

San Juan Group Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Date May 26, 2024

Start of meeting: 9:10

People present at meeting:

Shanna S.

Steve G.

Merissa

Jeanette W.

Jessica F.

Cynthia L.

Caitlin O.

Bob M.

Sheri M

Freddy M.

On zoom: Lenore, Nikki L., Jason, Adee, Sandy B., Jeff, Kenny T., Michael M., Brenda L, Max M., Heather C.

Chair: (Shana)

No report.

Co-Chair: (Steve G.)

No report.

Treasurers Report: (Nikki)

Nikki: I have not been able to secure the credit card for the group. Shana: I will get in touch with Bill and have him drop it in the safe. Nikki: There was some confusion about how much we pay in rent; we pay a

flat rate rent of \$2800 per month. Thursday 7pm meeting had some issues; the secretary chairs two meetings and there was some confusion between the two meetings about how much rent for each. Solved. **April financial report:** Total revenue- \$5,449., Total expenses -\$4,485., Total donations to NY Central office, area, district: 964.00

Co-Treasurer: (Brenda V.)

No report.

Website: (Jane H.) IT Support: (Jason)

Jason: Renewed website and email subscriptions for the year. Jane absent.

GSR: (Jessica F.)

Jessica: I was unable to attend the meeting this month, (District 12, Area 9, meeting held first Thursday of the month), however a fellow AA provided their notes for me. They studied tradition 5 and concept 5. Concept 5 talks about the "Right of Appeal" and how it allows the minority opinion to be heard. The results from the 74th General Service conference: Plain language book was passed, and No action was taken on the "founders writing". The plain language big book will not replace the big book but supplement our literature. The conference continues to uphold a previous action of no changes to the original founders' verbiage. In celebration of the 85th anniversary of our text, there's a Big Book Flash Sale (May 1-July 31) at NY General Service Office: 10% off all Big Books, all print formats, all languages. The cost of pamphlets will go up soon, please stock up now if needed. Bob S., my service sponsor, is going to make a presentation at the area meeting. Next district GSR meeting will be held in Laguna Niguel with a presentation from our chair Alex. Upcoming events: Comedy at the Improv, June 22. Mountain AA Conference August 16-18 in Big Bear Lenore: is it a requirement that the secretaries attend the steering committee? Shana: It is suggested.

Facilities: (Randy)

Randy: absent. Shana will follow up to ask about the air filter in the air conditioner.

Intergroup: (Jeanette)

Jeanette: I attended the Intergroup meeting in Costa Mesa on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. There is a hearing-impaired meeting listed at daa.org. Ezekiel encourages us to submit info to the Lifeline. The OC Fair volunteers need to attend the Public Information meeting coming up. Woman to woman conference coming up in September 2024.

Grapevine Rep. (Daleen)

Daleen: Absent. Shana will follow up.

Supplies: (Caitlyn)

Caitlyn: We spent \$595.50 on supplies this month. Coffee, creamer, etc. Nikki: I asked Nick about clamshell-type to go containers and he says he would traditionally purchase those for the meeting place. Shana: Please add these to your purchase list Caitlyn.

Literature: (Mike M.)

Mike: I've kept the literature stocked up, and purchased literature as requested. I'll pick up the 'I am responsible' poster next visit, it was out of stock and had to be ordered.

H&I: (Lenore)

Lenore: Attended. Treasurer noted \$200 was spent on literature for the H&I meetings. Chili Cook off will be held October 26th in Costa Mesa. I'll be the co-chair. Please volunteer your time to be on a panel. H&I rep will help get you set up, see website <https://www.socalhandi.com/>.

CCC: (Barbara/Sandy):

Sandy: The next CCC meeting will be held when Barbara is back. Shana: The subcommittee met to discuss autonomous meetings and making it easier for the treasurer. We are going to have a separate safe for the autonomous meetings to pay their rent. Noreen is going to put together a statement showing what the CCC pays in supplies for the autonomous meetings. Nikki: Thank you, Shana for being there to take minutes. We would like to sustain the CCC. However not much was accomplished. The rents of the autonomous meetings don't cover the costs of liability insurance (\$400 a month), so eventually the CCC will run out of funds, in 6 years or so. This is a long-term issue that will eventually need addressed.

Secretary (Cynthia):

Cynthia: I have completed the previous minutes and Jane has posted them to the website. I have started working on the request that the secretary report changes to our meetings to OC-AA.org. I checked the in-person meetings; they are all listed on the website. However, several of the zoom and/or hybrid meetings are not listed. However, I don't want to update those on the county wide website without speaking to each group first about waiting rooms and security precautions. If anyone is a secretary for those groups, please have them get in touch with me at clyons11@hotmail.com. Thank you.

Old Business

None.

New Business:

Shana: There is a person who was asked to not attend meetings here because they were allegedly distributing drugs. They claim they were not doing anything illegal. They are sober again some 40 days.

Jason: Was there a set period they were asked to not attend? Shana: No. I discussed it with my sponsor, who recommended that we don't shoot our wounded. I'd like to allow them to attend our meetings as they were always available for me. (Various members voice their thoughts.) Jessica: I'd like to make a motion that we allow this person back. Vote was taken and the group approved the motion.

Minority opinion shared, Cynthia: Their actions could have resulted in the loss of our lease. I would prefer that we not allow someone with only 40 days of sobriety back into our meeting place, as it puts all the meetings here in jeopardy. Bob: Does anyone want to change their vote? If no one wants to change their vote, the original vote stands. No one does, and original vote stands.

Nikki: Heather is willing to step in as Co-treasurer. Heather listed her qualifications to be co-treasurer. Motion made to accept Heather as co-treasurer, vote taken and passed. We gratefully thank Brenda for her service.

Close out of the meeting with the serenity prayer.

End of meeting: 10:54 am