Southern California CoDA Regional Committee

Minutes from the June 9, 2007 Assembly

Attendance: Hal, Joe, Corey, Alan, Ross, Lesa, Cheri, Barbara, Bette Jo, Katie, Michelle, Thom F., Corrine, Scott, Keith, Linda, Bette, Penny, Patrice, Pat, Gayle, Jeff, Irma, Gladys, Christine, Marlene, Greg, Dean, Cheryl, Carla, Don and Edie.

I. Opening: The serenity prayer was said and introductions were made.

II. Ratification of motions from Regional Meetings since 2006 Assembly:
   A. 09/09/06
      1. Alan Elected as Vice Chair - Passed
      2. Created a 2nd Delegate position with change to SoCAL CoDA Bylaws to include this Position - Passed
   B. 12/09/06
      1. Elected Michelle to Delegate 1 position to replace Thom F. who has become a Trustee - Passed
   C. 03/24/07
      1. Send $300.00 to H & I Books for Prison Program - Passed
      2. Change Mileage Reimbursement rate to $0.30 per mile for community delegates and SoCAL Board members on SoCAL business - Passed
      3. SoCAL to underwrite the cost of headsets for Spanish translation at 2007 Conference - Passed
   D. 06/08/07
      No Motions Carried Over From 06/08/07 Meeting.

III. Election of Officers:
   A. Vice Chairperson - Katie
   B. Alternate Delegate to CSC - Marlene
   C. Corresponding Secretary - Cheryl
   D. Historian - Lesa
   E. Newsletter Editor - Open
   F. Delegate II to CSC (Pending By-Laws Change Adoption) - Barbara
   G. 2008 Conference Chair - Bette Jo
   H. Treasurer (For remainder of year) - Alan

IV. Reports:
   A. Chair - Hal reported that Lawrence has had to step down as treasurer and Alan has been filling-in for him. Alan was nominated and elected treasurer to complete the present term. Things appear to be going ok with the treasury. It’s been reported that over 50% of CoDA meetings in the U.S. are in California.

   B. Treasurer - Covered under Chair’s report.
C. Vice Chair- No report

D. NSC Delegate/Alternate Delegate- Barbara reported there are new service committees available to participate in. New emphasis being put on communication throughout the fellowship. Information on this service work is available at www.coda.org.

E. Recording Secretary- Corey reported that the minutes are being done without the use of the tape-recorder because tapes were not brought with him. (L.O.L.)

F. Corresponding Secretary- Katie had nothing to report.

G. 2007 Conference Committee Report- Jeff reported $1,500.00 collected from registrations and $800.00 remaining after expenses so far without counting walk-in registrations from today.

H. Historian- Not present. Hal acknowledged Carole for her help with this position.

I. Hospitals and Institutions- Open position. Discussion arose on the description of the position and requirements along with questions of safety and how it operates. Position remains open.

V. Old Business:
   A. How to use excess funds above SoCAL’s prudent reserve- Tabled for next meeting on 08/18/07.

VI. New Business:
   A. Approve 2008 Budget- Budget presented at June 8, 2007 meeting passed.

   B. Advise CSC Delegates re: Arizona State Issue Proposed Change to Tradition 3- Ross moved that SoCAL CoDA instruct the delegates to the World Service Conference to carry the message that we are opposed to changing the Third Tradition or any of the Traditions. The motion was seconded. Ross presented a written statement showing 5 reasons in support of this motion which would be presented at the World Service Conference as part of it. During discussion an amendment was made to the written statement regarding the creation of exclusion of other relationships such as with a higher power resulting from this change and the potential to detract from the program by changing the requirement for membership. The amendment was accepted and the motion was passed.

   C. Issue concerning Tradition #6- Carla expressed gratitude to SoCAL for acknowledging the Traditions. It was mentioned that one workshop at the conference made use of the A/A big book which is non-CoDA approved literature and the use of this conflicts with the SoCAL Conference Guidelines. No motion of any kind was made concerning this. It was suggested that this needs to be addressed with the conference committee.
Meeting was adjourned after all business was completed.

Respectfully submitted,

Corey L.
Recording Secretary