

**NICOTINE ANONYMOUS INTERGROUP
MINUTES For June 16, 2002**

Minutes of the Southern California Intergroup of Nicotine Anonymous meeting held at White Memorial Medical Center, 1720 E. Cesar Chavez Ave. Boyle Heights, California.

1. Opening: Jean L. opened the meeting at 10:00 with the Serenity prayer.
2. Introductions: The 15 attendees represented meetings 003, 008, 009, 012, 016, 023, 044, 047, 052, 070, 084, 085, 093, 164, 186, 194. WAS YOUR MEETING REPRESENTED?
3. Traditions: George L. shared on tradition 6 which calls on groups to not endorse, finance or lend the Nic A. name to outside enterprises. We do several things with Kaiser but it is clear our relationship is one of mutuality. They do not financially support us. Joe S. added that this tradition seems to be frequently violated when Nic A meetings distribute literature from other sources. There also seems to be requests for entangling alliances at the world services level... George added that members can have opinions on outside issues outside the meeting but when the meeting starts all that stops.
4. Chairperson's Report: Jean L. wished everyone a Happy Father's Day. She welcomed Annette L. who joins us today as Treasurer. She thanked Mary B. and Joe S. for the refreshments. She also thanked George for sharing on the tradition.
5. Secretary's Report: Mary P. read the minutes of the May 19, 2002 meeting. They were corrected and it was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion passed with one abstention.
6. Treasurer's Report: Annette L. submitted a financial report for the fiscal year from September to the current date. She was able to reconstitute the expenses from the check register. However she did not have a complete deposit record and so some deposits are lumped together in each month's income as "Anonymous Income". She asked members to check with their groups and get back to her before the next meeting so the proper amounts can be attributed to each group. Jan will also get a partial deposit account to Annette. The report will be sent out with the June minutes. Our current balance is \$754.62.
Gary M. reported there is approximately \$1263 in the Retreat Account. He will submit a final report after the retreat at the next meeting. Jean stated the retreat account should remain in existence for next year's retreat.

Jim.L. reported that the literature fund was reimbursed \$302 in May. His current balance in the Literature account is \$738.24. Marc S. requested a dollar value for our Inventory. Jim was asked to report on the inventory next meeting.

7. Seventh Tradition: The seventh tradition was observed.

8. Committee Reports

- A. New Meetings: Gary M. reported he had sent one new meeting packet to a hospital in Ventura. Marc S. has 2 volunteers to help him start a new meeting at the Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital in the Santa Clarita Valley. They will meet with the hospital administrator next week. They hope to have the meeting on Wednesday nights at 7 or 8 pm. In light of our discussion last month would SCINA be able to fund this meeting till it got going? After discussion Marc S. moved and Joe S. seconded that SCINA set aside a fund, up to \$300, to assist new meetings with start up, on condition that the new meeting reimburse the fund. The motion was amended to condition the advancement of funds to the availability of SCINA funds and to meetings that would be 35 miles from Los Angeles.

The motion had 7 votes for and 7 votes against with one abstention. The Chair broke the tie with a vote for the measure. Mary D. proposed that the motion be altered to consider advancing funds only to meetings starting up in areas 15 miles from any existing meetings. This proposal was tabled for discussion at the next meeting.

- B. Public Outreach: Joe S. reminded all that he has the business cards and holders available for pick up at all the Intergroup meetings. The cable channels are rerunning our public service notices.
- C. Hospitals and Institutions. Jean L has attempted to contact the H&I Chairperson but there has been no response.
- D. Communications: Mary D. reported there was no change in the hotline activities.
- E. Meeting Directory: Emil reported for John H. that one new meeting was added last month and two meetings number 213 and 220, went dark.
- F. Literature: Jim L. reported he was fully stocked.
- G. World Service: Jan F. reported the World Services Board will have a quarterly meeting July 20 in Newport Beach. All are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided so RSVP to Jan if you will attend.
- H. By Laws Committee: Joe S. presented the proposed bylaws amendment providing for the termination of an officer or committee chair. The provision was discussed and revised and Joe will bring a final wording to the July meeting.
- I. Events. Gary M. reported all is on track for the retreat. Currently there are 19 signed up. Marc S. thanked Gary M for all the work he has done on the retreat. George L. has secured the Mar Vista Park for our 2002 picnic in September.. Marc suggested we consider having our 2003 picnic at El Dorado Park in Long Beach. This park will give us a free reservation if we supply 20 attendees for a walking tour of the park. It is a large park with close freeway access. Jim L. so moved and Steve seconded. The motion passed with one opposed. George L. updated last year's picnic flyer and it was reviewed. Marc S. moved we use the updated flyer in this month's mailing. The motion passed. Marc. will review the second page to the flyer and it will be added to the flyer for the July mailing. Marc is still looking for a second Co-Chair for the picnic

9. Old Business

George L. distributed the revised wording for the pamphlet SCINA requested which would encourage members to continue to attend meetings after they have quit smoking. George asked members to take the text home and comment on it and bring it back to the next meeting.

George has also taken the SCINA request for a Tee shirt design to his meeting. Joe S. suggested that the Tee shirt design be based on our business card emblem.

10. New Business

Joe S. asked for feed back on a proposal he would like to make to World Services regarding charging a yearly fee to be in the world services directory. The fee would include a subscription to "7 Minutes". This might produce a small revenue stream, increase circulation for the newsletter and confirm the ongoing existence of meetings in the directory. Discussion.

11. Birthdays: None

12. Commitments for the Next Meeting: Mary P will present Tradition 7 at the July meeting and Joe S. will bring refreshments.

13. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Minutes as corrected at the July 21, 2002 meeting
Respectfully submitted Mary Polychrome, Secretary

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