

**Greater Sacramento Area CoDA Community
Minutes for Monthly Business Meeting
Nov. 10, 2008**

Opened with the Serenity prayer at 6:45 PM

In Attendance were:

David C. GR CA1155 Mon. Men's Sacramento
Debbie W Chair
Julie L Recording Secretary
Sharon N. GR CA1029 Saturday Sacramento
John G. Treasurer
Mike M. GR CA055 Weds. Sacramento
Colleen H. Literature
Kristin C. CA449 Auburn

REPORTS

Chair: Debbie W

This service position is available for the Greater Sac. CoDA community. If interested contact Debbie W. 916 536-1911

Vice Chair: Service Opportunity

Position is open. Debbie W. would like to train someone for Chair in the Vice Chair position for 6 months. Volunteers, please contact Debbie W. at 916 536-1911

Recording Secretary Julie L.

Minutes from last meeting: Minutes from the October 13, 2008 meeting were approved as corrected. Minutes will be available at GSACC Yahoo group.

Treasurer's Report: John G

Our Bank account balance is \$877.00. John provided our running balances (checkbook, online and printed statement). On the reverse side, is listed the Income and Expenses monthly record, with the budget guidelines at the far right. The Treasurer's report will be available at the GSACC Yahoo Group.

Literature report: Colleen H

Our literature supply is good, and Colleen is not anticipating a need for a large literature order before the Winter mini-conference.

Outreach report: *Volunteer needed Service opportunity.* No report

Phone Line: Sharon N

Sharon met with Jack S. from the bay area who made some suggestions for our needs to have more phone time for listing meetings and CoDA information. Sharon then explored with Onebox. We discussed 2 service4 and pricing options and asked Sharon to explore the options/cost of 1) keeping our current ATT number or changing to a number given to us by Onebox.

We also discussed how to set up the phone message such as by geographical area (In Sacramento/Outside Sacramento) or by days. No firm decision will be made on that until we decide whether to use this system. As an aside, Sharon said the contact person for Onebox said the company provides service for another 12 step program.

Hospitals and Institutions: *Volunteer needed Service opportunity*

Continuing the discussion of selecting prison destinations for our \$60.00 allocated to CoDA Books for Prisons, David C. offered to obtain the library information for local prisons. In addition, Mik M. wanted to contact CoDA World to find out whether the term "prison" also included county jails and federal institutions. .

CoDA World Fellowship

Flier available at <http://coda.org/convention.php>: The CoDA International Convention to be held July 9-12, 2009 in Seattle, WA. Pay less with Early registration before Dec. 1, 2008. Debbie noted that as CoDA members, we can have the CoDA Quarterly Service Report mailed or emailed to each of us. One policy change which affects meetings is the requirement that each meeting needs to provide an annual update in order to stay current with the publishing of meetings through CoDA World fellowship. Details will be in the Quarterly Service Report for the 4th Quarter available in late October at www.coda.org

NorCal CoDA The most recent business meeting was held at the fall mini-conference, Oct. 25, 2008. There were committee reports and reports from NorCal reps who attended the annual Service conference mentioned above. NorCal website is: www.norcalcoda.org

Regional Mini-Conferences:

Fall MC was held Saturday, Oct. 25, 2008 LifeMark Center, outside of San Mateo. At the Business meeting held that date, the 2 delegates and an alternate from NorCal CoDA attended the Annual service Conference held in September, 2008. Debbie W. noted that she did not think some of the presenters followed the Guidelines for Presenters, when they used their last names and reported on the books they have written or the non 12 step related projects/organizations they support. She asked for GSACC members support in approaching The Bay Area CoDA Service Group (BASCG) About this concern. She plans to attend their next intergroup meeting in Oakland on Dec. 14 and invited others to join her. She also noted that when groups provide financial

assistance to some speakers (but not others) it potentially sets up an inequity of "less than" among presenters.

- **Winter MC Sacramento, Jan. 24, 2009** at Fremont Presbyterian Church, 5770 Carlson Dr. Conference planning meetings will CONTINUE at 5:30pm just before the GSACC meeting at 3240 Arden Way Kaiser facility.

The planning committee tonight worked on a volunteer recruitment process, specifics of workshops/program so far, suggestions about signs for workshops and parking, a new restaurant for the post conference fellowship, as Baker's Square is now closed.

- **Spring MC TBA Santa Clara, Spring 2009**
- **Summer MC** Will again be at Happy Valley Conference Center near Santa Cruz. For summer 2009. .

Group Rep Reports:

Sunday Heritage Oaks Sac CA935 (Denise E)	Sharon N. reporting: Average 15 attending, service positions filled
Sunday Davis Lutheran Church CA1230	5-6 attending This is a NEW meeting
Monday Folsom CA1135 Isabel O.	No report Need Support
Monday Men's Kaiser Fair Oaks Blvd. Sac CA1155 David C	10-12 attending; positions filled. Temporarily in Rm A Question about availability of sponsors.
Monday Sac. Friends Church E St. CA015 a (GR needed)	Debbie W. reporting: Meeting going well, secretary position is rotating. Announcement in E. Sac newspaper has incorrect time for meeting.
Monday Yuba/Sutter Yuba City CA488 Melissa	No report
Tuesday Rancho Cordova CA103 (GR needed)	No report
Wednesday Modesto CA941 Michael V	No report
Wednesday Sac Kaiser South CA861 Tracey L	No report Meeting needs support
Wednesday Friends Church E St Sacramento CA055 Mike M	About 12 people average have been attending with at least one newcomer each week. Service positions are filled. Mike brought the E Sac. Newspaper with announcements.
Wednesday. Grass Valley CA637 Howie/Darrel	No report
Thursday Citrus Heights CA694. Andy O.	No report

Thursday Auburn CA449 Kristin C	4-5 person core group. Members are starting a step study on Mondays. Will provide more info. Groups wants to order more literature.
Thursday Kaiser Watt CA996. Kathy E	No report
Thursday Murphys/Amador CA1165 Sheena B	No report
Friday Women's Sac Heritage Oaks CA018 (GR needed)	No report Meeting Needs Support
Saturday Trinity Cathedral, Sacramento CA1029 Sharon N.	10-15 attending. Service positions filled. New rent agreement with the church \$40 month. Space is tight and meeting is sometimes moved to another room.
Saturday Tracy NEW! CA Dena B	No report

Old Business –

- Nwcomer meeting for the Wednesday night time slot at Kaiser Chemical Dependency Recovery Program: Debbie has comiled meeting materials for the meeting as requested by Kaiser contact, Mike Hanehan 979-3527. Julie agreed to take it over to him and hopefully meet with him about the meeting.
- 2nd and final installment of \$400 is due in November on the WMC facility rental. Julie also remembered that there was a \$100 cleaning deposit that Julie gave to Melanie Andrews, at Fremont last year. The check was held (not cashed) until after the conference, when it was returned to Julie.
- New writing group. Julie will check with Mike H. at Kaiser CDRP to see if there is any space to meet at their building. (Watt/Marconi).
- It is also time to renew space for the GSACC monthly meeting. Julie will check with Mike H about that too. Another possibility might be the Point West Kaiser on Response Rd.

New Business

- Sharon suggested that she would like to see a CoDA meeting on counterdependency
- Someone? Also suggested a step study meeting (not a closed writing group, but an ongoing step study meeting).

Serenity Prayer

Close Meeting 8:30 PM

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