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HARBOR LIGHT

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TRADITION 2

SERVANTS, NOT SENATORS

Written by Kathryn M. of Long Beach

I sometimes marvel at my homegroup. I've seen enough business meetings to know that "principles before personalities" can seem like a tall order when it comes to voting on matters that affect the group as a whole. It seems miraculous that a large group of recovering alcoholics could function as a group so smoothly despite our seemingly vast differences.

I may be hitting close to the mark: miracle. A miracle, to me, is when divine intervention penetrates the realm of humans. I'm so grateful that I get to see miracles regularly in the way my homegroup, sometimes begrudgingly, respects Tradition Two: "For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern" (132, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions). I have seen votes go in a direction that I am sure that the old-timers disagree with, but our elder statesman

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(sometimes quietly, sometimes not-so-quietly) respect the group conscience. I have never seen our old-timers flat-out defy a group conscience. That's a miracle considering the self-centeredness of the alcoholic.What I think my homegroup's elder statesmen understand is that we must hang together, or we will surely die alone. If we want to stay sober ourselves, the group needs to be available to us, so that we can carry the message and so that new alcoholics have a place to go, but because we are constantly working on our own, individual character defects, we need a higher authority to guide us, to keep us humble and to keep our focus on effectively carrying the message. Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions states in "Tradition Two" that the hypothetical founder of a group, "John Doe," needs "other alcoholics as much as they need him" (133). This proposition exhorts our members to be "servants, not senators" (134), and, thereby, maintain our primary purpose: to carry the message to suffering alcoholics.As a newcomer, I always wondered, how a group answers to a single "ultimate authority" when we, as individuals, may have different higher powers? That's a real miracle. When we have stopped"fighting anybody and anything" (103, Alcoholics Anonymous), when we give up our individual desires in favor of a greater good, we humble ourselves to the group conscience, the spiritual entity that represents a power greater than ourselves. Even though we may each have our own opinions about how the group should conduct itself, those of us who have surrendered to the Twelve Steps know that God is always present, always ready to steer our hand...if we are open. Even when we are not, even when our "bleeding deacons" or misguided members attempt to push individual agendas, we can learn from group decisions made in supposed error. The ultimate authority, "a loving God," will always surface when our groups are fully engaged with willingness, honesty and open-mindedness. Our groups are as good as our members. We have an individual responsibility to trust that the group conscience is the best guide, the best expression of our one ultimate authority. That's a living faith.

Concept Two:

"The General Service Conference of AA has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole society in its world affairs."

By Hiro S.

The following is my experience.The 12 Steps provide the solution to the problem defined in Step 1: how do I live well despite my "powerlessness over alcohol" and my life becoming "unmanageable" whether drinking or dry? The 12 Traditions provide the solution to the problem posed in the first tradition: how do I ensure that "our common welfare should come first," how do I contribute to group unity, and how do I make my home group and other alcoholics more important than me because "AA must continue to live or [I will] surely die" (long form). The 12 Concepts answer the problem posed in Concept 1: how do I ensure that the AA group's conscience can contribute to the "collective conscience of our whole Fellowship," flowing down and back up through the upside-down triangle service structure of AA (AA Group—> General Service Representative —> District —> Area —> Delegate —> General Service Conference). If your group doesn't have a GSR, you may not know that any group, district, or area can make motions for change in Alcoholics Anonymous. And you may not know that one proposed change (which the Conference may consider in April 2020) is whether to make changes to the first 164 pages of the Big Book. If this concerns you, talk to your GSR; and if your group does not have an active GSR, become one.For the agnostic or atheist, Step 2 can simply be thought of as "I can't do it alone." And as I grow in recovery, I come to strengthen my relationship with this "power greater than ourselves" until step 11 when I begin to have disciplined, consistent, daily conscious contact with this power.Tradition 2 lets us know that in our groups, we have "one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience." If your group takes a regular group conscience (at business meetings, in steering committees, etc.) then your group explicitly accesses this authority; if your group doesn't, authority may simply be implied. And finally, here in Concept 2, the group conscience is carried by the General Service Representative (GSR) to the District, then to the Area where the Delegate takes the Area's group conscience, and brings it to the General Service Conference. And if you do not have a GSR, you cannot know that this April the Conference may consider whether to create a Step workbook, or whether to change pronouns in AA literature, or whether to publish the 12 and 12 and 12 so that the Concepts essays can be published together with the other 24 essays on the spiritual principles of AA. And if you do have a GSR, but they do not participate at the District and Area roundtables and discussions of the Agenda Topics (to begin March 2020, and culminate in the Pre-Conference Workshop for Mid-Southern California Area 09 on Sunday, April 5), your group will not be able to have a truly informed group conscience, and at worst, someone else's group will vote for you.The Steps give me a life worth living despite my alcoholism; the Traditions ensure my home group thrives despite my being in it; and the Concepts help me become a better citizen of what I have come to believe may be the greatest example of democratic process and representation ever seen, so that I and my home group can make sure that AA continues to exist in years

to come when those born today might need it.My name is Hiro, and I am an alcoholic: my sobriety date is November 12, 2007; my home group is the Bellflower Big Book Group; my sponsor's name is Bob D.; and for Panel 70 (2020-2021), I am honored to serve as Alternate Delegate for Mid-Southern California Area 09. Thank you, Harbor Light editors for the opportunity to serve AA in print. To contact me or to get more information about service opportunities in your Area, please consult www.area09.org

ANEW

The dust is starting to settle and I think it might be safe to say I've found a little peace. The nightmares have ceased and most of my demons have released me from their grasp. There are still a few I have yet to shake, but they don't take me down quite like they used to.

There was a time when these things were all I knew and their favorite thing to do was rip me apart.

They'd start with my flaws,whispering everything wrong with me into my ears until I couldn't even hear myself breathe.

Then, like claws tearing my flesh, they would take those parts of me I considered best and shred them to pieces.

And when the last light, the last sad little glimmer of self worth had been extinguished, they unleashed my secrets unto me like a flood. Above me and below, any direction I could go and everywhere I looked, were the things I had done that I never wanted to see again.

So I sought solace in a drink, thinking it would mend the wounds, though I knew the tune of this particular song wasn't so sweet. But the first drink always knocked those demons back far enough for me to catch my breath.

A crushing death under the weight of my secrets didn't feel so imminent.But just as the first drink always sent my demons away, I knew with only a few more, they'd be back out to play.

These things wouldn't leave me be because what I was failing to see is that these monsters are me.

Each secret I hold molds a new creature whose defining feature is my fear.

Each sickly figure just a mirror reflecting my own darkness.

But I found a way to start letting the light in.

I've found a kinship in those whose darkest selves have been quelled and given room to let their souls start anew.

With a few scars on our hearts, we walk forward to a life we can be proud of.

The shroud of fear and guilt that I built up like walls around me fall down with each passing day.

I know as long as I stay on this path, there's hope for me after all and if I fall, there will always be someone to lend a hand to help me stand back up again.

By Sydney E.

Second Step Experience

By Beth S.

Came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity. Coming into Alcoholics Anonymous, I had no idea what I was getting into or what the steps were. Step one was an easy one for me. I knew my life was unmanageable and that I was completely powerless over alcohol. I had physical evidence to point to those truths. I arrived into AA after losing almost all of my friends, in fear of losing my career, and fully aware of the fact that I needed help. I did not know who could help me but walking into my first AA meeting, I felt a tiny bit of hope that the people in that room knew what I needed to do. I believe I took my second step and continue to take my second step every time I show up to a meeting. Walking into the room and saying the words, "I am an alcoholic," are an act of step two. Saying out loud that I have this spiritual sickness was the first action I took towards step two. I never sat down and did any writing specifically directed towards step two. I met with a sponsor and began reading the Big Book. Reading "The Doctors Opinion" & "We Agnostics" helped me to identify with my spiritual condition and the necessity for a spiritual solution. I grew up in a semi-religious family and had my perception of God. I had come to believe throughout my childhood that God was an all powerful being that would help me if I behaved well. Coming into sobriety, I was so full of shame for the way I had lived throughout my drinking and wanted nothing more than to skip the God part. I was also full of fear that if I did not get this AA thing, I was going to die or end up in jail. So as I continued attending meetings, I had enough fear to know that I needed to give these steps a chance. Step two is this elusive experience that was not written about but was experienced. Every time I walked into a meeting, said I was an alcoholic, asked another alcoholic for support, shared my story, and even prayed when I did not know who I was praying to --- I was doing step two. I came to believe that a power greater than myself could restore me to sanity slowly over time by taking actions in AA that I did not know would work. I saw these same actions work for the women and men in my midst. My first power greater than myself was the group of drunks itself. I put my trust in their experience every time I showed up. I came to believe in good orderly direction from a sponsor when I asked a woman to help me stay sober and through the steps, I found my God.

FROM THE EDITOR

Send Us Your Stories!

Send here → info@hacoaa.org

We encourage submission on the following:

- Experience, strength and hope
- Old timer stories
- A.A. speaker schedule
- A.A. sponsored events
- Gratitude stories

THE ARCHIVES

A LOOK INTO THE PAST

A Brief History of The Harbor Area Central Office

The earliest known appearance of Alcoholics anonymous in the Harbor Area was when Hugh Van Aiken (deceased) made a Twelfth Step Call on Daniel "Curley" O'Neil (also deceased). This was on February 4, 1941. They talked and "Curley" began his early sobriety. Soon others in the Long Beach area who had similar problems began meeting at "Curley's" home. For some time they met in each other's homes and attended A.A. meetings at the Cecil Hotel In Los Angeles.

The leaders of the Los Angeles group, Frank Randell and Mort J., suggested that these pioneers of A.A. in the Harbor Area start a meeting of their own in Long Beach. The earliest known "official" meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous in Long Beach was in Wednesday, April 2, 1941. It was initially called "The Long Beach Group: and they met at the Lagoon Clubhouse for about four months, then moved to Townsend Hall on Pine Avenue and in 1942 moved to the Bowling Green Clubhouse.

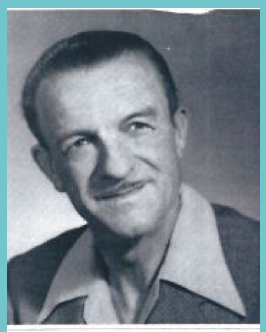
In the early days, the only contact with the A.A. Foundation that the Harbor Area Groups had was with the fledgling Los Angeles A.A. Office. As the story goes, Jack Jones got tired of running up to Los Angeles every time they needed something, so he got together with the group in Signal Hill and proposed that they start a Central Office in Long Beach for the mutual benefit of the groups in the Harbor Area.

To read more of the story, go to: "A Brief History of The Harbor Area Central Office" at the 'Archive Documents' section of the HACOAA.org website.

They got in touch with Major Harry J. White - USAF retired, a representative of the Los Angeles Central Office and a member of the East Bay Group. Members of the first nine groups in the area (now including the Westside Group) met in his home in Naples to discuss and plan such a venture.

The outcome - they formed the Harbor Area Central Committee. The first Chairman of the Harbor Area Central (later called 'Service') Committee was Bill S., 1948-1949. The next step was to find an office and a secretary. Clarence J. Lewis and his wife Flossie (who was first exposed to A.A January 1, 1945 at the Ebell Club) were asked and they accepted, and became the original "Special Workers" (from 1948 to 1955).

The Harbor Area Central Service Office was started in the home of Clarence and Flossie Lewis on May 14, 1948. The mailing address was P.O. Box 751, Long Beach, California. Jan. 1948.



Clarence J. Lewis

Flossie Lewis

Bert Kersey, Jack Jones and Jack C. were chosen to see about a telephone, which was installed in the Lewis' home (the Central Office) at 1128 Dawson Avenue, Long Beach. The telephone number was 305-150. Flossie took most of the calls and did the majority of the running of the office in the beginning. Advertisements were placed in the local newspaper, the Press Telegram.

EVENTS

HARBOR AREA EVENTS & BEYOND

MARCH 2020

PRAASA | 3/6- 3/8

53rd Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. Held in Tucson, Arizona. For more info. visit praasa.org

WE ARE NOT SAINTS | 3/14

HASBYPAA Presents a Saint Patricks Day Dance at San Pedro Alano Club at 9PM. Suggested Donation $10.

APRIL 2020

SO. CAL. H & I CONFERENCE | 4/3-4/5

Located at Holiday Inn 14299 Firestone Blvd. La Mirada. Spanish translation provided for panels.

SAN DIEGO SPRING AA ROUNDUP | 4/9-4/12

For more information visit sandiegospringroundup.com

BINGO NIGHT | 4/25

Presented by Harbor Area Central Office Service Committee. This is a fundraiser and all funds go to HACO. Location: Neighborhood Christian Fellowship 9603 Belmont St. Bellflower, CA 90706. Interested in volunteering call us at 562-989-7697. Entrance is FREE!

MAY 2020

AALA ROUNDUP | 5/22-5/24

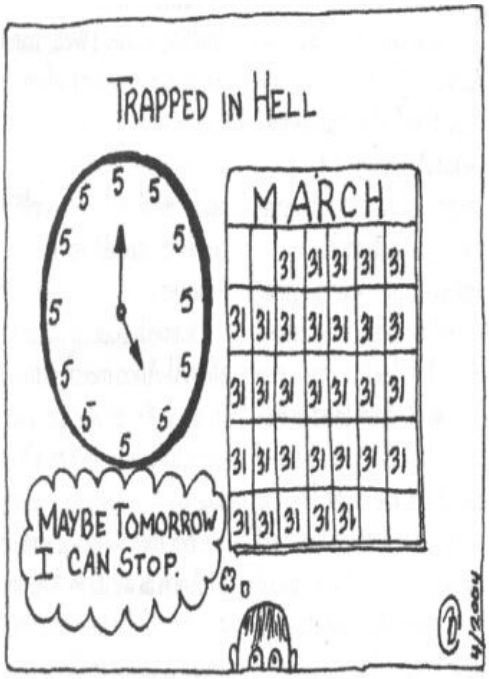
Save the date.

more events to come...

Want an event published in the Harbor Light?

SEND INFORMATION TO INFO@HACOAA.ORG
MUST BE AA RELATED EVENT (CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP, DANCE, CONVENTION, ETC.)

Just for Fun



Grapevine, February 2007

AA Word Search

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CUNNING
PEACE
REVOLUTIONARY
VANITY
HUMILITY
OMNIPOTENCE
TOLERATE
AMENDS
SAVE
SECT
ABANDON
WILL
JOYOUS

Letter from the Editor

By Kristin S.

Hello everyone,

Thank you for being a Harbor Light reader! You may have noticed that we haven't had a Harbor Light edition in a few months. We would like to sincerely apologize for our absence. The editor position has recently changed hands and it takes some time to adjust. We would also like to take this time to thank past editor, Michele K for all of her hard work and dedication. I am looking forward to continuing on her work this year.

The Harbor Light is a wonderful respurce for all of us AA members in the Harbor Area. This is a place to find local events and news, updates on what is happening at your area meetings, and interesting AA related articles from fellow members. With that being said, we rely on you to get content for this newsletter. Please send us anything you think fits for the Harbor Light to info@hacoaa.org. We are most actively in search for area events, Harbor Area and AA history, AA comics and jokes, and other appropriate AA related personally written articles.

I am excited to work alongside you all to have a great year of Harbor Light newsletrter. Have a great February!

> "More and more we became interested in seeing what we could contribute to life."
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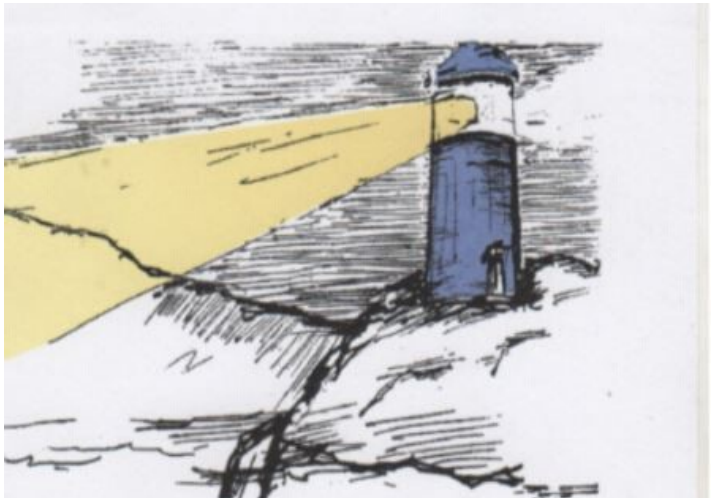
> ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, PAGE 63



HARBOR LIGHT

The Harbor Light is a monthly publication of the Harbor Area Service Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous. This is also a way to keep up to date on upcoming events as well as service opportunities in your local area. For more information on our newsletter and services we provide to alcoholics visit **hacoaa.org**

WILL YOU GIVE US A HAND?

Your Central Office needs help right now! Contributions have gone down in the past 3 years and they continue to go down. The three important components of Alcoholics Anonymous are: Recovery, Unity, and "SERVICE." Without service we can't help the alcoholic who is still suffering. Your contributions support the maintenance of an AA hotline, meeting directories, 12 step calls, website, books, pamphlets, and so much more. What can you do? Ask your group to contribute a little extra to Harbor Area Central Office.We URGENTLY need your support!

-Service Board

Visit **hacoaa.org** & contribute **NOW** via PayPal

The General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous suggests that groups support AA by sending excess funds to various service activities. There is no required breakdown of these contributions and each group should take a group conscience in making that decision. Many groups in the Harbor Area divide their contributions according to the percentages below. Also, consider making a personal donation during your birthday month in the dollar amount of years you have been sober.

50% to Harbor Area Central Office
3450 E. Spring St., suite 109, Long Beach, CA 90806

10% to either:
Mid-So. Cal (Area 9)
PO Box 51446, Irvine, CA 92619
or
So. Cal AA (Area 5)
PO Box 481193, Los Angeles, CA 90048

30% to AA World Services Inc.
Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

10% to your local district area
District 1, PO Box 10113, Torrance, CA 90505
District 2 (North of Carson), PO Box 8343, Long Beach, CA 90808
District 3, 1840 So. Gaffey St. #251, San Pedro, CA 90731
District 4 (South of Carson), PO Box 9972, Long Beach, CA 90810

Harbor Area Central Office

Board Meeting

Hosted on Wednesday Jan 8th, 2020

6:32PM Call to Order by: Rosa P. Chair 1
Serenity Prayer: Hosted by Rosa P.

INTRODUCTIONS :

BOARD MEMBERS (PRESENT)
Rosa P. Chair 1, Dan H. Chair 2, Brad S. Chair 3, Elizabeth D. Chair 4, Shannon B. Chair 5

COMMITTEE CHAIRS: (PRESENT)
Gerry W. Archives Chair, Matthew L. Web Site Chair, Gilbert G. Secretary

1ST Order of Business Brad S. Chair 5 begins by reading Board Minutes as recorded by former Secretary 2019 HASC Jay Z. PLEASE - SEE JAY's Written report for complete contents.
Half-way through Brad S. Realized that we had received/recorded wrong dated copy.

This is when the board decided to conduct tonight's board meeting based on each board members recollect of the contents of last board meeting utilizing tonight's agenda for recollect.

Secretary's Report: N/R
Treasurers Report: Reviewed as included in today's Jan 8th 2020 HASC agenda.
Rosa P. Chair 1 reads Chair 1 Report.

We than covered Last Month's Election Results by Position for dialog on any open seats.
With some reporting by various Chairs as noted below.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

PUBLIC INFORMATION: OPEN
PROGRAM CHAIR: ESTEPHANIE
H&I CHAIR: OPEN
ACTION & RESPONSIBILITY: OPEN
ARCHIVES: GERRY W.

PHONES: (After Hours) CARLINA W.
HARBOR LIGHT NEWS LETTER: OPEN (Dialogue on this position & conjecture on this job temporarily becoming a quarterly issue. (Just until we find a suitable person who can take over, Responsibility as Editor).

IN OFFICE 12 STEP PHONES: Eric B.
Reported: Sue helped Cover Open Positions, and suggests looking at old Business for? (Unclear)
Dan H. Chair 2 volunteers to Cover 2nd and 3rd Saturday's at Central Office from 12pm to 3pm.

Action & Responsibility: OPEN

ARCHIVES: Gerry W. Announces or reminds the Board that he is currently serving as Archivist for both District 4 and Harbor Area Service Committee noting that there are numerous files in need of recording / cataloging, building up. With the notion that we might want to initiate and or schedule a cataloging event. He also noted there would be a cost factor involved, suggesting we strategize on that for both an acceptable and viable outcome. Coordinated through Mitchell Area 09 (Former Archivist) and current Area 09 Board Member who hosts Scan & Catalog Party's on some Saturdays at our Area 09 archives located in Riverside.

On another point Gerry W. shared that over a period of time he has fielded some concerns about the ownership of donated Archive materials. With one person suggesting that we just turn everything over to Area 09 Archives in Riverside. (Gilbert G. shares some thoughts on this topic as a matter covered in previous years at either the District / Area Level) back when the contract for the current location of the Area Archives was being considered and with the intention of assisting Gerry W. with a suitable response to such concerns. Suggesting that Gerry W. could respond with this; Archives are for the most part not an ownership issue (being AA) Archives are more of a custodial issue much the same as a library is open to those who may want or need to review historical or archived information's. Keep in mind that Local availability of historical, archival materials is a long standing priority to Harbor Area.

[The notes contained herein are based on recollect or narrative and as such open to review & correction]

Harbor Light: Kristin (Acting Chair) with no response by our former Chair. Rosa P. Chair 1., offered to reach out. Dan H. Chair 2 suggests we temporarily produce the H.L. on the quarterly basis.

Matthew L. asks Board members about adding announcements onto our web site, including periodic changes to the recovery saying, include stock pictures of alcoholics, this is open to suggestions. This was introduced as just one of the ways to increase traffic due to a perceived decline in current web site trends. Matthew reports that after some coding updates that decline was reversed with noted increase.

NEW BUSINESS:
Elizabet D. Chair 4 reports on the need to have Sue organize Data on our Office computer so our Computer Service techs can transfer that information onto new system/computer.

Motion to sign an agreement with TRA consulting as our primary Tech Service provider.
Elizabeth D. Chair 4, will verify and report on some areas of concern but the base amount would be on the annual basis and stipulated as $600. Central Office has received a written proposal from TRA Consulting and moved to accept.

Rosa P. Chair 1, brings to the table: Office personnel annual review (postponed until an appropriate templet for that review can be developed). That templet would need to include a newly revised job description. Rosa P. volunteered to develop such a templet and share in the responsibility to conduct the reviews with the other board members.

Harbor Area Central Office Hours will be changed effective immediately:
The new hours are 9am to 5pm,
Add this information to our web site,
Post on the doors,
Host on our Directory,
Share that at the HASC so delegates can advise their meetings,

Special Meeting to update our Bylaws scheduled for Saturday Feb 15th, 2020 from 12noon until 2pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Gilbert Gonzales
Secretary HASB
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Harbor Area Service Committee

Service Delegate's Meeting Jan 8th, 2020

7:32pm Call to order by: Shannon B. Chair 5
Welcome and Serenity Prayer by: Shannon B.
Reminder to sign in for Quorum Purposes
HASC announcements and rules for voting eligibility / addressing this committee.
Reminder of a 5 min time limit for reporting/addressing committee.

Readers: Elizabeth D. Chair 4, Reads 12 Traditions

New delegates: Mark M. (Temp/assistant)
Lucy M. (Winners Circle Sat 10am)

Registrar: Deborah; Reported that we have quorum with 13 delegates signed in.

Secretary: Gilbert G. read (Decembers agenda report from Jay our 2019 secretary)
Amendments to that report were requested and recorded.
Committee voted on and approved minutes with a vote of 11-0 after amendment's.

Treasures Report: Chris I., was not present but had sent in Income and Expense report.
Elizabeth read the Income and Expense Report requests motion to approve.
Motion to approve came from Eric B. with Second by Mark M.
Voted on and approved.

Chair 1 Report: Rosa P. HACO Board Member Chair 1,
Read report from Dec 2019, which was printed and included on agenda.

Chair Reports: Public Information: Open
Program Chair: Estefany A.
Alternate Chair: Kristin announces Program Calendar for 2020 events

Bingo Night,	April 4th 2020
Rule 62 picnic,	July 11th 2020
Traditions Banquet,	November 7th 2020

H&I: Sandra H. Volunteers to fill this position

In Office Phones: Eric B. Chair Openings as of 1-8-20 Tuesdays 3pm to 6pm
2nd Saturday from 12pm to 3pm at Central Office

Action & Responsibility: Brad S. HASB Chair 3, Looking forward to a volunteer to fill this position

Archives: Gerry W. Reports that he is splitting his time between District 4 and HASC. Announces that Area 09 is hosting volunteer opportunities and encourages participation at the Area 09 scanning / catalogue party / get together. Also shares with us all this as a valuable opportunity for developing some background into what the Archives is and what is does with donated AA materials. Gerry W. shared on the development of a Heritage Day Event to be hosted by District 4 being put together (by Maryka O. Alt. DCMC) with member / group input requested on this topic. Emphasis is that the HASC members share this with your groups. Points out the historical significance of some of AA's past Conventions such as 1960' AA Convention located right here in Long Beach CA the 1950 AA Convention in Cleveland Ohio as well as the 1955 AA Convention in St Louis. Asks us to spread the word about this year's AA Convention in Detroit MI coming, July 2020.

After Hours Phones: Carlina W. Chair (Not Present)
But has reported via central Office there is an opening on 3rd Sundays from 9am to 5pm

Harbor Light: (Chair Position Open) Kristin S. (Alternate/Chair)
Rosa reads the Job description for the Harbor Light editor and volunteers to help Kristin with an upcoming issue. Noting that we haven't had a Harbor light since November 2019. Kristin suggests that we might want to consider (temporarily developing) the Harbor Light on the quarterly basis. Elizabeth & Deborah suggest that we take the Harbor Light Editors job description to our meetings. Elizabeth also notes that the Harbor Light Editors (Job Description) can be found in your HASC's Delegate Packet.

Website Chair: Matthew L.
Reports on a notable increase in the number of recorded Web Site visits as primarily due to some code changes. Also requests stories could be written and submitted for inclusion onto the Web Site with a request that they be from 250 to 500 words. As well a request that we allow the inclusion of some inspirational recovery blurbs which could be updated on a weekly basis. Mathew L. closes with a request to add the Action and responsibility update meeting changes in order to keep the Web Site as current as possible. He added that we could add an invite to readers to come to the HASC Meeting. Matthew points out that in looking forward search trends always require the development of new content.

INTERGROUP REPORTS (Coordinate Committees)

District 2: Chris I. (Not Present)

District 4: Open Hiro S. Area 09 (Alternet Delegate) 09
Reports on his responsibility, awareness of terminology and Spanish Big book along with a list of District some AA Business meeting schedules.

District 2 meets at the Imperial Alano Club on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 7 to 8:30pm 8021 Rosecrans Ave., Paramount CA 90723 which is also hosted a Concepts Workshop on Jan 18th 2020 from 10am to 3pm., events speakers noted as: Debbie A., Jeryl T., and Hiro S.

District 4 meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at the Church Building located at 1900 E. Carson St. Long Beach CA.

Hiro also shares with us a description of Job Briefs, Intergroup Meetings, Public Info from District to Area 09 Meeting asking who has seen or are aware of the AA Video called "Doors" and ends with the next Area 09 Meeting Schedule which is regularly hosted on the 2nd Sunday of the Month at various or changing locations. You can find the next scheduled meeting place on line by searching; (msca09aa.org) - Area09 meetings are noted o home page under Next Area Events.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rosa P. Chair 1 takes the opportunity to verify and / or fill any open Chair Positions.

HASBYPAA Chair;	Morgan B.
In House Phones;	Eric B.
H& I:	Sandra H. (Volunteers to Chair this position)
P.I.	Motion to Table by Rosa, 2nd by Gilbert (Tabled)
Action & Responsibility	Brad S. Chair 3 Volunteers to Fill this vacancy with (Unanimous Approval)
Harbor Light	While discussing the future permanence of the Harbor Light it was suggested that we take the (Job Description) of this open position to our groups. With further discussion to be continued.

Note by; Hiro S. Area 09 Alternet Delegate;
Reminds us, that this is a golden opportunity, to share service opportunities with new comers.

NEW BUSINESS:	With input from Shannon, Elizabeth and Deborah. District 4 Web Site Change to Central Office Hours are (9am to 5pm, Monday - Saturday) Getting that information out, by hosting this information in the Directory and on Line as our priority. Update to the Bylaws for Harbor Area Service Committee Scheduled at the Central Office on Feb 15th 2020
Shannon B. Chair 5	Thanks all Service Delegates for their Participation Motion to adjourn by Estefany with 2nd by everybody
Closing Prayer:	by; Rosa P. HACO Board Member Chair 1
End of Minutes:	Respectfully Submitted; Gilbert G. HASC Secretary