

Steering Committee Meeting  
April 26, 2015  
Stockton, Ca

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer

**Traditions:** Read by Colleen M.V.

**Roll Call:** 21 Steering Committee members present

Minutes Approval: Foster City Steering Committee minutes approved.

**Treasurer:** Colleen M. V.: Outgoing Treasurer Joe C. gave the Foster City report. Our current balance is \$19,050.97. Pre-registrations were very good at Foster City. We made \$2,075. I'll be writing checks for the upcoming conference. We need lots of pre-registrations.

**Coastal Secretary:** Linda G.

I've been sending out the Auburn Conference flyers. I've been able to clean up my mailing lists. Speaker panel for Auburn almost complete

**Interior Secretary:** Woody R.

I e-mailed the minutes to the listed Steering Committee members on 4/4/15. I will be looking for a moderator and readers for the Auburn Friday nights speaker meeting. I participated in the Speaker selection meeting this morning.

**Young People's Secretary:** Chau Marie G.

I will send out delegates mailing this month. I am working with Zach in Auburn for Young People to put together readers. I will have representatives from Sacramento, Grass Valley and San Joaquin. I have been talking with Fresno Young People and encouraging them to cooperate with their host committee.

**Good News Editor:** Brigette Parvin: Colleen turned over Good News material and supplies to Brigette. We talk about posting the new Good News on the website after the Auburn Conference. Looking to having all article submissions through the NCCAA website.

**Tape Librarian:** David Lester:

I don't have any speaker submissions from the body. I'm looking for input on the drop box solution.

Shaun suggested we get more local speakers especially Young Peoples. If you submit a speaker tape please include a good phone number and address.

**Archivist:** Peter M.

I apologize for not being able to attend, but I have an obligation with work. I am glad for the interest in the history of NCCAA conference locations and will assist in gathering more information as needed. I would like to thank Michael, our webmaster, for adding two issues of the Good News from the 1950s to the NCCAA website. We are working on adding more back issues of the Good News as we locate more issues. I am preparing an archives submission for the next issue of the Good News. There will also be short articles in the May and June issues of the San Francisco Central Office newsletter, The Point, based on information from the Good News. I am also working on preparing an NCCAA Archives display for Auburn and hoping to invite the CNIA Archives to participate if there is enough room for their display. Please let me know if there are any questions and thank you for letting me be of service.

**Webmaster:** Michael B.

I posted Good News articles. I now have the prior NCCAA website address and I will be looking for more Good News newsletters. I will be working with Colleen on creating an NCCAA map. We continue to discuss ways to make registration easier. Shaun added If you have any old Good News newsletter please give to Michael.

### **Conference Reports:**

**Foster City:** Debbie – Sandy reporting for Debbie: Conference was a success on many levels. Expenses were high. Enthusiasm was high. They had 50+ sponsorships. Thank you for your support. I will see you all in Auburn

**Auburn:** Dan G: We probably won't get as many pre-registrations as Foster City. The zip code is incomplete on the flyer. We are handwriting the 3 at the end of the zip code. Suggest others do also. We are trying to get people to see the bigger picture. We are trying to keep people motivated. I've been traveling to other counties and passing out flyers. I met with Shaun at the Fairgrounds. Directional signs will be made to help attendee's find our conference. Zach has been in communication with Chau Marie. We need to improve our outreach. My email address is DanGsbr@gmail.com.

**Fresno:** Joe G.:

Committee is meeting and we are having growing pains. Spanish Community is willing to be involved. Committees are not full due to backlash from the last Conference. Things are moving along ok. Planning meeting schedule is available

**NCCAA Chairperson:** Shaun G.

I invited Bonnie from Alanon Area Structure and I invited Juan from Spanish Coastal to be here. Juan has translated our NCCAA Flyer. We are looking for a Spanish member on our Steering Committee. David L will talk about square. I've sent messages to Kelly and Raymundo about progress on the inventory and I haven't received a response yet. I've been attending the planning meetings in Auburn and Fresno. Please start six months out with your meetings. My suggestion is maybe your committee start nine

months out. They've cancel the Foster City post committee meeting and I wanted to be there to discuss what went well and what didn't. I received lots of emailed comments from Foster City. The Auburn Friday night speaker Steve A. double booked and canceled. Diana R from Grass Valley will fill in on Friday night. Lodi required a \$1,000 deposit. We worked a deal to make installments \$500. I did a walk through in Auburn. Other activities will be going on but not sure what they are. There will be a chain link fence separating us from other events. Our event parking will be near the entrance. We will have signs and people to direct attendee's.

We are working on an NCCAA Map to show where we have been and to include where our representatives are. Shaun showed a draft copy of the map. The plan is to have one or more maps available to Conference attendees to view. Attendance has decline over the years. The Conference used to make a lot more money. It is important to encourage attendance at NCCAA events. I need everyone's help. We have a small percentage of the County and Intergroup representation attending the Steering Committee meeting.

Discussion with Fresno Committee: Suggestions regarding what to do with Friday night for young people such as having a second dance etc. The ideas are good but because of insurance concerns, approval by the Steering Committee, and the need for changes to be submitted ahead of time, we can't alter the schedule.

#### **Old Business:**

Requested financial analysis to help make a decision regarding funding other NCCAA steering committee members, Archivist, webmaster, and Good News Editor.

Joe C: Overview data of current costs comes out with a range of \$382 to \$460. Various points of view expressed. \$100.05, average Conference cost, times 3 or \$600, plus average mileage \$75 per per person for an average of \$825 additional cost per conference. Discussion tabled to Auburn.

#### **New Business:**

Bonnie for Alanon: Alt Delegate for Alanon Area. Enjoyed Alanon participation in Modesto. Alanon would like to improve Alanon participation with NCCAA. Bonnie would be a liaison for Alanon and on the steering committee.

Juan from CNCA: They will translate NCCAA materials. He wants to help with outreach to the Spanish Community. Suggest addition to steering committee.

Motion made to add Alanon member and Spanish Community member to our Steering Committee list. Passed

David Lester explained the use and advantages of the Square. The Square is an electronic medium for onsite purchases. It is seamless and quick. We want to have it available at our Conference registration table. Members can register and make a contribution or donation to NCCAA. be

Yard signs for the conference, very inexpensive to buy and incorporate into our inventory. Consider purchasing these signs. \$100 for 10 signs or 20 signs for \$130 (18 x 24). The company will print what we want on the signs.

Motion was made to purchase 10 signs at \$100 approved.

More discussion about using the open Friday night time in Fresno.  
Shaun said the contract has been set but he will call the hotel about making a change.  
Joe C indicated that the hotel was open to being flexible.

Meeting closed at 15:12