

**NICOTINE ANONYMOUS INTERGROUP
MINUTES For May 18, 2003**

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. Emil L. started the meeting at 10:10 with the Serenity prayer.
2. The 18 attendees represented meetings 3, 9, 12, 22, 23, 46, 47, 52, 73, 84, 154, 160, 163, 164, 186, 194, 198, 229, 231, 233, 234. WAS YOUR MEETING REPRESENTED?
3. Traditions: Jean L. presented Tradition 5 "Each group has but one primary purpose, to carry the message to the nicotine addict who still suffers." One young man who came to the World Services Conference as a smoker and left with 2 days smoke free made this apparent. Even at the world services conference level this is what we are about. It's important to remember that we are the ones with the key. We have a responsibility to carry the message.
4. Chairperson's Report: Emil L. thanked everybody that worked at the conference.
5. Secretary's Report: Mary P. read the minutes for March 16, 2003 and April 13, 2003. It was moved seconded and approved to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Treasurer's Report: Jean L. submitted the April Treasurer's report. It was moved seconded and approved to accept the report. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Seventh Tradition: The seventh tradition was passed.
8. Committee Reports
 - A. New Meetings: Gary M. reported he sent out a starter kit to Santa Clarita.
 - B. Public Outreach: No report.
 - C. Hospitals and Institutions: Mary P presented Mary D.'s report. Fran K. staffed a booth for us at the Neutrogena Health Fair and the parent company, Johnson and Johnson, sent us a thank you. In May Gary M. took a panel to Kaiser in Irvine. There was one at Phoenix House in Santa Ana, George L. did the Wednesday panel at Kaiser in Bellflower. The Thursday panel was done by Mary D. Mary P, Gary M. and Greg B. Mary D. and Diane did the panel at Kaiser in Orange.
 - C. Communications: Mary P reported for Mary D. that there seem to be an increase in calls possibly linked to the ads being placed in the LA Times and the Toluca Lake advertiser. One of the phone callers said she had carried the card around for 2 years before she called.
 - E. Meeting Directory: Emil L. read John H's registrar report. Meeting Information changes were posted for meetings 1, 3, 52, 76, 90, 154, 164, 198, and 233. There were no new meetings. Meeting 227 and 230 went dark. We need mailing information for the secretary or contact person for meetings 7, 1, 93, 206.
 - F. Literature: Ty K submitted a financial and inventory report for the literature. He stocked up on newcomer packets and has sold 10. Fran took literature for the Neutrogena fair and will be returning the extras next week.
 - G. World Service: Jan F. reported the World Services Conference was a great success. The Conference approved "Rodger's Story" which will be published in our next edition of Our Path to Freedom. The 30 meditations were approved to appear in a 90-day meditation book. The Conference in 2005 will be in Atlanta. SCINA will be hosting an officers meeting in Southern California in July 25th, and 26th and we will need to provide rides and housing for the officers coming from out of state. Since there are so many officers from California at the moment we

are being asked to host another meeting in October 24th and 25th in order to keep travel costs down. If anyone is willing to coordinate that meeting please let Jan know. John N. volunteered to provide meeting space at his church in Fullerton, which we have used before. He could also put up 2 people. It was moved seconded and approved that SCINA host the October board meeting. World Services elected our own Jean L as Chairperson Elect, Joyce D. from Northern California as Treasurer Elect, and Kelly C. from Chicago as Secretary Elect.

World Services sent out a mailing to confirm the existence of the meetings in the World Services Directory. The meetings in our area that have not responded are Anaheim Salvation Army, #76 in Costa Mesa, #47 in Chatsworth, #22 and #163 in Fullerton, #29 in Hemet, #59 in Moreno Valley, #89 in San Bernadino, #34 in Newbury Park, #7 in Westwood, #11 in Riverside, #185 in Sherman Oaks, #197 Culver City, #231 in Long Beach, #233 in Santa Clarita, #229 in Silverlake and meetings in Yucaipa, Palm Desert. These meetings need to respond in order to remain in the Wold Services Directory.

- H. By Laws: Mary P. read the wording for the job descriptions for the SCINA Officers which has been added to the Committee chair job descriptions that Intergroup reviewed at a past meeting. The rest of the document will be read at the next meeting.
- I. Events: Steve H. reported on the picnic to be held at El Dorado Park in Long Beach on September 21st. Jan volunteered to assist Steve with the flyer. Mary P distributed the flyer for the Retreat to be held June 7 & 8 at Mission San Luis Rey. Please take copies and distribute the flyer at your meetings. The flyer is on the Web site. The retreat will feature meetings, a fireside meeting barbecue dinner and a meditation workshop on Sunday morning.
- Joe S. reported that the World Services Conference was a huge success. We had 154 registrations. Unfortunately our expense was \$1,800 more than our income. A review of the event shows we probably did not charge enough registration. When we get the May bank statement Joe will close the account. We ended up having to pay more for meeting rooms than we had expected. There was discussion of asking meetings to donate to help reduce the debt. It was moved seconded and approved to take a month to try to raise funds from the meetings and realize funds from sales of the T-shirts before we close the books at the end of June. It was requested that the Chairperson obtain a copy of the contract with the hotel and bring it to the meeting for review to determine the cause of the loss. It was moved and seconded and approved to close the SCINA bank account with Bank of America when the Conference books are closed. The motion passed unanimously. It was moved seconded and approved that the Events Chairperson open a new account that does not have a service charge for the use of SCINA events. The signers for the Events account will be the SCINA Chairperson, Treasurer, and the Events Chairperson.

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business: There was discussion of location of SCINA Archives and a Chairperson's handbook that may or may not have been developed in the past. It was decided to have the current officers develop such a handbook.

11. Birthdays: There were no birthdays.

12. Commitments for the Next Meeting: Mary P. will present Tradition Six at the June meeting and John will bring refreshments.

13. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM with the Serenity Prayer

Minutes as corrected and approved at the June 15, 2003
Respectfully submitted Mary Polychrome, Secretary