

**8:00 – 9:30** District Meeting: Facilitated by Rhys G., District Committee Member Chair

**A. Opening – Standing Items**

- Began w/Serenity Prayer 8:03 pm
- General Service Preamble: Rhys G., Tradition 7 (Long Form): Andrew K., and Concept 7: Mark W.
- Welcome of New GSRs, DCMs, and Visitors: Eric L., DCMC – Santa Clara-North; Mark K. – *Pax West Group*; Saima J., Alt-GSR - *Like a Prayer*; Melissa, GSR - *Walk of Shame*; Nichol S., Alt-GSR – *Walk of Shame*; Teddy B-W – CNCA06 Treasurer; Carl M., filling in at Concepts study;
- Recognition of Birthdays/Anniversaries since our last meeting; Andrew K.– 26 years; Lance S. – 15 years; Thomas S. – 6 years; Michael B. – 3 years
- Approval of prior month's minutes: APPROVED
- Presentation of current month's Financial Reports: Lauren; June – contributions: \$461.57, which are 16% lower this June than prior 3 year average; total income in June: 18% lower than prior 3 year average; year-to-date income 4% higher than prior 3 year average; expenses: paid ½ rent for Unity Day in advance; June expenses 39% higher than prior 3 year average; year-to-date expenses even based on last 3 years; into prudent reserve \$651 now; finance committee made up of Rhys, Dennis, Jill, Lauren, Elena
- Presentation of Concept 7: Carl M.
- VOLUNTEER for a 2-Minute Presentation on Concept 8 for August meeting: Laurel S.
- Rhys Announcements:
  - Int'l Convention experience;
  - Need new event co-chair, new coffee maker & mail coordinator
  - Will discuss database issues tonight
  - Summer assembly – August 1<sup>st</sup>, Petaluma – The “Fun” Assembly; workshops – “Working w/others,” “Love, tolerance & humility...,” “Safety in AA”
  - Call for stories for literature updates/new literature: “AA for the Woman”, “AA Members with Mental Health Issues”; “AA for the LGBT Alcoholic” – deadline is 10/15/15 – see [www.cnca06.org](http://www.cnca06.org) website for criteria
  - Motion on placing link to deaf/hearing-impaired info on SF General Service website: will not hear tonight – presenter not here tonight

Presentation from Jeff O., member – Motion process: started in GS a long time ago; observed area chair & district chair early on; took notes; prepared a document; AA not governed by rules; rem re Rule 62; chair shouldn't provide answers, answer q's, voice opinions; important to be familiar w/Robert's Rules of Order (good for aggressive people) – best to know when NOT to use them; more important to know Service Manual; AA gives all right to participate; leader largely a timekeeper role; no one allowed to speak 2x until all have had a chance to speak 1x; use common sense; chair “no smarter than anyone else”; chair has no moral authority over others; small “t” traditions – Traditions, Concepts, Steps, Charter; this is about spiritual principles rather than rules or rigidity; hear the motion – 2<sup>nd</sup> or group conscience; ask for clarification & q's about intent of motion; don't ask for loving discussion yet; housekeeping motion to handle minor matters – these are usually not expensive, routine, not affecting AA as a whole; go from presentation of new business for next month – get group consciences, give at next meetings; pause; try to bring out minority opinion; “we are informed, not instructed”; exceptions to going slow if urgent; can go to old business – then vote; ok for chair to say – let's vote next time, even if most people seem ready to vote; “tyranny of the majority” – use simple majority or

substantial unanimity (2/3); count votes, then ask for min opinion; ask for any changes in majority if they want to motion to reconsider; CNCA more interested in right of participation.

**B. District Business** [Business of the San Francisco District. Items here will either affect our local district or may be referred to the Area if items could affect A.A. as a whole.]

- ❖ District Elections for Panel 65:
  - Officers/Liaisons:
    - **Mailing Coordinator (current coordinator vacated position)** - Duties include: *Attends monthly District Meeting and Agenda Planning & Officers Meeting; assembles the monthly District mailing and any special mailings, as compiled by the DCMC/A-DCMC; important to have access to a computer/web/email; dispatch all mailings via email and (where necessary) USPS in good time for receipt prior to meetings; photocopies 30 copies of the mailing and brings to the meeting, 45 minutes prior to scheduled start; obtain email list and labels from Registrar; Volunteers? Judy P.M.*
    - **Events Co-Chair** – Duties include: *Attend monthly agenda planning meeting; attend monthly D6 meeting; 1 event left – Unity Day; Volunteers? Nichol S.*
    - **Coffee Chair** – Duties include: *Arrive 6:30 or 7:00; make coffee/tea; purchase supplies; Volunteers? None*
- ❖ Process Review – Dennis H.: 2 members – Tony & Jonathan; ad-hoc group will discuss 3 main topics:
  1. CNCA06 registration database – don't use monthly reports from CNCA06; should we use them?
  2. Database run by InterGroup (IG) – enter data into w/our GSR info; not our database, enter trusted servant info; difficult process to input; unclear what benefit?; unclear why we're doing it; should we discontinue using it?
  3. Email list: not using IG database for this purpose; should we use our own list (like we're doing now) or should we use IG database?
- Q's: Why should we use a database (asking from spiritual perspective)?; Q: What is function of CNCA database? A: It's a registration database; we get a paper report from it; Comment (Tony R.): showed report – I've been leaving it on table here at D06 meetings – names are listed by sub-district # – few people know sub-district #;
  - Volunteers? Judy and Fiona
- ❖ Housekeeping motions (if any) arising from reports: none
- ❖ Greg C. announcement: need to convene a special events committee to plan Unity Day 10/31/15; need people who are involved as liaisons to other committees – InterGroup, PI/CPC – urgent – need volunteers asap!; See Greg or Nichol to volunteer

Thoughts on Int'l Convention:

I was impressed by Old-timers nights – 100+ people w/50+ years of sobriety; chose via lottery to get speakers (had 12 speakers)//1<sup>st</sup> world convention I attended; had an app to help figure out what events to attend; would do it again; highlight: able to volunteer for int'l hospitality suite (I'm from Pakistan) – got to meet people from other countries//I'm relatively new in sobriety – kind of overwhelming; inspirational to hear old-timers share//I chaired a panel; was nervous but heard story beforehand about getting right-sized that helped me relax

**9:15-9:30**

**E. Closing – Standing Items**

- 7th Tradition
- Sample GSR Report: Dennis H.

**9:13 Closed with Responsibility Statement**

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