

GSACC Minutes

13 March 2006

Opened with the Serenity at 6:45 PM

In Attendance were:

Debbie W. /Chair/Mon GR
Sandy/ Recording Secretary
Jay F. /Wed GR/Treasurer
Wanda R. /alt Fri GR
Colleen N./Literature Chair
Mike M. / Wed GR
Rita M. / Thurs GR
Rebecca C./ Sat member at large
Lorna B./ Sun member at large
Tishua J./Sun member at large

Group Conscience suggestion: It was recommended that we allow only one person to speak at a time and to have them say when they were finished to let everyone know they are done. It was also suggested that we only use I statements and not you statements. However, it was discussed that would not work for our format. It was recommended that we use the 60-second timeout to defuse a situation and then say the serenity prayer and then continue. To overcome the situations where people are talking over each other and getting off the topic, we will limit the speaker to one to two minutes. It was also suggested that we stay on topic by making a motion and then allowing for discussion of that topic. We discussed that these agreements will meet our needs for safety and efficiency. We received affirmative Group Conscience agreement.

Minutes:

Minutes were read (silently) and there were some corrections needed. Jay made a motion to accept minutes as corrected and Mike 2nd the motion. Motion carried, minutes approved as read.

Treasurer report

Jay presented the report. We have \$3635.36 in the checking account. Jay stated we could consider doing a 7th Tradition donation to CoDA World Fellowship, but was not voted on. He had the updates for the Conference and stated there was a small profit. See attached treasurer's report in Secretaries book.

Literature Report:

Colleen brought new updated meeting lists. She made ink changes to the meeting list to reflect the Thursday Kaiser group now meeting at 7:15 PM instead of 7:30 PM. She stated she e mailed Dave to update the websites of the change and the phone line would need to be done. She has plenty of literature at this time. Colleen gave Jay \$158 from literature sales.

Outreach/ Hospitals and Institutions

Clydene not at the meeting, so there was no report at this time. It was brought up by a member at large that there was a Teen meeting, but not sure and she will check it out. May be old meeting list showing the meeting, but no longer meeting.

Phone Line – Cindie was not present. Debbie will contact Cindie to update phone line and make needed change for the Thursday meeting.

NCC Report: - No report at this time

Events:

Spring Conference. Will be April 29th and flyers are the website. Encouraging meetings to take flyers back to their groups.

Summer Conference. Will be July 29th. We do not have any flyers at this time.

Fall Conference. Have not set a date or place yet.

January Conference. Too early for any information at this time.

Other events: It has been confirmed that the 3-day CoDA convention will take place in Austin, TX at the end of May. Recommended that we all check out the new website for CoDA World Fellowship, use old address but new web address: codaworldfellowship.org.

Group Rep reports:

#935 Sunday. No Rep. Lorna, Tishua, and Norma came from the group. Lorna is the Treasurer but they do not have a group rep still. They have a lot of new comers showing up at the meetings and they still need some positions filled. The Birthday person was asking for information on chips, procedures, etc. She is new and the last Birthday person has not been back. Colleen gave her the information and her contact information to help them with their needs.

#1135 Monday. Cindie. Cindie sent an email report, will attach to minutes in Secretary book. She is still in San Francisco. The meeting is doing great and they changed the chair position to rotating the responsibilities. They have a sign up sheet and people are signing up to chair, and the responsibilities are being shared. They have a Treasurer and Literature person and have decided to have refreshments for the birthday night celebration. They are experiencing some growth and have about 8 people attending the meetings.

#015 Monday. Debbie. It ranges from about 18 – 20 people attending the meetings. At their business meeting, noticed some of the verbiage in their readings is old and out dated and have changed (preamble and welcome). They will re align the readings to line up with the world fellowship current readings. They have resolved the crosstalk issues they were having. They need literature. The group was asking about more information on GSACC and NorCal Coda, so will take minutes from those business meetings to her group so they can see what is done at these levels. This was brought about because there was some resistance to doing 7th tradition donations outside the group.

#103 Tuesday. Sharon. Sharon was not present, no report available

#861 Wednesday – Phyllis not present. Still no report at this time.

#055 Wednesday- Mike. Mike stated there are about 10 people attending the meetings and all their positions are filled. He is working on resolving the issues of getting the bookmarks. He stated they do have an issue with the Monday night group leaving dirty cups in the sink and the issue is being worked on.

#434 Wed. Men's Meeting – Jay. Group is doing well and all positions are filled. They will be rotating positions soon, but not at this time. Their core is reduced to about 5 – 7 people due to some of the old timers leaving the group. They still get from 2 –3 new comers at each meeting and some are staying. They are doing well financially and will be sending about \$200 in 7th Tradition donations out. They are working on setting up a writing group for anyone interested and

got the list from Colleen from the conference. They may have enough for two groups but not sure at this time.

637 Wednesday – Howie. Howie sent an email report to Debbie. Group is going strong. He has been real busy and all is well at this time.

Wed. – Modesto meeting, Michael V. was not present. No report available.

#694 Thursday – No Rep - No report available.

#449 Thursday – No rep and no one from the group present. No report available.

996 Thursday – Rita. They are still a big group with lots of new comers. The group is doing well and all their positions are filled at this time. They have changed their meeting time from 7:30 PM to 7:15 PM.

#018 Friday night - Women's Meeting – Wanda reported that all is going well but they had a communication problem one meeting. No one with a key showed up to open up the room and they did not know what to do. The issue was resolved. At business meeting, the treasurer was upset, she had to do the meeting due to a communication disconnect with both the Secretary and Co Secretary not present. They have a lot of new comers but they are not necessarily staying.

#1029. Sat/Writing group. Julie/Rep. Rebecca came to the meeting for Julie. The group is doing really well with about an average of 8 people attending. The core group numbers fluctuates but productive. They now have a literature person and some cash reserves.

Old Business: Trusted service packet issues. Motion was made to push out the discussion so all could review. Jay made the motion and Sandy 2nd the motion. A question was asked as what gave community the authority to make decision and vote on these things. Jay explained how the structure works. We have bylaws for Nor Cal CoDA and CoDA World Fellowship since they are incorporated. GSACC (community) is not a corporation with bylaws but is collaboration on what is needed for the meetings. The group reps report the group's positions on things brought up at community. It was brought up that most groups did not see a need for the trusted service packet we were looking at. Debbie recommended rather than reviewing that trusted service packet, maybe all we needed was a document that answered the basic questions most group have. Everyone felt that would be more relevant. Reps will take this back to the groups and bring back ideas for the next meeting. Trusted service packet was agreed to disregard and look at something more relevant.

New Business:

The brain storming for the above document will be put on the agenda for next time. In the mean time, the reps will go back to their groups and see what their members recommend as needed information that is not already available or easily found. Mike made a motion to have Jay facilitate the brainstorming session and Sandy 2nd the motion. Passed.

Colleen made a motion to close the meeting and Jay second that motion. Motion passed.

Close meeting with the serenity prayer 8:05 PM.