District 47, CNIA
Meeting Minutes
Date: October 6, 2026

This is a hybrid business meeting with participants attending in-person and on Zoom from various locations, including the Central Office in Exeter

Meeting called to order: 7:03 PM by District Committee Member (DCM) Mike C.

Committee member present:
Gary B- Springville Gut-level
Ariane B- Women Amity Group
Robert C- Friday Freedom Fellowship
James W-. Bridge St Drunks
Patrick P- Mid-Valley Group
Mike C- DCM
Allen L- D47 Treasure
Joyce R- H&I

The GSR Preamble: Read by Mike C

12 Tradition: Read by Gary B

Concept 10: Read by Allen L

Approval of Minutes: 1st Allen L **2nd** James W

Treasurer Report: Report by Allen L

Beginning Balance: $ 2770.00

INCOME

Date	Description	Amount
9-10-26	The Valley Group of AA (#1141)	$165.00
9-10-26	The Crossroads Group (MO#19-846010044)	$50.00
9-24-26	Springville Book Study (MO#55457010076)	$45.00
9-28-26	Monday Men's Stag (MO#22-087745011)	$50.00

Total Income: $ 310.00

Total Expense: $ 0
Ending Balance: $ 3080.00

Approval of Treasurer Report: **1st:** Patrick P **2nd: Robert**
CSO Liaison: N/A

Registrar: N/A

H&I Liaison: Joyce R. Reports

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. Locally, we continue to carry the message of AA to 8 treatment facilities, Tulare County Jail, Corcoran, SATF and Avenal Prisons providing AA literature upon request.

We are always looking for AA members who are interested in going into facilities and bringing an AA meeting. There is a large need for volunteers who would like to go into Correctional facilities along with Women who have Thursday's open and are willing to participate with us at two women's facilities. Please share this information with your groups and send any interested AA members to our next orientation which will be held November 14, 2026; 9:00 am at 526 N. Bridge Street, Visalia. This is followed at 10:00 am by our Business Meeting. The Business Meeting is a great opportunity to hear an overview of all the facilities we serve and service opportunities. We will be setting the final plans for our volunteer appreciation event and electing a new Area Chair at the November meeting.

Please continue to pass the pink can at your meetings as we continue in **Neutral** Financial position. At the October NorCal meeting, we will be reviewing and revising our 2027 budget. The rising cost of literature is causing our current deficit as literature purchases are 90% of our yearly budget. If your group does not have a pink can, please send an email to our local committee at handiarea93@gmail.com or pick one up at the Central Office. Please pass the pink can after the 7th Tradition basket to not detract from the 7th Tradition. Our monthly and year to date financial reports are available to review on the Tulare County AA website under the H&I tab as well as NorCal H&I website at www.handinorcal.org

DCM Report: Mike C. Reports

Central Office/Intergroups- Lynn, retiring from Stockton, now have a quick book that uses newer. Have new staff on board technology. Central Office has a Old Timer Panel on October 24, 2026. Followed by the Holiday Extravaganza that Claudio will speak.

Foro- They have the food planned for the upcoming event and sea food or Mexican breakfast will have pozole. There will be roundtable discussion at the event. Sunday December 13, 2026.

Hispanic Women's Conference- none

H&I- none

NCCAA- October 9-11 in Fresno registration is now open and the website. There will be Spanish and English meetings and several roundtable discussions. https://norcalaa.org/

YPAA- Rich Nov 6-8 Conference called Summit in Butte County for all Young People in AA and are currently fundraising for the event and looking for scholarships for newcomers to attend. https://cnia.org/cnia-area-07/ypaa/

Archives Workshop Report Out

Valerie attended the workshop in Tacoma Washington on September 12-13, 2026. Attended meeting on how to archive, catalog, data mining, and protective boxes for older materials, and several valuable discussions with past trustee from Canada and she made several paste delegates and trustees. She met a member who translated the AA workbook into Spanish, and she will circulate to the area once she gets a copy.

Appointed Chair and Officer Reports

Accessibility- creating a document for DCM to access accessibility needs in the district. Last meeting was Wednesday and they had zoom issues and they will be using Google meetings going forward.

Alternate Archives- Attended the D9 Unity Day and was a very great meeting, operations is looking to get Wi-Fi up and running for the archives building.

AV Tech- Got new speakers and attended a workshop last weekend regarding how AI is being used in AA and there will be https://www.NAATW.org

Bridging the Gap- Presentations were given at the women's facility and there is great excitement for conference in September.

Grapevine/La Vina-There was a speaker meeting on September 15th district grapevine reps should email grapevine la vina to join mailing list. There is a sale going on for 505 on various items.

Literature- Attended the district 40 and 53 Unity Day at Bass Lake and had a great time. There were Spanish and English speakers that were at the unity event. Still collecting pictures of literature racks from central offices to create a photo collage.

Technology- There is a new chair that has been appointed and new equipment has been purchased for assembly meetings.

Written Translation-Anything that is circulated in the area for fliers should be sent to Leah to translate.

Alternate Delegate- Holly attended the officer call and discussed the technology updates and meeting with Claudio this month. There are online meetings, CNI-A.org, that members can attend. There is a regional forum coming up in December that she encourages others to attend.

Alternate Chair-Inventory questions are included in the Accents and DCMs are encouraged to have GSR share at their homegroups

Treasurer- Covered facility cost for Mini-PRASSA and the catering for the food. Income to expenses is a low group contribution, and they are heading into the red due to increased expenses.

Secretary- Accidently omitted the Mini-PRAASA flier and will update the Accents online and will send out again to all DCM and members.

Registrar-Will work on monthly reports this coming week and the district websites are hosted by the area website and there is a page that has the contact information on it to make updates.

Business Discussion

Proposed Agenda Items (PAI)- groups and members who supported the PAIs that they should reach out to the districts that have written the PAI. Bill from D43 will be submitting his PAI to add the 164 pages to Charter on Friday September 25,

2026. District 47 is in strong support of this PAI. If anyone is in support of the D29 PAI 3 they can email cniadistrict29@gmail.com

Spending Plan Discussion

The costs for all the events and assemblies have been increasing due to the current rate of inflation. The current updated Spending Plan has been sent out and would like to have all GSRs and DCMs to review the spending plan at the next assembly in October at the Mini-PRAASA in Woodland, CA. There will also be a discussion on updating the current year plan.

Lynn mentioned that the non-profit milage reimbursement rate in .14 cents per mile.

Tom, the prudent reserve is much higher than what is noted in the proposed spending plan. Tom stated that the prudent reserve will go up by end of the year, and we should see what numbers will be by the next assembly.

Line items- 193-196 have been broken up and describe the individual line items that used to be all combined.

12:30 PM Lunch

1:30 PM Delegate's Report

2:45 PM DCM Round Tables

3:45 PM What's on Your Mind

CSR & GSR Updates:
CSR Liaison -Robert C. Need New Years Eve Party Volunteers, Board Election Dec., Nominees in Nov. -2 Yr Commitment. News Letter to open up to the entire fellowship (tentatively) Sober life topics-Outside of service….ie activities (camping) on AA Tulare County Website. Decision about passing the Pink Can after Tradition 7 basket. "Everything AA" was purchased by AA (Joe & Charlie removed)

Gary B- Several members are volunteering for New Years Eve Party -Still need help with food Preparation.
James W- James has officially been voted in a new GSR, New Treasurer Brook. Changes to address.
Robert C/ Alternate DCM - Birthday meeting was moved back to last Friday -

Old Business:
CNIA 7 “Draft Spending Plan” see separate report for individual visibility
PAI# 2 was submitted by District 43 to GSO on Sept. 29, 2026 for consideration to the 2027 Annual Meeting.

Area Inventory Questions: The following questions were drafted by the area inventory committee: DCM Craig C. D09. DCM. Marie M. D19, DCM Joey S. D24, DCM Chris O. D49,
DCM Fernando D56, Past Delegate Mike K. Panel 68. Area Officer Jose U.(5 DCMs, 1 past
Delegate, and 1 area officer).
If you have any questions, please reach out to the Area’s alternate chair. Jose U. at alt-chair@cnia.org.

1) What works well, and what changes can improve communication between **CNIA,** the districts, and the groups?
2) What changes can be made to allow for a smoother transition for **GSR's, DCM's,** and **CNIA** Trusted Servants?
3) Is participation in Area activities encouraged? If so, how can we improve?
4) How well do the **CNIA Trusted Servants** perform duties as described in the Service Material Handbook?
5) Where can CNIA improve to encourage more participation in the Conference process?
6) Where can CNIA improve to better emphasize the importance of sponsorship and service sponsorship?

New Business:

- Discussion to approve funding to send DCM to Mini PRAASA Oct 16-18, 2026, Woodland CA (Sacramento area) Registration $25, Dinner $22, Coffee $3, Hotel $196.30, Gas for Travel $100 Total=$346.30

Patrick P made a motion to approve funding for DCM Mike C to attend Mini PRAASA

James W second the motion. All in favor- Unanimous.

Gary B motion to approve, up to $300, for GSR Robert C to attend Mini PRAASA. Patrick P second the motion. All in favor -Unanimous.

- General Service Office launch of contributions webpage. The platform will go live on the contributions page on aa.org mid-October.
- 2026 Regional Forum will be held in San Diego and registration is now open. ***Forum Dates***: DECEMBER 4- DECEMBER 6, 2026 ***Location***: Wyndham San Diego Bayside, 1355 N Harbor Dr.

  San Diego, CA 92101 ***Click here to register for the 2026 Pacific Regional Forum***

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **AA birthdays this month**:

Ariane B celebrates 10 years in October

Bridge St. Drunks had a successful Memorial celebration (Pot Luck) for Boston Paul Harriman on Sept 23.

> **RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION:** 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.