

**SoCal CoDA**  
**Quarterly Meeting Minutes**  
**9/10/2022 10am-1pm**

1. Coda Opening Prayer: Thuy/everyone
2. Readings and Intros:
  - a. Purpose – Tom
  - b. Traditions – Sharon A
  - c. Introductions/Voting members and visitors (attendance)
1. Chairperson – Thuy -
2. Vice Chair – Kristen – Climb a Tree
3. Delegate II – Sharon A – Climb a Tree
4. Recording Secretary – Tammy – Dig a hole
5. SD REP Aaron – Dig a hole
6. Historian – Joe – Climbing a tree
7. Tony A – Dig a hole and Climb Trees
8. Incoming Treasure – Anna – Climb a Tree & Dig Holes
9. So Cal Rep – Ad Hoc Thomas – Dig Holes and eat Cotton Candy
10. Outgoing Corresponding – Autumn – Cotton Candy
11. Possible Incoming Web Master – Lisa – Cotton Candy
12. Pasadena Rep – Christine K – Cotton Candy
13. Outgoing Web Master JW – Dig a Hole
14. Incoming Delegate 1 – Vanessa C – Climb Trees
15. Outgoing Treasure – Jim – Climb Trees
16. Out Going Delegate – Linnae M – Climb Trees
17. Incoming Corresponding Secretary – Gary – Climb Tree
18. Alt. SD Rep – Diane P – Dig Holes
19. Desert Coda – Corrine – Climb a Tree
20. Visiting – Ken – 3yrs in want to understand Coda behind the scenes.

**Quorum: simple majority of elected officers and standing sub-committee chairpersons has been met.**

3. Board Reports: 2-3 mins each unless more time is needed (10:10-10:55):
  - a. Chair - Thuy
    - i. Approve Minutes from 5/7/22 and Assembly 6/4/22
      - a. May 7<sup>th</sup> minutes, 12 approved, 4 abstained
      - b. June 4<sup>th</sup> minutes, 13 approved abstained 2 – 0 no's
    - ii. Next Meeting (typically first Sat at 10am in Mar, May/June/July plus annual assembly, Sept, Dec) Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10am Saturday

**\*\*Purpose In Person – Culver City Location and on Zoom  
SoCal Coda 6666 Green Valley Circle, Culver City, CA**

iii. To help us hear everyone, please raise your hand and wait until you are called on before speaking.

iv. SHARE Downtown wanted to inform us that they are open and have meeting rooms available.

v. Open positions - Alternate delegate, recording secretary, SoCal CoDA Zoom, Webmaster, Recording Secretary.

**b. Treasurer - Jim/Anna**

i. 2021-2022 7<sup>th</sup> tradition Detail

1. Entries reflect when checks were written, not deposited.
2. 7<sup>th</sup> tradition contributions still being collected from iPostal. Will be updated in Sept

ii. Deposit Record.xls

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iii. 2021-2022 Financial Statement

1. Entries reflect when checks were deposited, not written.
2. As of 08/31/22.
3. SCCRC checking account ending balance \$23,790.95.
4. Details are for SCCRC checking account only. The SCCRC savings acct and the Conf checking and savings account have summary information.

iv. Misc

1. Still researching how to contact Mirka. Re: Delta Airlines credit.
2. Need to reimburse Vanessa \$724.04 for Sept. 2022 CSC

<b>Ending Balance - SoCal Checking - 1145</b>	\$23,550.14	\$24,433.09	\$24,411.92	\$23,790.95
<b>Ending Balance - Social Savings - 7343</b>	\$2,661.17	\$2,661.24	\$2,661.31	\$2,661.35
<b>Conference Checking 1137</b>	\$547.00	\$547.00	\$547.00	\$547.00
<b>Conference Savings 7335</b>	\$330.43	\$330.44	\$330.45	\$330.45
<b>Total Cash on Hand - All Accounts</b>	<b>\$27,088.74</b>	<b>\$27,971.77</b>	<b>\$27,950.68</b>	<b>\$27,329.75</b>

**c. Vice Chair - Kirsten**

- i. Requested the webmaster to add the second Spanish CoDA website (<http://codaenespanol.org>) to both the existing and new SoCal CoDA website

- ii. Requested the webmaster to add a new page or a new section under “News” on the existing website with information on how to reserve the SoCal Zoom account
  - 1. The instructions were submitted by Joe
- iii. I have submitted a motion under new business
  - d. Immediate Past Chair – Christine
  - e. **Recording Secretary - Tammy/OPEN**
  
- i. Please see minutes

**f. Corresponding Secretary - Autumn/Gary**

- i. Please check that your contact information is accurate, mark if you are receiving the board email, and initial under today's date to indicate your attendance: [2022-2023 SoCal CoDA Board Contact Info](#)
  
- ii. I have not yet received the updated treasurer report, but once I do, I will conduct the final round of ‘thank you’ notes.
  
- iii. I plan to get in touch with Gary to coordinate when I can transfer the corresponding secretary supplies to him, and the instructions on how to fulfill this role. Thank you!
  
- iiii. Autumn purchased envelopes – receipts to Anna.

**g. Webmaster Chair - J**

I. I wanted to report that the [SoCalCoDA.org](#) website has been updated to reflect that meeting date and includes a link to the Zoom instance. The both websites have been updated to include both Spanish Intergroups. Both websites now include notes on how to use the SoCalCoDA Zoom instance. Now that the Assembly is past, I am thrilled to announce that the new SoCalCoDA website is ready for launch. Here is a [link to the current final draft](#). [Several comments were made, and I will speak to those during the motion].

While I heard from a few people interested in creating images for the new site, those offers did not pan out. I have saved another version of the site with placeholders for those images in case some future webmaster would like to add them. I believe that the new site is ready without images. I am hoping that you will agree.

I also “discovered” that the domain registration for OCCoDA.org is coming due in February, so I have submitted a motion to renew it under new business. On that note, I was told our domain hosting came due, and that has been paid for three years. I emailed the treasurer about reimbursement.

II. I am leaving you with this [Bylaws document](#) to comment upon.

III. Lisa is interested in the webmaster position, I believe Joe also mentioned an interest in the historian report. There is not currently (as of 9/9 @ 4:30pm) an agenda item for electing a webmaster or any other open position. I suggest right before the break.

iiii. Lisa would like to step into the webmaster seat, with assistance to get started. Motion seconded

Lisa – In Coda since 2018, and back 2019. Riverside Westchester group – Contact list, step study Weds night, Knowledge – Freelance graphic designer and website builder.

New Webmaster Vote: 13 Approved, 0 abstained, 0 no's

Approved: Lisa to be new webmaster for SoCal Coda

IV. Deep gratitude for this group and for the opportunity to be of service as webmaster. JW

#### **h. Historian - Joe**

i. Nothing new to report. Ongoing progress of sorting and renaming documents is slow going. No additional documents have been found beyond the conference chair/committee documents.

ii. Also, I will be ending my SoCalCoDA Zoom account commitment. Thuy also has all the login info for both the Gmail and Zoom accounts.

iii. I am willing to step up to the webmaster position and subsume the current historian duties with it. Joe Retracted nomination.

iiii – Need storage for documents ?

#### **i. Hospitals and Institutions - Sharon H.**

World CODA is looking for volunteers to do service for H&I that are sponsors; I think to sponsor people who are in hospitals or institutions. They are looking for 1 Spanish language sponsor, 5 female sponsors, and 1 male sponsor. For further detail, I think they would be better able to answer any questions: [hosp@codependents.org](mailto:hosp@codependents.org)

#### **j. Community Representatives**

i. The Valleys CoDA - Sharon A

ii. Intergrupal

iii. CoDA Espana - Carla

iv. San Diego - Aaron (Diane P - alt) - We voted to hold the So Cal Conference next year. That's as far as we've got though people are starting to throw around theme ideas.

v. Orange County - (not active)

vi. LA CoDA - Tom F (Blair - alt)

1. We currently have 8 in-person meeting and 3 Hybrid meetings

2. We have not had an Events person this year, and have not sponsored any events. Not feeling too guilty based on the still ongoing pandemic.

3. We have created an ad hoc committee to explore criteria and responses in the event of unsafe meeting conditions.

vii. Desert Communities - Corrine S.

**k. Sub-Com Chair - Conference Purpose - Thuy**

We met to review the results from the Conference Purpose Survey but were disappointed to find only 24 responses. A more thorough report will be coming soon but we did glean that many people heard about the Assembly by attending the SoCal CoDA Conference so we'll suggest that we continue to host the Assembly during the Conference.

**L. Ad-hoc Committee Resourcing Audio Productions - J**

This committee having been created in March, then forgotten about with other things going on, I suddenly remembered that we are supposed to do something with all of these recordings. Kirsten and I have discussed the recordings and have decided the following:

1. Both of us are willing to stay on this committee to determine the right place to “park” the recordings so that they are easily available to the fellowship.
2. Anyone is welcome to join this committee.
3. We are introducing two motions. The first is nearly identical to the March motion, and empowers this committee to make a decision and move forward on “parking” the recordings. The second directs this committee to create a standard operating procedures document detailing what needs to be done to solicit and post new recordings.

A note: I request that anyone with a concern about where the recordings are hosted please EMAIL those concerns to me (j.newday@gmail). Sharing a concern in this meeting is not the same as sending an email, because I will not remember the concern. Not out of spite, but because that's not how my brain works.

**m. Conference Facilitator - Christine**

**n. Ad Hoc SoCal Conference Planning Committee - Gary**

2022 SoCal CoDA Conference Chairperson Report

In Unity We Recover- The Joy is in the Journey

Tradition Six says,” *To work CoDA’s program of recovery, we recommend using our Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and CoDA Conference endorsed literature. Educational workshops within our program also honor and endorse the CoDA Steps, Traditions, and literature. This framework applies to all CoDA activities, such as business meetings, conferences, conventions, and regular CoDA meetings.*” (12 Steps and 12 Traditions Workbook, page 89,paragraph 4)

When it was decided that the SoCal CoDA Board would host the conference for 2022, a call went out for volunteers and volunteers from all over Southern California showed up.

For me, when I volunteer for service in any way, I know my recovery will be challenged and I will be working my program, learning with each opportunity the service work brings. I believe that it was that way for every member of this 2022 Conference committee as well.

Utilizing the Steps and Traditions as the conference was being created became the model for the

work to be done by those involved and the personal challenges that faced each individual. Fear and stress would be expected with any creative project and yet, our program helped us work through the fear-driven feelings that arose and stay focused on our common goal and welfare. Remembering we were part of a whole, we were not alone in this, and others were there to share in the effort. No one person was asked to do it all, and many took on tasks of immense importance. Together we could all “be” the theme of this conference and experience the Joy working together in recovery can bring.

Many times, in the committee meetings, the emotional level could be felt and we stopped what we were doing to take a moment to express what our feelings and our thoughts were bringing up. The fears of being vulnerable were addressed in the safe space our Traditions had developed and we were able to understand and relate to each other’s journey. To watch this recovery program in progress is overwhelmingly joyful and why I keep coming back. Even with our speakers and workshops, the process of working this program was evident! Helping each other show up, supporting each other as challenges presented themselves, being there in healthy ways was so special. Presenters spoke of the awareness and consciousness that grew out of the work needed to put together their workshop, or express the growth they had experienced as they worked their program. Even workshops that could not be presented could come to understand how the program guidelines helped to determine the appropriateness of presentations or not.

As our program suggests, we are working for equality in our relationships. This conference was not better, nor worse than other conferences- it was what it was and members could take what they liked and leave the rest. I believe that the members of this committee took away a greater understanding of who they are, and how this program can work for them in every aspect of their lives. That cannot be measured in numbers, and is felt and expressed in how we show up for our relationships with others from this day forward.

Numbers: 298 registered members, \$1037.00 gross, \$1011.02 net income. Recordings are available at the SoCal CoDA website.

My deepest gratitude to our webmaster and the google.docs accumulated from former conferences. I am not adept at these methods but had very capable members on the committee who were and I could let go of my need to be in control of everything and watch the talents of these members present themselves in invaluable ways. All documents used and created to present this conference should be or will be accumulated in a conference file for future chairpersons to utilize. There was no need to start from Zero when these documents are reusable and already available. They serve as great guides and simplify the conference process.

I am completely thrilled and humbled to have worked with every member of the conference committee. Each was amazing, capable, vulnerable, and courageous. I was unbelievably fortunate to work with these program individuals and watch them use their recovery and creativity- so very inspiring!

Finally, I wish to thank the Conference Facilitator, Christine, for all her support. Without her

gentle, healthy guidance, my task would have been a crisis beyond imagination. Sometimes, bubbling over with emotion, her leadership kept us focused and, along with SoCal President Thuy, on schedule. She is the attraction our program nurtures and a wonderful individual full of love for this community and its mission. She is a huge asset to this community.

**o. CSC Delegates - 2021/2022: Linnea (1), Sharon A (2), Vanessa (alt) • 2022/2023: Vanessa (1),**

**Linnae - Delegate 1** – First Hybrid CSC Face to Face – SoCal was the only 3 Delegates present. Not a big Coda Committee. Meetings long and we had a tour of Mt. Rushmore.

Violating Traditions 3 for teens – safety requiring an adult, 3 yrs in Coda. Violating Tradition 12. Outside issues with other countries Literature for Teens – but don't need separate rules & regs.

Changes to Workbook, Big Book and Healing Prayers added.

New Delegate relations task force – Spoke and worked with board. Traditions not considered. 30 delegates.

Linnea:

My report as Delegate 1 will focus on the CoDA teen motions that I opposed and my reasons why, and a couple of motions that passed that I am excited about. Conference was different due to Covid. Many showed up to conference and we had Hybrid. Informing motions – education. Motion #1 Littérature – None Coda littérature

**Sharon A (2), Debra (alt) (10:55 - 11:25)**

- i. 2022 CoDA Service Conference: Aug 21-25 and International CoDA Convention: Aug 26-28 in Rapid City, South Dakota
- ii 2023 CSC will be in Houston, Tx the week of July 24 Conference different due to Covid. Many showed at conference with Hybrid informing motions – education. Literature – Non Coda endorse literature is out, only Coda Literature. 5<sup>th</sup> addition of Blue Book updated, Coda Literature will be updated. Coloring Book is out. Core Publications gets Coda money.

**Vanessa – power point – CSC Report**

1. Gender neutral language change
2. 2yr motion change – “of people” instead of men and women
3. Literature for Approval
4. Entity Literature
5. New Pamphlets
6. 12 traditions prayers
7. Delegate Relations Task Force
8. 2023 – ALT Delegates – outreach

9. Session – Talk about world
10. Survey updates

### **CoDA Board Motion #8**

#### **Name: Reinstatement of CoDA teen**

Motion: To reinstate CoDA teen Standing CoDA Committee to continue the work started by the CoDAteen Task Force which was established by the CoDA Board **after** the 2021 CSC.

This includes reinstating and providing CoDA teen meeting listings, material sources, and support to CoDA teen meetings worldwide. (CoDA teen was previously disbanded in 2007)

I voted No on this motion because I believe it is in violation of Traditions 2, 3, 4, 6, 10 and 12.

This motion is in violation of Tradition 2. For our group purpose, there is but one ultimate authority -- a loving Higher Power as expressed to our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern are CoDA teens going to be able to have a group conscience to vote not having an adult host/sponsor, or not having permission slips or an appropriate adult-to-child ratio? or is the adult host/sponsor governing leader and going to be able to overrule the group's group conscious?

This motion is in violation of Tradition 3. The only requirement for membership in CoDA is a desire for healthy and loving relationships.

In CoDA, we do not have legally drafted required documents to attend meetings, but CoDA teen will be presenting motion #10 for us to approve legally drafted parental permission slips for attendance at CoDA teen meetings, and in CoDA teen, motion #11 it is recommended that CoDA teen groups have local legal counsel review the group requirements for working with minors.

This motion is in violation of Tradition 4 Our CoDA meetings are autonomous, but in CoDA teen motion #11 the CoDA's Minimum Behavioral and Safety Requirements for CoDA teen will say who will attend meetings (adult hosts/sponsors) with detailed information about the adult hosts/sponsors program and background (breaking their personal anonymity, breaking Tradition 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.) and what will happen at meetings (having an appropriate ratio of adults to teens, limiting one on one interactions breaking Tradition 4).

If we lend the CoDA name to this new organization (Breaking Tradition 6: A CoDA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the CoDA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary spiritual aim) where we are taking on the responsibility of child protection (outside issue, breaking Tradition 10: CoDA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the CoDA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.) If one of our adult members Hosts/Sponsors at a CoDA teen meeting, or older teen members are ever accused of misconduct with a minor, whether true or not, CoDA will be the party served in the lawsuits and the CoDA name will join the Boys Scouts of America and the Catholic Church in reputation.

#### **Motion #10: \_CoDAteen Parental Permission Letter**

I voted no on this motion because it is in violation of Tradition 4. Each group should remain autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or CoDA as a whole. Requiring permission slips for attendance is dictating to meetings/groups what they have to do instead of allowing them to be autonomous and have their own group conscious about what happens in their meetings.

This motion is in violation of Tradition 8. Co-Dependents Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers. The "permission slip" was drafted by legal counsel who are professionals. and in violation of Tradition 9. CoDA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve. The professional lawyers who drafted these documents are not directly responsible to CoDA teen members, or CoDA . It is not their name or reputation that will be harmed if an accusation is made. It will be CoDA's.

This motion is also in violation of Tradition 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities. We are getting permission from people who may or may not be CoDA members (the parents) and letting them know who and where someone is attending a CoDA meeting. I don't



know about all of you, but for me, there are some people I may be related to by marriage or by blood that I don't want to know that I am attending a CoDA meeting. And this motion is in violation of Tradition 10. CoDA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the CoDA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

This motion is asking for permission from parents for their teens to attend CoDA teen meetings where they are going to learn how to set boundaries and other new behavior. Then we will send these teens back to their parents and possibly dysfunctional families. I am going through a contentious divorce right now, and you know what set it off. I have been setting boundaries. Toxic people don't like boundaries, and they accuse you of being brainwashed. My friends and my therapist have been blamed for my change. Who do you think the parents are going to blame when their children no longer comply and start making waves in the family system? Coda, because if we pass this motion, we are letting the parents know that we are taking on the responsibility, therefore the liability, for their minor children.

### **Board #11 Motion: Minimum Behavioral and Safety Requirements**

I voted no on this motion because it is in violation of Tradition 4. Each group should remain autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or CoDA as a whole. This document dictates who will attend CoDA teen meetings (adult hosts/sponsors), and what will happen at meetings (permission slips, adult-to-teen ratio, limiting one-on-one interactions, etc.)

This motion is in violation of Tradition 8. Co-Dependents Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers. It was drafted by legal counsel who are professionals. and in violation of Tradition 9. CoDA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve. if we pass this motion, we are becoming too organized. The professional lawyers who drafted these documents are not directly responsible to CoDA teen members, or CoDA. It is not their name or reputation that will be destroyed if an accusation is made. It will be CoDA. This motion is in violation of Tradition 10. CoDA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the CoDA name ought never be drawn into public controversy. Child minor safety and protection is an outside issue that has the potential to draw the CoDA name into public controversy. This motion is in violation of Tradition 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities. This document has requirements for anyone that works with CoDA teen members to break their anonymity by disclosing details regarding their recovery program and background and to be sponsored and certified through some process that the sponsoring group makes up to certify adult sponsors/hosts who work with CoDA teen member's, and they must be registered with CoDA World. Some motions that passed that I am excited about that passed are:

Number: 22080 Vote Committee: Literature ItemType: MOTION Subject: Revised **"Prayers for The Twelve Traditions"** that will be in the next publication of the green workbook

VOTE: Yes- #36, No- #3, Abstain- #1, Motion- **Passed Noted Results: 2/3 vote** Number: 22088

MOTION Subject: **Create a new Delegates Relations Task Force (DRTF)**

Description: Date: 8/25/2022 Member Names: Katherine T. Create a new task force called Delegate Relations Task Force (DRTF) that will start working now; over the next year and come back to CSC 2023 with a report and a possible a motion to be a standing committee

The following suggested guidelines:

- Task Force Votes in a Chair, Vice-Chair & Secretary
- All past and present delegates may join the Task Force and will have voice and vote within the Task Force
- In addition to regular Task Force meetings, meet with CoDA Board of Trustees (scheduled by the board liaison) at a regular interval determined by GC, no less than twice a year
- Follow all requirements for standing CoDA World Committees as stated in the Fellowship Service Manual (FSM) Part 5, Section 03
- Each standing World Committee may have 1 representative attend meetings on a rotating basis with voice only unless vote is granted by the DRC
- Intergroup Chairs encouraged to attend- Voice and Vote  
The Delegates Relations Task Force will get the word out to the delegates and encourage service for the CoDA Board, CoRE Board, and Issues Mediation Committee
- Assist the World Events Committee to find sites for the annual CoDA Service Conference and International CoDA Convention

- Board Liaison will have voice on the Task Force meetings. The DRTF may grant vote to board liaison, by group conscience
- Annual Delegate Lunch will take place annually at CoDA Service Conference, followed by a 2-hour block of time for Delegates to have their annual face-to-face meeting

VOTE: Yes- #28, No- #10, Abstain- #3, Motion– **Passed Noted Results:2/3 majority**

I'm hoping that this task force will create more cohesiveness within the delegates and that there will be more communication with the board regarding the different issues facing each VE before CSC

11:25-11:40am Break

#### 4. Old Business (11:40) (Reminder to count voting members)

a. Conference Committee Motion: I would love to put in a motion that SoCal has an events committee that can work on the conventions in Palm Desert, LA, San Diego and now we have the TVCC Valley's. One committee under the same umbrella, maybe just a two or three year commitment put a service team together and work on the Convention and assembly a year ahead of time for whichever is the hosting city. → Tabled for rewording with inclusion of by-laws changes

b. **Motion** to accept the new website and direct the *outgoing* webmaster to update domain name pointers, etc.

**Rationale:** This completes the work proposed by the motion and passed by SoCal at the December 4th, 2021 meeting. Members of the board may still decide that this is not the website it thought it was signing up for (with a "no" vote).

**Notes (aka, "what's missing?"):** The "Why Service" page does not at this time exist, and I have no available spoons with which to create it. I am happy to remove the placeholder if requested. The "Conference Chair" site is in progress, but I have no timeline on its completion (certainly not until at least March, 2023). There is currently not a page to sign up for SoCalCoDA emails. The minutes link is not currently active, but it CAN be, if we're okay just linking a google drive folder. News can go on the main page, but it is my hope that as SoCalCoDA grows, new pages will be added rather than using the news section as a catch-all.

c. Is there an update re: Mirka's flight reimbursement?

#### 5. New Business

a. (Carla) \*Fundamentación:\*

Mucha de la literatura que se crea en inglés no está disponible en español sino hasta pasado demasiado tiempo. Todavía es más difícil obtener literatura en formato digital para las personas que viven en países alejados donde no es posible conseguirla en formato impreso (por ejemplo, países Sudamericanos)

En nuestro grupo muchas personas que asistimos tenemos como única opción utilizar literatura digital oficial y si existe material en inglés nuevo este se demora demasiado tiempo, dejando a la comunidad de habla hispana en una situación desfavorable para nuestra recuperación para la cual necesitamos la herramienta de la literatura.

\*Moción:\*

Solicitar a CoDA que la literatura de servicio y de pago esté disponible en formato impreso y digital en idioma español en un plazo de meses \*establecido por la CSC 2022

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\*Foundation:\*

Much of the CoDA literature that is created in English is not available in Spanish until a much later time often years later. It is more difficult to obtain digital format literature for people in remote countries where it is not possible to get it in printed format (for example, countries in South America).

In our group, many of us who attend meetings must use official digital literature and any new materials in English as our only option, which often takes a long time. This lengthy process leaves the Hispanic community in remote countries in South America without access to Spanish literature as an important resource for our own recovery.

\*Motion:\*

The CoDA Hispanic community of Southern California is asking that all new service literature and other literature be made available in Spanish in printed and digital format within months or on a reasonable period of time once is printed in English as established by CSC 2022.

b. (J, outgoing webmaster) **Motion** to renew the OCCoDA.org domain name.

**Rationale:** We're sitting on this domain name, and there's only one more meeting before this decision hits a deadline (occoda.org expires 02/03/2023). If passed today, I would be happy to renew the domain as part of my outgoing duties. Please tell me how much time you'd like to pass before a similar motion comes up and I will attempt to purchase that many years in advance.

c. (Ad-Hoc Committee resourcing audio productions) **Motion** to create distribution channel(s) for the archive of recordings, to be determined by the Ad-Hoc Committee resourcing audio productions (current members: J & Kirsten S. All are welcome). Maintenance of the channel(s) to fall under the purview of the webmaster. Make the following changes to By-Laws (V, C, 12. WEBMASTER):  
Remove sentence 3 ("Shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chairperson or Board of Trusted")

Replace with: Maintains the online recordings archive. Shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chairperson or group conscience of the Board.

**History:** SoCal CoDA has paid a small amount to obtain recordings of several years of SoCa ICoDA conference workshops and speakers. Additionally, recordings of our virtual conferences have been put online in various ways, including Google Sites.

**Scope/Consequence:** This motion as written would be a By-Laws change and would require ratification at the 2023 SoCal Assembly. It would change the By-Laws (Changes proposed in Section B, paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be reviewed by The Committee with a simple majority necessary to present them at the following annual Assembly) and then require a new By-Laws version to be produced and published (which would be the webmaster's job, I guess, since the By-Laws don't actually say who is in charge of maintaining the By-Laws).

**How are other groups managing this brave new world?**

CoDA World is using [Youtube](#). Arizona (ANCoR) is using [Youtube](#). CoDAUK is using straight-up [.mp3s](#) [possibly self-storing them?]. CoDA enEspañol is using [ivoox \(here's one\)](#) [which my cursory examination shows to be a Spanish-language podcast hosting platform].

d. (Ad-Hoc Committee resourcing audio productions) **Motion** to direct Ad-hoc Committee resourcing audio productions to create a standard operating procedures document that addresses the acquisition of consent recording, and distribution of future recordings. As well as:

Creation of language for release form(s) as an appendix. Once completed, a GC will be conducted by the SoCal Board to approve the document

Once completed, a GC will be conducted by the SoCal Board to approve the document(s) and direct the webmaster to link this document(s) from the socialcodas website.

**Rationale:** Somebody's gotta do it.

e. (Kirsten, Vice Chair) Motion: The Vice Chair will be responsible to make the necessary updates to the electronic version of the by-laws as a result of any motions that are approved by a Board GC and ratified by a SoCal assembly.

f. [If there is time; If not, this motion self-retracts] (J, outgoing webmaster) **Motion:** To update the email aliases for the following positions:

**Position Current Alias Proposed Alias**

LA CoDA Rep laccr@ rep-LACC@

TVCC Rep codatvccrep@ rep-TVCC@  
San Diego Rep sdccodarep@ rep-SDCC@  
Desert Rep desertcodarep@ rep-DCC@  
OC CoDA rep occodarep@ rep-OCCC@  
CoDA Hispana rep-CH@  
CoDA en Espanol Rep espanolrep@ rep-CE@  
delegate1 delegate1@ delegate1@  
delegate2 delegate2@ delegate2@  
Alt Delegate alternatedelegate@ delegateA@  
Conference Facilitator conferencecoordinator@ conferencefacilitator@

**Rationale:** This will make it significantly easier for future webmasters to update and maintain the alias list, and will make it easier (theoretically) for members of SoCal to remember the aliases for these specific positions.

g. Alt Meetings List from Tammy

h. Should we have the past board contacts available with a password? -Joe

6. Reminder: Next meeting will be December 3rd, 2022 @ 10am Pacific at SHARE at 6666 Green Valley Circle, Culver City, CA

7. **CoDA Closing Prayer (1:00):** We thank our Higher Power, for all that we have received from this meeting. As we close, may we take with us the wisdom, love, acceptance, and hope of recovery.

**Notes:**

CHANGES TO THE BY LAWS

● All changes in the By Laws of the Southern California Regional Committee of CoDA, be they additions or amendments, require a two-thirds majority vote of the Regional Assembly.

Additions and amendments may be proposed in any of the following ways:

1. Submittal to SoCalCoDA by any member of CoDA in the Southern California Region.
2. Motion at a SoCalCoDA quarterly business meeting.
3. Motion on the floor of the Regional Assembly; simple majority approval shall require ratification at the following annual meeting. Changes proposed in Section B, paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be reviewed by The Committee with a simple majority necessary to present them at the following annual Assembly. The Committee may implement, by two-thirds majority vote, any of the above-proposed changes throughout the working year, subject to approval by two-thirds majority of the Regional Assembly at the next annual meeting.

Kirsten – Committees Collapse at World Coda – projected loss. What Collapse? Financially we are fine.

- i. Sharon – they want people to come in person. Events – World need to rebuild and need Coda people in service.
- ii. Vanessa – Translation committee Collapsed

Jay – Delegates did survey was it useful?

Linnae – 30 responses – More discussing needed

Break – 11:38 to 11:55

## **Old Business – Use template – Sharon Table**

Jay – Motion to update website.

- i. Write 1 paragraph on how recovery changed doing service work.
- ii. No page to sign up to SoCal minutes Link not active.
- iii. News – Main Page all have been addressed

Aaron – Zoom instants – Make multiple Coda meetings on one zoom.

Jay – Place holders for graphics can be done

Christine – Clarifying questions

Joe – Will the other website go to new website?

Joe – Will link recordings

J – New webmaster Lisa

Vanessa – add wording – amendments

J – open to this – website to point to new website

Vanessa – Not amending

Lisa – Clarify how both sites work and need to meeting with Jay

Christine – Website easier to maintain but not ready – having website URL's Changed

Tom – Graphics – need help – not to wait 3 months, but to have the trusted servants work together on web page.

Kirsten – Agreed – Looks unfinished- need to work together to polish and finish website.  
What's the best way to present recordings?

Thuy – We have the option to vote between meetings for feed back if needed.

Jay – Motion important

Lisa – Fearless prefer to meet with Jay

Kirsten – Jay – How much time do you need to work with new webmaster Lisa?

Jay 1 hr per week is what I can offer. End of October – Adding a page for emails

Second the Motion – Kirsten

Voting: 7 in favor, 7 No's Tie goes to Chair Thuy – No

Jay – OC domain name is open, do we want to pay for it so it doesn't get snapped up?

Joe – OC Coda.org 3yrs of people who want to take over on OC website but haven't – Jay has log in.

Joe - .org about 40.00 no unreasonable

Vanessa – Do we hold domain names?

Joe – We did it as it was available & growing before imploding

Christine – OC intergroup – Stopped holding name open

Gary – are we doing this for mountain empire? Do for one do for all?

Jim – Optimizes to hold on to and support it

Vanessa – Budget seems tight with inflation concern on saving funds.

Jim – We are a sound position with 23k in reserve. Another 2k from SD for 2018.

Thuy – We were not ask to hold onto it, on principle – We are not sure.

Question – Call to Question

Motion - Renew OC Coda Domain Name

5 approve, 7 No's 2 abstaining

Jay Gives OC 6 mos to reopen

Motion to create Gary to Second

Jay – Recordings to go somewhere suggest what we want to do, who will be tasked with maintenance of past and future records?

Gary – Webmaster hands she can assign Ad Hoc meeting? Or ask for help

Jay – Chair can resolve and assign to webmaster

joe – working on Recordings – Historian 1yr more Didn't know we had to Ad Hoc - I am willing to do this and or work with Ad Hoc.

Thuy – YouTube Clarity

Gary – Joe working on these

Jim – Clarify and assign someone

Vote: 14 Approval, 0 against, 2 – abstaining

Motion: Direct Ad Hoc

Jay – Direct committee guidelines

No questions

Aaron – Creating procedures

Christine – Not sure Motion is needed. No reason to propose that.

Committee: agrees to do it not vote needed

Kirsten – I am willing to work on this document

Joe – I agree creating this document. “you can record me”

Add to Ad Hoc Committee

Motion – Withdrawn

Kirsten – Committee – VC Responsibility – take load off chair

Second Jay

Tom – A motion like this hollow. V. Chair responsibilities rewrite so we can vote on all new policies to be thrown in manual.

Thuy – Extend meeting time – 15 minutes – Gary Second

12 yes

0 opposed

Continuing meeting

Gary – Duty – Recordings – who is working on workshops should go to them.

Kirsten – By Laws wording suggesting I need more time – withdrawn

Jay – update email alias. SoCal Change label of alias

Second – Tom

Kirsten – Master easier is the same for old and new website?

Jay – Website Agnostic – Update both – email forwarder process easier...

Christine – Note aware who is typing those in, easier to do this

Joe – Contacts forwards – SoCal Coda.org – no contact page for inner groups

Vote – Update wording

14 – yes

0 – against

1 – abstain

Joe – Password contact available for SoCal.org minutes each year directly for board so we need password?

Thuy – CV.org – Inner Group – Corrine

Christine – Link to CV meetings

Thuy – Desert

Motion to Close – Joe

Second – Sharon

1:15