

# Nicotine Anonymous Intergroup

## Minutes for May 20, 2001

Corrected minutes of the Southern California Intergroup of Nicotine Anonymous meeting held on May 20, 2001, at White Memorial Hospital, 1720 E. Cesar Chavez Ave., Los Angeles.

Jan F. opened the meeting at 10:03 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer. The members, numbering 14, introduced themselves, identifying the groups they represented and detailing their sobriety length.

Phil read Tradition 5 and told us that spreading the word is what NicAnon is really all about. It is our primary purpose, to make smokers everywhere aware that there is a way out. Michael brought the refreshments for which we all were thankful.

### Officers and Committee Reports

Chairperson, Jan F. She said the new business cards are ready with the correct phone numbers on them. She also reported that the conference in Berkeley was a huge success.

Secretary, George L. The minutes were moved, seconded, and approved as corrected.

Treasurer, Annette L. The treasurer was absent. Joe gave an abbreviated report but the official report is to come next month. Marc said that the San Fernando Valley wasn't being recognized. The 7th Tradition was observed.

New Meetings: Gary was absent and there was no report.

Public Outreach: Joe S. reported that there is a new responsibility in outreach, particularly at the national level. The response to the Carry the Message Day has turned up at least two new attendees at meetings. Joe said he believes that the placement of our business cards in doctor and dentist offices and in pharmacies and drug stores is having an impact.

Hospitals and Institutions. Heather was absent but Mary D. said she believes that Heather is trying as evidenced by doing a panel at Kaiser.

Communications. Mary D. said the hotline is fully staffed. She praised the state's "No butts" program and said that it is getting people to Nicotine Anonymous.

Meeting Directories. John H. was absent but Jan gave a report. She said that two meetings went dark in the past month and no new ones were started. She said that some meetings in the directory have incomplete or incorrect contact, addresses or phones. She suggested meeting representatives repair the incorrect materials.

Literature. Jim L. said all literature is in good supply and available to

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us. Jan said he needs to order 10 world directories and some WSO by-laws and Jim said he would do so.

World Service meeting. Joe reported an L.A. person showed up at the Berkeley conference and suggested that the 2003 conference be held in Los Angeles. Joe moved that the person be appointed to chair a committee to bring the conference to L.A. and the suggestion was approved by the SCINA delegates. The man was in attendance and I believe he said his name was Nicholas. He said the advantages offered by Los Angeles are obvious. In addition to the climate, there are attractions which, he said, include the Queen Mary, film studios, Disneyland and a flock of other vistas. He suggested a Westside location -- maybe in Santa Monica -- and said he would start fleshing out the proposal immediately and would keep us up to date on his progress. Joe also reported a second item -- Jan F. won the vote and is chair-elect of our World Service organization. Joe said a woman named Ramona was voted treasurer-elect and Kate from Dallas was voted secretary-elect. Catherine C. of Northern California was voted editor-elect of Seven Days. And Joe had a third item -- he recommended making reservations early for the 2002 conference.

Old business: There were two items of old business.

The retreat scheduled for June 2-3 at Pilgrim Pines Conference Center, 39570 Glen Road, Yucaipa, will begin at 9 a.m., with the workshops starting at 10 a.m. Jean reported that 15 people signed up for the retreat.

Jan said she would find by-laws to give to chair of the by-laws committee.

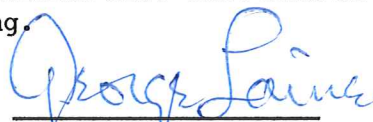
New business:

The annual picnic is to be held September 16 at a location to be determined. George said he would try to find out if the park in Mar Vista is available this year. And George said he would get started on a leaflet. Jan asked several times for a volunteer (or volunteers) to head up a picnic committee. No takers.

Birthdays: None.

Commitments: Brenda said she would handle Tradition Six. Marc said he would bring some refreshments for the June Meeting.

Dated June 4, 2001

  
George Laine, Secretary