



Monterey and San Benito Counties Area Service Committee

Meeting Minutes February 9, 2026

1. Meeting Start: 6:30PM
2. Kevin opens the meeting with the Serenity Prayer
A volunteer reads the 12 Traditions.
Kristel reads the 12 Concepts.
3. Introduction to new GSRs and Visitors
 - a. Eric – New GSR, Friday Night Burn
 - b. Todlim – New GSR, Saturday 10 AM Wake Up Meeting
 - c. Joe B. – CFO, MBCNA
4. Milestones
 - a. Joanne – 14 years (February 6th)
5. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Motion made and seconded. Minutes approved.
6. Additions to Agenda
 - a. None
7. Area Service Committee Reports
 - a. Chair: Not present – Chair submitted to drive, apologies due to work schedule. (see google drive)
 - b. Vice Chair: Kevin shares report (see google drive)
 - c. Recording secretary: Kristina - shares report.

Reminds subcommittees to submit their reports to the Google Drive and notes that H&I has not submitted a report for the past three months. Kristina states she will follow up with H&I via email.

- d. Treasurer: Anne shares report (see google drive)
- e. Literature: Raichel shares report (see google drive)
- f. RCM 1: Not present, Debbie gave report.
- g. RCM 2: Not present

8. Subcommittee Reports

- a. H&I: Nick- gave report
- b. PI/PR: Not Present, - Joanne gave the report (see google drive)
- c. Activities: Lawrence gave the report (see google drive)
 - a. Rich- So now no longer you guys meeting in person. It's just going to be straight up Zoom?"
 - b. Lawrence: "Yes sir."
 - c. Rich- "Okay. We'll make the changes on the Zoom. It's kind of my fault because it's hard to get there from Monterey once I get off work, so we'll just do it on Zoom from our couch."
- d. MBCNA: Joanne shares report (see google drive)
 - a. Patrick C.: "When is the next meeting?"
 - b. Joanne.: "February 12th at 6:30 PM. Zoom link is on the website."
 - c. Kevin.: "How many logo entries so far?"
 - d. Joanne: "About eight entries; some on binder paper, more entries welcome."
 - e. Kristina: Asked if flyers for monthly MBCNA meetings could be brought to area meetings. Joe B. offered to personally bring brochures or flyers as needed.

- e. Women's Brunch: Debbie shares report (see google drive)
- f. Outreach: not present

9. Old Business

- A. Area Inventory Sheets-turned into to debbie

10. Open Forum:

Corrie.: "The Tuesday women's meeting in Monterey is a literature meeting, right? I brought up a few months ago about literature donations, but we voted last Tuesday to do a literature drive instead. Who do I ask to make a flyer legally for this area so I can share it with other meetings? I haven't really thought out what's going to be on it, how we'll word it, or what it will look like, but I want to inform everyone that I plan to do this."

Response / Support: "Yes, we'll help you."

11. New Business:

- a. Kristina A.: "Do votes from people standing in for their positions or visitors count?"
- b. Joe: "No, only eligible voting members count."
- c. Patrick A.: "Is there financial responsibility with this position?"
- d. Joe: "Yes and no. Joe is responsible for oversight of the board's \$180,000 biannual budget but does not directly handle the money."
- e. Tim A.: "How many other board members are there?"
- f. Joe: "Minimum of four, currently eight between the two counties."
- g. Crystal A.: "If a decision is made that you disagree with, are you going to walk out like what happened at SNL?"
- h. Joe F.: "No. It's about character; I will carry myself responsibly and make amends as needed."

Vote of Confidence: Straw poll conducted; all in favor except for abstentions by members who could not vote. Exact counted votes: 10 "Yay," several abstentions.

Outcome: Vote of confidence approved.

12. Motions- no motions

Meeting End: 7:38PM

Submitted by Kristina Ruiz