

Community Service Association Event and Meeting Notes

October 2014

The campaign packaging day was held on Monday, October 27, at the Harold J. Ballard Parent Center, Room 1. Bartholomew and Fettig assembled the membership drive campaign packets. The Annual General Membership and Site Rep. Meetings were held on Thursday, October 30, at the Harold J. Ballard Parent Center Auditorium. Fettig reported that attendance was low again this year with only about 20 people at each meeting.

December 3, 2014

The annual dinner meeting was held at Coco's Restaurant, 5955 Balboa Avenue in San Diego. Chairperson Rammer welcomed board members and invited guests, recently elected CSA board member Dolores Womack-Williams and her husband George.

Ortler presented David Rammer and Susan Levine with Certificates of Appreciation for their years of volunteer service to CSA. Rammer and Levine have both completed over 3 years of service and \$300 will be donated in each of their names to a charity or charities of their choice.

The Bookman has closed its doors. The agency operated out of a large warehouse rent free for many years. After the owner of the warehouse passed away, his heirs charged \$4,000 per month rent. When Ortler contacted Mr. Irwin Herman, founder of The Bookman, regarding spotlighting the agency in one of the CSA monthly newsletters, Herman reported that they had to close their doors. CSA was not aware of the closing until after grant funding had been approved in June and the checks written in late November. Prior to the check being sent, Ortler notified Fettig that the agency had closed. Fettig contacted Mr. Herman in regard to the grant funding and he reported that Jesimiel (Jesse) is continuing with the mission and works out of and stores the books at his father's Faith, Hope & Love Church. Mr. Herman asked if the grant funds could be sent to Jesse to be used to purchase books or for other operating expenses. Fettig said she would need to notify and obtain approval from the CSA board. The grant funding requested was specifically to be used to pay rent. After a brief discussion, board members agreed that the grant funding should only be used to pay for rent and directed Fettig to contact Mr. Herman to inquire if there was still rent due. Fettig will report the outcome at the January 15 monthly CSA meeting.

Holiday Donation: Fettig reported that the estimate of total donations was \$619 less than anticipated and donor specified designations were \$457 more than estimated. Total donations of \$173,086 plus \$2,500 carried forward from 2013-14 total \$175,586. The total for estimated expenses, donor specified designations, grant allocations and donations for 2 board members completing their terms of office total \$176,341. A difference of \$755 over estimated income. If the CSA Board decides to retain the \$1,200 that would have gone to The Bookman, subtracting the \$755 difference leaves \$445 for a possible additional donation. A decision will be made after Fettig contacts Mr. Herman regarding the grant funding.

Present: Ahlgren, Felix, Fowler, Levine, Ortler, Rammer, Ward, Williams, Bartholomew and Fettig

Excused: Harrelson and Read were unable to attend.

Michele Fettig
Secretary/Treasurer