July 7, 2022 business Meeting for MSCA Area 09 / District 12

-Meeting called to order & opened with the Serenity Prayer

GSR Preamble read by Carol

New GSRs & their service sponsors:

-GSR: Megan L service sponsor: Julie

-GSR: Gregg T service sponsor: Ryan

-GSR: Joyce service sponsor: Gretchen

-GSR: Carol A. service sponsor: Coleen

-GSR: Lance service sponsor: Jim

Visitors:

Beth L.

Traditions recap by Tom S.

Short form:

"Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

Long form:

"The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members. We think that each group should soon achieve this ideal; that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous, whether by groups, clubs, hospitals, or other outside agencies; that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligation whatever, is unwise. Then, too, we view with much concern those A.A. treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose. Experience has often warned us that nothing can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage as futile disputes over property, money, and authority."

Principal: RESPONSIBILITY

Concepts recap by Geri

Short form:

"The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness."

Principal: Balance

Minutes Approval- Secretary- Dominick:

The minutes were adopted as they were sent out last month since there were no corrections/adjustments that were suggested.

Board Reports

DCMC: Bob dcmc.district12@gmail.com)

Bob had been sick and was unable to attend the Area 09 meeting.

Alt DCMC: Tommy- (altdcmc.district12@gmail.com)

Bob covered for Tommy since Tommy was unable to attend the business meeting.

*North/South Virtual Special Forum about Remote Communities

"Beyond Language, Culture & Geography: Sobriety Within Everybody's Reach"

Date and Time: Saturday July 16 at 11am-7pm EDT

Register here:

https://www.aa.org/North-South-Connections-Forum-AA-in-Remote-Communities

*MSCA Area 09 Service Workshop (virtual)

Date and time: July 21 at 7pm-8pm

Meeting ID: 873 6607 8505

Passcode: Area09p72ser

*Area Service Committee (In-person)

Hosted by District 21

Date and Time: August 14 at 8:30am-2:30pm

Location:

Whaley Park

5620 E Atherton Street

Long Beach, CA 90815 United States

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

- -Mike had discussed how we have a healthy surplus and need to try and find ways to spend the money to carry the message of AA.
- -Also mentioned how we need committee chairs to get creative with how we spend the money for committee work.
- -Bob mentioned how we can do workshops as another way to carry the message and had answered a question about pre-pandemic contributions and current contributions, current contributions are only slightly less.

Secretary: Dominick (mscadistrict12@gmail.com)

-Dom had stated that the reminders and minutes are going out and if anyone is not getting them to please let him know so that can be fixed.

Registrar: Lenore (d12registrar)gmail.com):

- -Lenore had mentioned the importance of signing in using the sign in sheets at the business meeting
- -She also mentioned how new GSRs can get packets from Romey & said group numbers from GSO are important to have on record

Old Business

*Labor Day Picnic:

- -Beth L. had discussed the developments on the picnic and that the location for last year's picnic will not work since large events are no longer permitted at that park
- -She had said the location will need to be in San Clemente since other parks do not allow for parks to be reserved on holidays and they are first come first serve

- -Mentioned how we are looking for a speaker and Stephen had offered to be the speaker
- -Beth had passed around a sign up sheet for people to commit to different responsibilities to help with the picnic and gave her contact info so people can reach out to her to get involved
- -Beth's contact info:

Phone: (949) 636-1436

Email: beth.noone@outlookcom

*Dark Meetings:

- -We had subdistrict breakouts and went over the dark meetings list for each subdistrict
- -each subdistrict had members commit to going to some meetings from the dark meetings list and talk to them about having a GSR

New Business

-August meeting guest speaker will be Vonn I who will brief the group about Central Office and intergroup.

Committee Reports

We had no committee reports this month.

-GSR recap by Megan L.

Birthdays for the month of June

Beth with 12 years

Steve with 4 years

- -Check out the websites for the District, Area, OC Central Office (Intergroup), and GSO! (listed below)
- -Next Area Meeting: See above
- -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.mscadistrict12.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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