
OCCA REGULAR GSO MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 6TH, 2026

- ⇒ **Chairperson:** called the meeting to order at 10:02 am, requesting all cell phones be turned off or silenced.
- ⇒ **Chairperson:** read the "CA Preamble".
Cocaine Anonymous is a Fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others recover from their addiction. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using cocaine and all other mind-altering substances. There are no dues or fees for membership; we are fully self-supporting through our own contributions. We are not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution. We do not wish to engage in any controversy and we neither endorse nor oppose any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay free from cocaine and all other mind-altering substances, and to help others achieve the same freedom.
- ⇒ **Chairperson:** called on a member to read: **"The Twelve Traditions"**.
- Dave W. read The Twelve Traditions.
- ⇒ **Chairperson:** called on an addict to report on Tradition #6
- Gina G. does a report on tradition 6 which states "A CA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the CA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."
- ⇒ **Chairperson** asks for an addict to give a report on the 7th tradition for next month.
- Adam A. volunteers.

Remaining GSO Meeting 2026 Dates: July 11th, August 1st, September 5th, October 3rd, November 7th, December 5th

Location: Orange Coast Unitarian Universalist Church
2845 Mesa Verde Dr. E Costa Mesa CA, 92627 Suite 8

ARE THERE ANY MAY BIRTHDAYS?

Melanie R.G. on 6/21 5 years

⇒ **Chairperson:** entertained a motion to affirm the new GSRs or confirm a new meeting, if any, as Directors of OCCA and arrange for them to receive a new GSRs packet.

New Meetings Petitioning to Join Area: None

New GSRs: Damien for the "Back to Basics"

- **Frank P. made a motion to accept the new GSR, Damien for "Back to Basics"**
 - **Jessica M. seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

⇒ **Secretary:** prepared to call roll and remind members that "During Roll Call, when you hear your name, announce "Present", your current Position (if carrying more than one, state positions following this precedent: Officer, Delegate/Alternate, Committee Chairperson, GSR.) and if you are carrying a Proxy please announce your principal for the record."

⇒ **Secretary:** calls the roll and announces quorum.

- **Present:** Chris J., Melanie R.G., Amy G., Betsy L., Jessica M., Frank P., Gina G., Marucs K., Carlo P., Russ S., Nick B., Kim O., Dave W., Matthew M., Matt S., Cierra J., Adam A., Katie S.,
- **Absent :** Russ E., Jason S., Angelina T., Vincent M., Jason S., Nathan E., Matt S., Keith D., Michelle D., Isis M., Jenn C., Travis M., Chris W. (No vote)., Matt A.
- **Quorum:** 17 present, quorum is 9.

⇒ **Secretary:** Passed the Master Contact list for any changes or updates to the Roll, Schedule, and Website.

⇒ **Chairperson:** entertained a motion to accept the minutes for the last GSO meeting.

- **Motion made to accept the minutes. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

⇒ **Parliamentarian:** reminded members to "To keep things orderly, when wishing to engage in debate/make motions, you will be placed on a list after being acknowledged by the chair, it will then be your turn to debate or make motions when you are called upon relative to your spot on the list. When in debate, please state if you are in favor, not in favor, or asking a question. For any questions of procedure, call for a Point of Parliamentary Inquiry (waiting till someone is done speaking) to ask the Parliamentarian directly."

BOARD OFFICER'S REPORTS

- ⇒ **Chairperson's Report** - Chris J.- 714.713.8280
- Report: OCCA seems to be declining slightly but noticeably with the loss of some meetings. H&I is doing well. Chris encourages everyone to speak up if a meeting is in need of help, try and have meetings an inviting and hospitable space (coffee, snacks, etc...) Chris also reminds us of rule 62 and to not take ourselves too seriously.
- ⇒ **Vice-Chairperson's Report** -Melanie R.G.- 714.675.2731
- Report: Melanie R.G. continues to work with Amy G. to Secretary position, things are going well.

- ⇒ **Secretary Report:** -Amy G.- 909.261.7368
- Report: Amy G. thanks everyone for their continued support as she learns the Secretary position.

- ⇒ **Treasurer's Report** -Betsy L.- 949.220.2504
- Report: Betsy reports that she needs to follow up with World in regard to a \$100.00 check that was sent that has not been cashed yet. The subsequent checks (total amount of \$300.00) have been cashed so there is a concern. Jessica M. and her are going to the bank today and taxes are good.

Previous Balance	\$ 3,593.78
Donations	\$ 1,283.00
<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 1,113.10</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 3,763.68

Savings: \$4,501.52

- **Treasurer:** asked for 7th tradition donations. OCCA Venmo: betsy-Lyons-1 949.220.3504
- Melanie R.G. wanted to comment that there are 11 meetings that do not contribute to the GSO. She understands that there are many meetings that are barely able to cover costs, however, if a few dollars could be contributed to GSO, that would allow for everyone to feel like they had skin in the game. The belief is that if we give generously then there will be abundance.

- ⇒ **Vice-Treasurer's Report** -Jessica M.- 714.381.0037
- Report: Nothing to report currently.

- ⇒ **Structure and Bylaws Officer's Report** -Frank P.- 714.514.4150
- Report: Frank P. stated that S&B is continuing its housekeeping meeting every other Saturday at 6:30 am and everything is moving ahead. Frank P. encourage individuals to attend. They also are discussing a quarterly meeting as well and trying to figure out a weekend for that.

- ⇒ **Archivist's Report** -Gina G.- 675.456.8178
- Report: Gina reports that she attended the World Service Conference and that there was an entire room dedicate to archives. This included things such as old meeting directories that were nostalgic to look at. She is still in the process of moving forward with interviews of old CA members and possibly doing a panel of several individuals at a time. There was also discussion of if having a link to a YouTube channel would be in line with the Traditions.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

- ⇒ **Group Relations Committee** -Vacant-
- Melanie R.G. gave a brief description of the GRC role.

- **Markus K. made a motion to nominate Kim O. as GRC chair, Melanie R.G. seconded. Motion passed unanimously**

⇒ **IT Committee** - Jason S. - 818.263.3500

- Website:

Total Calls: 2
Avg Duration: 2 minute and 5 seconds
Longest Call: 3 minutes and 19 seconds
Voicemail: 0

- Chris J reporting for Jason S. Jason needs help in the IT department and someone that knows WordPress.
- Chris J shares that there is a need to make CA attractive to the newcomer. We should be welcoming and friendly.
- Melanie R.G. recommended discussing with PI and Unity regarding the hotline being posted and placed everywhere; business cards, literature, etc..

⇒ **Hospitals and Institutions Committee** - Russ E. - 714.396.2796

- Report: In light of Russ E. stepping down from H&I chair, Rick G. was suggested to step up in his place.

- **Motion made to by Melanie R.G. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Rick G. reports that H&I is in 20 facilities and 53 active panels. There are still open panels and the roster for these panels can be found in the H&I WhatsApp.
- H&I has a new Vice Chair, Ed.

⇒ **Public Information Committee** - Russ S. - 912.314.3275

- Report: Russ S. gave updates on various events, activities and booths that are on the horizon for PI. There is also a sign-up sheet currently being made for the purpose of volunteer slots for the OC fair.

⇒ **Social Media Subcommittee Report:** -Chris W.- 714.980.1186

- Report: Russ S. reporting for social media subcommittee, the Instagram account that has been locked was due to an overflow of traffic coming in via the website link. They are awaiting to appeal to have the account unlocked.

⇒ **CPC Subcommittee Report:** - Vacant -

⇒ **Unity Committee** - Vacant -

- Report: Adam A., secretary for Unity, reporting. They are still in need of a unity chair and with Change that Counts meetings set for the rest of the year and pancake breakfasts already planned quarterly, now would be a great time for someone to step into the role of Chair.
- Change that counts: the last Change that Counts meeting took in \$20.00 but that was in the absence of fundraising. That next meeting will take place via Zoom and they are figuring out a QR code for Venmo and Zelle so online donations can be made.
- Pancake breakfast: Next pancake breakfast will be July 25 at Steve C. house and Adam asks for everyone to start spreading the word.

- Angel's Baseball game: Adam reported on the ticket price for non-profit groups that he had received from his contact at Angel's Stadium. He discussed that \$220.00 would be needed for a down payment on 30 tickets. Each ticket would cost approximately \$13.85. There was discussion on whether to make the ticket price \$15.00 or \$20.00 dollars with the price of parking being kept in mind. Adam was going to follow up with his contact at Angel's Stadium to inquire about discount parking.

- **Motion made to by Adam A for \$220.00 for down payment of baseball tickets. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

⇒ **Activities and Fundraising Subcommittee** -Nolan O. - 407.687.8656

- Report: Absent.

⇒ **Literature Committee** - Marcus K.- 479.305.9708

- Report: in literature sold today. No request for funds.

⇒ **Workshop Committee** -Nick B.- 949.382.9288

- Report: 4 attendees for May. Next workshop is on June 20th with the cutoff on June 17th. Workshop is \$25.00 and includes binder, workshop facilitation, breakfast and lunch. Cutoff for registration is May 13th.
- Discussion about a flyer being made about workshop to distribute.

**Capo Beach Church: 25976 Domingo Ave, Dana Point, CA 92624
Call Nick B. 949.382.9288**

⇒ **Chip Committee** -Carlo P.- 714.587.1258

- Report: Carlo reported:
Amount of Sales: \$256.00
Request for Funds: \$300.00

- **Carlo P. made a motion to request \$300 to restock on chips. Seconded. Motion passed.**

WORLD SERVICE DELEGATES/ALTERNATES

⇒ **DELEGATE** -Melanie R.G.- 714.675.2731

- Melanie R.G. reported on having oriented Kim O. on being an alternate delegate. She also reported on SR14 and the process of bringing information to the fellowship on motions being made at World Conference.

⇒ **DELEGATE** -Gina G.- 657.456.8178

- Archives world service committee meets on Saturdays at 9:00 am. She is currently preparing to attend world conference. She explained that anyone can attend the conference, having a position in GSO or being a delegate is not a requirement.
- Gina reported on her experience with the process of SR. Her and Melanie R.G. discussed how different information is shared between groups and areas for improvement

⇒ **ALTERNATE**

-Kim O.-

949.310.6824

- Report: No report

BUSINESS

⇒ **Old Business**

- Open Positions:
Unity chair
Literature chair

⇒ **New Business:**

- No new business
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⇒ **Chairperson** entertained a motion to Adjourn.

- **Frank P. made a motion to close. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- Meeting ended at 11:30 AM