

Mid-Southern California Area 09 (MSCA)  
General Service Representatives  
District 1 – Executive Committee Meeting  
Minutes from January 28, 2021 (Rev-A)

- 1) Call to Order  
7:00 pm Zoom Meeting Opened with moment of silence; Serenity Prayer at \_\_\_7:00\_\_ pm  
<Purpose of the ECM>
- 2) Introduction  
Initially (\_9\_) of us were present on the videoconference, and so we did a quick intro and check in.
- 3) In Attendance – we have the following (\_9\_) Zoom participants, at \_7:04\_\_ pm:  
From the Executive BOD, District 1  
Alex W, DCMC                      Jeff L, Secretary                      Karyn, Alt Secretary  
Jim B, Treasurer                      Charles, Registrar / previously the Finance Chair  
Other visiting GSRs and guests  
Ronney M                      Leslie R, D3 Ad Hoc Committee Chair  
Kirsten PJ                      Erin W, District 3 Liaison
- 4) Miscellaneous (2021.02.11) Thursday February 11<sup>th</sup> CM and Pre-committee Meeting Agenda and Discussion(s) / Speaker Meetings  
6:00~6:45pm      Concept II by Matt K, Panel 71 Delegate  
6:45~7:25pm      Carolyn, Delegate, topic (speaking) on: “Why We Need a Conference”  
7:00~7:25pm      GSR Orientation  
7:30~9:00pm      Regular Business CM
- 5) Planning for 71<sup>st</sup> (Panel 71) General Service Conference 2021 and Review  
A. Feb, March, and April Committee Meetings’ primary emphasis  
B. Suggestions on how to effectively serve the districts  
C. Teach the GSRs how to understand the 71<sup>st</sup> GSC Agenda. Things to focus on/ how to present this information to their home groups. Volunteers to do breakout sessions or take it on as a whole?

*(copied from our last ECM Minutes)*  
*Planning for General Service Conference Review 2021 Panel 71*  
*a) Jan, Feb, March, April – focus on key issues, communications with Ed L*  
*While censuring an opinion – a series of complaints were made on how the last GSC (2020) was poorly run, and there may be more of this to follow.*  
*b) suggestions on how to effectively serve the Districts*  
*c) pattern (as e.g., to follow) Chicago Area \_\_\_\_ ‘s example*

Reference Section(s) in February CM Agenda:                      {Note the following CM Agenda § #'s are preliminary}  
§ X.      What is a Service Sponsor?  
§ XI.      Understanding the 71<sup>st</sup> GSC Agenda – what are the significant procedures such as when or why we either:  
            • Review  
            • Discuss  
            • Consider  
Alex states, “this is the main emphasis of our February 11<sup>th</sup> CM”, thus she is allocating more time to this important subject: preliminary schedule on § XI., Is from 8:05~8:55pm. (~50min. duration)

Jim B asks, “are there any written materials available (already) that we could post on our Website?”, e.g., on how to effectively communicate Group conscious to and from the Delegate?

- 6) GSC Bootcamp - in March (tentatively set for March 20, 2021) – this event takes place in advance of the Preconference Workshop scheduled for April 9, 2021

The annual “Bootcamp” is sometimes called the “Pre-preconference Workshop”

Details are to be forthcoming; Alex is working with DCMCs from other MSCA Districts.

At this time, we do not have specific times, schedules, or agenda items, however each District may be offering to speak on various GSC related topics, e.g.:

District 1 Volunteers and Nominations: Jeff L, Jim B

Topic(s): such as mentioned above - How to effectively communicate Group conscious to and from the Delegate?

And e.g.: why do we have a GSC?

- 7) New and/or Open Service Commitment Positions / Chair(s)

- a) Ad Hoc Committee Chair – Leslie R

reprinted for clarity:

*Motion D [as it was passed, see §7) of the 2020.10.08 D1 CM Minutes]*

*An ad-hoc committee shall be created by a vote of the District Committee to establish sub-districts for the cities of Carson/Rancho Dominguez, Harbor City/Lomita, and San Pedro/San Pedro Alano Club/Wilmington. The ad-hoc committee will suggest solutions for problems and identify opportunities for assistance that are created by this new structure. District 1 Officers will assume responsibility for assisting District 3 officers, where available, in carrying District 3’s informed group conscience to MSCA 09.*

*Submitted by:*

*Karyn M, District 1 GSR*

*Erin W, District 3 Liaison*

{See § 9.a Below \*}

- b) Guidelines Committee – Vacancy

Any nominations or volunteers? (none)

*(copied from last ECM Minutes) Jim B’s comment: “this is not working” and he proposes instead of following the usual revisions process, that we shift gears and immediately proceed with an amendments process. Revisions to Website Guidelines for example are already drafted, ergo there is no longer a need to wait.*

{See § 9.b Below \*}

- 8) Screen-share on Zoom by Alex re.: “UPCOMING EVENTS” § of the CM Agenda, see e.g.: Servathon

- 9) \* Open Discussion – or any questions and comments from the floor

- a) District 3 Ad Hoc Committee Report(s)

i) Leslie R: working with previous DCMC (called to speak with) Delores on what worked for District 3’s organization in the past, and to see if we might resurrect any of the previous structure based on the history. In ongoing discussions with Erin, and Victoria volunteers to also be on the committee.

ii) Erin: attending “Awakenings” - meeting is active 6-days / week. Experience is someone volunteers to be their GSR then they disappear and don’t return. She will make an announcement the Group needs a new GSR.

iii) Alex: many D3 meetings are dark. Except for exceptionally low attendance at the San Pedro Alano Club, we simply do not know what Alcoholics are doing to stay sober within the District 3 geographical boundary lines.

iv) Jim: offers to attend in-person meetings after he gets his second COVID-19 vaccine.

b) Jim B - touched on Guidelines Revision Process, "some of this effort will be on hold during Feb, March, April, CMs as we prioritize getting ready for the GSC". Jim wants to continue to move forward on any / all the previous documentation changes made so that "we do not have to wait necessarily till May".

c) Jeff L- Area 9 is revising our Area website. Upcoming Events are incomplete as per W.I.P.  
See for example, more info: [area09.org](http://area09.org) and [msca09aa.org](http://msca09aa.org)

- 10) Meeting to Adjourn by 8:00pm – (@\_8:00 \_\_\_\_ pm Karyn 1<sup>st</sup>, Charles 2<sup>nd</sup> 's a motion to adjourn – all in favor)  
Meeting Adjourned  
Respectfully submitted by:  
Jeff L, Secretary