

**SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE GROUP
STEERING COMMITTEE AND BUSINESS MEETING
MINUTES MARCH 12TH 2011**

The Group Chair opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Roll was called, and the 7th Tradition basket was passed.

REPORTS

Chairperson, John H:

- Commented that the Meeting Coordinator's meeting was fruitful. The location search committee reviewed a few possible sites for SNL, including a Lutheran church on Saratoga Avenue. The costs seemed to range between \$2,500 and \$3,000. We are still looking, so let's please keep our eyes open, and if you see anything contact John directly --do not call places on your own. Received more calls about fighting. Therefore, so as to be in the scope of SJ Police Department's STOP program, we have become agents of our Landlord (Mr. Yee). A letter, to this effect, is posted on the sideboard and will be included in the secretaries' binder; this document can be shown to SJPD should questions arise. We have been asking homeless people to leave who are hanging out outside and are not attending meetings.

Secretary, Randy N

Minutes were read for January and February meetings.

35:01 - Treasurer, Kim A:

Income for February was \$5,872.00 --which included proceeds from Valentine's Day dance which brought in \$866.00 which means we only had about \$5,000.00 in basket donations. Operating expenses were \$6,033.00. Note: this includes January coffee expenses. We, therefore, now have a total COH of 16,063.00. As a reminder, we hold a prudent reserve of \$10,000.00; the remainder is for large accrual items.

37:24 Finance Coordinator, Jennifer:

Basket income is down to \$4,400.00 per month, and our operating income is about \$5,500.00. Our basket income does not sustain our operating expenses--either we increase donations or cut our costs.

42:43 Alternate GSR, Jonathan:

He thanked SNL for sending him to the General Service Conference in Hawaii

The purpose was to create better unity among member groups in the Pacific region, and to discuss pertinent topics in AA.

A couple of points that Jonathan took note of were:

- One of the panels was on Informed Group Conscience - The voice of AA. The opinions expressed were to the effect that sometimes our ideas are not always better, and to be fully informed requires the ability to listen to minority opinions with an open mind.
- Lead by example --not by promotion.
- Show mutual respect
- AA in the digital age -- we do not want the ease of text distract us from the one-on-one experience
- How do we follow traditions online.
- Focus on special needs instead of being special (such as Big Book in brail, handicapped access, etc.).
- Instead of finding a new home group, help find ways of making your home group better.

Agenda topics workshop is coming up on March 19 from 2:00-5:00 at the Alano Club on Faire Avenue.

Twenty-first annual Bridging-The-Gap temporary contact workshops on Sept. 9 through Sept. 11

The Pacific Northwest Conference is on June 24-26th in Bend, OR.

40:54 GSR, Mani: (excused):

Per John, Mani will be presenting a 14 agenda topic items at General Service meeting, such as social networking sites, Grape Vine distribution methods (e.g. Kandle). A review of the pamphlet *The AA member -Medications and Other Drugs* will be reviewed. There was also a proposal to create a pamphlet regarding spirituality for those who are/were atheist/agnostic.

Intergroup Representative: Jasmine

Went to Intergroup meeting last Wednesday. Our meeting guides have changed. There is a chili cook-off at the Lincoln Glen church on April 9th. The NCAA was ongoing in Foster City Also, the ACYPAA conference was on Thursday, March 17. SCCYPAA had meeting and dance on March 12.

H&I. Theresa

PICPC: KC:

The PICPC representative visits the PICPC headquarters and reports what is going on there. PICPC does outreach to the community and brings in members of the professional community. Last meeting they were discussing preparations for their “Big Win Ding” in downtown San Jose If you want to get involved, they will train you on how to be a speaker. Note: if you do get involved, you anonymity cannot be assured.

1:33:00 Liaison to Landlord, Jimbo:

He queried the group as to their expectations about moving or not moving.

And, he the following points:

1. Consider, if you were a landlord, and there was litter, trash, defecation, fights, etc., would you as a landlord be tolerant of them.
2. Currently, we have a lease to negotiate until April 2014. The official that is supposed to be in effect is \$4,250.00 per month; we are paying \$3,750.00 per month because we asked landlord to help us out.
3. We ARE responsible for maintaining the surroundings.
4. Hopefully, we can negotiate a lower rent.
5. Note: closing down the back alley is on the table for discussion.

Birthday Coordinator, Corina:

If you are sponsoring someone, please buy them a chip --so far, this effort is helping our chip budget. Further, if you wish to go to “All about Recovery” and put money on our account, it would be appreciated. Currently, we have about \$44.00 in our “All About

Recovery” account.

Events Coordinator, Rachael:

Events are helping the group. We need to take responsibility for our group. If it requires getting money through events, then so be it. Note that SCCYPAA made the Valentine’s Day event what it was, for SCCYPAA promoted SNL. The St. Patrick’s Day potluck was 4:30 Sunday, March 19th, and there was a suggested \$5.00 donation.

Refreshments Coordinator, Dan:

We went over budget for February by \$3.78. We were already half way through budget for March, so cups will be getting smaller and smaller. Consequently, some Wednesday or Thursday meetings may be without coffee. There were, however, some donations. Dan would like to know what happened to the soap containers in the bathroom? Please, do not throw out partially full trash bags--let’s conserve. Secretaries, please watch the amount of coffee that we make. He asserted that “He is a Nazi when it comes to saving money”.

Facilities Coordinator, Tom B (not present):

Per John, We put up two new signs in the back, and we will be talking about a policy of no loitering. So far, he has one light in the back alley functioning, and he is working on the other one. The motion sensor is (apparently) broken.

Announcements Coordinator: (no report)

Archivist, Gary O:

He went through secretaries readings and noticed that the promises were not promising; acceptance was not acceptable, and a few others looked tattered and torn.

An historical point: the birthday board replaces the rolodex -it IS the easier, software.

Recording Coordinator, Wilimina:

Sales were made, but a report is pending for February. Per Jennifer, January sales were > \$111.00

Speaker Coordinator, Lenore: (excused):

Per John, she is getting good feedback about speakers.

Literature Coordinator, Sarah:

We got our big book donations (per an offering at the February business Meeting). We need copies of "As Bill Sees It"-they are about \$8.20- each. She suggested getting soft cover. We also need 12 and 12s.

Female Sponsorship Coordinator: Brandi:

Noted that 6 slips came in.

Male Sponsorship Coordinator: Tim:

Noted that 10 slips came in (6 by one person)

Secretary Workshop Coordinator: Raymond:

Suggestion box is helpful. Also, his term is up next month, and if anyone is interested in this service position, he will be happy to share his knowledge and experience with them. Re meeting coordinators meeting, we are getting meeting coordinators on the same page through our informed group conscience.

Noon Meeting Coordinator, John B:

Thanked the group for letting him be of service. He assured the group that at a new secretary's first meeting, he will be there to transfer the key to the new person. John H. asserted that this is the way it should always be done --it is in the GCD that way.

6pm Meeting Coordinator, Robert:

6:30 PM, Saturday Meeting has increased in popularity.

8 p.m. Meeting Coordinator, Chris W:

After attending coordinators meeting, he wanted to pass along that we here to help make these meetings safer if possible. If people get loud or unruly, please do not kill them. We should speak up and ask them to stop or to leave. Ladies should contact meeting coordinators if they feel unsafe. Note: we can still use the front door at night (prior to start of meeting). And, do not feel afraid to call police.

Midnight Meeting Coordinator, Jacob (no report)

Old Business:

Second vote on the issue regarding service in SNL: (passes 24 - 3) The motion was to

change the legend on the election sheets posted on the side-wall to read.

PSC - Prior SNL Steering Committee Experience Required (elected or appointed).

PSE: prior SNL Service Experience required (All elected or appointed service positions qualify).

Minority opinion: we, as a group, should not be putting restrictions on who should be of service.

New Business:

Proposal 1:

Celebrate 30 year anniversary on May 9 here at SNL on site. Or, combine it with picnic.

Suggested Donation: Majority approved Meet on site: Majority approved

NEWLY ELECTED POSITIONS

<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
H&I Coordintor	Theresa (temp)	464-1126
PIPCP Coord	John L	551-9725
Sunday 8:30AM	Shane	726-4149
Tuesday Midnight	Nicholes	540-4000
Wednesday Noon	Nicole	712-9889
Thursday 6:00 PM	Mara	624-7000
Friday 6:00 PM	Felicity	642-8203
Saturday Midnight	Chelsea	807-2195

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

A member was surprised when SCCYPAAAs chaired the meeting without there being a meeting format change.

It was noted that Mario celebrating his 27th sobriety birthday.

There is too much controversy about the back. We should all stand up to the plate and take responsibility.

Money is being stolen from the basket. Perhaps, we should pass the basket from back to front.

Literature budget is cut, so please donate. Basket was passed, again.

A member would like to see a copy of the *Members Eye View* pamphlet visible somewhere, and we should pass the basket around twice.

Please ask other members if you can't afford a big book. Please do not take one from book studies.

Dan: Help with research replacing seat cushions. Please turn in receipt if you donate coffee.

We should make only on thirty cup pot of coffee.

We have to learn through the process of our recovery, to begin to look outward to help others.

We should stop shouting down people who bring up drugs in their shares.

In justification for keeping the bench in the back, a member stated that he got his current job by smoking cigarettes while sitting on the bench.