# Nar-Anon Central California Region Special Elections Assembly

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 from 7:00 PM to 7:30 PM PDT Teleconference Only

### RSC Officers in Attendance

Chair Person:	Michael F.	X	Secretary:	Scott N.	X
Vice Chair Person:	position vacant		Delegate:	Teri M.	
Treasurer:	Arnie B.	X	Alternate Delegate:	JT W.	X

### Groups Represented

Group	<b>GSR Name</b>	Group	<b>GSR Name</b>
*Atascadero, Tuesday (131-033)	Larry B.	Monterey, Tuesday (131-028)	
Atascadero, Friday (131-034)		*Monterey, Saturday (131-029)	
*Bakersfield, Sunday (131-117)	Robert P.	*Salinas, Monday (131-130)	Janet S.
Camarillo, Tuesday (131-112)		*Salinas, Thursday (131-030)	Ruth K. (Sub)
*Carmel, Wednesday (131-075)	Mary Lynn P.	*Santa Barbara, Friday (131-066)	Scott N. (Sub)
*Gilroy, Thursday (131-009)		*Santa Cruz, Sunday (131-024)	Carole S.
*Hollister, Thursday (131-138)	JT W.	*Scotts Valley, Friday (131-025)	Linda W.
Los Gatos, Sunday (131-011)		Seaside, Monday (131-031)	
Los Gatos, Thursday (131-010)		*Simi Valley, Saturday (131-068)	

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates a registered group (Groups register for the calendar year at the first assembly they attend.)

### Subcommittee Chairs in Attendance

Subcommittee	Chair Present		Subcommittee	Chair Present	
Outreach	Janet S.	X	Conventions / Events	Scott C.	
Literature	Ruth K.	X	Technology Services	Robert P.	X
Narateen	position vacant				

## Quorum Summary

Total Groups	Registered Groups	Current Quorum
18	12	7

### Agenda Summary

1. Call to Order, Prayer, Roll Call, and Readings......2

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## 1. Call to Order, Prayer, Roll Call, and Readings

7:00 PM to 7:15 PM

A) Resolve Free Conference Call issues

Members may only participate via Free Conference Call (FCC). On the evening of the assembly, Wednesday, September 4, please connect via dial-in or internet online meeting no later than 6:55 PM.

#### **Dial-in Instructions**

Number: (712) 775-7031 Access Code: 271-421-422#

at the scheduled date and time of the meeting, please dial into the conference line. When

prompted, enter the access code followed by a hash tag (#).

### **Internet Online Meeting Instructions**

open this link: <a href="https://join.freeconferencecall.com/scottfromsb">https://join.freeconferencecall.com/scottfromsb</a>

to join the online meeting, click on the meeting link listed above, and follow the prompts to join the meeting. I suggest starting this process about 5 minutes prior to the meeting time, as there may be software to install on your computer or tablet.

B) Open the meeting with the Serenity Prayer

### (7:02 PM) Meeting Opened

C) Roll Call / Introductions – RSC officers, delegates, subcommittee chairs, GSRs, and other attendees

### Members at large in attendance: None

- D) Announce number of voting members Chair and Secretary
  - i) 9 groups present out of 12 registered groups.
  - ii) Quorum (51%) = 7 of 12 registered groups.

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- E) Reading of the Twelve Traditions(7:05 PM) Read by Michael F.
- F) Reading of the Twelve Concepts of Nar-Anon Service (7:08 PM) Read by JT W.

### 2. New Business

7:15 PM to 7:20 PM

(7:11 PM)

A) Motion to elect and endorse JT W. as Alternate Delegate representing the Central California Region at the 2020 World Service Conference and to confirm she will be in service throughout the duration of the 2020 Conference.

First: Robert P.; Second: Linda W.; Yes: 9; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Carries

Michael asked for questions, comments, discussion items?

JT – Starting over with a new group, we get the privilege in bringing a prayer to the meeting. There are prayers other members' would like to have. Can we only use CAL prayers or prayers from other Twelve Step fellowships?

**Robert – Prayers should be CAL: Serenity Prayer and Third Step Prayer.** 

Carole – Santa Cruz uses the "Thank you for the family of friends..." prayers. Other meetings in the area use it. Scotts Valley, Carmel, and Salinas also use the prayer.

Linda – CAL prayers can be found on <a href="http://naranon.ca/stepprayers.htm">http://naranon.ca/stepprayers.htm</a>.

Robert – this is a non-compliant website that has been removed as a link from the World Service website and should not be considered an authoritative source. These prayers are from other fellowships and not Nar-Anon Conference approved.

Michael – there are a few CAL prayers in the Blue Book and the prayer that was

Scott – Tradition Four says, "Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other Nar-Anon Family Groups, or NA as a whole." The above website (NarAnon.CA) is affecting other Nar-Anon Family Groups by appearing as an authoritative source when they are not. Spreading this misinformation has the effect of

approved at the last conference.

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diluting the Nar-Anon program. This is what happens when groups do not observe Nar-Anon principles.

Carole - The GLS has a *Suggested Meeting Format* section where the closing prayer is not specified, but suggests whatever prayer it is, it should be observant of Nar-Anon principles.

Robert – Attended several meetings with Cathy K., the WS Office Executive Director, does not participate when a group is not observant of the Traditions.

Scott – Knowledge implies responsibility. The Santa Barbara group inherited non-CAL literature and didn't know. The group was actually printing its own literature. When members became aware of their responsibility to other Nar-Anon groups and how their actions can impact other groups, the group conscience has become more observant to the unenforceable. Traditions are unenforceable, but "fidelity to the path" has kept the group strong.

Robert – Did the survey work for members? No problems were reported with the form. One member did not respond to the survey, but replied to the email invitation to the survey. Instructions may be clearer in the future.

## 3. Adjournment

Adjourn at 7:20 PM

(7:29 PM)

Motion to adjourn.

First: Janet; Second: Linda; Yes: 9; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Carries

A) Close the assembly with the Serenity Prayer (7:29 PM) Assembly closed