

Minutes of the Coordinating Council
In Person and Online Meeting on Thursday, December 12th, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

Jonathan, Council Chair opened the 950th Coordinating Council Meeting with a moment of reflection followed by the “Responsibility Pledge”

Guest Reports:

Area 8 Representative: Adrian, Area Alt Delegate submitted his report remotely:

The Area is hosting one of two Group Inventory sessions this evening on Zoom. The sessions are 90 minutes and includes all who are serving or interested in serving in the Area General Service Structure. We will be holding a second session next Tuesday 12/15 at 7 pm as well. We are having our annual Holiday Potluck Area Committee Meeting next Thursday 12/19. All are welcome to attend and witness the inner workings of the Area in real time. We typically have food left over, so there will be enough for everyone. I am fairly certain that your outgoing Coordinating Council Chair should be there, so you will know of at least two people. The Potluck begins at 6:00 PM and the address is: 4545 Viewridge Ave, San Diego, CA 92123. I am personally getting ready to welcome several new GSRs at the school I am responsible for hosting prior to each Area Assembly. Our Orientation Assembly is less than one month from today on Saturday, January 11th in Fallbrook. I am looking forward to embarking on my second year as Alternate Delegate, hopefully a little wiser and more prepared. I do want to thank all of those Coordinators and others who are rotating out of their positions as the year comes to an end. You have been of service in a very valuable capacity and it deserves acknowledgement.

H & I Representative: Lani, H&I Alt Chair reported:

We continue to take A.A. literature and meeting into places where people cannot get out to go to meetings – Hospitals, Treatment Centers, Jails, Prisons, etc. Right now we have a need for volunteers to participate on panels and, for individuals with previous H&I experience, to serve as Coordinators for facilities which are opening up. We have Orientation on the 3rd Sunday of each month at noon at the Machinists Hall – 5150 Kearny Mesa Rd, and also online at 7:00 PM on the 3rd Thursday of each month (Zoom info at <sdhanid.org>).

Intergroup Standing Committees Reports

After Hours Phones: This Committee is currently without a Chair.

1. The After Hours Phones Committee is responsible for answering the Central Office phone lines from 9pm-9am daily and on Sundays from 9am-9pm to insure that the phones are answered 24 hours a day. Groups are committed to schedule their group members one night every month and the After Hours Committee members help coordinate this.
2. This Committee Needs Members!

Business Committee: Rae, Chair reported:

The Business Committee met on Tuesday, December 10th, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

November 2024 Financial Summary:

Net Revenue is **-\$10,585**. 2024 YTD Net Revenue is \$245. Group & Individual Contributions were \$8,241. Literature Sales Revenue & Bank Interest was \$2,502; while total office & committee expenses were \$21,328.

Central Office Manager’s Reports:

Manager’s Report

- a) December BOOK OF THE MONTH: All Grapevine Books \$2.00 off, Max: 5
 - b) January BOOK OF THE MONTH: Living Sober, \$4.00, Regular \$6.00, Max: 5
 - c) Well the biggest news this month is, of course, the arrival of the Plain Language Big Book. They arrived at 12:30pm on November 13 and we had barely sent the text out and posted the news on the website when the phone started ringing and customers started flooding in. We sold over 100 in the first 48 hours and sold out of our initial order of 500 in the first two weeks. We received a reorder of 300 and have approximately 80 left of these. AAWS has these books backordered due to a second reprinting.
 - d) We had a decent response to the request for 12 Step Volunteers last month. We had 7 new volunteers sign up.
 - e) AAWS has put out a call to Central Offices for suggestions for Speaker suggestions for the hundreds of meetings that will be held at the International Conference next year. I suggest we bring it to Council and ask them to bring it back to their groups and ask that anyone who is registered to attend and is willing to lead a meeting, send an email to Central Office so that I can compile a list to submit to AAWS.
 - f) Ticket sales for the NYE dance are not going great.
 - g) Central Office will be closed on Wednesday, December 25 in observance of Christmas & Wednesday, January 1 for New Year’s Day. Judi will also be off on Tuesday, December 24 & Thursday-Friday, December 26-27. Lisa Ann will be out December 20-27. Lisa Ann & Jo will cover.
1. New Website Pages: There is a new webpage called “New to A.A.?” with additional pages linked to it: “What to Expect at Your First Meeting”, “Order to Attend?” and “Common Questions”. These will be very helpful, not only for newcomers visiting the site, but also for our phone volunteers to refer callers to. Please take a moment to visit the site and take a look at these new pages.
 2. Grateful Givers Pamphlet: There is a new pamphlet which is available over on the sign in table, called “Grateful Givers”. This is a new and updated version of our old “Faithful Fivers” pamphlet and is meant to encourage recurring individual contributions. One exciting new feature is that with any new recurring contribution of \$10 or more, we will include a free subscription to home mailed Coordinator Newsletter. Please take several to take back to your meetings.

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3. **New Volunteer Laptop:** One of our volunteer laptops broke and needed to be replaced. Judi found a nice HP on sale for Black Friday and the purchase was approved.
4. **NYE AA Sober Dance:** There is a Sober AA Dance the weekend before New Year's on December 28 – the Business Committee approved the posting of this flyer on the aasandiego.org Events page.
5. **Increase Bookstore Clerk Hours:** Due to increased bookstore traffic and sales, the Bookstore Clerk, Jo's, hours were increased from Saturdays only, 4 hours a week to 12 hours a week.
6. A new phone for the extra desk in the Admin area was approved.

Newsletter: Matt reported:

1. This committee needs members and contributors. Please spread the word
2. Contributors are needed to submit articles and poems. Please see the Coordinator Newsletter page on aasandiego.org or the first page of the latest newsletter for more information.

Coordinator Outreach: No Report

Orientation & Guidelines: Diana, Chair reported:

1. Diana reported that there were no new Coordinators tonight.

Program Committee: Jen, Chair shared:

1. The NYE Dance tickets are on sale. For additional convenience a form has been added to the Event Listing to purchase tickets and have them waiting at Will Call on the night of the event.

Public Information Committee: No Report

Ad-Hoc Committee Reports:

ERC Ad-Hoc Committee: Peter, Chair reported:

1. The Stock Room expansion is almost complete and came in at \$2,994 under budget
2. New desks have been ordered and came in at \$1,156.92 under budget
3. \$1,560.50 was charged against the ERC Fund account for Bookstore discounts in November.
4. Thanks to being under budget, the fund balance stands at approximately \$9,000 with one more return outstanding in the amount of \$8,000. Peter thanked the Central Office Manager for her fiscal management of the fund.

Quorum was established; 35 Coordinators were present

Approved November, 2024 Meeting Minutes

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Elections were held for a new Coordinating Council Chair and Vice Chair. Anne C. was unanimously elected Chair and Jen was unanimously elected Vice Chair.
2. Elections were held for a new Coffee maker and for the new IT Commitment to assist the Chair and Vice Chair with setting up the Hybrid meeting. Fernando volunteered as Coffee maker and Paul B. volunteered for the IT Commitment. Thank you both!
3. Many thanks to Jonathan, Erik and Steve for their service in 2024.

Thank you to our Guests, our Coffee maker and everyone who participated to make this meeting possible. We'd like to welcome all new Coordinators here with us tonight.

1. If your Group has an agenda item or any suggestions for next month's meeting, please email Jonathan, Council Chair, at councilchair@aasandiego.org or Judi, Recording Secretary, at sdaaco@aol.com by 1/1/2025.
2. According to the Guidelines of the Coordinating Council, the Chair is to conduct the meetings of the Council using reasonable parliamentary procedures, which state that *any member of the Council can make a motion*.
3. Council Minutes & Financials are posted on our aasandiego.org website. Click on "Intergroup" on the side menu. Minutes from tonight's meeting will be posted by end of day on the Friday following tonight's meeting.
4. All Committee Chairs must submit their written reports to Judi, Central Office Manager no later than 10:00 am on the Friday following tonight's meeting. Email to sdaaco@aol.com. Thanks!

Closed with the "Serenity Prayer"

Respectfully submitted,

Judi, Recording Secretary