

District 47, CNIA

Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2025

This is a hybrid and Zoom meeting with members participating from various locations, including the Central Office in Exeter.

Meeting Called to Order: 7:09 PM by District Committee Member (DCM) Mike C.

Committee members present:

Brandon L., GSR for Friday Freedom Fellowship
Dusty B., GSR for the Springville Thursday Night Gut Level Group
Mike S., new GSR for Unity Through Traditions
Laura B., GSR for the Springville Monday Night Book Study
Mike C., DCM
Allen L., Treasurer
David G., Recording Secretary and Central Office Liaison

Permission requested from all present that this meeting be audio recorded for the recording secretary's benefit.

The GSR Preamble was read by all attendees. "We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A. We realize the ultimate authority in A.A. is a Loving God as he may express himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that the groups can reach an informed group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship. Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our groups and A.A. as a whole."

12 Traditions: read by Mike S.

Concept 3: Concept 3 long form read and explained by Mike C.

Approval of Minutes: February 4, 2025, minutes amended: during last month's meeting, we had a motion and approval for \$300 for food and other expenses for the March 22 Agenda Items Workshop at the Twelve Step Club in Porterville. Allen moved to approve as amended, Dusty seconded; all in favor none against.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Allen L.:

Beginning Balance: \$1,983.88

INCOME

Date	Description	Amount
2-18-25	Tuesday Women's Amity Group. Chk #1155	\$55.10
2-18-25	District 49 Committee. Chk #1001	\$313.00
		=====
	Total Income:	\$368.10

EXPENSES

Date	Description	Amount
2-18-25	Post Office Box 273 – one year. Chk #311	\$102.00
		=====
	Total Expense:	\$102.00

Ending Balance: \$2,249.98

Allen and Mike had discussed that the District 49 contribution was unexpected, and will clarify with the sender if this contribution was meant for District 47 or for Central Office.

CSO Liaison Report: David G.

Our February CSR Meeting was held on February 11th, 2025. The meeting was a hybrid meeting, both in-person and on Zoom.

Central Office finances: For the period from December 21st, 2024, through January 20th, 2025, Central Office had an income of \$14,000 and expenses of \$6,189 for a GAIN of \$7,811. Our balance was \$24,786 where our prudent reserve is \$19,000 (\$5,786 over our prudent reserve). We are super grateful for our members.

Old Business:

We need a chairperson to head the Founder's Day Picnic committee. The Founders' Day Picnic will be June 14th, 2025 at Mooney's Grove Park in Visalia.

We have re-opened on Mondays, from 9 AM to 1 PM. Glenda V. is our new volunteer. We are thrilled that we can be of service to our fellowship on Mondays again.

New Business:

CSRs are asking their groups what they think about doing pre-sale tickets for the Founders' Day picnic. Last year, we prepared way too much food, and pre-sale tickets might be a way to mitigate that.

Our website, aa-tulareco.org, had begun crashing every five minutes due to our calendar software going obsolete. We had to remove it, and have since installed new software. Unfortunately, there is no direct way of migrating the old data, so the new calendar is being recreated from scratch, by hand. If your group has an event that needs to be on our calendar, please send the information to tccof@hotmail.com. Please add anything like this to our calendar: your group's monthly or quarterly business meetings, any AA roundups or conferences you're aware of, your 9th Tradition Service Committee's monthly meetings. This ensures all members can easily access the information.

Registrar: Josh F. no report

H&I Report: Prepared by Joyce R., an presented by Mike C.

March, 2025 H&I Report

The only purpose of the Northern California Hospital and Institution Committee is to carry the

message of AA to alcoholics in corrections and treatment facilities and facilities serving alcoholics in Northern CA.

In Tulare County, our monthly meetings have been reduced to 14 monthly as the Visalia Rescue Mission has decided to put their meetings on hold for the time being. At each of these meetings, we have AA Big Books, 12 Steps and 12 Traditions, Daily Reflections, Living Sober in English and Spanish along with Grapevines and LaVina available for our inside members to keep as a gift from our AA Fellowship. This is funded with money contributed to the Pink Cans passed at meetings.

Attached is the most current News Brief from NorCal available in English and Spanish. This is good information to share with your groups as it covers all aspects of the NorCal H&I Committee. This along with the most current financial reports is available on our Tulare County AA website at www.aa-tulareco.org under the Hospital and Institution tab and at www.handinorcal.org. There are also links to send any questions to the NorCal Officer, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns.

We continue to need volunteers especially those interested in going into Tulare County Jail, Corcoran, SATF, Avenal State Prisons. We are in dire need of Sponsors willing to sponsor an inmate at one of our Prisons. Please send any interested AA members to our next orientation at 9:00 am. We also have several additional positions to be filled which will be discussed at the business meeting at 10:00 am. Both will be held on March 8, 2025 at 526 N. Bridge Street, Visalia, CA 93291.

In Service,

Joyce R
Area 93 Chair

DCM Report: Mike C. I attended the Area Committee Meeting (ACM) February 15 via Zoom.

The Fall Assembly (Mini-PRAASA) will be in November; there was discussion about changing it from three days to two days. The Pre-Conference Assembly will be in Gazelle, CA in April; there was discussion about changing it from two days to three, although no change was made. These might be brought up at the March ACM.

Mike made a motion to borrow the interpretation equipment for the Agenda Items Workshop on March 22.

There was a discussion to bring a Twelve Step Inventory to the General Service Conference. This had previously been brought to the Area; but during discussion, the motion failed.

CNIA 07 did decide to move the Archives office to Florin Road in Sacramento. They are working on insurance underwriting next.

Some area positions will be open in November; officers are writing up the responsibilities now.

GSR Reports:

1. Brandon (Friday Freedom Fellowship): the meeting is going well, we had birthday meeting with ten people celebrating. Please note that the Wednesday night Valley Group Meeting lost their GSR, so the money they planned for sending someone to Gazelle is available.

2. Mike (new GSR for the Unity Through Traditions meeting): the meeting is going well. Fred F stepped down as GSR.
3. Laura: We finished the previous book, and have just started reading *Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers*. Brandon mentioned attending another Agenda Item Workshop via Zoom,
4. Dusty (Springville Thursday Night Gut Level Group): This month we had one person taking a cake for 28 years.

Old Business:

We still need an Alternate DCM.

New Business:

1. Discuss who will purchase food for the Agenda Items Workshop.
2. Which agenda items should we review? A large number of items were discussed.

Responsibility Declaration: Read by all “I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am responsible.”

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David G., Recording Secretary