

SoCAL CoDA
QUARTERLY MEETING AGENDA
12/3/22 10AM-1PM

Hybrid Meeting Locations:

- SHARE! (6666 Green Valley Circle, Culver City, CA)
- Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81099980359?pwd=QnhWa29PNWh5eDJXNXI1UFVsVnpMZz09>

1. **CoDA Opening Prayer** (10-10:01): In the spirit of love and truth, we ask our Higher Power to guide us as we share our experience, strength, and hope. We open our hearts to the light of wisdom, the warmth of love, and the joy of acceptance.

2. Readings and Intros (10:01-10:10):
 - a. [Purpose](#) Article I.B.1. and 2. (page 1)
 - b. [Traditions](#) Article II (page 3)
 - c. Introductions/Voting members and visitors
 - i. Please tell us:
 1. Name
 2. Position
 3. Where you're from
 4. If you could go anywhere in the world right now, where would you go? Why?
 - ii. Quorum count (simple majority of elected officers and standing sub-committee chairpersons)

3. Board Reports: 2-3 mins each unless more time is needed (10:10-10:55):
 - a. **Chair - Thuy**
 - i. Approve Minutes from 9/10/22
 - ii. Next Meeting (typically first Sat at 10am in Mar, May/June/July plus annual assembly, Sept, Dec)- March 4, 2023?
 - iii. Welcome to representatives from Coachella Valley CoDA!
 - iv. To help us hear everyone, please raise your hand and wait until you are called on before speaking.
 - v. Please remind me to give a 30 seconds pause to connect with HP before voting on motions.
 - vi. Open positions - Alternate delegate, recording secretary, Delegate 2, H&I
 - vii. We are working on making Zelle available for electronic 7th tradition contributions.
 - b. **Treasurer - Anna**
 - i.
 - c. **Vice Chair - Kirsten**
 - i. Working with a past chair to update the Wells Fargo bank account to take him off and also set up Zelle with our checking account (with Thuy's guidance)
 - ii. Worked on a motion to add a new responsibility to the Vice Chair's position, effectively adding to the by-laws (included in "new business")
 - iii. Investigated the World FSM for guidance on welcoming a new inner group and if there is anything that we would need to do in that process
 - d. **Immediate Past Chair - Christine**
 - e. **Recording Secretary - OPEN**
 - i. Please see minutes [here](#)

f. Corresponding Secretary - 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. **SoCal CoDA Board Meeting, Dec. 3, 2022 Corresponding Secretary's Report**

1. 7 Letters of 7th Tradition acknowledgement went out for last month, Nov. I am working with Anna, SoCal Treasurer, to communicate my needs with the information she receives with 7th Tradition donations to SoCal. She has been prompt and joyful in our interactions so I see this as being a wonderful partnership in serving SoCal.
2. I am also working to figure out how the second part of my service is carried out. Keeping an accurate list of the members of the SoCal Board and their contact information is still a query for me and I suppose this first meeting will help me determine the parameters of my job.
3. In service, Gary J.

g. Webmaster Chair - Lisa

- i.

h. Historian - Joe

- i.

i. Hospitals and Institutions - Sharon H.

- i. My brief report for H&I is that H&I World let me know there is a woman in prison looking for a Spanish sponsor so I forwarded the information to Spanish CODA via e-mail. As much as I would like to be of service at SoCal I am realizing it's not really feasible for me right now. If there is someone else interested in H&I I would be happy to give it up but if not I will finish out until the next SoCal Conference. I am considering being of service for the 2023 and/or 2024 SoCal conferences so perhaps that is how I can give back.
- ii. I have connected with the H&I Chair at World and will be attending their monthly meeting in January unless someone else would like to attend.

j. Community Representatives

- i. The Valleys CoDA - Sharon A
- ii. Intergrup al de CoDA en Espanol - Lucia
- iii. CoDA Espana - Carla
- iv. San Diego - Aaron (Diane P - alt) -
SoCal Conference 2023 Planning Committee
 - The theme of the conference is: CoDA, a journey not a destination. Are we there yet?
 - The email address of the committee is: arewethereyet023@gmail.com
 - They have contacted a venue but not settled on one yet

- Still undecided whether it will be hybrid, in person, or just virtual.
 - Still undecided whether it will be 1, 2, or 3 days.
- v. LA CoDA - Tom F (No - alt)
- Elections were held November 12th for 3 positions for the intergroup, Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. Sadly, no one self-nominated or accepted nomination for the Chair or Secretary positions. We did gain a new Vice-chair. We will try again December 10th.
 - The intergroup is still considering the request from So Cal to execute the 2024 Regional Conference, No answer yet.
 - The intergroup and most of our group meetings are still in Zoom format.
- vi. Desert Communities - Corrine S.
- vii. CVCoDA Intergroup - Scott P
- k. Sub-Com Chair - Conference Purpose - Thuy**
- i. A final report from the Conference Purpose Ad-hoc Committee can be found [here](#)
- l. Ad-hoc Committee Resourcing Audio Productions - J**
- i.
- m. Conference Facilitator - Christine**
- n. Ad Hoc SoCal Conference Planning Committee - OPEN**
(Rotation: SD-2023, LA-2024, TVCC-2025?, Desert-2026?)
- i.
- o. CSC Delegates - 2022/2023: Vanessa (1), Sharon A (2), OPEN (alt)**
2023 CSC will be in Houston, TX the week of July 24
- i. **Delegate 2:** Sharon A is stepping down from this position. We now have a vacancy that needs to be filled. Can you help recruit for this position?
 - ii. **Alternate Delegate:** We continue to have a vacancy in our alternate delegate position. Know anyone who has a great handle on the traditions? This position helps create continuity for SoCalCoDA; current delegates can prepare the alternate delegate to step into a voting position at world.
 - iii. **Delegate Relations Task Force (DTRF):** This new world task force has met twice and elected a chair, vice chair, and secretary. All current and past delegates are welcome to attend and have voice and vote. The purpose of DTRF is to determine if delegates want to create a standing world CoDA committee.
 - iv. **Gender-inclusive Language Task Force:** This is a new world committee. At CoDA Service Conference, Canada put forward a motion to use gender affirming language. It was tabled because it needed extensive crafting. Please email Board@CoDA.org if you are interested in participating and mention in the email subject line "Gender-inclusive Language Task Force".

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 on 9/10 for rewording with inclusion of by-laws

changes, Motion dropped 12/3 since the person who made the motion is no longer part of the board

- b. Should we have the past board contacts available with a password? -Joe
- c. Update re: United Airline Credit \$942.10: Multiple attempts have been made to collect the credit to no avail. Unless someone else would like to pursue this, we'll consider this issue closed.

5. New Business

- a. CVCoDA Intergroup
- b. Elections for:
 - i. Alternate Delegate
 - ii. Recording Secretary
 - iii. Delegate 2 (replacing Sharon)
 - iv. H&I
- c. **Motion 1:** The SoCal Board directs its delegates to provide a summary of last years CSC at the upcoming regional conference in 2023. The summary shall also include what the delegates think is likely to come up at CSC 2024 and it's relevance to SoCalCoDA. This presentation will take place as part of the opening (?) of the conference.
- d. **Motion 2:** The board directs its delegates to think through how to prepare the region to vote for 2023 motions. The delegates already prepare summaries and a survey. The board directs the delegates to provide an plan for 2023 process including publicity, dissemination, and voting on motions that takes into considerations feedback from last year and the realities of our in-person and virtual lives. The Board directs its delegates to present this plan at the next Board meeting for discussion and approval.
- e. Motion for an addition to the Vice Chair's responsibilities (submitted by Kirsten):
 - i. I move that we add the designated statement (in italics) to the existing description of the duties of the Vice Chair in the current SoCal Bylaws:

VICE CHAIRPERSON: Presides over SoCalCoDA meetings and Regional Assemblies in the absence of the Chairperson and when requested by the Chair.

Serves as member-at-large of all standing and Ad Hoc committees.

{ADD} Responsible for making updates to the SoCal Bylaws when a motion is passed by Board group conscience and ratified by the SoCal assembly. This will be done electronically to the then-current version

In absence of both Chair and Vice Chair, SoCalCoDA meetings and Regional Assemblies shall be presided over in the order that officers are listed in this Article.

6. Reminder: Next meeting will be _____ (March 4, 2023? @ 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 for Assembly:

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.

1. (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.