

January 5, 2023, Business Meeting for MSCA Area 09 / District 12

Meeting called to order & opened with the Serenity Prayer

GSR Preamble read by Shawn

New GSRs & their service sponsors:

GSR: Edith Service Sponsor: Lynn

GSR: Erin Service Sponsor: Romy

Alt. GSR: Max Service Sponsor: Jim S

GSR: Brent Service Sponsor: (I didn't get the name)

GSR: Walt Service Sponsor: Jim S

GSR: Olivia Service Sponsor: Rodrigo

GSR: Matt Service Sponsor: Gregg

GSR: Adam Service Sponsor: Kelli

GSR: Jason Service Sponsor: Jim S

Visitors:

Lynn

Traditions recap:

We did not have a Traditions Recap, but below is the Tradition for the month.

Tradition 1:

Short Form- **Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.**

Long Form- **Each member of Alcoholics Anonymous is but a small part of a great whole. A.A. must continue to live or most of us will surely die. Hence our common welfare comes first. But individual welfare follows close afterward.**

Principal- Unity

Concepts recap:

We did not have a Concepts recap, but below is the Concept for the month.

Short Form- **Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.**

Principal- Responsibility

Minutes Approval- Secretary- Dominick

There were no corrections that had been suggested. Rodrigo motioned to adopt the minutes and Jim seconded and the minutes had been adopted as sent out last month.

Board Reports

DCMC: Bob (BobMontgomery@att.net)

-Bob had attended the Area 09 meeting over Zoom on December 11, 2022, where it had been discussed that the Pre-conference would be held on April 16 instead of April 9 since the 9th is Easter

-Mentioned how the instructions to join the Area 09 virtual meeting are on the Area website & that the Area 09 Delegate talks for a bit & there are various committees that get together in hybrid setting which can help understand more about what the committees are working on at Area level

-Bob also discussed how Conference Season is upon us & how the Agenda Items that will be recommended for the General Service Conference are available through Area 09 website

-Bob stated the steps to find the agenda items that will be recommended for the General Service Conference are as follows:

1. Go to the Area 09 website (website listed near the bottom of the minutes)
2. Click the "GSO" tab
3. Click "Conference"

-Bob said the finalized list of Agenda Items & the background material will be available within next 30 days & will help to get an idea of how AA as a whole will move forward

Alt DCMC: Tara - (TaraFarry@icloud.com)

-Tara had mentioned the following upcoming events:

*Area Service Committees (ASC)

Dates: February 12, 2023 & March 12, 2023

Time for both ASCs: 8:30am to 2:30pm

Locations: To Be Determined

*PRAASA (Pacific Region AA Service Assembly)

Dates: March 3-5, 2023

Location: Los Angeles, CA

Stay tuned to

www.PRAASA.org

* WOMAN 2 WOMAN LAKE ARROWHEAD

Dates: March 31-April 2

(Women's Conference: Discussion & Speaker Meetings, Special Activities)

* MSCA 09 Pre-Conference

Date: April 16, 2023

Time: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Location: To Be Determined

* MSCA 09 AREA ASSEMBLY - DELEGATE SHAREBACK

Date: May 21

Time: 9 am - 3 pm

Location: To Be Determined

Treasurer: Mike (mike.palencia@ameritech.net)

Mike reported the following numbers:

-Opening balance: \$21,891.52

-Expenses: \$481.04

-Income: \$1,623.86

-Closing balance: \$23,024.34

Secretary: Dominick (mscadistrict12@gmail.com)

-Dom said District emails are still going out through Mail Chimp and had requested anyone not getting the emails about the Business Meeting Reminders, Meeting Minutes, and Announcements to let him know so that could be corrected.

-He also stated that sometimes the District emails may go into the spam/ junk folder & for people to check there incase they are in that location.

Registrar: Lenore (d12registrar@gmail.com):

-Lenore had discussed how signing in using the sign-in sheets is important to keep meetings from being moved to the Dark List since after 6 months of no attendance/ not signing in a meeting gets moved to that list

-She had also mentioned that the highlighted information on the sign in sheets regarding the meetings GSRs are signing in for is needed.

-Lenore had also mentioned how GSO tracks attendance based on the GSO number for a meeting by cross-checking databases.

-Lenore had also mentioned that GSR Report Templates were on the back table & help to get an idea of how to give a GSR report (Template is attached to this email)

Old Business

District 12 Potential Events

-There had been documents for GSRs to rank the ideas from last month's business meeting (1 to 5)

-These list of potential events are ideas of events to Carry the message of AA & help the District use the excess of funds that have accumulated over the last couple years because of Covid

Changing District 12 Business Meeting Time

-We had talked about changing the meeting time so it would start earlier which would mean we would get done earlier

-New Timeline proposed by Lenore was:

GSR School: 6:45pm to 7:15pm

Business Meeting start time: 7:15pm (First 15 minutes of Business meeting Traditions & Concepts)

General Business: 7:30pm to 8:15pm

-Alison had made a motion to have the new timeline voted on and Brent seconded

There had been 37 supporting the change and 2 against; none from the majority were swayed after minority had spoken; the new timeline was adopted & will start effective February Business Meeting

Committee Chair Vacancies

-Accessibilities: still vacant after discussion & still needs to be filled

-All Orange County Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (AOCYPAA): Rodrigo

-Concepts: Filled by David C.

-Intergroup Liaison: Filled by Dolly

-Labor Day Picnic: Beth N. (co-chair needed)

-H & I Liaison: Filled by Lance

-Sponsorship Workshop: Filled by Jim S. & Beth N. as co-chair

Subdistrict Breakouts about Dark Meetings

-Dark Meetings lists were gone over by the subdistricts & commitments to look into/ visit meetings had been made

PRAASA

-Stated that the registration fee for GSRs of District 12 that want to attend can be covered by the District

7th Tradition at Business Meeting

-Discussion about collecting 7th Tradition contributions at the Business Meeting were made

-David C. had motioned for a vote to be held on restarting 7th Tradition basket to be passed, it was seconded by another (missed the name of seconder); majority was to restart passing the

basket; after the minority had spoken some from the majority had been swayed so there was a revote; this resulted with almost 50/50 split to restart and to not restart

-Gregg had motioned to table the proposal of restarting to pass the basket until next month & it was seconded by Jake; majority voted to table; minority had opted not to say anything; restarting 7th Tradition basket being passed was tabled until February Business Meeting and will be revisited then

Committee Reports

Inter Group

-Dolly had mentioned that she had some flyers about Intergroup at the Business Meeting

-Dolly had also discussed how the manager of the Santa Ana office is retiring and the position is open

-Intergroup is looking for a new office manager & applications are being accepted

-This is a paid position

Grapevine

-Daniel had discussed how he is implementing a dark list for meetings that do not have a Grapevine rep.

-Daniel provided his number so Grapevine reps. can get established for meetings without a rep.

-Daniel's number (619) 376-7231

-He had asked if we can order back-logged Grapevines & Bob told him to come up with a dollar amount to bring up at next month's Business Meeting

GSR recap

Joyce had given us the GSR recap

Birthdays for the month of December

Gregg with 4 years

Julia with 7 years

Topher with 10 years

Rebecca with 16 years

-Check out the websites for the District, Area, OC Central Office (Intergroup), and GSO! (listed below)

-For online contributions to the District: Use Venmo @district12contributions

-Meeting was then closed with the Responsibility Declaration

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.

Helpful Resources:

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE! www.msca09aa.org

NEW AND IMPROVED AREA 09 WEBSITE for information and links: www.msca09aa.org

O.C. Central Office (Intergroup) website for information and directory: www.oc-aa.org

G.S.O. (General Service Office in NY) website for information and links: www.aa.org

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