

**CENTRAL INTERGROUP OF THE DESERT
INTERGROUP MINUTES
October 5, 2006**

1. Jerald W. called the meeting to order with the Serenity Prayer.

Board Members

Chairman: Jerald W.
Vice Chairman: Katrina B.
Secretary: Carol D.
Treasurer: Fran G.

Directors

Bill B. Ginny P.
Bertha G Stan G. - ABSENT

Also Present: Jim K., Interim Office Manager

2. **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** Jerald read the Reason for Central Office and passed around the 12 Traditions to be read by attendees.
3. **INTRODUCTION OF NEW ATTENDEES:** Bob, all groups at Sunny Dunes; Gail, "Sunday in the Park" in La Quinta;
4. **MINUTES:** Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved with one correction: Under Introduction on New Attendees, the "Attitude Adjustment" meeting at EMC is on *Monday* (not Sunday)
5. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Fran presented the Monthly Financial Report for August 30, 2006. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Financial Report was approved.
 - o Question from the floor clarifying that our financial report is based on fiscal year.
 - o Question from floor inquiring about a donation from Maad Dog Daze. Fran answered that their donation usually comes in by February.
 - o Question from floor on the financial statement regarding the discrepancy in the net income and the 2 month period net. Explanation was that we had a "Retro Expense" requested by our accountant and that can be found on the P&L on last page. It is an expense for August.
6. **MANAGER'S REPORT:** Jim reported on the following:
 - o Reps - remember to put a check by your name and if name not there, sign in with meeting info.
 - o All volunteer shifts are filled but still could use more so we can have 2 per shift.

- The 12-step lists are being updated to include all cities you can cover, not just where you live. Also, calls are going out to all on the list to verify that info is current.
- There has been a price increase on aluminum chips to 40 cents
- There has been a price reduction on all books published by the Grapevine, i.e. “Language of the Heart, etc.
- Effective immediately, all books purchased (by anyone) in case lots will receive a 10% discount.
- A new book published by the Grapevine titled, “Emotional Sobriety, the New Frontier” has been ordered.
- Pamphlets regarding responsibilities of an Intergroup Rep are available and on the table at front door.
- Sales trivia: we sell 185.1 aluminum chips per week, 72.3 bronze chips, 10.2 Big Books and 36 directories.
- Thank you to Reese and Paul for writing on Step 10 and Tradition 10
- Volunteers for next newsletter: Chip will write on Step 11 and Paul for Tradition 11 – due next week.

There was a request from an attendee to have price list for books on the web. The board will look into it.

7. **SPECIAL EVENTS:** Bill B. reported that tickets are available tonight. New motto: “Take tickets bring back money”. Money is due by Nov. 2nd. Jim and Phillip volunteered to help Ginny with the coffee. In addition to the speaker, we will be privileged to have a group from LA put on a traditions skit..
8. **OUTREACH COMMITTEE:** Ginny P. thanked everyone for coming and reminded them that if they attend a meeting that does not have an Intergroup Rep to talk to the secretary of that meeting about electing one.
9. **WEBMASTER :** Jim K. reported that it has been a quiet month but that we averaged 71 sessions a day with 8 pages per session. The most sessions in a day was 85. Jim brought up the idea of having the lists of speakers – the same as in the newsletter – on the web. Reminded everyone to just let him know if you have any ideas for the web.
10. **OLD BUSINESS:** None
11. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - Contest for Groupvine name change. About 50 names were submitted. The board selected 5 names from which Intergroup Reps selected the new name – DESERT LIFELINE.
 - Update on the Office Manager Position: Several very qualified resumes were submitted and are under review. New Office Manger will be announced at the Gratitude Dinner.
 - A volunteer is needed to be the new editor for the Groupvine (now - DESERT LIFELINE). Tracy, the current editor, will be resigning at the end of the year.

12. GROUP REPRESENTATIVES - COMMENTS AND/OR CONCERNS

- Thanks to Jim for the wonderful work he has done as interim office manager.
- Question from the floor regarding recommended split of group treasuries. Suggested split can be found in the meeting directory and there is a pamphlet as well.
- It was recommended that groups should try to donate to Central Office monthly rather than quarterly as some currently do.
- Comment from the floor regarding birthday contributions to Central Office and how could we get the word out. Answer was to announce it at your meeting in your Intergroup report
- Attendees discussed several ideas regarding how to contribute more money to Central Office

13. H&I/G.S. Dist. 9 REPORTS:

H&I – No report

G.S. Dist. 9 : Reese reported the following:

- D.C. is the registrar for World Services. If you have any changes to your group or need to register a new group, call D.C. at 322-6798. Only half of all groups in the desert are registered and all should be.
- Katrina was elected as the CPC liaison – no committee.
- Discussions of ideas for PI such as bus placards, info at homeless gathering places, street fairs, special events. Also maybe having a booth at street fair in P.S. There already are PSAs that are approved by world service but not all TV stations are formatted to play them.
- Donations to Dist. 9 need to have your group number on the check.
- Heritage Day will be Sunday, Oct. 15th from 1 – 4 PM. Location is the Rec Room at Panorama Village, 1401 Teakwood Place, Hemet.
- Directions to Heritage Day as well as all events of Dist. 9 can be found at website www.msca09aa.org
- PI (Public Information) workshop on Oct. 28th from 10 am – 2 pm in Sun City at the Webb Center.
- It was suggested that anyone who has questions and/or needs more information regarding events, etc., about Dist. 9 should attend the monthly meeting. Next meeting Nov 5th at 6:30 PM ant Fellowship Hall.

14. SEVENTH TRADITION: Passed

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned followed by the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:	Thursday, October 19th	@ 6:00 PM
NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING:	Thursday, November 2 nd	@ 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol D
Secretary