September 2017 Chair Preview

We had a very robust agenda at our August **A**rea **C**ommittee **M**eeting (ACM), and once again we were "alcoholics unanimous." Four housekeeping motions were passed with no objection:

- That CNCA spend up to \$130 for 2,000 'Save the Date' bilingual postcards to generate enthusiasm for the 2018 Pacific Regional Forum.
- That CNCA fund one member of the Web committee to attend the National AA Technology Workshop September 8-10, 2017 in Sacramento, CA at a cost not to exceed \$500.
- That CNCA partially fund up to 4 additional members of the Web committee to attend the National AA Technology Workshop at a cost not to exceed \$700.
- That CNCA help defray the costs associated with an exhibitor booth at the annual California Association of Probation Institution Administrators Conference in Shell Beach (near San Luis Obispo), September 26-29, 2017 not to exceed \$325.

We also unanimously passed the old business motion we have been discussing for a few months that will supersede a previous motion on the books and allow for more of our monthly Area committee meetings and sharing sessions at 10 and 11 am to have simultaneous Spanish/English interpretation. If you have any questions, or want to serve as an interpreter, please contact the Interpretation and Translation Committee.

And we had two presentations of new business. The first motion from the Web committee will be new business at the September ACM: "That CNCA purchase a projector and screen at a cost not to exceed \$650." The second motion, which came from a discussion in District 90, we agreed will be a presentation of new business at the Fall Assembly: "That literature be developed sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation."

Amazingly enough, we also had plenty of time to start discussion on the new business motion regarding a 'hot spot' for secure internet access. A friendly amendment to the wording of the motion was accepted. And the question of how do you get a 'hot spot' coupled with some funny noises from the microphone stand gave us all some giggles and was yet another example of finding humor in AA service.

Finally, the DCMCs all went home with copies of the 67th General Service Conference Final Report books, so be sure to pick one up at your district meeting!

In service and gratitude,

Jennifer B., Area Chair