tabled till next month) \_\_\_\_\_

DCM Redondo Beach – Ramone R volunteers

b) District Standing Committee:

Public Information (PI) (none – tabled till next month) \_\_\_\_\_

c) District Meeting Service Commitments

Cyber & Internet Liaison (none – tabled till next month) \_\_\_\_\_

12) Announcements

UPCOMING EVENTS – *The following EVENT items are copied from the Agenda:*

- *MSCA Area Assembly Jan 10th, Sunday*

*8:30 am - 2:00pm Meeting ID: <https://zoom.us/j/99209813727> Password: service*

- *Executive Committee Meeting Jan 28th, Thursday*

*7:00 -8:00pm Meeting ID: 929 014 8764 Password: panel70 (all lowercase)*

- *First Sunday of Every Month through 2021 Traditions and Concepts Workshop*

*5:00 - 6:00pmPST Meeting ID: 320 861 4908 Password:925644*

- *Concepts 1- 4 workshop Jan 23, 2021 Hosted by District 5*

*9:00am - 12:00pm Meeting ID: 457 182 8915 Password: 469764*

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ed L – PRAASA 2021, March 5,6,7 only \$15. (virtually) Hosted by Area 93, Central California (also) Working on condensed agenda items for the upcoming 2021 GSC

Alex W – Executive, Standing and Service Position / Chairs: please send Jeff L any supplemental or written report(s) by Friday, January 15, 2020 (by the day after) for addition to the Minutes: Jeff L, District1 Secretary, [district1area09.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:district1area09.secretary@gmail.com)

13) Motion to adjourn: Jim B 1<sup>st</sup>; Karyn C 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor? Aye, aye, aye... “and the Ayes have it”. Responsibility Pledge and Meeting ends at \_\_\_8:58pm\_\_\_.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jeff L

MSCA 01 Secretary