

☛CENTRAL SERVICE MEETING MINUTES☚

Central Office & Central Service Representatives Meeting Report

Date:

MARCH 12, 2024

Meeting called to order:

7:02 P.M.

Board members present:

David G, Patrick A, Cody A, George J, Ally A

Serenity Prayer

David G

12 Traditions

Cody A

Minutes of Last Meeting

Patrick A motion to approve minutes

Carol Ann G second

All in favor

Report of Last Board Meeting

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Treasurer & Office Report

March 12th 2024

Good evening!

Central Office had an income of \$3,893.93 and expenses of \$3910.65 for a loss of \$16.72

Our Grateful Givers Club brought in \$110.00 and our Birthday Club brought in \$34.00 in much appreciated contributions.

We had \$1,042.89 in gross sales in 13 transactions for credit and debit cards, \$20 in 1 transaction in PayPal, and \$30 in 3 VENMO transactions this accounting period.

Claudia covered the office on Feb 16th for me because I wasn't feeling well.

Traffic and calls have been average.

Office operations are going well and we are still fulfilling our primary purpose of carrying the AA message of recovery.

I would like to thank all of the groups and individuals who contributed to Central Office!

Grateful to be here!

Carol Ann Gable

Office Manager/Treasurer

Public Information Report

George J

We had some activity, mental health offices were called & they were open to receiving pamphlets & meeting schedules. Included in there are BART & Central Valley Recovery Services. There are other facilities which are already being supplied by H & I.



We have two upcoming Health Fairs we are looking to have volunteers help ...

April 5th Tulare County Health Fair 1:00-5:00 on Dinuba Blvd

April 11 Corcoran Prison Staff in the park 11:00-3:00

Contact George J @ 917-257-4532

Volunteers to Write STEP & TRADITION for Central Newsletter

STEP FOR NEWSLETTER-VOLUNTEER

	Issue	Step	Member
April 4	Glenda V	Due to	centralintergroupnews@gmail.com
May 5	John W	Due to	centralintergroupnews@gmail.com

TRADITION FOR NEWSLETTER-VOLUNTEER

	Issue	Step	Member
April 4	Cheryl H.	Due to	centralintergroupnews@gmail.com
May 5	David G	Due to	centralintergroupnews@gmail.com

Newsletter Report



Website Report

Report covers the time between the February and March CSR Meetings (2024-02-13 through 2024-03-12).

Calendar of events:

Carol Ann added:

Serenity Retreat

Women in Unity AA retreat business meeting

David added:

Central California Council of AA Golf Tournament 2024

CNIA 07 Pre-Conference Assembly 2024

CNIA Mini PRAASA Service Assembly 2024

2024 General Service Conference Agenda Items Workshop

2024 H&I Conference – A State Of Love And Service

Area 07 PI/CPC meeting on Zoom

Announcements:

Carol Ann posted an announcement that Central Office will be closed February 19 for President's Day.

David posted an announcement of the New event: 2024 General Service Conference Agenda Items Workshop in Clovis (and on Zoom)

David posted an announcement that the Bridging The Gap committee meeting for April will be skipped.

David posted an announcement of the New event: 2024 H&I Conference – A State Of Love And Service

Carol Ann and I did the normal monthly edits of the CSR meeting, GSR meeting, Springville Sunday Breakfast meeting, and Valley Group meetings

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Hospitals & Institutions “H&I” Report

March, 2024 H&I Report

In February, we were able to hold all 13 H&I Facility Meetings and 1 H&I meeting at the Tulare County Jail. We utilized 34 volunteers and distributed 73 AA Books. At the end of February, we now have 8 volunteers cleared to go into Tulare County Jail. This includes 2 Spanish Speaking volunteers. We are in the process of coordinating these volunteers to begin more meetings in Tulare County Jail before the end of March.

NorCal's financial position remains sound as of the end of February 2024. We ended the month with a positive cash flow and are closing the gap on the increase in literature versus the increase in contributions over last year. At the end of February, our literature expense has increased 46.4% while our contributions have increased 32.1% over last year. We encourage groups to have their treasurer send in the pink can money on a consistent basis. Please ensure that checks are paid to either Northern California Hospital and Institution committee or NorCal H&I. Please put area 93 and the name of your group in the memo section. If your group does not have a pink can, they are available at Central Office or by contacting me directly.

The Inside Visiting Sponsorship Service which provides inmates with outside sponsors is gearing up to begin at the Women's facility in Chowchilla. Please encourage any women with 5 years of sobriety and sponsorship experience who are interested in this type of service, to contact me.

Save the date: May 3-5, 2024 in Bakersfield H&I Conference. For the first time, H&I will combine Northern and Southern California H&I committees for one amazing conference. The Flyer and registration form are available on the Tulare County AA Website.

At our March 9, 2024 business meeting, Jason K was elected as our Area Co-Chair. We are grateful for his willingness to be in service. We need more volunteers, please share this information with your groups. If any AA member is interested in this type of service work, our next H&I orientation will be May 11, 2024, 9:00 am followed by the Area H&I Business Meeting at 10:00 am. The meeting is held at Bridge Street Drunks Only, 526 N. Bridge St., Visalia, CA 93291.

In service,
Joyce R., Area 93 Chair

Bridging the Gap “BTG” Chairperson Report

Cody A

We had our first meeting with 4 in attendance. There will not be a meeting on April 16th, however I will be at the Spring into Sobriety event on April 6th providing a five minute presentation on Bridging the Gap. We have contact card available to those being released so they may be connected with our local meetings. We will be working on a flyer to provide more information soon.

General Service Office “GSO” Liaison Report

GSR meeting was March 6th, 2024

Twelve people attended; six in-person and six via Zoom.

No Treasurer's Report

DCM report

Mike went to the ACM in Sacramento, and drove up with Simon, who is the DCM of District 55, our Spanish speaking District (which happens to have its District Office in Visalia on Mooney Boulevard). District 55 is hosting the Post-Conference Assembly in Huron, and Simon asked Mike if we could supply some English-speaking volunteers for that event: registration, and snack-bar, and general support. The Post-Conference Assembly will be May 18 & 19. Mike worked on the flyer, and we went to the Post-Conference Assembly planning meeting March 7th.

Old business

Elect Allen L. as Treasurer

Discuss open Alternate DCM position

New business

Discussed and approved funding DCM to attend the Pre-Conference Assembly in Turlock (Denair): \$175. If anyone wants to carpool, Mike is going up.

Discussed getting access to the Agenda Items and Background Material for the Pre-Conference Assembly. The material is on the cnaia.org web site > Resources > Delegate's Page > Confidential Downloads. You'll need the password.

Agenda Items Workshop at New Life Community Church 2165 E Gettysburg, Clovis, CA on Saturday March 23rd, from 1 to 3 PM.

Discussed the Area 7 Archives rental location, and rent increase.

GSO sent out a questionnaire: AA Founders writings; How should we treat them?

Area Delegate Discussion regarding the above questions presented by GSO for group consideration on the future of AA Founder's writings, such as the Big Book and Twelve & Twelve.

Delegate will also hold Zoom meetings March 7th, 14th, and 21st. Visit cnaia.org > Events

CSR REPORTS

Saturday morning women's 12 x 12 Tracy Jo., CSR

Held from 9-10 am Saturday morning held weekly

Approx 25-35 women

We are hosting a women's retreat in October at St Anthony's in three rivers we are looking for volunteers and donations, there will be a limited number of spaces, next committee meeting will be

Saturday 10:15 on the third Saturday of each month until October

Friday Freedom Fellowship Arlee CSR

We meet weekly on Fridays at Christ Lutheran Church in Visalia from 7-8 P.M.

Rainbow Group, Presented by George J., CSR.

The Rainbow Group meets every Saturday for an hour at 5:30 PM at The Source in Visalia, at 109 Northwest Second Avenue, which is on the south side of the Oval park. We meet for one hour and we are an Open hybrid group that meets on Zoom as well. The Zoom ID and passcode are on the website and in the Meeting Guide app. We offer a five o'clock meditation if you're interested in arriving early to prepare for a meeting. We have a speaker at the beginning of each meeting who speaks for 10 minutes after which the group is open. We give out chips at every session and celebrate birthdays at the end of the month with cake (no ice cream). We also have our business meeting on the second Saturday of the month.

Thank you for letting me be of service, George.

Springville Monday Night Book Study Group, Presented by Cody R., CSR.

We are located at the Lighthouse Chapel in Springville. We meet Monday nights from 7 to 8 PM. It is an open group book study. We rotate the books that we study. We're currently reading Language of the Heart. Turnout is about average. Emotional Sobriety will be the next book we will be reading. We have coffee and dessert every Monday. We would love to have more visitors. The Lighthouse Chapel is located off the 190: turn on to Bridge Drive, and then south to Rio Vista.

Gut-Level Group, Presented by Cody R., CSR

The Thursday Night Gut Level open meeting for men and women, is also located at the Lighthouse Chapel in Springville. We meet Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 PM. It is an open meeting with people sharing their experience, strength, and hope. Our birthday meeting is the last Thursday of the month, and we celebrate with cake and coffee. Turnout is steady. We have cake whether anyone is celebrating a birthday or not. It's a great meeting and we would love to have visitors.

Thank you for letting me be of service, Cody.

Civic Center Group Presented by Trevor., CSR

Tuesday at Christ Lutheran 7-8 pm closed speaker discussion last day of the month welcome to family and friends. As well as a birthday meeting the last Tuesday of the month

Springville Breakfast Speaker Meeting, Presented by Cody for Sheryl E., CSR

We meet the second Sunday of each month at the Veterans Memorial Building, 35994 Highway 190 in Springville. Breakfast is \$8.00 a plate per adult and \$1.00 per child under 12. The speaker part of the meeting is always free, so you don't have to eat to enjoy an excellent speaker.

We open at 8:00 with fresh hot coffee. Breakfast is served from 8:30 until 10:00. The speaker meeting begins at 10:15 with the readings, a 10 minute speaker a 15 minute break, then the main speaker until 11:45. 50/50 tickets are sold from 8:30 until the main speaker begins.

We really need a couple of strong, young people to stay after the meeting to sweep and mop the floor.

It only takes a few minutes and is an easy way to be of service. So please help.

Thank you for letting me be of service, Sheryl

Attendance was doubled last Sunday for the 50th anniversary! We served 92 breakfast! And it was offered at no charge. It was a great turn out!

Friends of Bill W and Dr Bob, presented by Patrick., CSR

Tuesday night open meeting held at St Johns Episcopal Church 1701 e prosperity ave in tulare from 7-8:30 pm fellowship of men and women sharing our experience strength and hope, averaging 15-20.

We celebrate the last Tuesday of the month. We give out chips of various lengths of continuous sobriety. Newcomers are welcome, we have members who are open to sponsor. 😊

Women's Changes Meeting, Presented by Cheryl for Sheryl E., CSR.

We meet every Tuesday from 6 to 7 PM at the 12 Step Recovery Club, 186 South D Street in Porterville. We are an open women's meeting. We each pick a stick from a jar and share on that topic. We average about 20 girls including the girls from PAAR who might have a couple of days to women with up to a whopping 43 years of continued sobriety, proving this program works. The last Tuesday of each month we have a potluck that starts at 5:30 with good food and Birthday cake. We pass around a card for everyone to sign for those who are celebrating that month. Pam S is the new secretary, replacing Vicki B who did an outstanding job. Thank you for letting me be of service, Sheryl.

Noon AA meeting Cheryl., CSR

Noon meetings that meet at the Porterville 12 step recovery club at 186 S B Street in Porterville
Monday through Friday 12-1 pm
Mon, Tues, and Thursday use the Daily Reflections as the topic source
Wed is a chip meeting
Friday is a big book meeting
Steps sponsorship if encouraged
Hal E was presented his 39th AA birthday, his son daughters are members

AA Loose Women's Meeting, Presented by Glenda V., CSR

We meet every Friday night at 6:30 PM at the Twelve Step Recovery Club at 186 South D Street in Porterville. We are an Open discussion meeting for Women only. It's a discussion meeting: somebody picks a topic and people talk about the topic. Cross-talk is welcome. We average about 5-16 people. Ladies from PAAR attend our meeting, who might have a couple of days of sobriety, to women with up to 43 years of sobriety, proving the program works. Thank you for letting me be of service, Glenda

Bridge Street Drunks Only John W., CSR

Bridge St has 19 meetings a week carrying the message with a great spirit of participation. Our Birthday meeting is on the last Saturday of the month at the noon meeting. Our address is 526 N Bridge St in the building back of the driveway (in the homes previous garage). We have mainly closed AA meetings (16) with (3) open meetings Saturday & Sunday at noon.

Crossroads Steve P., CSR

Crossroads meets at 7:00pm Thursday nights at 220 W Tulare Ave. We meet at the Hillman House next to the church. We are a small meeting of about 12 to 15 people usually everyone gets to share. Thank You, Steve P

Old Business

Unity Day-Cody waiting on pricing for bowling options.

New Business

1. Closing prayer/Statement

Cody A-Motion, Patrick A-second all in favor

Responsibility Statement

I am responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,

I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that

I am responsible.

2. Communication for Board members continue to be via group text

Communication for CSR's will be through emails

3. David G will be the Chair for the Founders Day Picnic

John C will be the Co-Chair first planning meeting to be held Wednesday March 27th at

7:00PM at Central Office also via Zoom

Currently looking for a speaker and volunteers.

4. Newsletter-CSR minutes now to be provided to the CSR's for approval before being published into the newsletter.

Seventh Tradition

\$28.00

Announcements

Spring into Sobriety Event Saturday April 6th \$20.00 Yvonne S Los Angeles will be keynote speaker including a 12 step workshop if attended new comers receive dinner at no charge. This event happens twice a year, lunch is not provided.

Meeting Adjourned

8:46 p.m.