

District 5
Monthly General Service Meeting
MINUTES of April 14th 2022
Church of the Foothills
19211 Dodge Ave. Santa Ana, CA 92705

Zoom Info: <https://zoom.us/j/8970371755?pwd=WFdCdWFBVytCNzVpckROU2h6N0xKQT09>

Opening

Hybrid Meeting called to order by Isaac M., DCMC at 7:01 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

GSR Preamble read by: By Member

District 5 Statement of Purpose read by: Jason D.

Rules read by: Isaac M.

Introduction of new GSRs and Alt-GSRs: Jason D., Monday Night B.Y.O.B., Matt D, Early Birds

Tradition 4: Steve C.

Volunteer for Tradition 5: Tami C.

Concept 4: Matt D.

Volunteer for Concept 5 next month: Steve C.

Introductions of all in attendance – GSRs, District Officers and Visitors

- **Visitor(s)/Guest(s):**
 - Tlalli H. from Spanish District 20
- **Total Attendance: (11 In-Person / 12 on Zoom)**

Celebration of April Birthdays: Gloria 14 years

Questions, Concerns, Suggestions or Problems reported by Attendees: **Melissa A.** had attended the Special Events meeting, and has asked if District 5 would like to participate in the Intergroup picnic they are having. **Tlalli H.**, belong to a Spanish language woman's group in Santa Ana on Tuesday night. As they do not belong to a district yet, as the district they would belong to. They have stated they will not recognize a woman only meeting in their district. They are looking for help to register their group, as they started their group in December. They would to be of service to our district. But some women in the group are bilingual, but as some point, there will be only woman who don't speak English, but only Spanish. **Matt D.**, has responded in shock that the Spanish district won't help them. He has suggested to go to the Area for help on this matter. He believes they violate AA Principles that he believes. "The Right of Participation". **Vicki R.**, she has expressed how sorry she is and surprised, her feeling is that our AREA 09 is very passionate about the Spanish Language Groups. They are very inclusive with accepting of the Spanish groups. She is also sorry that she never learned Spanish. As she learned French, but has never used it. She has a girlfriend that lives in Baja, and there group is going on, but they do things a little different there. And she had to get used to a different way of things too. She has expressed a welcome from our district and will embraced her group however she can. And has encouraged anyone else to reach out to any other Spanish District for help. She suggests to go to an Area Meeting to get further help. **Tami C.**, she has been in touch with

Mitchell on other items, and will reach out to him on this matter too. She attended a few Area Meetings and has noticed there were a lot of Spanish Speaking members, even woman. And is really surprised about this is going on. As she has noticed a lot of woman participation. While at the meetings, she had sat at a table with the mixed languages and there were no problems that she saw. She said there has be a way to get this straighten out. **Isaac M.**, He has stated that is where he had run into her, At the Pre-Conference Workshop. That is where she had explained her situation, she was in. The conversation was about our district and how it was run. Also attended the area meeting and looking to see how it works. He explained to her that we haven't run into that problem yet. As the Spanish Speaking members would always make there way over to the Spanish speaking districts. And has expressed the issues that bring them into our district. With the bilingual people now would be ok, but when the Spanish speaking only members come in, we would not be equipped to handle their needs. We can continue to look it to it at our district, and bring it up at the Area with more investigation. We could place it back on our Agenda to discuss it further. **Greg A.**, had suggested that a Motion be make to see why they can't join our district. And do a follow up on them coming to join our district. So, Greg made the Motion, "To do a follow on an Agenda item for further discussion, after a resolution" and Ashley H. seconded it. Motion vote, passed.

REPORTS

OFFICER REPORTS:

- **DCMC/Isaac M.:** "It's been a good month". I have attended the Pre-Conference Boot Camp, which was amazing experience. A lot of participation, a lot of information, and a lot of notes taken. The Panel would have their discussion. A lot of different districts that participated on the discussions. As last year it was on Zoom and it was a camouflage theme and Alex was all dressed up, it was great. Then on April 10th, participated in the Pre-Conference Workshop. I was place in a committee, as the DCMC, just like if we were at the Conference as the Delegates would do. I had showed up and place on the Reports and Charters Committee. I had to study on the background material, so we could give a report in the second half of the event on the Agenda Items. It was a great experience. Not knowing what is the right answers or responses. It was a great learning experience. And our past Delegate as shared, it was exactly what happens at the regular Conferences. Also meet with Ryan and picked up the recording equipment, as he would be out of town. I also work with Vicki and Ryan on getting the P.R.A.A.S.A. recording made up. Please let him know if you want one. As there only 10 left. He can meet up with you and make sure you get one. Also, the new Service Manual are still available.
- **Alternate DCMC/Greg A.:** I was unable to make the Pre-Conference. But I was able to fulfill my DCM commitment by attend meetings remotely as that is how they are meeting. And trying to get those meeting to be represented at the district.
- **Treasurer/Vicki R.:**
 - Treasurer's Report

• Beg. Balance:	\$ 4,039.58
• Total Contributions:	\$ 287.70
• Total Expenses:	\$ 2,244.14
• End. Balance with Prudent Reserve:	\$ 2,083.17
• End. Balance without \$1,150.00 Prudent Reserve:	\$ 933.17
- **Registrar Rob S.:** We had 2 new GSR. Matt D. from Early Birds on Zoom and Jason D. from BYOB and our visitor Tlalli H. from Spanish Group on Tuesday in Santa Ana in District 20. And thank you to the GSR that showed up last month, who came back tonight.
- **Secretary Ryan H.:**
 - Absent
Minutes were approved by Melissa A, and Rachel Y., seconded. (passed)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Archives (Rachel Y.):** Went to the Area meeting. Also sat thru the Archives meeting with a lot of Archives Chairs. Discussing how to how to collect AA member's story. I was traveling and missed the Open House at the Headquarters. **Vicki R.**, had mentioned the committee has a \$25 budget, if she wanted to buy a tub to carry here material around in.
- **Grapevine (Roger F.):** Has mentioned it's an international publication. It also doesn't have any group contributions. It relies on the subscription for their operation budget. Also subscribe on www.aagrapevine.org also an Instagram account.
- **Public Information (Open):** No Report
- **Convention Liaison (Manny A.):** (Absent)

- **H&I Liaison (Scott B.):** (Absent)
- **Accessibilities (Open):** No Report
- **C.P.C. (Open)** No Report
- **Intergroup Liaison (Gina H.):** Unfortunately, I was unable to make to meeting last night. But Matt D. did make it and he was able to give me the notes. As the Bylaw vote was taken and it did pass. Also, they were going to look where they could be brought by the Board. The Lifeline is looking for submission on your convention experience. Please submit you experiences. Please don't worry about being a professional writer, they have people that can help you and your story. Also going to run the AA ads again. The literature mini racks are still available. Also, June 18th, they are having their annual picnic.
- **Newsletter (Vicki R.):** In process of working on the 2nd Quarter Newsletter. And always looking for submission.
- **GSR School (Rob S.):** Please refer to his original report Registrar report.
- **Literature (Steve C.):** The literature is available in person, please take anything that catches your eye back to your meetings. To the new GSR know that there a couple copies of the New Service Manuals available.
- **Cooperation with Professional Community / CPC (Open):** No Report
- **DCM East Orange (Steve C.):** No Report
- **DCM West Orange (Greg A.):** Present, No Report,
- **DCM Santa Ana Alano (Open):** No Report
- **DCM Santa Ana (Open):** No Report
- **DCM Women's Day and Evening (Open):** No Report
- **DCM Men's Groups (Open):** No Report
- **DCM North and South Tustin (Chris Wh.):** No Report
- **DCM Friendship Club AM (Open):** No Report
- **DCM Friendship Club PM (David "Jr" L.):** No Report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Greg A. brought a motion brought up to increase the Prudent Reserve to \$1,500.00. David R, seconded. (passed)
- Greg A. has made a motion for "The Treasurer to have a 10 % buffer.", Roger F., seconded. (Passed)

PROGRAM: **Talk about District Events:** A planning Committee was formed. A vote was taken and the 3 final items are: Movie Night with BBQ, Chili Cook Off and Circuit Speaker, and Sponsorship/Newcomer Workshop. Volunteers, Vicki R, Chair, Melissa A., Co-Chair, Isaac M., Jasper C., Junior L., Helen K., Gina H. **Melissa A.**, has

brought up to see if District 5 wanted to participate in the Intergroup picnic on June 18th, 2022. Last year's picnic was awesome, a lot of participation, recovery homes and fun to be had by all. They are looking for man power or financial help. The budget for the event is good at Intergroup, but any help cost covering assorted items. Isaac will plan on attending the planning meeting to get more information.

Please visit www.msca09aa.org for additional information on upcoming events.

Volunteer GSR Report: Melissa

Matt D. has volunteered for next month.

Motion to Adjourn: Roger F.

- **Seconded by:** Rob S.
- **Motion Passes**

Meeting closed out with Responsibility Prayer.

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Respectfully Submitted by Ryan H., District 5 Secretary