# La Leche League of Southern California/Nevada

# **Area Council Guidelines**

The Area Council consists of the Executive Council (Leader Department, Leader Accreditation Department, Area Professional Liaison Department, Area Conference Department, Area Publications Department, Communication Skills Department and the Area Finance Department), their Associates/Assistants, a few others and members of the Southern California/Nevada Board of Directors.

## **Responsibilities of Area Council Members**

- Attend the Annual Area Council meeting held usually in the fall.
- Share any Area or District information with the AACL or ACL for inclusion in District Letters.
- AACLs need to include S CA/NV Board of Director members when emailing out their District Letters.
- If online, be sure to check your email often for department and Area communications

#### **Reimbursement Policy**:

- Check with your Department Head first before spending money on postage, mileage or other items. Advances may be available upon request and approval by your Department Head.
- You will need to show all receipts for reimbursement purposes. Please send to your Department Head for approval.

### **Mixing Causes**

• As a member of the Area Council, and even as a Leader, there should be no mixing causes at Group meetings, online, or at any La Leche League functions. If you are not sure if your situation is mixing causes, please contact your AACL, ACL or APL,

depending on the specific issue..

- Answering machine salutation should reflect the Area's policy on mixing causes. Signature or after signature on your email should also reflect the Area's mixing causes policy, when sending emails pertaining to La Leche League.
- Dealing with incoming La Leche League calls or your business calls: If you do not have a second phone line, you might consider placing on your answering machine, "Please be sure to leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible." This will make it easier to answer the phone call as either an LLL call or a business call, therefore not mixing causes.
- At all times, Leaders wearing two hats must be very careful not to promote their business until they are sure that it's a business call. The same is true for LLL, IBCLCs, childbirth educators or doulas calls. Please consult your AACL or the ACL if you need more clarification on this matter.
- If you are unsure if your situation is mixing causes, or you need help with your message, be sure to contact your AACL, ACL or APL, depending on the specific issue.

#### **District Workshops**

- A Voucher is at the end of these Guidelines. If you have any questions about the Vouchers, please be sure to ask your Department Head before a District Workshop.
- We encourage you to go to as many District Workshops that you want to attend. This is part of your job...to be visible as an Area Council member to the Leaders.
- Fees for a District Workshop are as follows...
- Full day with morning and afternoon sessions, or a continued session in the afternoon is \$20. Half a day workshop is \$10, with or without a potluck lunch.
- If you purchase food, drinks, paper products or other items for a District Workshop, please note that you will not be automatically reimbursed. You may discuss this type of reimbursement with your Department Head for reimbursement from your Department funds if you wish. Or save the receipts for personal tax purposes.
- Many AACLs suggest that the hostess/es of a workshop, be it either taking place at a home or at a public site, organize gathering the supplies for the workshop lunch and snacks. Those Leaders in attendance may volunteer to bring snacks, drinks and paper items, as well a potluck dish. Those bringing such items can save their receipts for personal tax purposes.

### **Area Conference**

- It is the responsibility of the Area, the Conference Department and the Area Council, to put on the Area Conference.
- Attend and participate in the Area Conference.
- As an Area Council member, it is expected that you be a speaker or a Facilitator at the Area Conference. If your children are too young to manage either, there are other ways in which you can help at the Conference. Be sure to contact the Area Conference Supervisor (ACS) or her Administrative Assistant (AACS) on where to help out at the Conference. Their names, phone numbers and email address are located in the *Leader Directory*.
- Due to the many tickets that are sold for the Area Conference, getting everyone through the luncheon lines in a reasonable time requires much help. If you are able, we would appreciate your help to assist parents with babes in arms through the luncheon lines and to their table. The ACS gives instructions about 15 minutes before we open the doors for the formed line to proceed in the luncheon area.
- Many active Area Council members receive partial to full complimentary registration for the Area Conference. This is based on the level of responsibility that your Area Council job entails. Contact your Department Head for further information. Luncheon tickets, drawing tickets, hotel reservations and other purchases are the responsibility of the individual Area Council member.
- To receive the complimentary Conference registration, you must be an active Area Council member and have been in your Area job for at least 3 months.
- As a representative of the Area, when attending sessions at the Area Conference, you will be expected to help keep the noise level down for taping and listening purposes.

#### **Department Responsibilities and Activities**

• Please contact your Department Head. The names, phone numbers and email addresses can be found in the *Leader Directory*.

### The Area Council

- The names, phone numbers and email address of the Area Council are located in the *Leader Directory*.
- Please note that when the S CA/NV Area changes to an Area Network, many of the initials (Alphabet Soup) may change a bit to reflect the Network.

**Leader Department Leader Accreditation Department** 

ACL CLA

Administrative Assistant ACLA/Area LAD Secretary

AACL LA Beaches ACLA AACL LA North **ACLA** AACL Nevada **ACLA** AACL No. Coastal Counties ACLA

AACL No. Inland Counties **Isolated Applicant Coordinator** 

AACL Orange County

AACL San Bernardino/Riverside

AACL San Diego AACL at Large

Leader Profile Resource Assistant

**Area Professional Liaison Department Communication Skills Department** 

APL CSDC, Facilitator Facilitator, Trainer AAPL LA North **AAPL** Beaches Facilitator, Trainer

AAPL Nevada Facilitator Facilitator AAPL No. Coastal Counties AAPL No. Inland Counties Facilitator

AAPL Orange County

AAPL San Bernardino/Riverside

AAPL San Diego AAPL CE Program PLD Adviser

**Area Conference Department Area Finance Department** ACS **AFC** 

AACS/Administrative Assistant Area Treasurer/Corporate

Area Treasurer/Financial Recording AACS/Program AACS/Registration Member Database Administrator AACS/Facilities **Budget Committee** 

Co-AACS/Merchandising Area Conference Treasurer

Area CS/Cassette Librarian Nametag Manager

World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator Coordinator Area Conference Treasurer **Funding Resource Coordinator** 

Outreach Coordinator

Baby Fair/Expo Coordinator **Investment Committee** 

# **Publications Department**

**APC** 

Area Database Administrator

**Publications Editor** 

League Spirit & News & Notes

Mailing/Circulation Coordinator

Wet Set Gazette Editor

Media Liaison

Information Technology Manager (ITM)

Email Announcements Area Web site Maintenance CN Resource Specialist

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Area Coordinator of Leaders

Coordinator of Leader Accreditation

Area Professional Liaison

Area Conference Supervisor

Area Publications Coordinator

Communication Skills Department Coordinator

Area Finance Coordinator

Director

Director

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# Area Council Voucher Form

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