

## GSACC Minutes 10 April 2006

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Opened with the Serenity at 6:45 PM

### **In Attendance were:**

Debbie W. /Chair/Mon GR  
OPEN / Vice Chair  
OPEN / H&I Chair  
Lilia/Acting Recording Secretary  
Jay F. /Treasurer/Wed GR  
Colleen N./Literature Chair  
Clydene/Outreach/Fri GR  
Sharon N. /Tue GR  
Mike M. / Wed GR  
JulieL/Sat GR  
Janna C./member at large

**Group Conscience Reminder:** We are in agreement that only one person is to speak at a time and to have them say when they were finished to let everyone know they are done. If needed, any member can call for a 60-second timeout to defuse a situation and then say the serenity prayer to 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 is also agreed that we stay on topic by making a motion and then allowing for discussion of that topic. These agreements meet our needs for safety and efficiency.

### **Minutes:**

Minutes were read (silently) and there were some corrections needed. \_\_\_\_\_ made a motion to accept minutes as corrected and \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried, minutes approved as corrected.

### **Treasurer report**

Jay presented the report. We have \$3140 in the checking account. See attached treasurer's report .

### **Literature Report:**

\$466.95 given to treasurer from literature sales. Literature order for Amy/Monday Night Friends Church given to Debbie W./GR. Colleen has a page on how to order literature for GSACC for the Trusted Servants Pkt. Colleen wants to remove her email and home address because she is concerned about making her name available to the CoDA community at large. She might list only her phone number. Shipping costs went up from 15% to 18%. Thursday Kaiser group changed their meeting time back to 7:30pm. She has plenty of literature at this time. Needs birthday chips.

### **Outreach/ Hospitals and Institutions**

Clydene stated she is just getting started. Needs volunteers. For more info on upcoming coda and ACA activities in California contact: hikin\_jim@yahoo.com

**Phone Line** – Cindie was not present.

**NCC Report:** - Business Meeting will be held at noon on 29April2006 at the Mini-Conference in Santa Clara.

### **Events:**

**Spring Conference.** Will be April 29<sup>th</sup> and flyers are the website. Sharon N. Is coordinating carpools to Santa Clara.

**Summer Conference.** Will be July 29<sup>th</sup> in Santa Cruz. Fliers will be available at the Spring Mini-Conference.

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

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

**Other events:** CoDA convention May 25-28th in Austin, TX

**Group Rep reports:**

#935 Sunday. No Rep. Janet is secretary. Meeting is small.

#1135 Monday. Cindie. Cindie sent an email report, will attach to minutes in Secretary book.

#015 Monday. Debbie. Attendance is steady at 18-22 per week. All open positions are filled except Birthday position. Literature person is new to CoDA. She is learning the ordering process. Out of all birthday chips. Group conscience has adopted verbiage from CoDA blue book for sponsorship reading. Group Rep is putting binder together for all GSACC meeting minutes, Nor Cal CoDA meeting minutes, & CoDA World Fellowship Quarterly Service Reports so everyone can see what is going on at all levels of CoDA.

#103 Tuesday. Sharon. Sharon quit for a month. Now she is back. They have about 20 people attending. She has explained to her meeting members about GSACC monthly meetings and let them know they are welcome to attend.

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

#055 Wednesday- Mike. Mike stated they are having good meetings and collecting more money. Group is considering restructuring the meeting format. They will be including the new Preamble from CoDA.

#434 Wed. Men's Meeting – Jay. Attendance has been fluctuating. Some members have been traveling. They have a service vacuum right now. Jay is group rep and treasurer.

# 637 Wednesday – Howie. Group is going strong. 18 regular members, 8-10 show up on a rotating basis. They are rotating the Secretary position. They have lots of literature. Where shall he mail the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contribution to GSACC and NorCal CoDA?

# Wed. – Modesto meeting, Michael V. – Meeting has 9-10 members in attendance, other times 3-4. Their group is looking at different strategies to encourage newcomers to keep coming back. Report attached.

#694 Thursday – No Rep - No report available. Clydene will try to go to that meeting

#449 Thursday – No report available.

# 996 Thursday – Rita. Sharon spoke on behalf of Rita. The meeting time is going back to 7:30pm. No other report available.

#018 Friday night - Women's Meeting – Clydene is group rep. Wanda is alt group rep. All positions are filled. Reminded everyone that all meetings are autonomous, except where affecting CoDA as a whole, during business meetings notes should be taken and group conscience results recorded. This is necessary to have an archive of meeting agreements. They have lots of newcomers. They are letting everyone know about the upcoming Spring mini-conference. Overall this is a good meeting.

#1029. Sat/Writing group. Julie/Rep. Presently they are having a service vacuum. Treasurer is stepping down due to family commitments. No secretary. Good core group. They have 2 keys, they have to coordinate who will be there to open the door. They also had problems with business meeting notes not being taken.

Addl Comments:

New writing group is forming. The current writing group will probably come to an end in May 2006.

**Old Business:** Trusted service packet ~~ Brainstorming session led by Jay.

What would we like to provide to our groups?

What is the purpose of this packet?

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PURPOSE OF BRAINSTORMING SESSION:

Define a COMMUNITY MEETING RESOURCE PACKET

- Needs of Groups
  - Definitions - Roles & Responsibilities of Service Positions – Qualifications – Suggested time in CoDA program <JAY>
    - Basic: Mtg Secretary, Treasurer, Group Rep, Literature,
    - Optional: Birthday Person, Phone List, Refreshment Person
  - Resource Items
    - Literature Ordering (Colleen)
    - Service Structure Overview (Jay)
    - How to send 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contributions (& why?) to who? Where?
    - Excerpts From Fellowship Service Manual
    - Frequently Asked Questions (Debbie)
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How do we grow leaders? Aka trusted servants?

Goal: maintain principles before personalities

**New Business:**

New business was tabled till next meeting.

Janna – member at large – Stated she was nervous about coming. Apologized if she made anyone uncomfortable with her actions organizing a meditation group. She misinterpreted the traditions. She wasn't aware that she was violating the tradition of not lending the CoDA name when she sent out fliers. She didn't think she was doing anything wrong because she considers herself part of CoDA. Her apology was accepted. Group enthusiastically encouraged her to start a new meeting with an 11<sup>th</sup> Step focus.

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

**Close meeting with the serenity prayer 8:35 PM.**