

Minutes - SoCal CoDA Business Meeting – 8/24/19 10 am to 1 pm

Attending:

Christine K. – Chair second year
Darlene H.– Vice Chair – and chair of the Ad Hoc Conference Purpose Committee
Mirka – Alternate Delegate
Sharleene L. – Conference Facilitator/Liaison
Caryn – Outgoing Recording Secretary
Gil T. - Hispanic Intergroup
Gary – Outgoing Conference Chair
Susan – TVCC Rep
Hal – Outgoing Conference Facilitator
Lesley B. – LA CoDA Rep Substitute
Kirsten S. - Delegate
France W. - Delegates
J W. - Incoming Conference Chair – LA CoDA 2020
Rosa – Alternate Delegate
Joe H.- Webmaster
Lesia G. – San Diego Rep
Lauri-Ann R. - Outgoing Corresponding Secretary/Incoming Recording Secretary

CoDa Opening Prayer

Purpose: read by Darlene H.

12 Traditions: read by Lesley B.

Introductions (15 minutes)

Reports:

Chair: announcement from Linea conference chair for Yucca Valley retreat - Save the date for a weekend retreat October 9th-11th 2020

Minutes: **Motion** to approve – 12 for. 2 abstentions. Passed.

Next Meeting: **Motion** to hold next meeting first Saturday of December at SHARE!. 11 for. 3 abstentions. Passed.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer not present – Thuy emailed the report. (ATTACHMENTS: 2018-2019 7th Trad and 2018-2019 Financial Statement)
From her email:

Income & Expenses for 2018-2019 so far are as follows:

- *Total income for the 3rd Quarter (Apr 2019 to Jun 2019) was \$919.17 and the first month into the 4th Quarter (Jul 2019) was \$517.05.*
- o *We have a YTD 7th Tradition total of \$4341.77 and a YTD Total Income of \$6021.57.*
- *Total Outgoing funds for the 3rd Quarter (Apr 2019 to Jun 2019) was \$759.00 and the first month into the 4th Quarter (Jul 2019) was \$0.*
- o *There were no new expenses since our last meeting in May.*

- o A check for \$2199.16 will be written to SD CoDA shortly for their conference profit*
- o All of the funds from the conference checking account (except the \$300 minimum) will be transferred to the general CoDA account shortly*
- o Please email me with any reimbursement requests (include receipts) and I'll have a check mailed to you*

All account totals can be found at the bottom of the 2018-2019 Financial Statement

- SoCal checking account total is \$13,834.14.*
- SoCal savings account total is \$2,660.19.*
- The conference checking account total is \$6,398.31.*
- The conference savings account total is \$300.33.*
- The total amount in all the bank accounts, including the conference accounts, was \$23,192.97.*

New PO Box Update

- The following pieces of mail were received at the new PO Box:*
- o August: 4*
- o July: 5*
- o June: 4*

Conference 2019 Chair - Gary – All information was given to Sharleene to give to the Incoming Conference Chair.

Conference Facilitator:

Outgoing - Hal – He is excited about planning moving closer to two years in advance now. He wonders if we should contact the desert communities to get them back in rotation.

Incoming – Sharleene – She has received folders for registration, signing, collecting speakers – for each conference – 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018. She will coordinate with the new conference chair to see how they want the information. Historical timelines are available. There is information for the 3 day conference and 1 day conference formats. Appreciated the experience of a \$4000 conference 1 day versus \$8000 quoted by hotel with add-ons.

Incoming Conference Chair – J W. (ATTACHMENT: Call For Service Flyer)
He emailed an introduction and a call for service flyer. Not sure if one day or multiple day yet. Considering a childcare option to increase attendance, possibly after the OA model.

Immediate Past Chair – Not present.

Vice Chair - Darlene – No report.

Recording Secretary –

Outgoing - Caryn – She experienced growth and connection through service in the position.

Incoming – Lauri-Ann – no report.

Corresponding Secretary -

Outgoing – Lauri-Ann – 9 stamps left. Will hand off the Corresponding Secretary supplies to Corey shortly.

Incoming – Not present.

Webmaster – Joe – He has created a link to the CSC survey. Emails one a month – monthly news. Looking at converting the site to wordpress to make it easy to maintain. Kirsten S. – take survey down on the 9th of September. - 25 responses. Joe – will send a screenshot to the board to confirm all forwards are correct.

Historian

Outgoing – not present

Incoming - unfilled position

H&I – unfilled position.

CSC delegates – Kirsten, Rosa, France.

Kirsten: Survey – went out two weeks ago. Delegates leave on the 8th – give your questions. Rosa – alternate delegate – discussion about translating survey to Spanish – goal for next year. She talked to Spanish Intergroup about survey and showed them the motions. Showed link on SoCal site for bilingual members. Gary – Could our Spanish Intergroup use translations from other Spanish speaking CoDA reps? Rosa – World CoDA translated motions into Spanish. Gary – pointed out no link to NorCal coda 30 questions. Had to go to site. Kirsten – confirmed the link inclusion was missed. Sharleene – question on motion ratification. Kirsten – explained process. Sharleene – thinks SoCal should follow ratification process. Christine – bring up as new business.

Community Rep Reports:

Desert Communities – none present

LA CoDA – Lesley B. representing Will – voted 2020 conference chair in. Searching for conference committee members. Fundraisers to meet financial shortfall. Meditation workshop on September 8th. Workshop every third Saturday at Tender Greens. Looking for webmaster. Quarterly publication. Joe: wants email contacts – contact on LA CoDa website bounces.

Orange County – not active

San Diego – Lesa G. - group inventory : 4 open positions. New GSRs – have a welcome packet – Looking at setting up a separate webpage for new GSRs. Sharleene: using inventory process to see how the meeting is fulfilling the traditions to make sure everyone has a voice. Gary: 7th traditions down – used group inventory process to see how the group is representing the community and how the GSRs fit in. Does it feel like CoDA? Safe, respectful. Lesa: Hosted Ken and Mary event – posted this on the San Diego site.

Spanish Speaking Community – Gil T.– monthly newsletter/flyer for groups. Picnic set up for September 8th. 1 day Conference on November 2nd. Rosa (alternate delegate) spoke at a Spanish Intergroup forum for process of how to submit motions and the structure of CoDA. They asked for a report from Rosa from after the conference. Flyer is on

www.codahispana.org France: is this url registered with coda world? Rosa is checking.

TVCC: Susan: new website www.coda-tvcc.org is up. Handbook being updated. Bylaws being reviewed and updated. All positions filled. Are putting themselves up to host the 2021 conference.

Break to 11:35

Sub-Committee - Bylaw - Darcie will have updated bylaws in a couple weeks. She is not present.

Sub-Committee Conference Purpose – Darlene – no report.

J asked if current conference committee decides its purpose? Darlene: the ad-hoc committee will reach out to J.

Old Business – None

New Business

1) TVCC request to return to conference hosting rotation. Susan: made motion that the Valleys CoDA TVCC be returned to the conference hosting rotation . France: seconded. Discussion: There was discussion on the status of TVCC's plans for hosting. Do they have a chair and venue? Per Caryn (TVCC Chair), they are in the process of contacting a potential chair from Antelope Valley who had expressed interest, Sharon. Caryn offered to be considered a potential back-up chair.

Susan: call to question.

15 – Unanimous, motion passed.

2) France is not able to complete her second year of delegacy.

Discussion on how to fill the second year of France's delegacy.

It was noted that according to the bylaws, the Chair can appoint a delegate and the board can vote the delegate in. The other suggestion was that the alternate delegate can step up as acting delegate and leave the delegate position open.

The open delegate position one year could be posted on the website.

3) Questions regarding necessity of ratification at assembly of motions that are already in place.

Sharleene: questions at conference, why are we voting on motions that are already in place? How to engage people in middle of a one day conference – some left and didn't come back. What is in bylaws?

Discussion on the purpose of ratifying motions at assembly that have already been passed and about the structure of Assembly, particularly in the one day model, with the aim of considering ways to keep the fellowship engaged. The structure of SoCal CoDA was compared with World CoDA, and it was noted that World CoDA is incorporated and needs to have motions approved by an outside entity. Transparency was noted as a major reason for ratification at Assembly, particularly when not all regions are represented at SoCal board meetings. Concerns were raised about the ratification process at Assembly being long and confusing to the point of causing the fellowship to disengage. It was suggested that the purpose of ratification be considered in an ad hoc subcommittee, and Darlene agreed to

consider it in the existing ad hoc subcommittee on Conference Purpose. Lauri-Ann agreed to co-chair and J, Caryn, and Kirsten agreed to contribute.

Motion to close meeting by J. Seconded by Kirsten

15 unanimous, motion passed

Meeting closed with closing prayer at approximately 1pm