

MSCA 09 Combined Districts 1&3 CM

Via Hybrid:

Kiwanis Club - 2515 Valley Dr, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

And on Zoom

Meeting ID: 929 014 8764 Password: panel72 (all lowercase)

6:30pm-6:45pm Setup

7:00pm-7:25pm Fellowship

7:00pm-7:25pm New GSR Orientation

7:30pm-9:00pm Districts 1 & 3 Committee Meeting

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Minutes - August 11, 2022

- I. Call to Order 7:32pm | Serenity Prayer Ramon| Zoom meeting conduct
- II. Declaration of Unity Aubrey/ General Service Representatives Preamble Alex W.
- III. Tradition and Concept 8 of the Month Apryll not present – Alex W. stepped in and presented Tradition and Concept 9 Charlie will present Tradition 9 and Concept 9 at next meeting
- IV. Roll Call - New GSR Ryan HB Clarks Mon night Mens Stag, New GSR Michelle Thurs Womens Stag HB Alano
Total GSRs in attendance ON ZOOM 13 and IN PERSON 16
- V. “Service Sponsorship Announcement.” Ramon
- VI. August Anniversaries – Kevin 2 years, Miko 5 years
- VII. Secretary - Approval of July Minutes. Motioned: Teri 2nd: Janna All in favor? Unanimously Opposed? None
Janna pointed out corrections on chili cook off date 10/28 and 10/30 not 8/28 and 8/30.
Minutes approved with changes.
- VIII. Executive Committee Reports
 - a. Secretary – Thank you to Jeff L. for his service as Alt Secretary. He was present at last month’s meeting took minutes and composed July’s minutes. I attended ECM on July 26, 2022. Emailed Approved June minutes to D1&3 GSRs. Please email me your reports for the most accurate information at district1area09.secretary@gmail.com.
 - b. ALT-DCMC – Missed last 2 meetings. Daughter graduated in June and family event in July. Nice to be back. Going through family issues. Would love to brainstorm ideas about workshops during committee meeting breakout or email ideas you have to me.
 - c. Registrar Grateful to be here. Attended FORO via Zoom and ECM. I’m working with district volunteer on updated fellowship connection website and getting info into database. There is a meeting Sunday in Long Beach at Area 9 meeting – “how to make an ad hoc meeting”

d. Treasurer D1 & D3 – combined checking account starting balance of \$4361.12. July beginning Paypal balance \$182.74. Total deposits \$1589.96. Part of deposit included reimbursement from Area for Shareback in the amount of \$1260. Expenditures \$401.36 for July included 1 ticket for Pacific Forum and reimbursements for bonfire and related expenses. Closing out balance end of July \$5448.28. Paypal balance \$284.18. Savings accrued \$.01 in July. Beginning balance 1699.34 ending balance 1699.35. Passed purple bag. Beginning balance \$136.40. Paid out \$ for treats.

e. Alt Treasurer D1& D3 guideline and bylaws created for combined D1&D3 - Our Previous balance:

\$3824.86+

Only 2 checks

25+140

New balance is:

\$3,989.86

Ramon stated that treasurers of D1&3 will meet and create a way to report out incoming and outgoing balances. District 3 treasurer will now be renamed Alt treasurer. Member Christine asked for clarification of what will be created. Ramon clarified that districts are combined and create guidelines and bylaws about how monies are being disbursed.

Jim stated according to budget guidelines a budget has to be presented in September to the district so the GSRs can take back to groups in October. He is inquiring if this is on track and wants an update. Treasurer stated we have to communicating about budget and Ramon stated we will have budget ready for next district meeting. Jim recommended that committee send in their requests for their budgets by September.

f. DCMC – This month I didn't attend the FORO. I heard it was a blast. This was a spanish speaking event hosted by Alex W. We had our ECM and discussed ways to elevate our district as a whole. Some ideas were to have an open house with topic of what is general service as it is written in the service manual. District 8 & 11 will be hosting the Servathon on 11/12/22 rsvp by 10/1/22. It's a Great Gatsby costume theme. We also reviewed Technology guidelines submitted by chair.

IX. Committee Reports

a. Technology- Technology chair stated that guidelines will be ready to vote on at next month's meeting. Chair also requested for an Alt technology chair to handle position when he is not able to attend. Janna volunteered to be alternate technology chair.

b. Website – On zoom. Our site is hosted on squarespace – They have new editor – He attended a webinar. Update easier to navigate in the next 2-3 weeks.

- c. New GSR Service Chair - on zoom – Janna helped with stuffing welcome packets. Also put together letter with links to website. These will be available to bring to your meetings. d. Public Information – not present
- e. Grapevine – Chris has a personal subscription and suggests subscription for district. No motion required to get subscription for district. There is a budget for Grapevine committee. Charles mentioned that budget is on website but after checking site he verified it is not. Charles will send copy of budget to Chris. Chair will get subscription. Teri requested if Chair could look into Grapevine social media outlets such as instagram, spotify, youtube, podcasts, etc and have more information to share out to our GSRs so they can share to meetings. f. Literature – see attached PDF
- g. Cooperation with Professional Community – He has had conversations with CPC of Area 9 and is having no luck with GSO CPC contact. He decided to go to the LA sheriff dept. in Lawndale. He spoke to desk sergeant, and he will relay information to commander. He hasn't heard anything yet but will keep trying. H & I also does a lot of the same as CPC is what he found out.
- h. Accessibilities – not present
- i. Central office liaison- Rob manager – first on financial front. Slow 2nd quarter for CO but still doing okay favorably. We are little over \$10k for the year and that mostly comes from contributions which opens up and clears up the prudent reserve. Fundraiser in May that was successful. Will plan to have major presence at the SB Round Up. We will be prepared to sell literature and promote services we have at CO. Anyone interested in volunteering please come see me after meeting. We have 40+ people that volunteer back up take phone calls- Always in need to receive training to take calls as needed fill in basis. Lastly, we secured park for the chili cookoff 10/30 at Wilson Park. More to come on ticket prices. Any meetings interested in cooking we need to know now. Also need volunteers to set up, break down, serve during the day. Call CO to get on list. He encourages all to familiarize ourselves with Grapevine and anything literature wise. CO is here to collaborate with us so we can serve you better. Will get link to sign up for any volunteer services and events. Jim asked about when information will be available such as a flyer. Rob said information is being worked on and is right around the corner. Christine asked to expand on donations. Rob said there are 400 meetings. We hear from about 15% to 20% of the meetings. We have not had to dip into prudent reserve even during pandemic. We would love to hear from zoom meetings. We hear from about 2% of zoom meetings. Other vehicle that has kept us solvent is Paypal. We are working on getting into Venmo space. Christine observed that 85% are not observing the 7th tradition. This is concerning and asks if there is a way that this could be elevated for group discussion. Charles

stated this is job of GSR to communicate the service of contributions of group to CO, GSO, Area. Eric offered guidance to open a Venmo account.

X. Old business

a. Voting eligibility/Simple Majority

b. District Committee Members (DCM)

Hermosa/Manhattan Beach **open** Women's meetings **open** Men's meetings **open** Torrance **open** Lawndale/Gardena **open** Palos Verdes **open** District 3 DCMs **open** c. Standing Committee Chairpersons

Accessibilities. Finance. Commitment.

d. Pacific Regional Forum in Utah – Ramon, Teri, Erin as well as 2 GSRs will attend. They have been fully sponsored with room and board. Another GSR will also be attending. All GSRs will have reports to share back to body.

XI. New Business –

a. Chili Cook off – district booth? Should we have a booth or not. Alex asked Rob if there is anyway the district can be more involved. Ramon desires for the general service to be more unified with CO and H&I. Rob encourages district to be present and promote fellowship and service. Jim reminded us we are self-supporting and really can't fund raise. The nuance is lost on the AA community at large may bring controversy. Alex suggest just having a table such as a CPC having a table at a nurses convention. Charlie reiterated Jim's comment about our presence at a fundraiser. Further commented that representing district at the cookoff like everyone else as cooking chili not having an information table at the fundraiser. Motion on the floor is to attend as a district the chili cook off just like other groups. Motion was passed. Minority has the floor to comment. There is a concern about disrupting the traditions when it comes to monies allocated by groups to CO and District and if District uses said monies within the CO fundraiser. Amend vote to just have an information table at the chili cook off as a district. Motion passes to have table at chili cookoff as a district. Erin is chair of committee for info table at chili cook off.

b. End of summer BBQ – Not happening

XII. Committee Breakout groups

a. Brainstorm ideas to strengthen committees in our combined district – Teri mentioned that all this discussion in new business touched on this item. Aubrey mentioned the need to have more to report back to meetings. Erin spoke about being enthusiastic at meetings. Alex spoke about the service according to service manual. Ramon recapped what committees are currently doing and how we need to continue focus on technology committee and other committee in order to bring the message.

XIII. Announcements

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 PM ___motioned Teri 2nd motion I am
responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,
I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that I am responsible. Meeting
minutes submitted by Teri A., Secretary D1&3**