

Minutes of SoCal CoDA Quarterly Meeting – 12/07/19

10:02 AM – Meeting start

Attending:

Christine K. -Chair

Lauri-Ann R. - Recording Secretary, Co-Chair Ad hoc Conference Purpose

Will D. - LA CoDA Representative

Susan A – TVCC Representative (had to leave meeting at beginning of CSC report.)

Mirka - Alternate Delegate

J – 2020 Conference Chair

Darlene H. - Vice-Chair, Co-Chair Ad hoc Conference Purpose sub-Committee

Rosa D. – Alternate Delegate

Corey L. - Corresponding Secretary (arrived after vote on accepting previous minutes)

Kirsten S. - Delegate

Elizabeth V. - Spanish CoDA – ENLACE - Alternate

Mario V. - Visitor – Spanish CoDA

Thuy K. - Treasurer

CoDA Opening Prayer

Purpose – Read by Will D.

Traditions – Read by Kirsten S.

Introductions

Minutes from 8-24-19 - Approved -6 For, 3 Abstentions

Next Meeting – Next meeting will be 10 am on 3/7/20 – Corey moved to have the next meeting at 10am on 3/7/20. Thuy seconded. Vote was Unanimous in favor.

Reports

Immediate Past Chair – Darcie - absent

Vice Chair : Darlene – no report

Recording Secretary – Lauri -Ann no report

Corresponding Secretary – Corey – mailed out letters and emailed. He will be getting more stamps.

Treasury – Thuy – (Please see attachments: *2019-2020 7th Trad* and *2019-2020 Financial Statement*)

She is still getting significant mail to old box – email blast request to webmaster to send another email about address change. Provided donation forms to copy and give to our intergroups and meetings.

Mail was not forwarded due to holidays from new mailbox – Thuy is asking for a refund for service.

7th Tradition contributions were mailed to the following PO Boxes:

Month	Old PO Box	iPostal1 (4/3/19)
May	7	
June	2	3
July	6	5
August	3	4
September	5	6
October	5	1
November	2	5
Total	30	24

Webmaster – Joe – absent but emailed: He will send an email blast again about the address change.

Historian – position open

H&I - position open

Community Representatives

TVCC – Susan – 11-17 election at the meeting all but a few positions filled. She went to a Desert Communities meeting – they have an issue of use of approved vs unapproved literature. Issue tabled for future discussion at TVCC.

Spanish Speaking Community – Gil – not present.

San Diego – Lesa - not present.

Orange County – not active.

LA CoDA – Will – LA CoDA had elections – Sue is the new chair. Alternate rep is now is Tom (former treasurer). Holiday meetings have been set up at SHARE. Darlene: announced Step Study Hall – in Marina Del Rey every Third Saturday at 2pm in Tender Greens.

Desert Communities – not present

Conference 2020 Chair – J – The first phone based and Google Docs based meeting will be held December 29 at 1:30 pm. An email was sent out with pre-meeting questions so that people have things to discuss at the meeting. After December 29 they should have subcommittee meeting made call for service flyer to replace the current flyer.

CSC Delegates –
Kirsten S. and Rosa D.

Kirsten noted that they had a dramatic increase in responses on their pre-conference survey: 60 responses to the survey this year, up from 20 last year.

Kirsten presented the report from 2019 CoDA Service Conference held in Atlanta 9/8-9/12/19. (Please refer to the CSC Conference attachments for details of her report: *Delegate Report 2019 for 20191205 Meeting* and *International CoDA CSC Sept 2019 Notes*)

Some highlights of her report:

- It was the first time that delegates participated by video conference. These delegates were from Iran, Russia, Costa Rica, and Guatemala.
- CoDA used \$5000 for a video PSA about CoDA which was not voted on by CSC. Kirsten brought up to board that the use of these funds and the focus/content (focus was on alcohol abuse) should have been voted on by CSC.
- Literature updated three pamphlets.
- H&I is looking for volunteers to be sponsors by mail. They will support volunteers.

- CSC ratified that Canada should have 2 votes per province and 2 for country (previously 2 per country)

-CoDA brought a motion to CSC that a person can no longer hold position as chair of standing committee and be a delegate of a VEI. Board has no cap on members and all can vote. A committee is being formed to look at capping the votes of CoDA to 4 rather than 1 for every member.

-Spanish Outreach is working to increase Spanish language literature and will be publishing more literature in digital format within 6 months.

- World Conference 2020 will be in Ottawa, Canada in July 2020.

- World Conference 2021 will be in South Dakota.

- Delegation from Florida presented a motion to change Tradition 11 to add “all other public forms of media”. This motion was passed by simple majority. The Board can override motions that are not passed by a super majority and will be overriding this motion.

- New Board for 2020 was solidified – There is a new member from NorCal. Nancy O. from Canada is the new Chair

Kirsten presented recommendations from our delegates for 2020

- They suggest we need to get more background on motions to fellowship earlier as the conference is in July 2020.

- Perhaps we can have a session separate from the board at the SoCal Conference to discuss the motions. This will mean that the fellowship has more information when they take the survey.

- Possibly we can conduct a teleconference before conference rather than after.

- We might consider adding a Pros and Cons of each motion to the survey.

-Arizona hosts a teleconference before every CSC. Could SoCal and NorCal do the same?

Rosa gave a summary of her first experience at the CSC. She noted the pace was intense and that the international nature of the conference brought home the idea that codependency touches the entire world.

Break at 11:23.

Resumed at 11:47.

Sub-Committee Chair – Bylaws Changes – Not Present

Sub-committee Co-Chairs– no report – Lauri-Ann R. noted that they did not meet. That they will meet and discuss a formal meeting with other volunteers for some time in January.

Old Business:

Christine: Assembly Purpose – Bylaws Review – Subcommittees to review.

New Business:

1) How to fill the open position of Delegate created by France leaving.

After discussion, J made a motion to nominate and elect a replacement delegate to CSC at this time.

Cory L. seconded the motion

7 in favour. 3 against – Motion Passed.

J nominated Kirsten S. to fill the position. Corey L. seconded. Kirsten S. accepted the nomination.

9 votes in Favor. 1 vote Against. Motion passed – Kirsten S. will fill the remainder year term of the Delegate position left open by France. Which delegate number that is, delegate 1 or 2, will be confirmed at a later date.

2. Possible voting entity issues for CSC from SoCal CoDA (Please see the

A) There was a request from fellowship to provide a summary of the change or what has been proposed to change as a result of motions put forward.

J asked if this is to provide context to the VEs

Kirsten S.: This would make it easier to present information on the motions to the fellowship.

Christine: do you know if technically the motions should have background with them?

Darlene H.: there is a form to present motions that includes background, but people fill it out differently and do not include context.

Kirsten S. : she wasn't aware of the form maybe tying it to the form will make the VEI more actionable.

Christine suggested moving this to a sub-committee to discuss, as delegates are sub-committee, they could put a call for interest to discuss the first VEI, discuss the proposed per diem increase, and look at the details of the CSC motions form.

Ad Hoc Committee of delegates with Rosa as the chair was formed.

B)Second VEI – to add thirty second pause to give time for a group and individual checking in with higher power as a procedural change. This was voted in for 2019 only. Kirsten is asking that it be taken to 2020 as a VEI for SoCal to be implemented as full procedural change after the last pro-con time and before the actual vote.

Future new business suggested by Christine, was that we think about discussing setting up an ad hoc /standing subcommittee for meetings without Intergroups

Cory L made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J seconded.

Unanimous vote to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 1 PM.