



Monterey and San Benito Counties Area Service Committee

Meeting Minutes June 9th, 2025

1. Meeting Start: 6:30PM
2. Chair, Diego, opens meeting with serenity prayer. Mischa reads 12 traditions. Nate reads 12 concepts.
3. Diego reads the opening statement.
4. Kevin reads the purpose of the area service committee.
5. Diego reads what a GSR is and their duties
6. Anne asks the GSR for Friday, burning bright to come to the treasurer's table.
7. Introduction to new GSRs and Visitors
 - a. Nick – Visitor
 - b. Lewis - Visitor - stepped down from Wednesday night's the next step.
 - c. John Paul - Visitor
 - d. Jim - Visitor - Filling in for Loyd
 - e. Nate - Visitor
 - f. Mike - Visitor
 - g. Lydia - New GSR for Together we can
8. Milestones
 - a. Kenny– 37 years!
 - b. Alex – 18 years!
9. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Tamatha approved the minutes
 - b. Mike- “ My name is Mike. I'm an addict. I was a visitor last month and it doesn't show on here.”

- c. John Pau - "My name is John Botanic. We'll add you to the minutes from last month"
- d. Tamatha - Resends motion
- e. Erin "Makes a motion to approve the minutes"
 - i. 2nd
 - ii. Motion passes

10. Additions to Agenda

- a. No additions

11. Roll Call - General Service Representatives (GSRs) Check In: See Attendance/Roll Call in google drive

12. Area Service Committee Reports

- a. Chair: Diego: shares report (see google drive)
- b. Vice Chair: Kevin: no report
- c. Recording secretary: Kristina Ruiz spoke but did not have a report to share
 - i. John Paul - roll call missed NCCNA report.
 - 1. Mike "My name is Mike. I think NCCNA sub registration should come off that report, or until we know more."
 - 2. Rosie "We don't have the financials completed until those are completed"
- d. Treasurer: Anne shares report (see google drive)
 - I. Peter: "How big is the storage unit?"
 - 1. The group "10 x 10"
 - 2. Nick - "had gone down there a few weeks back and they were installing the security gate. And the lady was supposed to call me, but she was not all together. And I didn't expect she was going to follow up with that. And I didn't expect she was going to follow up with that. But if they put the security gate down, we're going to need that code to be given to whoever uses the security."
 - 3. Anne "I went there tonight and there was no gate code. There were no gates. All right, so I'll check with her tomorrow. Okay, I'll do the same. Thanks. Anything else? All right, thanks for letting me."
 - 4. Mike "I was noticing on the report. Can we maybe ask everybody to keep your written report but to turn in the financials? Because the blackout, you can see through the blackout and see that"
 - 5. Anne "So just do the report separate then, Is that what you're saying?"

6. Mike “Well, no. If next month when you do it, if you can find a better way to black it out, you could see that. You could see the account number. So maybe if we just have everybody keep the. The written report and we could turn these back in, we could make sure that they don't. “
- e. Literature: Raichel shares report (see google drive)
 - f. RCM 1: Theodore M shares report (see google drive)
 1. Rosie “ Did they get the \$1,000 donated from the women's brunch? Cuz I didn't see that in any of the finances.
 2. Theodore “When was that donation made? Last month. Sometimes it takes a month or two to register. Did you mail it or did you send it wirely? Well I, I'll do some checking.”
 3. Rosie “On the guidelines it says that they were supposed to do in May their like inventory. Do you know if they did that? they did do it. ? How'd that go?
 4. Theodore “ Oh you're talking about the, the objectives.”
 5. Rosie “ No, they do like an annual inventory of how they're. How the RSC's supporting areas and how they're, you know, how they're doing. Kind of like what we do”
 6. Theodore “Okay, listen, I'm going to tell you what, what I have here, okay. For the inventory. Okay. Now the car workshop's last cycle was a 140. That. That's all they got. So they changed the guidelines and they're gonna fund a thousand thousand dollars for the car. Car workshop. There are four groups in the whole region. Is that what you're talking about?”
 7. Rosie “No, I'll. I'll be there next month. I. I'll find that too. As well. Yeah, I can show you.”
 8. Theodore “ Yeah, I can show you. If you're talking about the inventory for the money, that'll probably show up. I'm not sure. I'm not sure if I have the answers here or not. Well, they did it in inventory, but like I said, I didn't really participate.”

13. Subcommittee Reports

- a. H&I: Nick S shares report (See Google Drive)
- b. PI/PR: Carey shares report (see google drive)
 1. Carey passes out a form to fill out for meetings and committee members to put there information, to update the website.
 2. Kristel- “Hello. For those of us who don't know, can you please tell us what poster day is?”

3. Carey - "Thank you. So, poster day. If you look in the PI, if you look in our book, it shows you it's very specific, and it's a piece of paper which you'll see, like, where it just has our number and Our phone number, and it goes to the main line, and it just says, do you need help with, you know, drug addiction? And then it has the phone number, our phone number that calls the calling for me. And it'll help people who don't know about Narcotics Anonymous. I mean, not everyone knows about Narcotics Anonymous. It also has the website, and it'll also say where meetings are so that you can take people to meetings directly from this poster. And we go to. I've done it in other areas before, and anyone who had a poster, we asked permission and we put it in their business. And so that's basically it. It's just a piece of paper. It's not like a poster poster. It's a piece of paper that PI follows the guidelines with and creates, and it allows people just to rip off the paper. And we reach people like you would be surprised. You'll see, once we start putting them out in our area, people will call. So that's what it is for. And it's really easy. I think I did 18 locations in a specific part of town, and it took us like an hour. You know, like, I went with another person, and we separated, and we all had our area, and like, I went. Yeah. So it. We're. It's a really big way that we can make an impact. So we need your help for sure. But thank you. That's a great question. Any. Any other questions? No. All right. Thank you. Thank you."

c. Activities: Lawrence shares report (see google drive)

d. Talent Show: Postponed until October 2025.

e. MBCNA Chair: Tamatha giving a report for Tish - shares report (see google drive)

f. Women's Brunch: Melissa shares report (see google drive)

1. Rosie - "Regarding last month, there was a question about our taxes, and I talked to Anne."

2. Melissa "I met with Anne before. Before the meeting, and she's gonna. I gave her the cells, the cells that were made, and she's gonna get back to me in a couple of days to see where and how much we're paying for the sales."

3. Kristina "I am the secretary for the Tuesday night women's meeting in Monterey And I just wanted to know what the status is on the donation that was supposed to be made to that meeting."

4. Melissa "Okay. It's right here. Okay, I'll meet you. So I'll meet you after. Oh, and was the Sorry Melissa addict, was the person for the women's meeting on Sunday for 5:30? Are they here right now? I am. Oh, I need to talk to you. Okay, that's good. Thank you guys."

5. John Paul " Can we get a copy of your report? You get a chance."

6. Melissa " Sure"

g. Outreach: Erin does not have a report

1. Erin "I have not uploaded a report and I do not have a report. I have a really good surf report I can give too, but following up on what was was discussed last week and I'll submit a report to the drive and then I'll have one next month. The first Sunday I was able to attend the LGBTQ plus meeting was last night. And I sat in and I didn't see

where the conflict was with the reading. Right. They read the normal ones, but they just. They read our readings. I couldn't even tell unless I. I mean, I listen, I just They don't have man or woman. It's very simple. It was a great meeting. I suggest it if you want a really good meeting. Like I attended it last night and I. And I respect. It was in a. In a readings, it was in a lingo. It was support, it was recovery. It was a really good online meeting. So I don't know where this I did talk to them about representation at, at this meeting and Brian did say he was going to come give a report and then he like certain stuff he had going on. But yeah, the only concern that I, I had asked was them during their business meeting was like, I'm a big traditions guy. Right. I think the tradition should be read meetings. Yes. And maybe they'll get to it when they have more people on a regular attendance. But they said they didn't read the traditions because it was more of like we had three or four people regularly attending the meetings, including the, the, the trusting servants. And so therefore it became really redundant on read having the same people read the readings over and over and over again every week. So I encourage them to read the traditions. Just a suggestion because like I said, I'm big on traditions and I'm kind of like, you're here to ask for a seventh tradition. Maybe you should read. So that was the only thing that I saw. But other than that, like I don't see anything why the meeting should be taken off the schedule besides them not following our guidelines and not having representation here and being represented at, at the area level for our guidelines. But other than that, it was a great meeting. So if there's anybody else who has any issues that pertain to outreach. Unfortunately, I have a previous event coming this Saturday, so I will not be attending the learning days, but barring any other thing in the next year, should be at the next learning day.?

2. Theodore “ Got any contact, contact for a meeting in South County?”

3. Erin “ I do not have contact with meetings. I do plan on. I do plan on attending like taking and finding the time to visit like south county and go to Hollister and just, you know, and just attend in meetings that maybe. I know the Tuesday night meetings live because I went to it about a year ago. So I, I know what that's like and I spoke in my mind about that. So other than that, about. Yeah, but I guess I can get contacts. I can talk to Diego.”

4. Diego “So my home group is Tuesday solidaridad. I just don't say anything. The thing is that we only have about four to eight people that go regularly and the, the four of us that are there, the one. We do have clean time. There is clean time there. We really rely on the fellow. I mean on the treatment center from King City that goes over on Tuesdays and they don't go over all the time. So we do have a meeting, but we don't have a gsr. We do have a treasurer and we have a secretary.”

5. Erin “Okay, so let me ask you, when you say you rely on them, what do you rely on them? Just attendance.”

6. Diego “ Yes, yes, yes. So like I was going to. I was supposed to step up to gsr. Then I found out I can't be a GSR because I'm a chair. And then our treasurer there, he's been treasured. He has like 17 years clean, like, so we got some pretty good recovery there. It's just there's so little of us. If the treatment center. Yeah, if the treatment center doesn't go, there's going to be four county meetings. Have always struggled in this area just because.”

7. Theodore “ there's no addicts down there”

8. Diego "There are. There's tons. There's a lot."

9. Melissa "What meeting are you talking about?"

10. Diego "It's Tuesday night, solar death. It's at 7 o' clock to 8. It's a cool little me. I mean, it's my home group. I make it every week. There's. There's a little group of us that go every week. And it is what it is, but we keep the doors open, we pay the rent."

h. NCCNA Registration: Rosie does not have a report

1. Rosie " I don't have anything to report because they don't have their financials completed. So hopefully by next month we should have that. And I'm not going to even get upset that you didn't call rcm2. And I just wanted, as far as that's concerned, I won't be attending in person that meeting this Saturday. So I won't be able to go to that wonderful thing because I do support those as well. And yeah, I'm gonna attend in person. So that's kind of the end of the. The report is in the drive."

2. Diego " Rosie, real quick clarification. So we have to add the rcm2 number 7 then I like because it says rcm1 position. Alright we will add it"

3. Rosie " It is a position"

14. Old Business- none

15. Motions

i. Kevin - "Name is Kevin. I'm an addict. As previously stated. Today's date. State the motion. Pay storage says rent for June at \$177 including late charge and six months at new rate of 230 beginning July and the amount would be \$1557. So trying to pay six months for that. Submitted by Ann there. Change the guidelines. No, no, no"

1. Mike "what was that total again?"

2. Kevin "\$1500, July through December, I would say. "

3. Diego " Open it up for discussion"

4. Phil " My name is Phil, as I understand that we were paying \$177 a month, and now they want to raise it up to how much? 230. So we're \$65 more a month. Just as suggestion made me fish around and find another place and did.

5. Diego " I was about to say. So I was about to say we did do the. The fishing round. It looked like it was. They were grand. I know it looked like they were giving us that price, but now they're switching it. So I like that price of one of 165. That was a great, great price when we were looking around. Unless you have, which it sounds like you might have some hookups. You know, we love the hookups. I'm just saying. Oh, maybe a little bit of fishing around. Right. So we did do the fishing around a couple months ago. Yeah. We did this whole thing, and it looked like the best deal that we were getting was from where we were asked. Yeah. But what sucks is that they're. They're not letting us have that grandfather's price anymore. They're going to raise it up. Yeah, yeah. That's quite a

bit. But an did a little bit of fishing on her own already, and she.It looks like Marina storage has the best price for us anyways.285. Yeah. Yeah, 285. 10 by 10. Is stock full, right?

6. Theodore "Yeah, it is. I got a question. What's up? Is that fifteen hundred dollars for a month?"
7. Diego "No, for six months. Six months. Six months. Six months. Plus this month. Plus seven months. Well, gives us six months to find another place if we want to get there. Anyone else have anything they want to add to this, So it looks like we're ready to vote. I'm gonna ask I'm gonna say the votes, and then you count them out. All right, so a motion to pay that. Oh, yeah. Is there anyone who abstains from this? Any oppose, now you have to call. Okay, so let's do the vote then. All in favor of paying six months, why not just cap the room?"
8. Erin "And if you're visiting and you're not a GSR and you're representing a meeting, you do not have a vote.Thank you. So that meeting is technically absent. If you are. If you are here on behalf of a meeting and you are not the present GSR or code gsr, you do not have a vote.So I see people with hands up that came in and said they were visiting and representing AGSR.They should not be voted."
9. Diego "So to clarify what everyone's saying, if you guys are stepping up and just sitting in for the gsr, you do not have a vote, It looks like we just went anyway. All right, so 23, 4. One opposed, one and one abstention. So it passes.

ii. Kevin - "Today's date. State the motion. Pay rent for every service meeting to this place, the veterans transition center, for June. The amount is \$60. Okay. All right. All right. Yeah. Yeah. All right."

16.New Business

- a. Mike - "Yes. Hold on one second. So our guidelines state that was supposed to have \$7,000 in our account.I just want to bring it to this body. We have. I heard that \$20,000. If I heard that RCM report right, they had to pull some remote money out of their operating reserve to take cover, some checks and things like that. Right now we have the 17,221 six nine, minus the 680811, minus the 1557.Minus the 60. Yeah, equals. Oh, wait. Equals. We're 1800 60, 56.58 over what we're supposed to have in our account.So I cannot make a motion because I'm a visitor. Thank you for recognizing me, but I can make a motion, too."
- b. Nick " Can I get a question? Yeah. Will that 1500 we pay for storage come out of that?"
- c. Anne "And we have not received the bill from the lawyer yet.Oh, and the tax fees."
- d. Mike " Should you know we should have that by next month"
- e. Anne "We should have it by now. But I'll be on it tomorrow. I'll be calling her. She said she was going to send me all the copies.
- f. Diego " So lets table this till next month"

17.Open Forum

- a. Mark " And the Hollister Home Group wants a report from NBC and me for the last two cycles.I don't know who we're going to talk to about that.Maybe she could take it back

to Tish and ask for that. They want the financials, they want the, the attendance. The commission has come for the last two cycles and we would like a RCM report, Like. Like, like it. You would like it like the financial report? Put in the RCM report also, if that's possible."

1. Erin "are you asking for them? So are you asking to put the two years of the financial report in their report and submit it to Region? No. No. So what are you. I'm confused by what you're asking?"

2. Mark "Wants a full report of the last two conventions."

3. Mike "So. Okay, Mike, I just would like to put into the RCM report that there's a member, there's a group of our area that is asking about. Asking for NBCNA financials for the last two cycles and we haven't received anything.. But they're still in the process. I know you can't answer the question. My thing is they're still in the process from two years ago."

4. Diego " Two years ago, no that makes sense."

5. Nick "Yes. Am I mistaken? Wasn't like two months ago the debate on whether or not they were responsible for providing that to us? Yes. Did we ever land anywhere on that or is that still up there?"

6. Mike "Yeah, they're still. Until something's taken out of the guidelines, they're still responsible."

7. Nick " Okay, but they're, they're positioned position or their point of view is that they don't technically owe it to us."

8. Mike "Yes, they do. Our guidelines and their guidelines say that they're to report to this committee and to let us know what's going on."

9. Nick "I'm agreeing with you. Does their committee share that? I don't know. And if they don't want to report to us, it should be Very simple. We gave them like five grand. I want to say probably three or four years ago when they were short for seed money, they could give us our money back and then they, you know, if this body decided it wouldn't have to report to us anymore. But we, we don't have. We. We haven't gotten a report for two cycles."

10. Kevin " Yeah, my name is Kevin. I'm an addict. Didn't she give up some kind of monies last month or something?"

11. Mike "No, she didn't. So a report. What she gave was. She gave our treasurer their bank statement or whatever's in the bank statement. That, that is the fellowship should know. Hey, we sold \$25,000 worth of merchandise. There was 4, 500 people that enjoyed the convention. We had 33,700 Saturday only registration. We had a total of 15,000 registered for the OR. I got you. I just, you know, everything. We haven't seen their. We don't even know what their budget is. Like nccna, everybody. We can get a copy of their what their budget. Hey, this is what we have budgeted for this. This is what we have budgeted. At the end they'll give, they'll give us a report that will be given to the, to our rcm. Put on the drive, said, this is what we made. This is how many registrations we sold. This is how many T shirts. And we haven't seen any of them."

12. John Paul “ Yeah. JP so is that different from the report that was submitted this month and last month?”
13. Tim “Has anybody from this body gone to that meeting and, and specifically talked to them about that? “
14. Diego “our previous chair, I believe did that.”
15. Kristel “ So you guys should send a physical person to that meeting. Not, not, not online. Online. And somebody that's going to speak up at their next meeting.”
16. “ Their next meeting Their next meeting is June 12th at 6:30, in moss landing”
17. Diego “So then to reclarify what you also want was asking, what your group was asking was that our rcms report to the art to the region that we've been trying to get the statements for the past two events correct.”
18. Mike “I. I just. The RCM report should. Should say like what in there? Like our open. It should have our financial. Should have all of that stuff. Right. One of our open topics questions was we were asking for a report, financial report. Because we haven't received one for the last two years. They might last two cycles. That's four years. The region knows. Some of the other RCMs might say, hey, this is how we've dealt with this in a convention in our area. This is how, you know, so we can get some feedback from our rcms, them to bring back to us here.”
19. Diego “Okay, perfect. Yeah. RCM 1 and 2. Did you guys hear that?”
20. Nick “Reguest is coming from the hollister home group, Would it be more impactful or is that something like that the area committee would request? Like area wants it, not just the home. I would go better to take a straw poll of our area as well and get a full on.”
21. Rosie “That's a good idea. So that's what we're going to do then. Yeah, I know what's. I know they're going to ask was that a meeting or is this how's your area? You know, these are valid questions that they're going to ask.”
22. Diego “So let the record show that Hollister is bringing it up and now we're taking a straw pull as an area body. So here we go. We're going to go. All in favor for us going for asking for the report for the last two cycles of our RCM from our area. Of our RCM to Mon to the nbena. Okay. All in favor, raise your hand. I'm so used to doing it. Count it up. Count it. Oh, sorry. Count it. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 22. Okay. All against. ”
23. Mike “ Theodore, are you going to be able to carry this body's request to the region? Well, if we voted yes, he bo. He said no. So he's our rca. I want to make sure he's going to bring our. This body's voice. Yeah, not his. Okay, well, I'll tell you what. ”
24. Theodore “Yeah, not his. Okay, well, I'll tell you what. They. They haven't finished closing out 46 yet and I was not the RCM for 45.”
25. Kristina “ before you speak, can you please announce yourself?
26. Diego “Theodore is on board. And. And if you need a backup, Rosie's there. Okay. Any other open forums? ”

27. Jim “ I’m an addict. I am the coordinator for the fire camps in Solidaridad and I’ve been going in by myself because I had no clearance forms. I got a clearance form. I’m going to make copies. I will bring some here at next area. I’m going to leave some at H and I and spread some around. All right. It’s a lot easier to get into fire camp than it is the prisons.”

28. Mike “ What is the fire camp and when do they meet?”

29. Jim “it’s not at the prison. It’s just before the gate there. You make a right before they. And this is Gab. And on Fridays at 6 o’clock.”

30. Erin “My name is Aaron. Also, if anybody care to join me Thursday night at the NBCNA subcommittee meeting, feel free to. To come alongside. This Thursday.”

- b. Alyssa “i am a visitor and very late today, I apologize for that. So basically there is a meeting that we started. Well, sun street has every Thursday night at 7:30. I know that they previously had somebody come to area. When I used to come to area, they would announce. It’s called Keeping it simple, meaning we’re looking for support. I know that it is an hour drive from Salinas and it sucks to drive that far, but I drove very far from my dope, so. That’s right. So we would appreciate some support out there. It’s at 7:30. There’s a lot of men and women in that facility that are hungry for recovery and it would be nice to have some support out there.”
1. Diego “ Thank you. And you’re talking about Sun Street, King City. That’s right.”
 2. Mike “Would your group be Open to. Is 7:30 the only time that you can have that meeting? Could you. If it was a little earlier.
 3. Alyssa “So I’d have to check because I do know that they have a schedule for medication and that is the reason why.”

18. Meeting End: 8:26 PM

Submitted by Kristina Ruiz