

AFG- District 19

Business Meeting on Zoom Saturday, February 13, 2022

The business meeting was opened at 1:00 by District Rep Mary

The 12 Steps were read by Ellen, Traditions were read by Jody and the Concepts were read by Myra.

Our timekeeper was David.

Roll Call: Meeting attendees totaled 21, with 9 Group Reps and 2 alternate Group Reps.

Tradition 2 discussion included readings from Reaching for Personal Freedom, page 72; Hope For Today, page 133; the Dominance portion of Three Obstacles to Success; Courage to Change, page 245, One Day at a Time page 276 and a personal story regarding dominance in a meeting she attended.

Web/Tech Coordinator Cecly has asked that when you sign on, if you hold a position and/or are a GR, to change your name to reflect that i.e., First Name **only**, GR/Officer/Coordinator. (Kathy, GR, Secretary).

Old Business:

Secretary Report: December 2021 minutes were reviewed and motioned to approve with 100% unanimity. Kathy D mentioned that she tries to get the minutes out within days of the business meeting and if any clarifications, omissions, or errors are brought to her attention she sends out an amended copy to the district members for transparency purposes.

Mary O. informed us that the newest electronic version of the Service manual will be available sometime in March and the printed form will be out sometime this summer.

She also brought back to the table her desire to hold quarterly GR/Coordinator meetings to discuss ES&H using the service manual. This was met with positive support. Discussion was had to see what day and time worked for most. Cecly volunteered to help facilitate this from the tech view. More will be revealed.

New Business:

Our Archives and Alt Archives Coordinators, Carlotta and Zen gave a quick presentation regarding next month's workshop: "We are Tomorrow's Pioneers... Saving our District 19 Legacy". There will be a workshop on Saturday, March 12 from 1-3pm via our

District 19 zoom account ([Log In Info](#)). There will be trivia questions and we are asked to go back to our groups to ask what they would like to see preserved from the current panel. Please announce this at all your meetings as all Al-Anon members are invited. The flyer will be attached to this email.

Open District Positions: Are you willing to give back and serve at the district level? Positions are open for the following:

- Treasurer
- PICPC Coordinator
- Special Events Coordinator
- Institutions Coordinator
- Web/Tech Support Coordinator
- Newsletter Coordinator
- Guidelines and Requirements can be found in your service manual or on our website under [D19 Guidelines](#)

DR Report: Mary reports that info is trickling down from Area that she would like us to be aware of. Under the Members tab on the website, there is a Welcome Checklist ([Al-Anon.org Checklist](#)) to serve as reminders to assure our groups are doing all we can for our newcomers. The 2021 Member Survey is also a great tool that shows us what Al-Anon as a whole looks like today. More members contributed to this survey than in past years! It can be found on our website or on WSO ([2021-MembershipSurvey.pdf](#)) You can also find “[Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism](#)” online that is available to share with your newcomers. Also in May the District workshop will be on Sponsorship.

Temporary Treasurer Report: Kathy B. informed us that the balance in the checking account is \$26,502.00. Reports are pending as access to the BofA account is being worked out with our previous treasurer.

Literature Report: Alternate Ellen is asking that we go through our own literature depot rather than purchasing books from Amazon. A great 7th Tradition reminder! Also, she and Liz attended a meeting last Thursday in Yosemite Lakes. There were two members and the meeting was not on our meeting list until now.

Announcements:

- Jody: the Sunday Night Book Study is still on zoom and secretaries rotate on a monthly basis. Also, the Wed Night Writing meeting can use our support. It meets from 6:45-8:00 pm

- Kathy D: The Friday Survival to Recovery is moving back to Café 210 effective Feb 18, 2022. 210 Center St., Visalia. The time had to change to 11:45 am to accommodate this.
- Billy, Alateen Coordinator: Just recently started a meeting of AMIAS's and District Coordinators to look at what is working and what is not working. There are currently 4 Alateen meetings in our whole area, not just district. There is some ideas being discussed about some hybrid meetings. He is very hopeful that within in the next few weeks two additional meetings can be started. There is interest in Visalia and he will be talking to Kingsburg High School and a high school in Fresno very soon. AMIAS recertification process will be coming up soon and would like all of us who have been thinking about becoming an AMIAS will do so. Please be mindful that it takes two AMIAS per meeting to have an Alateen meeting.
- Kathy B., Alt DR and Temporary Treasurer: Reports that she is getting familiar with the accounting database set up by our previous treasurer. The bank balance sits t \$26,502.00. Reports will be available at the next business meeting pending access to the Bank of America website. She is also working a getting a budget committee/meeting together very soon.
- Group Records: Liz was unable to attend and asked Ellen to read her report to us. There are 42 registered active groups in District 19 with 48 registered meetings. 33 of those are currently meeting, 7 are on hold and 4 are being held in prisons. There are 8 meetings that Liz is unsure about. Most are Spanish speaking and are listed on our website. If you can help by contacting or attending any of these meetings or meet someone who does, please help them get their info to Liz, it would be greatly appreciated. Also, WSO will be sending out the annual Group Records Update form for all registered CMA's (current mailing addressee) to complete and return. If you do not have a CMA listed, contact Liz at group.records@southcalleyalanon.org and she will assist you.
- Theresa, CTC Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Meetings are going well, and Saturday's meeting has food as part of their fellowship. It's a fun meeting and all are invited to attend and bring a snack to share. Recently made a group donation to District, Area and WSO. As newcomers to District service, she and Christine are looking forward to attending the Assembly in May in Sacramento and asks for support and guidance while there so they can be sure and bring back all the wonderful info Assembly provides.
- Zen, Friday Night 7:15-8:30 pm: She is not the GR but reports that members are trickling in and reminded us that they are there every week. Some changes include having monthly business meetings rather than bi-annually. They are using a calendar app to sign up to lead meetings which include reminders. All scripts and readings are in .doc form. This meeting will be celebrating its 46th birthday in

October and will be planning something special. The group has also been able to donate to our service arms for the first time in a long time.

- Cecly, Web/Tech Coordinator: Reports she is continuing to update our website and shared what our meeting list looks like and is hopeful members are using it. You can find it under the meetings tab. If you need to get a message to the District, please contact her via the web as there are members posting info to their groups Facebook page, and that is not reaching all our members. Please let your members know that contact information and zoom meeting info is listed at the bottom of the page, just scroll down. If you see any misinformation or omissions, contact her and she will get it fixed. Cecly is still hopeful that she can get our website on the Google platform which would afford the option of clicking on a language and the website is transformed to that language. Lastly, since she does not live in our district any longer she is looking for someone to step up and continue her term as Web Coordinator.
- David, Thought Force Chairperson: Reports that they are using KBDM tool to ascertain whether the district might like to go back to face-to-face. A questionnaire is being made and will be available to all GRs prior to the April District meeting.
- Amparo, Hanford Meetings: The Saturday phone meeting at 12:00 is still going on and the 11:00 meeting on Dewey St held on Monday is an in-person meeting.
- Billy, Alateen Coordinator: Reports that Becky in Oakhurst has stepped up to be the Al-Anon chairperson for AA's upcoming Serenity in the Sierra's conference scheduled for the first week in August and is looking for members to help her make Al-Anon a strong showing there.

Mary closed the meeting at 3:00 pm with the Al-Anon Declaration.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy D.
District Secretary

