

Spring Assembly 2024 Minutes

April 5-7

Tonopah Convention Center

Friday April 5th 6:00-9:00

Lyle: (Chair) Lyle invites all to join him in the Serenity Prayer:

Welcome Area 42!!!! Lyle Alcoholic Area 42 Chair

A Moment of Silence, please

“God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.”

Lyle reads the Virtual instructions:

We are going to record this assembly so that our secretary can capture the minutes and for archival purposes. For those of you on virtual, please change your name to include your service position for voting purposes. If you need help, please chat with the tech team. The chat will be limited to the tech team for now.

Lyle reads the ANONYMITY STATEMENT:

There may be some here who are not familiar with our Tradition of personal anonymity at the public level:

“Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.”

Thus, we respectfully ask that AA speakers and AA members not be photographed, videotaped, or identified by full name on recordings and in published or broadcast reports of our meetings, including those reports on new media technologies such as the internet. The assurance of anonymity is essential in our efforts to help other problem drinkers who may wish to share our recovery program with us. And our Tradition of anonymity reminds us that “AA principles come before personalities.”

A further note about anonymity: out of respect for others, please do not take photographs during any of the meetings at the assembly. Also, be considerate when taking photographs around the conference venue. Take care that you do not capture images of AA members, family members and friends who did not give permission and who may not wish to appear in your pictures.

WELCOME: Lyle C. (Chair) Lyle introduces Jennifer H., GSR from District 20:

READER: Jennifer H., (GSR – District 20) reads the following:

Reading: The GSR Preamble.

The GSR Preamble - We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A. We realize the ultimate authority is a loving God as he may express Himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that they can reach an informed group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship. Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our group and A.A. as a whole.

- Minutes from the last assembly approved by Jen G.

Reports

District 1. Louis P.

Hello, my name is Lou and I am an Alcoholic. I am privileged to be serving as the DCM for District One. Our district consists of groups in Las Vegas, Henderson, Boulder City and Searchlight. District One is doing well with 30 plus people living and on Zoom at our monthly business meetings. All our liaison positions are filled with each giving a monthly report on what is happening in their committee. Each month we invite a committee or Area Service Representative to our meeting to tell us about what they do. We also have a volunteer give a report on the tradition and another on the concept of the month. We have conducted 2 workshops so far this year. The first one was about the History of AA in Las Vegas and the second was a workshop on the 12 Traditions. Both were well attended and informative. I was amazed at the knowledge, wisdom and passion of the people who took part.

We also partnered with the Area to conduct a Literature Festival. There were games, a raffle and most importantly, food. We are planning another workshop in December. It's going to be called the GSR Roundup. There will be well informed and experienced speakers who know all about General Service. If you are interested in General Service or want to be a better GSR, this is going to be a great event. The Wednesday Night meeting in Searchlight celebrated their 40 th anniversary in June. Over 100

people attended. A sobriety countdown in that room would have been amazing! There was even a gentleman with 67 years of sobriety. Our Annual Fellowship Picnic will be at Broadbent Park in Boulder City on Saturday October 14 th .

There will be a Barbeque, Games, Face Painting, 50/50 Raffle, plus Live Music. There are flyers on the table in front.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 2. Debbie O.

Hello everyone, my name is DCM Deb and I am an alcoholic.

I am the DCM for the best District in the world, district 2.

District 2 has been busy starting from the end of 2023, were we hosted NNIG's December speaker meeting at the Silver Legacy in beautiful downtown Reno with the theme of "The Who Ville" where the Grinch chaired the meeting with the Who Ville mayor, Cindy Lou Who and the other WHO's by his side. Our GSR's showed up in full costume and worked to bring in the most money for the year. It was a wonderful and fun event. 2024 has brought us Four new GSRs, Lana, Max, Nick and Anthony and we just hosted our 1 st workshop of the year. Safety in AA. We had 10 topics that were brought from the GSR's homegroup and performed by our GSRs, with skits and member participation. The topics were heavy but necessary, such as, Staking, Misgendering, Violence, Inappropriate behavior, 13 stepping, Gossip and Active Shooter, which was discussed by an AA member in his Police officer uniform. The workshop was very powerful with amazing participation from all who attended. I am very proud of district 2's GSRs, they did a great job. We still meet on the 2 nd Tuesday of every month at our Center Office to discuss how we can better serve our district for newcomers. With the workshop behind us, we can work on bringing some light to Dark Meetings in our District. I want people to be excited about service and know all the opportunities that are available. I can't tell you the gratitude I have for this level of service and for my GSRs that get me excited with their enthusiasm... We cannot stop... We must not stop. Thank you for the opportunity to serve AA.

District 3. Shane B.

Verbal Report Given

District 4. Scott A.

I am grateful to be serving as the District 4 DCM for Panel 73. There has been a lot to learn and this is a fun learning experience. We meet the first Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm upstairs at the Triangle Club in room 3. We are also virtual for those that can not attend in person. This has been a great help to have presentations from our chairs and others who have not been able to make it to the meeting physically. We have had some wonderful presentations from our Area Chairs and have at least one more on the horizon. It is wonderful to see the opportunities for service at many different levels. I am hopeful that this is inspiring others to be of maximum service to God and to our fellows.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

District 5B. Samatha G.

Good Afternoon, my name is Samantha, I am the DCM for district 5B and I am an Alcoholic!! Since the last assembly District 5B had our annual picnic on October 8th at Wayne Bunker Park

we had a great turnout, and I want to give a special thank you to Betty S who took lead and chaired the picnic ad hoc. On January 27, we co hosted a traditions workshop with district 15, and 21. District 5B presented on Traditions 5 and 6. District 5B is also working with the DCM coordinator and other districts to host a multi-district event. More details on that will be available as they transpire. We are always looking for other districts to co host with us, and would love an opportunity to support any other districts in Area 42. Our monthly district meeting is held the 2nd Saturday of the month, KCB 5717 W Alexander Rd at 1:15pm. If you have any questions, or need any information please reach out to me. Thank you so much for letting me be of service.

District 6. Kevin E.

My name is Kevin E and I currently have the privilege of serving as your District 6 DCM. District 6 meets every other Sunday even numbered months.

I was able to attend PRASSA with our Alt. DCM, the round tables and here at Tonopah along with a great turnout of Dist 6's GSR and chairs. We are privileged that Dist 6 can support its trusted servants and excited about their participation and many are attending the Forum in LV. I'll also be at the forum as a volunteer.

I hope to see you all there.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 7. Tay Tay S.

Good Evening Area 42 Spring Assembly in beautiful downtown Tonopah Nevada. (Sorry Jake I stole your line) My name is TayTay, I am the DCM for District 7, and I am an alcoholic. I am so sorry I was not able to be there in person this Spring Assembly. It was a hard decision but the right one as I had something important happen this week that required me to stay home. I miss you all, and will be there in spirit and here online. I am hoping the District 7 tables are full as we have a lot of new GSRs in our district and I believe they are attending this weekend. They have jumped in with both feet and some have even taken committee positions. Yay District 7, sorry you are missing your snacks and decorations I will make up for it in September at the Fall Assembly. Our District is planning multiple workshops including one in beautiful Blue Diamond Nevada. We had one there last year and it was very well attended. Please keep an eye out for these workshops as our District members plan them. Our District 7 picnic at Mount Charleston is NOT going to be in August this year. We may have finally learned our lesson about doing it during Monsoon season. No more getting flooded out. Please mark your calendars for July 21st. We are hoping to get our speakers that were slated for last year. You know who you are. :) And we will have our band, chef, games and all the fellowship we can muster. Our District took almost a year, but we have updated our guidelines and are excited about the changes that have come from this, including a lot of new stuff on our District Website. If you have any questions see Teresa at the District 7 table, she not only leads the charge for our guidelines but is the person in charge of the website for our district. We have a lively excited district that I am so proud of. It has been an honor to serve in this way. This is my last year as DCM and while I am excited for everything that this year will hold, I am also a little nervous for what is next. Thank you all for the opportunity to be of service and thank you for my sobriety.

District 8. Laurie G.

Verbal report Given

District 9 Jo C.

My name is Joanne C., and I am a grateful recovered alcoholic. My pronouns are She/her/hers. I have not found it necessary to take a drink since September 08, 2007, I am the DCM for District 9. District 9 has had three to five active groups; our secretary has resigned so we are in the process of finding a new secretary. District 9 is also actively trying to start a meeting on the strip. We are in a good financial situation. Once we have more groups participating we will start thinking about having more events including meet and greets, and workshops. District 9 meets on the First Saturday of the month at 1:30 pm at Central Office.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 10-A-Lauri B.

There are a few things going on in our District. We try to have a Founder's Day BBQ in June, but we weren't able to this year. What we did end up organizing was a Sober Saloon end of summer BBQ! We had a nice turn out, we had a make shift bar and we made burgers, dogs and rootbeer floats! Attendees brought potluck items to share and everyone had a good time! There is a new recovery meeting space in Elko at 2140 Idaho Street with the name Club 164. It is a space for all 12 step recovery groups to rent spots to hold meetings. There is an upcoming vote on October 19th at the 680 River Street address to decide if that space is surrendered and the Elko Group moves to Club 164. Interesting times and we all know that God will make the final decision.

We wish the very best for Club 164 bringing options into our area. We are planning our yearly Gratitude Dinner scheduled for November 18, 2023. Stay tuned for final details.

District 10-B-Terry W.

Verbal Report Given

District 11. Open

District 12. Jeff P.

Hello, I am Jeff P. and I am an alcoholic. District 12 replaced the DCM with Jeff P. of Yerington as the former DCM moved out of the area. District 12 has had the Public Information Chair and the GSR Trainer attend our business meeting to present to us. District 12 is planning a Grapevine Writing Workshop on May 18, 2024, with the NAGSC Grapevine Chair and the GSR Trainer.

District 13. Matt A.

Verbal Report Given

District 14.- Mike M.

Verbal report Given

District 15. Lora C.

Hi area 42 Lora Alcoholic. District 15 is doing well. Since the last meeting last SAGSAC meeting, we have had a workshop in Jan. with District 21 and 5B. Well attended had speakers talking on the Traditions. Was a Learning Experience especially with combining of different districts, District 5B District 21Diane S. was the interpreter. We want to thank Diane S. for her Service in that area. Appreciate Bryce with help in organizing. Grateful for all who attended.

District 15 has become more united with the help hosting this Assembly. It's humbled me with this learning experience. Shown me the love and support of AA and all who are in service. The GSR's in our district deserves a shout out, Alt. DCM Heather, Kurt, Brian, Brittnay, Lynem, David, Scott, our new Alt. Crystal {first time in Tonopah}. Being in service has taught me to reach out for the hand of AA and ask questions...this helps me in my sobriety. I hope your satisfied with District 15's labor of love this weekend.

We are having our 4th annual "Ice Cream Social" in Aug. 2024.... Date TBD.

Thank you for allowing me to be in service

Love My life today, Thanks to my Higher Power and Unity, Service and Recovery I find in AA

District 16. Dave H.

Hello I am Dave I am an alcoholic. District 16 has recently moved our business meeting to the Sparks Alano club after the previous venue informed us that to continue meeting there we would need to provide liability insurance. In December we hosted the annual Christmas affair successfully and in February we hosted the NNIG speaker meeting.

I am grateful that we all have the privilege to be here sober and to be of service.

District 17. Linn C.

Verbal Report Given

District 18.- Open

District 19. Anne D.

Hello, all.

My name is Anne and I am an alcoholic. Welcome to all who are new - especially the GSRs and guests from out of town. District 19 covers about 8,876 square miles or a territory that is roughly the size of Connecticut. The towns that are included in our district include Ely, McGill, Ruth, Eureka, Baker and most recently Caliente and Pioche (please make sure you welcome our new GSR Noelle). We have four active groups with about 25 members who are sober on purpose. To learn more, please visit elyaa.org Our district's biggest challenge is finding the resources - time and money - to honor commitments that we hope will keep our members connected to each other and to AA as a whole. I was able to attend this year's PRAASA which is always a lively and enlightening experience. I made three brand-new friends and I attended the DCM and the remote

communities roundtables. I met a woman who said she knew of an area that takes a straight percentage off the top of the contributions and dedicates that money to remote communities travel. But I digress.

Next week, we are excited to welcome the SAGSC Public Information chair Debra B. On May 25, Jake S is set to come up for a post GSC visit (and possible train ride). On July 19-21, we are hosting the annual District 19 CampNic. And on Sept 14, District 19 is hosting the Inaugural ExtraTraditionalsal at Kershaw-Ryan State Park just outside of Caliente.

If you need more information about District 19, please reach out to us. We would be honored to help.

Thank you for my life.

Yours in love and service,

District 20.-Jay S.

Hello area 42 my name is Jay S. I am an alcoholic and currently serving as the District 20 DCM. District 20 had a tumultuous year. Our first DCM elect had to resign for health reasons. I am happy to say that he made it to PRAASA 2024. His 2 new lungs are working well and his recovery is well on track. Our second DCM of the year had some life changing events and moved out of our Area. We all hope things are going well for her. We had emergency elections in January. We elected and shuffled almost all of our positions. I am extremely grateful to be chosen to finish out this rotation as the District 20 DCM. We had March Madness training in January. This event was well attended by our up and coming GSR's and District members. We also had our very own District 20 Roundtables. This event was also well attended and very informational. I would like to recognize the District 20 table and welcome all 1st timers to Tonopah. We had a very successful Sober Holiday Dance in December with around 100 attendees. This is a huge number of people for our District. Finally we are once again hosting the Serenity Campout at Eagle Lake this year. We would love to see more of our Area 42 Brothers and Sisters attend. As always thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to be of service.

District 21. Roy C.

I am Roy and I am an alcoholic,

On may 05 2024 we will hold our 22nd local general service forum at 1521 N Eastern ave suite # 102 Las Vegas NV 89101, from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm where we will have 17 work tables with a varios topics and lots of food, everyone is invited, also the permanent convention committee of our district is working with the organizing committee of the Hispanic convention of the United States and Canadá that will take place on August 30,31 and September 01, 2024 in the city of San Francisco CA, we continue to inform and motivate our Hispanic community to attend the pacific regional forum,

District 22. Carlos M.

Verbal Report Given

DCM Coordinator-South John L.

I was appointed to complete the Area 42 - Panel 73 term for SAGSC DCM Coordinator prior to the fall assembly last year. For those of you who aren't aware of the duties of the DCM Coordinator, it is an appointed position, and according to the current guidelines, the duties are: *Provides a link between the Area, DCMs, and Delegate by:*

- *Conducting meetings with SAGSC DCMs*
- *Coordinating multi-District events such as workshops, picnics, etc.*
- *Conducting Traditions and Concepts education*
- *Being available to the DCMs to answer questions, attend District meetings, etc.*

As such, I am available to support SAGSC DCMs in any way necessary. I have come to believe that the areas of greatest potential impact involve multi-District events, workshops, and other activities. Some of my activities prior to the Fall Assembly are noted in my report in the minutes from that event. Since that time, the DCM's in the southern region have been regularly participating in joint meetings that provide a forum for shared experience as well as opportunities for coordination and collaboration. We traditionally have come together during SAGSC meetings and area assemblies and are now having quick virtual check-ins during off months – except for March as I was out of the country on my honeymoon. The Districts have begun participating in multi-District events that have been successful and are planning for future events together. They are also sharing experiences related to encouraging groups to elect active GSRs and are seeing some success. In addition, we have been actively partnering with District 21 to broaden Spanish-speaking participation. Maybe most importantly, District trusted servants are forming relationships beyond the DCMS that are helpful, increasing efficiency, and, in many cases, providing knowledge and resources that were needed but were lacking. This collaboration opens up access to the considerable shared experience for all which improves their ability to effectively scale their efforts. When we kicked off our initiative at the Service Festival last October, we saw a SAGSC-wide event generate significant results and a foundation was laid that has proven to provide opportunities for other multi-District events that have increased overall participation and visibility to important opportunities for service and education. We are already seeing a range of innovative activities being planned as the year progresses. This shared experience is beginning to improve the effectiveness of activities in individual Districts as we discuss topics and strategies for improving group GSR participation as well as any areas that are challenges to their groups. We are very early in this process of improving our communications. A WhatsApp group and a Google Drive have been set up for sharing documents and flyers. This is an appointed position but the more people who are involved, the more that will understand how to best support the Districts in SAGSC going forward. So, anyone interested in getting involved is welcome to reach out to help support events and outreach across the Districts. Of course, there is never one size that fits all. Some of our Districts are very remote, widespread, or small, and it is difficult for them to broadly participate in some multi-District activities and to scale their outreach efforts. There have been discussions related to their need for support in providing education and other services to their Districts notwithstanding that there is frequently a lack of resources in smaller or

fragmented Districts. However, as our recovery is a reflection of years of shared experience, the DCM's shared experience is proving to be useful to all. There are so many passionate and hardworking people to thank for this progress. From the DCMs, their alternates and chairs, such as workshop and outreach, to others in the service structure including the translation and Grapevine teams, LVYPAA and NACYPAA, we are coming together to improve the unity of the Southern Area. The significant contribution you all are making is greatly appreciated. I have really enjoyed attending the District meetings and events. I am confident that collectively we are enhancing the ability to serve the South in Area 42 through building connections that last while encouraging more people to make meaningful contributions to general service and AA as a whole.

DCM Coordinator North. Phil W.

As the coordinator of DCM's and committee chairs it's my position to help and promote communication between the DCM's in the north and the Committee Chairs in the North. We had a meeting at the round tables just a couple weeks ago, and our main focus was how can we better serve the groups in our part of the area? I did ask a question of the chairs as to whether or not; they had received workbooks and kits. Most of our chairs had not received a workbook or a kit yet. I asked them if they would please get a hold of the General Service Office via our AA.org website. By going to the contact page and finding the appropriate committee desk and asking them if they could please send a Workbook and Kit out our way to the chair. We also talked about the DCM's starting workshops and making it clear that we wanted group members as well as GSR's to always show up at workshops. The workshops that could be put on by the DCM's would include requesting two or three Committee Chairs to come to a district and put on presentations, showing the members material that is available to help the groups do the sole purpose of groups, and that is to carry the message that the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous work. We also heard from our District 22 that they've been working on putting together a couple committees, including a Public Information committee that has already done some. Public Information work in the community. District 6 also gave us a little report of a group in Lake Tahoe area putting together a Committee to talk to the professionals so the work of AA is going on and being done by groups in the Northern area and we really are working towards helping more groups do their sole purpose.

GSR Trainer South. Dano B.

My name is dano B. And I presently serve as the southern area GSR trainer/ guider. Our small committee is hard at work updating the GSR orientation manual/ formally known as the GSR survival guide. Making it informative,easy to follow, translatable, and tech friendly. Unfortunately, it will not be unveiled at this springs assembly. The three other committee members are a lot more maticulous with language, punctuation,and spelling than I. We will be hosting another pep rally/ training session before the roundtables. Hoping the GSRs have a more insight and perspective about AA as a whole functioning in tandem with the group conscience going into our discussions. Hopefully my northern counterpart Pat S. And I will have an

accessible table at assembly to help and guide GSRs that might ask us for insights. The rest of my term I will be doing my best to reset, update the binder and information so the next GSR trainer has all current material and a smooth transition.

GSR Trainer North. Pat S.

My name is Pat. I am an alcoholic and serve as the GSR Trainer from NAGSC. My Counterpart from SAGSC, Dano, and a wonderful committee continue to work on revising the GSR Training Manual. A separate report on that is on the agenda for another time during this Assembly. I meet with NAGSC GSRs for an hour prior to the start of the business session of NAGSC, four times a year. We discuss a host of issues ranging from what other meetings it's suggested to attend to how to make a GSR report to your home group. As GSR Trainer I am available to work with any Northern Nevada district to discuss the need for participation in General Service. The last such session was at the business meeting of District 12 in Fallon four weeks ago. I attended PRAASA the first weekend in March in San Francisco where I gathered as much information as possible to help me in my role as GSR Trainer. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Accessibilities Remote Communities- South. Joan R

Hi, my name is Joan. I am an alcoholic and the chairperson of the SAGSC Accessibilities Committee. "Meetings to Go" is our meeting service to bring AA meetings to members in nursing homes, group homes, and rehab hospitals. If you'd like to join our volunteers or know someone needing this service, please contact Joan R. at joanrservice@gmail.com. Remote Communities also fall under the responsibility of our committee. GSO defines Remote Communities as anyone who has difficulty accessing AA meetings due to differences in geography, language, and culture. Our Spanish-speaking AA members in District 21 belong to what is called a linguistic remote district, and we are working hard to bring our English and Spanish-speaking committees and service groups closer together. Our committee held its first Technology Workshop on March 24th for Spanish-speaking GSRs, Intergroup reps, Committee Chairs, liaisons, etc., to help them set up email accounts and learn how to use online meeting applications. I created the slides which are now available in both English and Spanish if you would like to use them for your groups. Just email me at joanrservice@gmail.com and I will send them to you. Thanks to Diana M., Accessibilities co-chair and bi-lingual member, for translating our materials and working with District 21 to make this event possible. If you are interested in participating on the Accessibilities committee, please come to our next meeting which will be held on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 7 pm on Zoom. The meeting ID: 833 0643 2783; password: handofaa.

Accessibilities Remote Communities- North. Joe H.

1. I just returned from PRASSA in San Francisco & attended the Workshop on Accessibilities on Friday night. I also attended the Workshop on Remote Communities on Saturday. Both workshops were very informative and have given me some ideas.

2. I had 2 presentations scheduled for different districts. District 12 in Fallon was on Jan. 13th. I did the presentation, ate at their potluck & was the guest speaker for their monthly birthday meeting. Busy Night seeing how I had a spinal procedure on Jan 12th. District 16 presentation was scheduled for November & when I tried to log in, they had some technical problems that night. We will be re-scheduling.

Thank you

CPC South. Chris H.

Greetings everyone, from Chris H, S Area 42 C.P.C. chair.

For those who may not be familiar with C.P.C., here is a brief overview.

C.P.C. is an acronym for Cooperation With The Professional Community. C.P.C. came into being as a distinct entity in 1970 when the trustees' committee was formed as an outgrowth of the Public Information Committee. In 1971, the Conference C.P.C. Committee was established. C.P.C. is an outward-facing committee, it does not focus its service efforts inward to the fellowship, contrary to most other A.A. committees. In fact, C.P.C.'s inward efforts are focused on keeping the fellowship aware of our efforts and accomplishments outside of the fellowship. In simple terms, consider C.P.C. as the megaphone of all things A.A. to professionals outside of the fellowship who work in a vast array of fields. Nearly all professionals we meet have at least basic knowledge of A.A. They know that we conduct meetings where alcoholics who want to get sober and stay sober meet. Most know that we have a text book, our "The Big Book". Most know we "work Twelve Steps." Consequently, C.P.C. focuses on communicating to the professionals information about the resources A.A. has, resources that the professional doesn't have yet may be useful to them as they engage with alcoholics and problem drinkers in their daily work lives. In this vein, the following is a summary of the recent accomplishments of S Area 42's C.P.C. efforts:

1) C.P.C. held our second annual Forum For Sober Communities on March 14, 2024. This Forum facilitates an opportunity for members of the fellowship and professionals from outside to cooperatively discuss at length the disease of alcoholism. This year's topic was Obstacles To Sobriety. I want to personally thank the many members of the fellowship who stepped up to the plate and volunteered to collectively make this event a great success!

2) Saturday March 9, 2024, I conducted a presentation to A.A.'s National PI & CPC Working Group.. My presentation highlighted the approach we take to reach out to Professionals and the successes we've realized, most notably, the cooperative relationship we developed with the Nevada Army National Guard. SArea 42 conducted 2 presentations so far and on March 10, 2024, Terri M, the CPC chair for the north, conducted the first presentation to the Guard in the Reno area.

To learn more, join our monthly C.P.C. committee meeting that is co-presented with the PI Committee via zoom, 2nd Monday monthly from 4:30 - 5:30. The log in information is:

Join SAREA42 PI Committee & CPC Committee Joint Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86974614930?pwd=amNoUFdFR1NFaW9LYytUU3g5aTMrZz09>

Meeting ID: 869 7461 4930

Passcode: Serenity

Feel free to contact me at the following email address (please noted that CPC's email address has changed to that which follows): aa.sarea42.cpc@gmail.com

CPC North. Terri M.

Hello everyone, my name is Terri and I'm an alcoholic and your Northern Nevada Cooperation with the Professional Chair. This year has been so exciting in the CPC world! I was able to go to PRAASA with my DCM Mike M from District 14. We made it out of Tahoe/Truckee just before the biggest storm of the year hit! It was apocalyptic and we escaped it! I feel lucky for sure. That was my second in-person PRAASA and how cool that was. I attended the CPC roundtable on Friday night and realized for a rural area, we do carry the message, and other areas and districts are all doing the same. Reaching out to professionals, doing presentations. On March 10, 2024, Me, 3 AA Veterans, 1 Al-Anon speaker all went to the outskirts of Reno to give a presentation to 122 National Guardsman. What a powerful event! I talked about what AA is and isn't and the other 4 shared their stories. Some shed tears, all were paying close attention I feel. A gentleman showed up to a meeting that night, to a Veterans meeting that one of the presenters was telling everyone. The soldier said the presentation was "Fire" (They were a young crowd) and he was tired of doing it alone. How Cool is that? I have been to Districts and given presentations, I have mailed professional packets to rural area's and taken a panel into the Nevada National Guard. I'm a lucky girl. Finally, I also am the 2024 co-chair of the ACC CPC committee. I summarized and presented CPC Agenda Item E and members do not call it March madness for nothing! It was a quick turnaround as you know. I absolutely feel gratitude for all the new friends I have made while being in this CPC position. I thank all of you for shining your light. I thank God and A.A for given me a life beyond my wildest dreams! □ With love and service,

H&I South. Gerald T.

Verbal Report Given

Corrections Facilites North Bigg J.

Hello my name is Bigg and I serve as NASC Corrections chair. Here is my report for the 2024 spring assembly. I spent the last part of last year trying to form and discussing ways to form a corrections committee. My hope for this committee was to have it composed of different corrections liaisons from different home groups of Northern area 42 .I was hoping that we could discuss possible ways to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous into the Northern Nevada Prison system. And assist each other in ways to become effective. The interest was not matched and the effort to get a committee was dropped once the first of the year came up. My efforts swayed towards reaching out to the wardens. In this case I inquired about their interest in online meetings. I ended up reaching out to Robyn Freese, director for the state and she was able to put me in contact with wardens and chaplains. About the time I started to gain a little momentum with the wardens, my efforts started shifting towards being prepared for being the Chair of the Area Conference Committee for corrections and getting agenda items summarized. The Corrections Area Conference Committee was small but we were able to summarize our items with a vast amount of fun about it. I attended Prassa where I gained a mountain of information and soaked in as much as possible. Next was Nagasc. Those in attendance would concur I

participated. Lol! My plan to circle back with wardens and chaplains and to gain their interest in placing online meetings in the Northern Nevada prison systems. I look forward to the assembly and look forward to hearing what Jake says he heard at the Conference.

Treatment Facilities/ Bridging the Gap North. Anna L.

My name is Anna, I am an alcoholic and your current NAGSC Treatment and Bridging the Gap Committee Chair. The committee has been having regular monthly meetings since December with an average of 6 attendees. The format of our meetings is to give each district and NNIG an opportunity to report on meetings and Bridging the Gap presentations that are being taken into treatment facilities and institutions in their areas. Our meetings are also intended to help and support districts without active committees and create an environment where they can learn from the other district committee chairs. Here's what's happening in the Northern Area: Reno districts 2 and 4 have AA meetings going into several treatment centers anywhere from once a week to daily, mostly through the NNIG Treatment Committee. The NNIG Bridging the Gap Committee is taking presentations into one treatment center twice a month, and recently began taking presentations into the Lyon County Jail. They also distribute a business card and flyer with a QR code that enables people who are being released from treatment to request a temporary contact in their home town. District 6 also has regular AA meetings and Bridging the Gap presentations going into multiple treatment centers in the Carson City area. District 8 has panels that go into a DUI class once a month, and a panel that goes into an outpatient rehab monthly. District 12 has a regular Bridging the Gap presentation going into New Frontier in Fallon, and patients in New Frontier are allowed to go out of the facility to attend AA meetings. District 20 has a new H & I Committee Chair and recently began taking weekly men's meetings into Crossroads in Susanville. District 22 was contacted by an inmate in High Desert State Prison in Susanville, CA who requested information on starting a meeting in Spanish inside the prison. The district sent the inmate literature and a package with information on how to run the meeting. The NAGSC Treatment & Bridging the Gap Committee and NNIG Bridging the Gap Committee are working together on scheduling mini workshops in Districts 10B, 14, and 20. We are also working on creating a business card (with help from the NNIG Bridging the Gap Committee Chair) with a QR code that will connect people who are being released from treatment with the meeting app and enable them to request a temporary contact in their home town. If you are interested in participating in taking AA meetings or Bridging the Gap presentations into treatment facilities or would like to be added to the temporary contact list to assist a newcomer to their first AA meeting, please see me any time this weekend! Thank you for allowing me to be of service and to be a part of. I am delighted

Grapevine South. Heather L.

Hello, I am Heather L., Alcoholic. I am the SAGSC Grapevine Chair. Here is the Grapevine Committee Report: Since we met in Tonopah last Fall, the SAGSC Grapevine team has been

busy! Not only that, Grapevine in New York has been hard at work - with its host of forward-thinking sobriety tools: apps, podcasts, Instagram, audio books, website updates, the Armed Forces Interview project and more! Please go to aagrapevine.org if you haven't seen all there is! Grapevine News:

*The app is easy and free to download. It gives you access to the sobriety countdown, Daily Quote, Spiritual Maintenance Checklist - and now you can view and share two free articles...free! For a \$2.99 app subscription you get all this and the latest issue, past issues, web exclusives, and access to the archives. When you do this you will not only be enhancing your sober skill set, but you will be helping to keep the Grapevine self-supporting and on its trajectory to continue to reach out in amazing ways to the alcoholic who is suffering or just needs inspiration!

*Subscription prices will be going up this month. For the first time in 12 years the price of the print subscription will increase. The price, beginning on 4/15 will be \$36 per year.

*For a limited time the Grapevine has been offering current subscribers a deal where you can add full access to the Grapevine App and website for just \$10 - which is a savings of \$11 off regular price.

Our Grapevine team, which includes several new reps, has been a part of quite a few great events:

- November 23-26 - Las Vegas Roundup - Grapevine was a success! There was a fantastic grapevine table and display. There was a fun Grapevine Trivia Game (prizes included) on Saturday afternoon. The VOLUNTEERS were wonderful.
- 01/27 - A combined District Workshop (5B, 15, 21) was informative! The workshop was at TIE Club from 1-4. The theme was Traditions 5-12. Bonus: It was a potluck! Grapevine brought cupcakes. We made available the traditions checklist for every person in attendance. We also had the traditions book, a few other books and informationals.
- I attended the first GVAC Workshop of 2024 on January 18th. There was some interesting information. Currently, there are 10,840 GV Reps and 95 Area Chairs/Alt Chairs. How cool is that? There is one link devoted to answering questions about the app.
- I met with DCM, Anne, from District 19 (Ely) via zoom on the 19th to discuss doing the Grapevine Writing Workshop again this year! Yay! Would love to see more of the Grapevine Team there this year. Great place to go to escape the heat!
- I sent an email encouraging LVYPAA to submit their stories! Grapevine is currently looking for young people's stories - to be submitted by March 15th. I also encouraged our CPC Chair, Chris, to submit a story for the CPC issue, which she is doing. Woo hoo!
- 2/29-3/03 - I attended PRAASA in San Francisco, which was an incredible experience. I was able to sit in on the Grapevine Roundtable and most of the panels. I came back with new information about the deep need for our community to tap into the grapevine resources. It has been costly to upgrade - so that we can cast a wider net, possibly reaching further and to younger alcoholics. We, who have been here for a stint, know that

grapevine literature is one of the key financial components in our remaining self-supporting.

- 3/14 - Attending the CPC Round Table at Central Office and sharing about the grapevine resources was a great experience..

We have a few upcoming calendar items we are looking forward too as well:

- June 22nd we will be celebrating Grapevine's 80th birthday at Central Office from 2-4 (see flier). There will be food, history, games, and speakers - we have one speaker secured and are looking for one more. If you or someone you know has written a story for grapevine please reach out! Volunteers appreciated too!
- 07/19-07/21 - CampNic in Ely - Grapevine will host a writing workshop, book fair, and trivia contest on the 20th.
- 11/28-11/30 - Grapevine will set up at Las Vegas Roundup at the Plaza! We are hoping to coordinate a writing workshop at the same time as Al-Anon and LaVina.

*DCMs have been contacted and I have made myself available for their business meetings.

*Fun Fact - DID YOU KNOW that in 1972, the Grapevine Conference Committee recommended that retiring delegates continue their service to A.A. by acting as Grapevine Representatives in their areas.

Please join us, anybody interested in being a part of this AWESOME committee, via zoom, the last Tuesday of each month!

- Meeting ID: 856 8901 3390 (passcode: 009776)

Grapevine North-Sue H.

Verbal Report Given

La Vina Chair South. Leo M.

Verbal Report Given

La Vina Chair North. Teresa B.

Verbal Report Given

Public Information South. Deborah B.

My name is Deborah, I'm an alcoholic. I serve as your SAGSC Public Information Chair. The combined Public Information and Cooperation with The Professional Community Committee meeting meets 2nd Monday of the month @4:30pm exclusively via Zoom. Meeting ID: 869 7461 4930 PW: Serenity I'm attending District meetings to generate and explore collaborative events. Find out what's working already and what we can do to ensure those who want to find AA are

able to. I attend a monthly PI/CPC Working Group meeting based out of The East Bay. Everyone is welcome to join on the second Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM using Zoom ID: 878 0311 3474, password: 411 I went to San Francisco for the PRAASA 2024 Conference. The Panels and Roundtables were enlightening. I had the honor of being a Reader on the first day. Don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions! I'm available by phone, text, or email at debben91@gmail.com. It's my pleasure to be of service.

Public Information North. Don D.

My name is Don and I served as the Public Information Area Conference Chair for this year. We Had an amazing year that was very fluid due to the participation from our committee members throughout the process. We had 5 active participating members and 2 presenters. We had 15 agenda items, many of which were reviewing progress on previous items and 2 presentations. We met a couple of times previous to receiving the items then we were able to distribute the workload very evenly throughout the committee. I am extremely grateful for how proactive my committee members were and the collective experience we had to be able to get them done. Thank you for the work you put in and helping our area to be better informed on what is happening in AA as a whole.

Intergroup Liaison North. Ed L.

Hi everyone my name is Ed and I am an alcoholic and the liaison for NAGS and NNIG. This position is one that I will always love. It has been an amazing journey so far. I have been able to connect many committee chairs in both groups together. This has allowed more cohesiveness between both groups not to mention a farther reaching approach. NNIG tends to be a Reno, Carson City service type group. Many now are working out to NAGS committee chairs and working in the outline areas. This is the sole purpose of the liaison position. I am working with Anna our Treatment and Bridging the Gap on her committee and with the committee chairs for NNIG. These 3 women are on fire and reaching out to the outline areas together. This means I go to all of the NNIG NAGS and Treatment and Bridging functions. It has been a very rewarding position to be in. If you would like the information of the NNIG chairs just let me know. I have made it a point to make sure that everyone involved is ok with sharing their information. Yours In Service

Intergroup Liaison South. Amanda V.

Intergroup meets at the Central Office on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 pm or on Zoom. Meeting ID: 958 1257 1807 Passcode: 710AA.

For any information relating to Las Vegas Intergroup, please visit <https://lvcentraloffice.org/>
We would like to welcome:

- Our new Intergroup Secretary, Susan E.
- Our new Silver Streak editor, Jack S. The Silver Streak is the Intergroup newsletter that highlights experience, strength, and hope, along with upcoming events from around the valley. Sign up for the newsletter at: <https://lvcentraloffice.org/slvstrk/>
- Our new Outreach Committee/Unity Outreach chair, John L.

The Board of Directors has filled all openings and has been meeting on a regular basis. We are excited to host the annual event, ICOAA (Intergroup Central Offices of Alcoholics Anonymous, AA World Services from New York, and Grapevine Editor/Office representations), on August 22-25, 2024, at the Plaza Hotel and Casino. This event is held each year all over the US and Canada, so it is an honor and a privilege that Las Vegas won the bid for 2024! Volunteers are needed for this event and a committee is being formed.

The Hotline is quite active and always needs volunteers—especially for transfer phone people and the people on the backup list. Not all Central Offices have actual alcoholics answering their hotlines 24/7. We are grateful that the hand of AA is always there for the suffering alcoholic in our Area. For more information, contact Judy or Saul at Central Office or email centralofficehotline@gmail.com.

Founders Day will be held on Sunday, June 9, 2024, at the Central Office. A committee has been formed and is looking for volunteers. Contact John H. for more information.

Volunteers for the upcoming Gratitude Ball will be needed, and a committee is being formed. Contact Roxanne N. for more information.

The Las Vegas Roundup will be at the Plaza Hotel and Casino over Thanksgiving. Committee meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month at the T.I.E Club at 1 pm.

CampNic 2024, hosted by District 19, will be held on July 19-21, 2024, in Ely, NV, at the Ward Mountain Campground. Register at <https://campnic2024.eventbrite.com>. More information is available at elyaa.org.

Intergroup Financials: Full financials are available upon request.

Contributions are the worst they have been in five years. Intergroup reps have been asked to remind their home group Treasurers to submit contributions in a timely manner. The Intergroup Office Manager, Judy P., has been doing a good job of being mindful of office expenses.

Profit & Loss YTD February 2024

Total Income: \$48,770.95

Total Expenses: \$41,891.78

Net Income: \$6,879.7

Balance Statement:

Closing Balance as of 2/29/24: \$154,118.97

LVYPAA Liaison. Micheal L.

LVYPAA report for Spring Assembly 2024 (final)

Greetings esteemed representatives and guests of Area 42!

My name is Mike, Alcoholic General Service Liaison for LVYPAA. LVYPAA, the Las Vegas Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous, have been hard at work since Fall Assembly. On September 23rd, we held a Breakfast Before Personalities event at the Triangle Club in Henderson, featuring a scrumptious all-you-can-eat breakfast, followed by a powerful 3 speaker panel focusing on service and experience. On October 1st we held our annual elections where our steering committee, and many other positions were filled. On October 22nd, five members of our committee attended the Service Festival at Central Office, and performed for the body in a lively Concepts play. On October 28th, we held our ever-popular annual scavenger hunt at the world famous TIE Club. This year's festivities kicked off with a YPAA sobriety countdown, followed by a speaker meeting, grilled food, Fremont St. scavenger hunt, a Trunk or Treat, costume contest, and dance party. The event was co-hosted by District 15, as well as YPAA committees from across four states. Attendees came from as far as Austin Texas. All monies from our share of proceeds went to benefit the Third Nevada Area Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous Host in Elko, Nevada. We look forward to working with District 15 again in the future. On December 16th, 3 of our committee members braved the long trek to co-host NACYPAA 3 Host Committee's White Elephant Gift Exchange event in Elko. Our chair, Brie M. was the main speaker. LVYPAA held a X-Mas Bingo & Ugly sweater event at Central Office on Saturday, Dec 23. Several iterations of Bingo were played, and shenanigans were had. On January 6th, six members of our committee attended The 23rd annual YPAA Yuma Kickball tournament in Yuma, Arizona. Our very own Austin A. was one of 3 speakers from across the Southwest and Pacific Regions. We competed on a joint team with ASCYPAA Flagstaff, and won the trophy with them. For the first time in 11 years, Las Vegas will be engraved (jointly with Flagstaff) on the coveted trophy. On February 23rd, we co-hosted two events in two states, one Roaring Twenties Party with NACYPAA 3 in Elko, and another event with COVYPAA in Covina, Ca. On March 16th, our first St. Patrick Day's Kick Ball event was held at Sunset Park. Unfortunately, due to inclement weather, this event was poorly attended. On April 27th we will be cohosting a Painting Party event at 2pm at Las Vegas Central Office. Suggested donation is \$35, art supplies are included with ticket. All proceeds to benefit Las Vegas Central Office. Scheduled tentatively for May 18th at TIE Club, we will be hosting our annual Monster Pong Tournament. Stay tuned for details. We are already planning our next Scavenger Hunt, tentatively to be held on October 19th at TIE Club. Unlike YPAA committees in other cities, we continue to be challenged to attract our target demographic, as "rogue fellowships", many of whom have direct ties or are underwritten by local treatment entities and have been promoted therein are growing in ranks with local young people. We in LVYPAA believe in and practice the Traditions of AA with active participation within the both the general service structure and local intergroup; and will continue to do so regardless of what others are doing. We hope them the best. While we may struggle currently as a small committee, our hand of AA will always be there for the alcoholic in need. LVYPAA meets in person on the first Sunday of every month at Las Vegas Central Office at 1:30pm. Additionally, we meet online every third Sunday of the month at 1:30pm on Discord, please email me for details. My email address is: Michael Lee GSL LVYPAA

NACYPAA Liaison North. Dan M,
Verbal Report Given

TranslationChair. Tony A.

My name is Tony, and I have the privilege of serving as your Translation and Interpretation committee Chair. We meet on Zoom on the third Monday of every month. We take care of translating your reports, among other things, into English and then into Spanish. In fact, we have volunteers who don't even speak Spanish, translating reports. I am deeply honored to be a part of dedicated trusted servants. Our committee revised our Guidelines to make sure we are serving the Spanish community, to the best of our ability. The 1st reading will be done during this assembly. This is my last year for this commitment and I hope that by the end of the year, I will have it right. If you would like to be a member of this great committee, feel free to see Dina in the back of the room. As you may or may not know, we also do translations during the assembly. Many of you may not know that simultaneous translations are much more difficult than you realize. Your 1 sentence can be 2 sentences in Spanish, so we ask that you speak slowly so we can keep up with you. This is so that the Spanish community can receive the same message as you. Last but not least, if you are asked to read a report, we would like the report to be sent to the secretary at least 2 weeks prior to the assembly, NAGSC, or SAGSC meetings. We need time to translate all the reports. I am truly grateful to have had this opportunity for the past many years. In love and service,

Alt Translations Chair. Dina M.

Prepared by: Dina, Alt-T&I Chairperson, Area 21

Introduction: Greetings to all members of District 21 and fellow attendees. My name is Dina, and I am honored to serve as the Alt-Translator and Interpreter Chairperson for our Area 42. As Alt-T&I Chairperson I presented a report on the proposed changes to the Guidelines for the T&I Committee during the District 21 meeting on March 7, 2024. The purpose was to inform the district members about the proposed changes and to seek their feedback and approval. Also, a lovely reminder that I would be present translating for the Roundtables and the Spring Area 42 assembly. Background: Last fall, in 2023, Area 42 assembly Tony, Sophie, and I engaged in discussions during our lunchtime meetings. It was during these conversations that the need for updating our Guidelines became apparent. We recognized the importance of aligning our practices with the evolving needs of our fellowship. With the invaluable assistance of Tony, Sophie, our Secretary Lizette, and other dedicated volunteers, we began the process of drafting these changes. Proposed Changes: The proposed changes to the Guidelines for the T&I Committee aim to enhance our ability to effectively carry the message to alcoholics and promote growth within our district and fellowship. One key highlight of the proposed changes include: The principle of rotation flows from Tradition Two "For our group propose, there is but one ultimate authority-a loving God as He may express Himself." Conclusion: In conclusion, I am grateful for the opportunity to present these proposed changes to the Guidelines for the T&I Committee. I commend the dedication and commitment of our members in striving to better serve our fellowship and carry the message to those who still suffer. Together, let us continue to grow and strengthen our Area 42 and fellowship. Thank you respectfully. Dina Alt- T&I Chairperson Area 42

Technology Chair

Team:

Tech Chair - Jeffrey C.

Alt Chair - Ashley L.

NAGSC Chair - Michelle M.

SAGSC Chair - Pam B.

Function:

Our primary function is to put on our bi annual area assemblies in hybrid fashion as well as assist our officers with technological support. We also maintain the online platform account and licensing for all area service members to utilize.

Update:

As we follow the guidelines set out before us we are also exploring what it is this newly formed committee is meant to do and become. We are inspired to take part in the National AA Technology Workshop, which happens to take place on the same weekend each fall as this assembly. A few of the members of our committee are interested in attending this event either in person or online if future scheduling permits. We are looking into getting the recordings from the current event and together watching pertinent topics that we feel may be relevant to our Area and the growth of our Technology Committee.

Our Committee has met several times to discuss this assembly as well as continued communications between north and south to continue to work together in providing more seamless, versatile, and improved service events.

SAGSC Chair. Caroline

Hello, Area 42!

My name is Caroline and I am delighted to serve you as your Southern Area Chair. We have a lot to cover today, so I will keep this report brief.

Like everyone else in AA this time of year, we have been busy. March Madness does not apply solely to basketball!

We have had 3 SAGSC meetings since our last Area Assembly: business meetings in November and January, and our March Roundtables. We always celebrate birthdays/anniversaries at our meetings and we celebrated an additional 734 years of sobriety since November. Our Committees, Districts, and members have been doing amazing work. I will let them tell you about their accomplishments. I am really proud of all of you. It is a pleasure being your servant. Our Ad Hoc committees have also been working hard. We will review Guidelines updates in May, and conduct our SAGSC inventory in July. Speaking of July, because of the Regional Forum happening in Las Vegas on July 14th, we have moved our SAGSC meeting date to July 28th. Usual time and place.

Please come join us for the Regional Forum July 12-14! We would love to see you there!

Thank you for letting me serve you.

Web Servant. Glenn W.

Verbal Report Given

Archivist. Ronnie D.

Hello everyone my name is Ron Dillion and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10th, 1999. I am currently serving as your Area 42/ SAGSC Archivist in the last year of a 4- year term. The Archives committee meets almost every Saturday at Las Vegas Central Office from 9AM till 11 AM. A mass text is sent Friday afternoon to confirm. The committee has averaged 20- man hours a month for the greater part of the last year. Archives now has our very own fireproof file cabinet/safe. We are in the process of placing the most important records and materials we deem irreplaceable and important to Area 42. Archives needed this to preserve documents and media that might otherwise be lost to a fire or the passage of time. As you walk into the Archives room, Southern Area is on the South side of the room and the Northern Area is on the North side of the room. The center rack holds the Area 42 binders and Delegate binders from GSO. The Las Vegas Round up committee has established an archivist service position and we have almost segregated all Las Vegas Round Up materials for their use. We would appreciate anyone wishing to volunteer to help with the Forum this Summer to contact me or anyone on the committee as we will need help for the five- day event. If you would like to contribute anything we would appreciate it if you could please place your material in a binder. We would especially be interested in past delegates and trustee binders, DCM and appointed service position binders. My favorite contributions has always been pictures, especially pictures with the names of the people in it printed on the back. This is YOUR archives and it has been my privilege to be the steward of it.

Alternate Archivist. Debbie S.

Debbie alcoholic, serving as your NAGSC Archivist and Area 42 Alternate Archivist. Aside from collecting and storing your Northern Area archival items, I have been working on a couple other projects from the workbook. Through my reports and presentations; I am working on encouraging groups to write, and submit it back to your Area Archives, a group history. A guideline and form packet on writing a group history has been passed down to me. I recently had this packet translated into Spanish. I did happen to bring a few with me this weekend to the Area Assembly, so if anyone wants to take one back to their Group or District, please catch up with me or shoot me an email through the Area 42 website contact page. Another project I am working on is District Binders. Through my reports and presentations, I am working on encouraging Districts, either through their District Archivist or DCM, to put event flyers, group histories, group and or District change forms, District meeting minutes, pictures, and any other information into a binder to archive and share with our upcoming generations. Copies of those binders can be stored with your NAGSC, SAGSC, District and Area Archivists. They can be brought out as a traveling display to your District events. Since our 2023 Fall Area Assembly... I have packed a few of their archives for a display and gave a presentation to a District 2 workshop in September 2023. I have given a presentation to District 22 at their business meeting on December 21, 2023. I was able to attend PRAASA this year in San Fransisco. I was moved by one woman's presentation on literature. We were in between DCM's so I was able to take some

notes and share a report with our GSR's and members of District 12. I attended the Archives Roundtables on both days. The question, answer, sharing topics were on digitizing, making the Archives accessible, safe keeping/storing materials, what items to archive and traveling displays. Listen, PRAASA archives has a list of items or voids they would like to collect. They are asking if anyone has particular flyers, programs, pins and or recordings. On that list was the 1979 PRAASA that was held in Reno, Nevada. If anyone has anything from the 1979 PRAASA let Ronnie, myself or Caroline, your SAGSC Chair, know. The only General Service Conference agenda item for Archives is to review the Archives workbook. Thank you for this opportunity to serve Area 42 Alcoholics Anonymous.

Secretary. Jen G.

My name is Jen I am an alcoholic and I serve as the area 42 secretary. I would like to thank the panel of 73 servants. Especially Lyle, Lisa, Jonelle and Libby. My gratitude to the panel has been very overwhelming during my time of need. I experienced some emergencies with my family in the last few months and I would be able to serve in this position without this panel behind me. Overall I am excited to get the minutes done for this assembly and to continue to grow in my service.

Alternate Secretary. Libby G.

Hi, my name is Libby and I'm an alcoholic. My position is Alternate Area Secretary. My biggest job is to backup and pray for our Area Secretary, Jennifer. The other part of my job as the Alternate is to bring the Area Literature to the Assembly. Thanks to everyone who helps me with getting the books and pamphlets here, displayed and sold. Since I'm the alternate I am also the SAGSC Secretary. This keeps me pretty busy four times a year. Obviously I type up the minutes from the meeting and send them out to everyone. I also forward approved minutes to the Webmaster to put on the website. I forward any communications specific to the SAGSC. And just help out where I can to help out. I also get to be on the Communications Committee. There will be a separate report for that – so ya'll will get to hear from me again. I'm also the chair of the ACC Literature committee with Mike the Secretary from the North. I want to keep this short but I wanted to thank the Area for the opportunity to go to PRAASA last month. It is always very educational and inspiring. If you have never gone you should try to get there. Next year will be in Alaska, it should be pretty exciting. Thank you all for the opportunity to be of service.

Communications chair. Libby G.

Hi, my name is Libby and I'm an alcoholic. I'm the chair of the Communication Committee. This committee's purpose is to help with all forms of communication in the Area. We help the newsletter person by proofreading and looking for anonymity breaks. We do the same thing for the website. All the Area secretaries are part of the committee – Area, NAGSC and SAGSC. We help with proofreading and anonymity breaks for them too. We have a Spanish speaker on our committee to help with liaison with the Translation committee and the linguistic districts. We have a past-delegate who keeps us all in line and offers invaluable experience. Included in your

packets should have been a diagram of how communications flow in the Area. There are three flows of communication. First is those that are distributed to the entire Area. Everything starts with Area Secretary who sends emails to NAGSC officers and DCMs, SAGSC officers and DCMs, and finally to the Area officers. So if you need anything sent to the entire Area send it to the Area Secretary and she'll make it happen. If something only needs to be sent to NAGSC or SAGSC they should be sent to the NAGSC or SAGSC secretaries. They will do the sending to their respective DCM's, Officers and the Area Officers. Feel free to share this with anyone in the program, especially the GSRs so everyone understands how information flows. Thank you all for the opportunity to be of service.

Registrar- Lisa I.

Happy Spring Assembly,

My name is Lisa and I currently serve as your Area 42 Registrar.

I get the pleasure of meeting you all as you come into the assembly to check in. I get to work with my co-registrar Jodi,

and we make it a really fun job. Not only are Jodi and I responsible for getting the registration desk prepared for your arrival, we also are your

contact for the two year term to register your New Groups, Update existing group information, and we add and update GSRs in the system.

So if you need any of that done, you can find Jodie and I at the front for the weekend or email me at the contact information listed under the nevadaarea42.org website.

In addition to doing all of that, I was able to attend PRAASA in SF. While there I attended both of the round tables that were for the registrars of the Pacific Region. I got to meet and re-meet some cool registrars from other areas in the Pacific Region. There was heated discussion about how to handle unknown and inactive groups, and I am here to tell you the passion for registering groups is ALIVE! For real, it's admirable how much love we have for our areas.

I am so grateful to be serving Area 42, as Jake often reminds us, the greatest area in the whole world, in this capacity. I continue to grow and learn and love AA every time I am called to action and this is such a gift.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Alternate Registrar- Jodie G.

Hello, my name is Jodie and I am an alcoholic. I am currently enjoying holding the position of Alternate Registrar. This is seriously a spectacular job and I love every minute of it! It is so much fun greeting all you lovely people and giving out your nametags and packets and offering you stickers and candy. When it is not assembly time, I get the pleasure of registering new groups, GSRs, Alternate GSRs, DCMs and Alternate DCMs. If you need a group change form for any of these reasons, Lisa and I have them out front. Please come and see us, we are happy to help!

This is the first Area Assembly using our beautiful new Area 42 website to register and purchase banquet tickets. I hope that it was a smooth transition and all your nametags were printed correctly and everyone who purchased a banquet ticket received one. You have all been so patient and understanding in the past when things have been off. Your kindness is appreciated! Thank you so much for allowing me to be of service.

Treasurer. Jason

Area 42 Treasurer

April 2024 Area Report

Hello, my name is Jason, and I am an alcoholic.

The following reports are available:

- Income & Expense as of 12/31/2023 and 2/29/2024 – See attached
- Balance Sheet as of 12/31/2023 and 2/29/2024 – See attached

Cash Position (As of 3/25/2024)

Savings	\$	30,030.14
Checking	\$	51,348.90
Total Cash	\$	81,379.04

For the period ending December 31st, 2023, our net income amounted to \$34,144.72 while the total expenses for the corresponding period reached \$94,473.35.

For the period ending February 29th, 2024, our net income amounted to negative <\$1,607.43> while the total expenses for the corresponding period reached \$6,308.97.

Kindly take note of my updated service email: jasonmarea42@gmail.com. While I'm accessible via this new email, I strongly recommend utilizing the official Area email, treasurer@nevadaarea42.org, for all communications. Using my Yahoo email might lead to potential oversight(Please Stop Using). Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Voluntary Group contributions can be made payable to “Area 42” and mailed to;

Area 42

PO Box 70171

Las Vegas, NV 89170-0171

To request a reimbursement, send an email to treasurer@nevadaarea42.org containing the following details: your Service Position/Committee, a brief description of the expenses, receipts, your mailing address, and the name of the payee for the check. If you're hesitant to provide your mailing address, please inform me, and we'll figure out an alternative.

It's my pleasure to serve in this capacity and thank you for your cooperation!

Alternate Treasurer. Rich B.

No Report

Area Finance Chair. Laura J.

I was happy to welcome the new members of our Finance Committee at our January 27th meeting. Amanda and Tanya from the South, and Carol from the North joined Jason, Rich, and myself. Their fresh ideas and enthusiasm combined with the experience of our longer term

members will make for a productive team. The Committee would like to remind GSRs and RSGs to work with their groups to look at how they contribute to service entities after covering their groups costs. Analysis of the contributions indicates that once we combined our three treasuries into one, groups have continued to contribute to the Area in the same manner as before, but that contributions that used to be made to NAGSC and SAGSC are not being made to the Area. Of course, how a group makes contributions is completely autonomous, but please remember that the Area is now funding the services provided by NAGSC and SAGSC. The only way to fund NAGSC and SAGSC services is through group contributions to the Area. Sometime between now and the Fall Assembly, we will be starting our budget process. Once the budget request forms are made available, our committee will be conducting workshops to educate members on the process and to be available to assist with filling out the forms. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve our Area as Chair of the oversight committee for our community basket, “where money and spirituality mix.”

Newsletter Editor-Laura J.

The next edition of the Area 42 Newsletter will be published on April 30. Once published, all editions can be found on the Area website. I am striving to make the Newsletter a place to go for Area information, handy links, and information on upcoming events such as the Forum. If you haven't already, please download or print a copy of the current edition for reading and then share it with your group, your district, or your circle of AA friends.

I have a growing list of email addresses for members who want to receive a copy as soon as I am ready to publish. If you would like to be added to that list, please see me while we are together in Tonopah or contact me by the email address on the Area website contact page.

I am enjoying this commitment, having fun with formatting and communicating with members of the Area as we work together to produce the Newsletter. After our next election, our new Area Chair will appoint another editor. If you are interested in this appointment, come see me and I can let you know what it entails. Then if you want to be considered you can be ready to speak with our next chair.

Thank you for this opportunity to grow and learn in service to our Area and AA as a whole.

NAGSC Chair/ Alternate Delegate. Paul E.

Hi I'm Paul your Panel 73 Area 42 Alternate Delegate & NAGSC Chairperson, welcome everyone to our Area 42 pre-conference assembly. It is so nice to see everyone, this is always a great time of the year for lots of discussion and no matter what side you may be on please keep an open mind and let's remember the General Service Conference (GSC) theme: “Connecting with Love, Unity and Service.” With the five agenda items we had presentation at NAGSC and the five agenda items we had presentations at SAGSC and then the three more we have here. There is a lot to digest, but don't let you stop there if there is any other agenda item that your group wants to put in their opinion about please let Jake our Area 42 delegate know. There is a survey on the Area 42 website in the “Member Login” section the password is area42member.

This survey is on all of the agenda items you don't have to answer questions on all of the items, but please go and fill out all those that you wish. I would like to thank all the chairpersons and their alternates and everyone else that participated on the Area Conference Committees (ACC). There was a lot of work to be done in summarizing and doing presentations, especially because of the timing of getting all of the background material was late and some very late. I would also like to thank everyone on the translation committee for getting everything translated. Thank you, thank you very much for all of your service, none of these were easy tasks. I attended PRAASA at the first of March and the Alternate Delegates roundtable meeting was very informative. Thank you for allowing me to serve, Paul

Alternate Chair Jonelle W.

Hi everyone, my name is Jonelle and I am an alcoholic. I am grateful to be serving as your Alternate Area Chair. Welcome to all the new GSRs and all those who are new to service. Welcome back to those who are old to service. I have been kept busy since our last Assembly doing a bunch of Ad Hoc committee stuff. I have probably said this in every report I have given in this position, but I am really blessed to be Lyle's "in case something happens and I may need to step in" person. He has included me on pretty much everything! So not only does that keep me informed it also keeps me prepared.

Thank you, Area 42, for sending me to PRAASA. I loved San Francisco, I loved the fellowshipping I got to do, I loved the panels (I beyond loved them) and will be forever grateful to the dedicated and passionate Pacific Region Chairs and Alternate Chairs who I learned so much from at my roundtables. I am someone who has called upon my PRAASA peeps more than once and adore the relationships I have been able to develop. My favorite examples in A.A. are those who have gone through same or similar. If you have served in the positions I have, you are the ones I want to feed me. My sponsor calls PAASA a nice to, not a have to so I better make sure that I am taking back to my Area some useful experiences. So if you would like to know what they are, I am happy to share with you one on one.

Please ask any of us who have given reports this weekend any questions you may have regarding anything that is discussed, decided or voted on here. If you don't know, hunt one of us down. There are many past trusted people who have served Area 42 here as well. Use us! No one needs to navigate this service journey on their own!

Thank you for all that you do and allowing me to do it with you ;).

Area Chair. Lyle.

Hello Area, 42, My name is Lyle and I'm alcoholic It's my honor to serve you as your Area 42 Chair. It is so good to see everyone I hope you are having a good Assembly. My most important responsibility is to prepare for the Area assembly by getting speakers, arranging for the food, coffee, and creating the agenda so that we can prepare our Delegate, Jake, for the General Service Conference. I would like to thank all the officers and committee members for your help. I didn't do this by myself. The Area officers and I have had a couple virtual meetings to prepare for the assembly. I have found the planning meetings to be very helpful and thank them for giving up time to help plan this assembly. Area 42 Alternate Chair, Jonelle W., has been great. She has been extremely supportive especially with all the challenges we have had around the banquet. Thank you, Jonelle! I had the privilege to write and do a presentation on Safety at

PRASSA. I also attended workshops on the chair position and was delighted with all the input, especially about area inventory. It was great to see all of you who were able to attend this year. Area 42 was well represented. Thank you to our Area 42 Ad-Hoc committees, the inventory report back ad-hoc did an outstanding job putting together information from the inventory. Also, the website ad-hoc has moved forward to improve our website. Thank you to Paul, Alt. Delegate, for the preparation of our area for this Pre-Conference assembly. And thank you to all the presenters at this assembly, NAGSC and SAGSC roundtables and the agenda topic summarizers for taking time from your lives to give to us. Thank y'all. Thank you District 15 for your service providing us with food and snacks and to District 16 for a wonderful job with drinks and coffee.

Closes Meeting with the responsibility pledge

Blue Room Meeting- Jonelle W.

Two topic brought to the Chair

1. Jeffery communication was brought up to the area to explore communication platforms. For example Slack is one of the platforms. Tech commntee was put on this assembly, but how can we better communicated in the service structure. Email change is the main reason for bringing this up.has taught us to communicate. This is a discussions maybe an adhoc can be formed.
 - Email addresses are long and when we get an email form the website and we respond it comes from our personal email. One the next person takes over the position it becomes confusing
 - Slack it can help with different committees
 - If you do not pay for it in 90 days all messages get deleted. \$100.00 for the initial setup then \$29.00 a person after that.
 - Suggested a training on slack for the area to understand the platform
 - Would like to see a demo or ad hoc so we can understand what this does or can do to.
 - Who gets access to this?
 - Peer to peer communication
2. Forum Finance hospitality room to have area pay. 500.00 for a 600 square foot room. 2 rooms are available. Possibly room for the archives and fellowship with an ice cream sale. The total will be 1500.00 it was we will be asking.
 - Let's do the Forumm right
 - Can we put this in with the room rates to get a discount. The room rate is through GSO and the hospitality room would be in the area.
 - No food or drinks, Only water
 - Archives will only be area 42. We can ask for wall space if they are willing to put it in the contract.
 - We are really going to ask for the money tomorrow.

Ad Hoc tomorrow discussion

Inventory: We are done

Translation guideline first reading.

SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2024

Lyle C. Welcome Everyone!!!

Lyle reads the Virtual instructions:

We are going to record this assembly so that our secretary can capture the minutes and for archival purposes. For those of you on virtual, please change your name to include your service position for voting purposes. If you need help, please chat with the tech team. The chat will be limited to the tech team for now.

Today we will start with our three speakers and then go into our Presentations, to prepare our Delegate for the Conference. It will be a busy day. Districts 15 and 16 have provided lots of coffee, water, drinks, and snacks. Remember these are self-supporting so if you eat or drink, please contribute to the basket. Tech Team please record.

Lyle invites all to join him in the Serenity Prayer:

A Moment of Silence, please

“God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.”

Lyle reads the ANONYMITY STATEMENT:

There may be some here who are not familiar with our Tradition of personal anonymity at the public level:

“Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.”

Thus, we respectfully ask that AA speakers and AA members not be photographed, videotaped, or identified by full name on recordings and in published or broadcast reports of our meetings, including those reports on new media technologies such as the internet. The assurance of anonymity is essential in our efforts to help other problem drinkers who may wish to share our recovery program with us. And our Tradition of anonymity reminds us that “AA principles come before personalities.”

A further note about anonymity: out of respect for others, please do not take photographs during any of the meetings at the assembly. Also, be considerate when taking photographs around the conference venue. Take care that you do not capture images of AA members, family members and friends who did not give permission and who may not wish to appear in your pictures. Please do not post recognizable photos of identifiable members on web sites accessible to the public, including unrestricted pages on social networking sites.

Reader Matt K. GSR District 1:

CONCEPT I: The final responsibility and the ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

The first paragraph of the essay on concept one is: “The A.A. Groups today hold ultimate responsibility and final authority for our world services—those special elements of over-all service activity which make it possible for our Society to function as a whole. The groups assumed that responsibility at the St. Louis International Convention of 1955. There, on behalf of Dr. Bob, the Trustees and A.A. 's old-time leaders, I made the transfer of world service responsibility to our entire Fellowship.”

The last paragraph of the essay on concept one is: “Therefore we believe that we see in our Fellowship a spiritualized society characterized by enough enlightenment, enough responsibility and enough love of man and of God to ensure that our democracy of world service will work under all conditions. We are confident that we can rely upon Tradition Two, our group conscience and its trusted servants. Hence it is with a sense of great security that we old-timers have now fully vested in A.A.'s General Service Conference the authority for giving shape—through the labors of its chosen Delegates, Trustees, and service workers—to the destiny that we trust God in His wisdom is holding in store for all of us.”

Delegate Jake Report

Yo yo yo. Area 42. Here we go again!! My name is Jake - I'm an alcoholic. Grateful to be sober and extremely grateful to be here, once again, with my people, in beautiful downtown Tonopah Nevada, the sobriety capital of the universe. For the past 16 years I have been at every area 42 assembly we have ever had and I have never been more excited to be a part of area 42, and our amazing general service committee, than I am right now. We have done things already in this panel, we are going to do things here today that we have never been able to do before. Thank you all so much for being here this weekend! Thank you very much for helping keep Alcoholics Anonymous, our fellowship, connected through love, unity, and service.

Speaking of gratitude, at our fall election assembly in 2022, I was elected to be the panel 73 delegate to the general service conference. I will never be able to put into words what that meant to me and how honored I am to have the opportunity to serve OUR area as the panel 73 delegate. At one of the very first AA meetings

that I ever went to, a woman there said Alcoholics Anonymous is the most important thing in my life. So, I of course thought, what a loser you are. Seriously, AA is the most important thing in your life. I have 2 kids, I have my parents, I have my career, I have my friends, I have my motorcycle. I mean AA is not even in the top 10 of the most important things in my life. I don't even particularly like it at all! And then in the same breath she said because if I don't have AA I won't have anything else. And once again, a member of AA, chipped away at my pride, and my ego, and my contempt prior to investigation and helped to save my life. And that is what we do here. We save lives! We keep one drink out of one drunk for one more day and it is the greatest miracle of my entire life. The longer I stay sober the more I realize what an absolute miracle it is that I ever became a member of this fellowship. I will never be able to figure out how I ever got 30 days sober. If I had a crystal ball at my first meeting, while I was sitting there judging and hating everyone. My face pops in and says oh no Jake you are totally wrong, this AA deal is great. You are going to spend the next 17 years working everyday for AA, for no money. You are going to use every vacation day you have for AA. That night I would have paid you to kick my ass. The person I was that night could not imagine a spiritual life and being rid of the bondage of self. The person I was that night would have had absolutely no interest in any of that. And once again look how wrong I would have been. Every single thing that's good in my life is because I became a member of this fellowship. But I absolutely do believe that the reason this fellowship still exists, and the reason it was still here and available to save my life when I got here, is because of the traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous. The large T traditions as well as the small T traditions of AA. Doing things the AA way means everything to me today. I am so grateful for all of the amazing members who came before us and kept our fellowship connected through love, unity, and service. I am so grateful for our founders and all of the simple wisdom that they have left for us. One of my favorite things about AA is that I do not have to stand up here and try to explain what it's like to be an absolute slave to alcohol. To have no choice if we are going to drink today or not. To have to do what alcohol says to do when it says to do it. To be beyond human aid. We know what this means. When I talk about the pitiful and incomprehensible demoralization of being an active alcoholic it feels like I'm talking about some distant past lifetime or that I'm talking about someone else. When I got here and everyone was smiling and laughing and hugging and sober I thought what the hell is wrong with you people. And I especially thought whatever it is that is wrong with you people is obviously not the same thing that is wrong with me. Thank God that I fell into a group that did things the AA way and believed in service in Alcoholics Anonymous. If that was not the case I'm sure I would not be here today, I would probably be dead. And because of this group, and because of people like the people in this room today, I have recovered from a seemingly hopeless state of mind and body. Now, today, it is our turn. The people sitting in this room today are the leaders of AA. In 1955, at the second International Convention in St. Louis we celebrated the Fellowship's 20th anniversary. The General Service Conference had proven its worth. And at this convention, on behalf of AA's old-timers, Bill turned the future care and custody of AA over to the Conference, the trustees, and the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. At this moment, A.A. had come of age. And make no mistake that today this means us. 1955 may seem like a really long time ago to some people here today, but I am here today to say that it was not. I'm also here to say that A.A. unity cannot automatically preserve itself. Just like personal recovery, we shall always

have to work to maintain it. And here too, we surely need honesty, humility, open-mindedness, unselfishness, and, above all, vigilance. So long as the ties which bind us together prove far stronger than those forces which would divide us if they could, all will be well. We shall be secure as a movement; our essential unity will remain a certainty. Unity is so vital to us that we cannot risk those attitudes and practices which have sometimes demoralized other forms of human society. This may be the dubious luxury of normal people, but we cannot risk it. Thus far we of AA have succeeded because we have been different. May we always continue to be so! May we never forget that without permanent unity we can offer little lasting relief to those thousands, to those millions, yet to join us in their quest for freedom. We owe this to all of those amazing people who came before us. Those that kept this fellowship connected through love, unity and service. Nobody invented Alcoholics Anonymous. It grew like a flower. Trial and error has produced our experience. Little by little we have been adopting the lessons of that experience, first as policy and then as tradition. That process still goes on today in 2024 and we hope it never stops. Should we ever harden too much, the letter might crush the spirit. We could victimize ourselves by petty rules and prohibitions, we could imagine that we had said the last word. We might even be asking alcoholics to accept our rigid ideas or stay away. May we never stifle progress like that! Yet the lessons of our experience count for a great deal. We now have had 89 years with the problem of living and working together. And if we can succeed in this adventure, and keep succeeding, then and only then, will our future be secure. Since alcohol holds us in bondage no more, and we have been saved from an alcoholic death, our most challenging concern has become the future of Alcoholics Anonymous. How do we preserve among us such a powerful unity that neither weakness of persons nor the strain and strife of these troubled times that we now live in can harm our common cause. We know that Alcoholics Anonymous must continue to live. Else, save few exceptions, we and our brother and sister alcoholics throughout the world will surely resume the hopeless journey into oblivion. Terribly relevant is the problem of our basic structure and our attitude toward ever pressing questions of leadership, money, and authority. Here today we are going to talk about a bunch of different items that will be on the agenda of the 74th general service conference. The future of Alcoholics Anonymous may well depend on how we feel and act about these things that can be controversial. Our final destiny will almost surely hang upon what we presently decide to do with danger fraught issues! We are never all going to agree about what we should do or how we should feel about these agenda items. That is not what unity means. Unity means that we all sit here and we all listen to what everyone has to say. We do not close our minds. We listen carefully, especially to the people we do not agree with. We assure that throughout our whole structure the minority opinion is always heard and considered carefully. We turn everything over to our group conscience and a loving God, and when these decisions come, we accept that group conscience. We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A. We realize the ultimate authority is a loving God as he may express Himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that they can reach an informed group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship. Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to

share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our group and for A.A. as a whole. We are not all going to agree. But if we can do things the AA way. If we can always remember that every single person here today is here because they love Alcoholics Anonymous. That they are here because they want to do what is best for their group AA and as a whole. If we remember that no work we get done here, and that no decision we make here will ever be as important as how we treat and talk to each other while we are here! If we always remember that the decisions we make here are never as important as how we make those decisions. Then we can be good examples of how AA works and we can hold this fellowship together in unity for 100 more years. That the child being born today destined for Alcoholism will have a place to go. We joke around a lot here, we are not a glum lot. We have a lot of fun here. But I always want to hold in my heart that what we do here is life and death. What we do here is deadly serious. This precious life saving gift of Alcoholics Anonymous has been handed down to us by our founders and now it is our responsibility to keep this fellowship connected through love, unity and service. Alcoholics Anonymous saved my life and general service has become a huge part of my program of recovery. Thank you all very much for being here this weekend. Thank you very much for your service to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. I love you all.

Bob W. Presents his Report

Began June 1st 2021.

My Commitment

To infuse the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous into the operations of GSO! through...

Servant Leadership – Through my actions...

- It is “principle based leadership”
- Robert Greenleaf and Bill Wilson
- What it’s not – Not autocratic – not top down
- Deep empathy
- Concern for employees well being and their families
- Listening (Participation)
- True empowerment
- Allow them to “make it their own” – (A form of autonomy)

- I do all I can to provide each employee the best environment to be successful – Resources –
- Wide latitude with the Right of Decision
- removing fear of reprisal (Concept 5) – Room for mistakes –
- Learning from then not punishing them (Warranty 6)
- Some see it as weak...the employees will take over...that it can't work...but it does!!
- Accountability is still vital – Rooted in Concept 10 and clearly defined roles and responsibilities.

Covey

- Seek first to understand, then to be understood (where have we heard that before?!!) Listen before you speak – not think of what you want say when others are speaking) Step 4&5
- Begin with the end in mind (Have a plan) Step 5, 6 & & 7 “Become what we could be”
- Think win win (Everyone can win – UNITY) Tradition 1 Step 6&7
- Synergize (Together is better – 1 + 1 = 250!!) The good is the enemy of the best)
- Sharpen the saw (the 12th Steps ---10-11-12)

This has been vital to GSO ...to ...”come back from”... from a long road of change and experience...

- August 2019 New Automation
- February 2020 – Covid- The office went virtual overnight for 18 months (October 2021)
- May 2020 - Cancellation of the 2020 International
- October 2020 – Voluntary Retirement (~ 28 Employees Left) + Several others left due to Covid re-think!
- GM Retired February 2021
- Leadership was not Servant Leadership based for quite sometime

Return to the Office

- It was rough
- June 2021 – Voluntary

- October 2021 – Voluntary with schedule adjustments (Hybrid)
- Fear
- May 2022 – Mandatory Return
- October 2022 – Welcome Visitors

Hiring and Re-Staffing

- Difficult until mid-late 2022
- 7 of the 12 GSO Staff
- Dina, Stephanie, Beverly, EA, IP, IT, Translators X2, SA's, Member Services, Archives 2, Publishing 2, Comm Services 1

We are settling in and balanced out

What Does GSO Do

Repository of shared experience

Help Members and Groups do 12 Step Work

- Some groups do this, some do that...Tevia
- Through inquiries
- Guidelines & other service materials
- Through pamphlets and literature

Reorganization

...Dust bunnies...

Publishing

- **Licensing & Translations**
- **IP & Copyrights**
- **Document Translation**
- **Newsletters**

...All Publishing to do what they do best – Publish and distribute!

New Departments

- Legal, Licensing, Intellectual Property and Copyright (LLIP)
 - Moved 2 employees and hired a director and a new IP
- Language Services

- Hired a director and 2 translators
- Volume has skyrocketed “(If you build it they will come!”)
- Moved Newsletters to Communication Services

Staff Coordinator

- Moved administrative support and functions of the GSB to a new role Administrative Coordinator to the GM
- Allows for the Staff Coordinator to attend to training and support and coordination of the GSO Staff.

Administrator Coordinator to the GM

- GSB is closer to me now.
- More Admin support which I sorely needed.

Delivering Services

Spiritual work is not always efficient

Support the GSB & AAWS Boards

13 Departments

1. Staff Services (12)
 - a. Regional Forums
 - b. Public Information
 - c. Cooperation With the Professional Community
 - d. Treatment & Accessibilities
 - e. Corrections
 - f. Literature
 - g. Group Services
 - h. International
 - i. Conference
 - j. Nominating
 - k. International Convention
 - l. Staff Coordinator
2. Administration
3. LLIP
4. METS
5. Tech Services
6. Languages Services
7. Finance (**Scrub!**)
8. Human Resources
9. Office Services

10. Operations (Member Services & Mail & Shipping)
11. Archives
12. Publishing
13. Communication Services

Work

- **Fellowship**

- Calls, emails
- **GSO Staff** - For the year ending 2023, our department responded to **165,420 emails and 1,677 phone calls**. To put this into perspective, there are 2,080 work hours in a year for a traditional 8-hour workday (52 weeks which does not consider vacation time; and of course, rarely do we work 8-hour days). If you divide 165,240 by 11 (the number of staff members last year), **it averages 15,000 emails per staff member**. Emails from the Fellowship often **require responsive sharing that is nuanced** and in which “standardized” templates will not suffice.
- **We also welcomed 1,470 visitors** and 12 large groups (20 or more members) to GSO in 2023. We have already welcomed 2 large groups in January and have ten more groups booked through June.
- **Member Services** - Received and responded to **27,475 unique email inquiries. A total of 13,808 phone calls; 5,857 were routed from the Front Desk and 7,951 were direct calls to Member Services.**
- **The Front Desk associate received and routed 12,045 phone calls in 2023.** The Member Services team executed 7,410 (or 46%) District/Area/Group updates in NetSuite. During this same time, **Area Registrars performed 8,852 District/Area/Group updates** via Fellowship Connection. The team reviewed and **processed 31,168 literature orders in 2023.**
- **Meeting Guide App**
- **AA.org**
- **Corrections Correspondence**
- **Archives – Didgitizing etc.**
- **All carried out with spiritual perspective**
 - **Weekly Staff Meeting**
 - **Collaboration**

Rhythm

Conference – We are full out now!!

- Advisory Actions
- General Conference planning and delegate support
- Document Translations

Boards (Planning Support & Background)

- **GSB**
 - **3 Board Weekends per year**
 - **10 Committees**
 - **3 Ancillary**
 - **Interim**
- **AAWS**
 - **6 full meetings per year**
 - **1 Strategic Planning Only**
 - **4 + Committees**
 - **Interim**
 - **Budget**

The Newcomer & Us

- All of this supports members and groups to do 12 Step work and reach the new comer
- Your 7th Tradition dollars at work

On behalf of all the employees of GSO... Thank you for your support, the charity you afford us as mentioned in Concept 3 and for your service and being there for the newcomer. ...

April Presents her Virtual GSO Archive presentation

The GSO is a group of five professional archivists. The purpose of the GSO archive is to preserve the history of AA and the activity of the corporate board. These include maintaining the board record as a business of the state of New York. We preserve literature, pamphlets, books, guidelines and services in all languages whether virtual or hard copies. Archives was opened in 1975 and this year marks 49 years. However Bill Wilson left information going back to hold the history and the vision of AA. The general service is open to all visitors. We get about 2000 inquiries a year. In addition to our on site location we have two storage units. We ask if you are during research to come down and see us. If you have any questions please reach out to us.

Saturday Session Two: Agenda Topic Presentation

IV. Finance A. Carol B

Consider a request that the General Service Board develop supplemental reporting focused on the actual and evolving costs of various services provided by the GSB. This PAI was sent to the GSB from Area 47, with several requests regarding cost, budget changes, various online internet development and server fees, background info on the reasoning, and materials included for the various expenses incurred. The proposal requested an initial draft to be submitted to the 75th. CFC. Because of the many considerations involved, the TFC is forwarding this PAI to the 74th. General Service Conference, requesting their input.

Develop supplement recording of finance cost

Want to know what the budget reports before we spend any money. They want to know what it's going to cost before we spend any of our money. If approved new reporting will be brought to record the spending.

Comments

Not necessary we have trusted servants for reason

We should trust the people we put into position

Would take to much time at PRAASA

Area Results For # Against # Pass

95% yes and 5% no

III. Correction D. Bigg J.

Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in A.A.* This proposal was discussed at Queer Femmes: a group in Oakland, and then forwarded to the District, where discussion occurred for the better part of 2018 and passed the District with substantial unanimity. At the suggestion of the Area Chair, members of District 07 waited to present this motion to the Area until the revised pamphlet for the LGBTQ alcoholic (published in 2018) was available for their review. After the pamphlet was published, members of the District strongly felt that there was still a need for a separate pamphlet. The motion was then presented at our Pre-Conference Assembly in California Northern Coastal Area 06 in April 2019. The Area had fruitful discussions over the course of the next two years at four separate assemblies. Because of the pandemic, the discussion stretched over two years. The motion passed with substantial unanimity in April 2021; There was no motion to reconsider after the minority opinion. The Delegate at the time submitted a proposed agenda item, at which point the Trustee's Literature committee discussed the proposed agenda item and took no action. The committee agreed that due to the overwhelming number of pamphlets currently in development or in revision, as well as the

projects carried over from the 70th and 71st General Service Conferences, new pamphlet requests cannot be addressed at this time. The trustees' Literature Committee invited the submitter to consider resubmitting in the future for consideration. The proposal was submitted again last year, again resulting in no action. The Area Grapevine/Literature/La Vina sharing session discussed this proposal again this year and requested a sense of the room at our most recent assembly in August 2023 on whether to re-submit this proposal for a third time, emphasizing the continuing need for this pamphlet. The Area (6) voted again with substantial unanimity to submit this proposed agenda item. This will be different from the LGBTQ pamphlet.

Comments

How members address transgender in closed meeting

Our primary purpose is to help any member AA. Love and tolerance to all

We need this to have all genders to be inclusive

This information is needed to be understand this culture Education is important to feel included and understood

AA stopped growing. We need help!!

Transgenders need to feel as they belong

This will help also to learn how to approach a person who is transgender

Area Results For # Against # Pass

Passed

IV. Finance C. Scott A.

Review progress report reflecting shared experience from the Fellowship on possible future

changes to literature written by A.A.'s founders.+ In response to a Committee Consideration from the 73rd General Service Conference suggesting that the trustees' Literature Committee seek input from the Fellowship (including but not limited to Area delegate feedback) regarding any possible future changes to literature written by A.A.'s Founders, the trustees' Literature Committee met to discuss and subsequently developed a list of suggested questions for discussion.

List of suggested questions for discussion:

1. Do you think that A.A. Founders would object to or embrace revisions to their writings? If yes, why? If not, why?
2. Do you think the Founders' writings are effective in reaching new members? If not, what measures do you think can be taken to resolve this issue?
3. What reasons would you consider for changing our Founders' writings?
4. How do you feel about changing A.A. Founders' writings to replace outdated references?
5. What suggestions do you have for preserving the Founders' writings, along with keeping pace with our current A.A. Society and its future?
6. Should there be a special Conference process for approval of changes to our Founders' writings? (e.g., super, or qualified majority – 75%, and/or two-year consideration process.)
7. What additional ideas, thoughts, or suggestions can you share about changing or not changing the Founders' writings?

Comments

12 and 12 change has affected us

Are we going to keep changing words and who decides?

Original manuscript will always be the same. Language should and could evolve

If it's not broke don't change it

Growth is effectiveness and we need to be about to speak to the next generations

We should not change the founder's writing in 164. If you want to see something different write it, but don't rewrite.

What will this cost?

There are dictionaries and we have sponsorship to explain the writing of AA founders.

If our material is flat change it

We don't change the words of a classic artist. So why do we change our writings

We have tools to go through the book

Need to stay relevant to the next person

Area Results For # Against # Pass Fail

Discussion

Saturday Session Three: Feedback From Southern Area Roundtables

Southern Area Roundtables Feedback. Libby G.

Topic 1 – Grapevine and La Vina Item C – Heather – Discuss the cost effectiveness and sustainability of continuing to print La Vina.

- Do we know the number of subscribers we need to be self-supporting? There is always talk about how we need more people to subscribe. (Heather) We were self-supporting in 2017 and then the pandemic hit, we now have a 5 year plan to be independent of GSO money, 50% of the revenue is from Grapevine books and such, the new app may help generate more money.
- Are apps and such cost effective? (Heather) The numbers are just Grapevine and La Vina so don't know.
- There were losses in 2018 & 2019 – are people not subscribing? Seems loss of money was pre-pandemic as well. (Heather) Losses were for La Vina.
- If we are only discussing printing as a loss – we could decide to no longer have printed copies. (Heather) No plans to stop printing at this time. Expecting app to generate for Grapevine and La Vina, (Jonelle) feedback is it is not sustainable with continual losses.
- Need to be clear to groups we're talking about La Vina printing/editing/production costs, missing Grapevine statistics, digital shows sustainability & a solution (Heather) La Vina currently digital and part of the app.
- Wants La Vina to continue, talked to Quebec about how they manage their version La Vina (La Vigne), it is a smaller scale and more grassroots, our business model isn't working, maybe we can get some ideas from Quebec.
- There are lots of things involved in publishing for periodicals, after the pandemic materials costs went up a lot i.e. ink, equipment, etc., digital is the corporate way to save expenses, there is a cultural need for La Vina i.e. people who are unable to leave their homes for meetings, Suggest solution of every home group member gets a subscription
- Districts 21 and 22 have problems using computers, it would be a dis-service to force them to digital, Have to support Las Vina convention, get a subscription & give a subscription
- Principle - Power of AA money strings – if we're not satisfied then they will go away, all entities should be self-supporting, Grapevine sells various things to be self-support, the fellowship supports it or they die as a natural effect
- Are we printing more than we sell? (Heather) We always have past editions for sale, during pandemic only sold to subscribers
- Agreed with Tony and recommends supporting the La Vina convention

- Wants to confirm the numbers are just for La Vina
- Comment – Topic has been around a long time, concern as to lay person who is not a finance person – feels she doesn't have enough information to be informed, not apples to apples (Heather) Grapevine is printed 12 times a year, La Vina is printed 6 times a year, La Vina has reps, Supporting the Carrying the Message is a good way to be supportive, Grapevine literature Working Group describes the role of the Grapevine and La Vina is to educate people, info for hospitals and institutions
- 2001 Advisory Action – to publish La Vine and that it be supported by GSO as a service to the fellowship, paid for through the General Fund (Heather) 2010 – proposed self-supporting by 2017, then pandemic hit, now there is the 5 year plan
- Seems the item is not looking for solution – in that case the answer is no however just because it is not cost effective doesn't mean it isn't important, Are there any statistics on does it help people get sober?
- Has La Vina experience for several years, The Spanish community is working hard to support La Vina, yearly convention is growing and sending subscriptions for La Vina, (Heather) La Vina conference was closed during COVID.
- Read La Vina the first time when incarcerated, first page caught him, attended PRAASA didn't understand, having problems with La Vina director & committee, confusion between La Vina and Grapevine and where the money is going, report is specific to La Vina, Solution – donations
- 2013 goal pasted, question if the 5 year plan money will offset all losses including Grapevine (Heather) Get both printed and digital subscriptions and that will help both Grapevine and La Vina
- Where is the money coming from to cover the losses? (Heather) GSO; (Paula) Can we afford it? (Heather) That's why it needs to go to conference and raise prices, (Paula) is La Vina subscription going up? (Heather) went to editor and haven't heard that the La Vina price is going up, Grapevine is going from \$28 to \$36, (Paula) It's not just about profit - La Vina has been around for 28 years – we can figure out solutions
- Grapevine can't accept contributions – must live off sales, altogether La Vina and Grapevine losses are over \$2 million, GSO uses 7 th tradition contributions to pay for it, treat losses as service, need to look at the articles of incorporation for solutions (Heather) Recommend Carrying The Message subscriptions as way to support both

Topic 2 - Literature Item K – Victor – Consider a request that the words “Donation” and “Contribution” be swapped under Warranty One in “The Twelve Concepts Illustrated” pamphlet.

- Latest version online uses the word contributions.

- No other discussion

Topic 3 – Policy/Admissions Item D – Janice – Review report of the GSB Ad-Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups in the U.S./Canada Service Structure.

- PAI means Proposed Agenda Items which means it will be brought to the conference floor, Virtual AREA PAI what online groups belong to an Area? Each Area is autonomous, we don't need GSO's permission to join an Area.
- My home group is online, Do we want to still consider a pilot? (Janice) Yes. (Speaker) it's a good idea just need to consider the cost of the pilot.
- When groups register they have the option to register as online, we have online groups registered in our Area, virtual groups are very active, maybe even more than in person ones, some confusion because members are from all over, suggest a virtual area in each region, what about international people
- Virtual meetings have people from all over just like live meetings have people who up from out of town, in person meetings don't change for having visitors, (Janice) Where initiated = where registered
- She's a GSR for an online group, group went online with COVID, have 1 in person meeting and 2 virtual meetings, started with geographic region, have freedom to choose, helps elderly to attend virtual meetings, many benefits from anonymity – not asked where we live in open/live meeting, regarding the survey – who picked the groups? Don't think it was a good selection of groups.
- Group in Japan started an online group, the roots are not in the States, have virtual delegate, questions about costs involved
- Question if survey was only about zoom meetings and not other kinds of non-in-person meetings (Janice) Numbers are online, Janice will follow up to get answer
- Liked idea of virtual regions, suggest register in districts, maybe register in DIM districts that need support, help them, we get Int'l all the time, don't have to be in a regional area to participate
- Idea of geography and selection, maybe groups have different concerns than a specific region, members might not feel connected, pilot sounds intriguing
- Is there a place to call to get more information about virtual meetings? (Janice) The Meeting Guide, and other resources.
- Virtual participation existed before COVID, how did conference call groups do it? (Janice) So many more groups and many more looking for representation
- Has online meetings with other central offices, There is an online Intergroup

- Knows of a DCM for an online only district, each group decides for themselves where they want to join

Topic 4 – Public Information K – Kevin – Consider revised proposal to develop an AAWS Instagram account.

- Asked about Hootsuite at the last assembly, is that the anonymity software that blurs out faces? Better management and growth of brands, (Kevin) Don't think it blurs faces.
- Only 1 vote at only 1 meeting, if agenda item just affects a district or Area only needs to be discussed if it affects AA as a whole
- This is not approved at last conference, it was sent back to the trustees

Topic 5 – Int'l Conventions/Regional Forums Item E – Alfredo – Discuss ways to encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums.

- Make Area funds available for people from Area 42, financial incentive
- Use Instagram for this kind of stuff and other social media
- Funding people is not practical with \$70,000 deficient for Area budget
- Other archivists want to see our archives, tell other areas to visit us
- The forum is like a corporate report, encourage discussion, encourage people to attend and keep the GSO people accountable, we will have a new Class B GSB Chair for the first time ever, ask him questions,
- Open to all, only pay for delegate and alternate delegate,
- Area budget is \$7200 for travel to the Forum, this is money budgeted, it could be used for one time only basis to help fund within the Area, at least partially fund people

Area Comments

Topic 1 Grapevine

- Is it cost effective?
- Restructure the bylaws to take on contributions.

Topic 2 Literature

- Contribution and donation are about the same in the dictionary
- Donation sounds like charity
- Do not take donations are we are self supporting

Sense of the assembly- Passed

Topic 3 Policy and Admissions

- Online Groups want to feel part of the area
- Let not separate online groups
- Online group should go into the district they belong too
- We can't manage it all under one umbrella

Topic 4 Public Information

- What will this cost?
- Instagram is where the kids are now. Kids where they are vulnerable
Sense of the assembly- Passed

Topic 5 Int'l Conventions/Regional Forums

- What the difference between the Forums and PRASSA
- Is it on the meeting guide app and if not why not?

Phil Forum Talk

Regional forums proposal for Hospitality room: Phil W.

Hi to everyone here and thank you Lyle for allowing us this time to talk to everyone. As you all know we will be hosting the Pacific regional forum this July 12 through the 14th. One thing I want to say before I even get started with the business part the forum is a little different than PRAASA. This is where the A.A. General Service Office comes out to our region and lets us know what is going on in A.A. in general all over the world. There will be lots of presentations. There will be lots of opportunities to talk to the folks who are doing our work at our office in New York. I want to reiterate that this is not just for general service people. This is for all members of Alcoholics Anonymous to be part of so please pass the word on to your groups and tell them we are hoping that they will be able to attend this informative get together. Registration will take place on aa.org starting May 13. There is a flyer available on aa.org and also on nevadaarea42.org I have a few things I need to talk about and the first of them is about financing. I have been talking to the two ladies at the General Service Office who will be putting together the program and have put together the hotel conference rooms, and breakout rooms, and everything else that our General Service Office finances. There are a couple things that are not financed by the office but are allowed to be dealt with by the hosting area. One of these is a hospitality room, I have asked our friend Michael Miller to be Area 42s liaison with the hotel, and I want to thank him very much for doing this. The hotel has given us a cut rate deal on a couple rooms which we have not procured yet as I was waiting for this assembly to ask you for financing. The first price that was quoted was \$1000 for a 600 square-foot room. A couple days later they got that together and Michale was able to get a discounted deal \$500 for a 600 square-foot room for reference 20'x30'. This will include 2 tables, some 30" high round tables, and high chairs to go around the round tables, and water service . 2 rooms are available We are hoping to have a Area Archive display. Having the larger area would make it less crowded. I am asking for an OK to rent both rooms with costs not to exceed \$1500. I don't want to have any surprises. Michael has said there might be a little room for negotiation on costs or other things. We will be asking to have an Ice Cream sale after Sat evening speaker meeting and the hotel

stands to make \$ on that.

Lets vote on \$1500

Now the next thing on my agenda to talk about is translation radios. I understand that we have paid a lot of money for our translation radios and we try to keep them safe as possible so as not to have to replace them, Elaine has told me that the office actually has 50 translation radios available for the Pacific regional form and I kind of think that we might need more than that number I'm going to ask you if you feel it would be all right to use our radios that are compatible with the ones that they already have. If they need more than 50 this would save them from having to rent radios and I know that we're trying to help GSO save money, in these situations, I think our radios would be marked as area 42 and we will be the ones issuing out the radio so we would be able to keep track of them. Next I want to thank Rhonda W and Jay S. for all their work. They've been doing with the lists of volunteers who have said that they are willing and able to give an hour or two of their weekend to helping with this forum. We still would love to have more volunteers. Please talk to Rhonda and Jay. We need volunteers as greeters as registers as folks who will be setting up signs and helping setting up displays. We would like to have folks from our Service Committees Help at the displays of literature that is used by the committees to carry this message of hope to other still suffering alcoholics I am really hoping that our Nevada Area Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous are going to be Hosting the hospitality room with all their enthusiasm. I know we all love the enthusiasm that they bring to AA. One last thing and this is a special announcement because I haven't really said this enough We need people who are able to speak Spanish as greeters and also at the registration area and so I'm asking that we bring this up at our meetings and ask those who do speak Spanish if they would please let Carlos in the North or Roy Colon in the South know that they are available to do some translation over that weekend.

1500.00 Passed

Saturday Session Four: Feedback From Northern Area Roundtables

Northern Area Roundtables Feedback Mike L.

V. Grapevine and La Viña — Item D. Explore the services provided by AA Grapevine and how they should be funded.

Question: What is the trend of Grapevine subscriptions.

Answer: Going down like all print media

Question: If there is budget shortfall, how is it made up.

Answer: Anytime there is a shortfall of the Grapevine or La Viña is made up by the General fund. There was a drawdown of the \$500,000 for the development of the app.

Question: If not charging for digital copies to correctional facilities what the plans are to cover that:

Answer: The answer question is part of why this agenda item is being discussed.

Question: Do we want to think of the Grapevine as a service tool or as a for profit entity?

Answer: Grapevine and La Vīna are important 12 step tools serving as a beacon of hope carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Comment: Are the trustees protecting integrity of the primary purpose of the grapevine? And Why? One group views the Grapevine falling short representing the singleness of purpose.

Comment: Increase group involvement

Comment: There are only 67,000 subscriptions to the grapevine. At PRAASA that the Grapevine is not conference approved but conference endorsed because it isn't practical the board to approve every issue.

II. CPC — Item E. Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the unhoused alcoholic in A.A.

Comment: The pamphlet not necessary since we are all alcoholics and too expensive.

Comment: The pamphlet and other pamphlets are not just good for the different communities, but it educates the membership how to approach the communities.

Comment: Are we creating so pamphlets are in danger breaking AA unity?

Comment: There are different situations of unhoused alcoholics.

Comment: We need of an inventory of all the pamphlets and determine which ones aren't cost affective.

VIII. Public Information — Item N. Review results of A.A. Membership Survey convenience sample pilot.

Question: was the 10,300 that were excluded from the survey of the 32,000 that took the survey?

Answer: Yes, they were of the 32,000 many were excluded because they didn't fill out all of the questions.

Comment: some Spanish do not fill out all of the questions because they may feel there could be consequences.

V. Grapevine and La Viña — Item E. Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the Asian and Asian-American alcoholics in A.A.

Comment: our membership ought to include “All” that suffer from alcoholism, do we already have literature that is available? When someone comes in the rooms it is our duty to treat them all equally.

Question: It was stated that the Asian Big Book that the stories were not included, when the 5 th edition of the Big Book comes out will those stories be included in the Asian Big Book?

Answer: There are many General Service Offices (GSO) around the world and our GSO helps them translate the Big Book with their own translators. The stories are not translated from our English version; they have the ability to add stories for members of their particular language. Just like the Spanish edition does not have stories from the English edition but their own stories.

Comment: We say the first 164 pages but if you look carefully you would be excluding the preface, forwards, the doctor’s opinion, and the appendices.

XIII. Int’l Conventions/Regional Forums — Item C. Discuss a report concerning virtual programming for the 2025 International Convention.

Comment: I think this is a great idea, wouldn’t it be wonderful for those around the world to participate.

Question: How would we pay for this, would there be an online registration fee?

Answer: Yes, the fee would depend on how many signed up to be online to cover the cost.

Comment: This would open it up for those that have legal outside issues that might prevent them from crossing the border into Canada.

Question: How would the cost for ASL be covered?

Answer: It would depend on how many members signed up for ASL to determine the cost.

Comment: If you have any legal outside issues (past DUI, Canada sees this as a felony) you can go to aa.org and see what you have to do to cross the border.

Comment: I have attended previous International Conventions and it was a wonderful experience and I believe this would be a great idea for that have to travel long Distances.

Area Comments

Topic 1. Grapevine and La Viña

- Will the five year plan help get us back up to make what we need work.

Topic 2. CPC

- Being homeless I had no reason for paper goods
- Pamphlets are going redundant
- We need an inventory of all pamphlets

Sense of the assembly- Not needed

Topic 3. Public Information

- What is the data for?
- Statics on members would we get different results
- How is the data from the survey being used

Topic 4. Grapevine and La Viña

- When does this stop?
- Find a better way to reach out
- Love and tolerance to all ethnics
- This pamphlets help us understand the ethnic group

Sense of the assembly- Not Needed

Topic 5 Int'l Conventions/Regional Forums

- Any one with any circumstance would be able to attend
- Online fee to register should be the same
- This would be great for finance or travel restrictions for anyone.

Sense of the Assembly- Passed

Saturday Session Five: Area Ad-Hoc Committees & Updates

Ad-Hoc Committee Inventory Recommendations-Jonelle W.

Hello Area 42! My name is Jonelle and I am an alcoholic. Our Statement of Purpose: The purpose of the Inventory Recommendation Ad Hoc Committee is to suggest possible ways to implement the feedback given during our Fall 2023 Area 42 Inventory. Our hope is that the action-taking steps recommended will allow our Area to grow forward and bring about necessary changes that will begin to lead us in the direction of deeper inclusivity, attraction, outreach, understanding and ultimately, involvement. For those who are new to General Service or this is your first time to an Assembly or if you missed the Fall 2023 Assembly – we took our inventory. During the discussion on What do we want to see be a result of this inventory? and... What are you willing to do to help to make that happen? it was suggested that we come up with a Recommendations committee and because I brought it up, guess what? I became Chair! I served on the Recommendations committee for the 2013 Area Inventory. I suggested we not reinvent the wheel – as we so love to do – and follow a similar process – which was to take each topic, question, and discussion and make them into recommendations that could possibly lead to other ad hocs, motions, proposals, and/or personal implementation – meaning just deciding to do it yourself because it sounds like a good thing to do! The committee assigned team leaders for each topic with several willing and eager team members.

Jodie G. – our Alt. Area Registrar, led Team Topic 1 – GSRs.

TayTay S. – our District 7 DCM, led Team Topic 3 – Remote & Dark Districts

Mindy R – District 5B GSR – led Team Topic 5 – Area Assembly

Julie C. – panel 71 Past Delegate – led Team Topic 9 – Area Inventory.

Team members included: Scott A. – DCM District 4, Amanda V. – Southern Area Intergroup Liaison, Don D. – NAGSC PIC Chair, Jeffrey C. – Area 42 Technology Chair

We met a bunch of times over the past several months in our respected teams and as a whole committee. Thank God for our Area's virtual abilities! Ad Hoc committees that require brainstorming, re-brainstorming and then... brainstorming some more to come up with simple, actionable, and achievable suggestions is not easy. Yet, this crew has been dedicated and somewhat fearless in their approach. Each team leader will present the questions we were to discuss from the inventory, the documented discussion from the inventory, and our recommendations. A copy is in your packet and will be in the next

newsletter...

Thank you team leaders and team members... and to Area 42 for wanting to evolve. Our committee was not tasked with what to do with the recommendations or HOW to implement, however, as I have suggested in the opening blurb – maybe some trusted servants will request some ad hocs on moving forward with a recommendation or a proposal could be written regarding some new positions being created to better serve our Area or maybe, in listening to our presentation, you came up with other recommendations and you'd like to see those considered. Inventory outcomes take time – I know that from personal experience from taking my own. It may be a bit before changes take place... like a really long bit. However, nothing is ever done in vain! Thank you all for all you do and allowing ad hocs to do what they need to do so that we never remain stagnant or comfortable!

Ad-Hoc Committee: Website update Mike L.

Hello Area 42, my name is Mike I am an alcoholic serving as chair of the Area Website Ad-Hoc Committee The committee was formed after the 2022 Fall assembly. The committee is composed of Betty S, Lou P, Doug H, Dan M, Libby G and myself along with our Webservant Glenn W. The committee was created to look at the feasibility of modernizing our website that was originally designed in 2010. After conducting an Area survey it was obvious the area was in agreement to update the website. At the Spring Assembly of 2023 the Area budgeted up to \$2,000 to update the website. The committee was able to accomplish the goal and a lot more. We worked with a vendor who created a new website with up-to-date security within the \$2000 budget set by the area and with lower monthly maintenance costs. The vendor also provides any support we might need now and in future. The input from the Area has been positive, keeping in mind the website is still a work in progress. The new website will be evolving and will be able to grow with the Area needs. The committee is grateful to be able to serve the area

Communication Flow Chart: Libby G.

Libby posts the flow chart on the screen and explains the service positions.

GSR Survival Guide: Dano B/ Pat S.

My name is Dano B. And I presently serve as the southern area GSR trainer/ guider. Our small committee is hard at work updating the GSR orientation manual/ formally known the GSR survival guide. Making it informative, easy to follow, translatable, and tech friendly. Unfortunately, it will not be unveiled at this springs assembly. The three other committee members are a lot more maticulous with language, punctuation, and spelling than I. We will be hosting another pep rally/ training session before the roundtables. Hoping the GSRs have a more insight and perspective about AA as a whole functioning in tandem with the group conscience going into our discussions. Hopefully my northern counterpart Pat S. And I will have an accessible table at assembly to help and guide GSRs that might ask us for insights. The rest of my term I will be doing my best to reset, update the binder and information so the next GSR trainer has all current material and a smooth transition. If your group or district would like me to speak or visit.

Thanks for allowing me to serve

Treasurer report: Jason M.

Hello, my name is Jason, and I am an alcoholic.

The following reports are available:

- Income & Expense as of 12/31/2023 and 2/29/2024 – See attached
- Balance Sheet as of 12/31/2023 and 2/29/2024 – See attached

Cash Position (As of 3/25/2024)

Savings	\$ 30,030.14
Checking	\$ 51,348.90
Total Cash	\$ 81,379.04

For the period ending **December 31st, 2023**, our net income amounted to **\$34,144.72** while the total expenses for the corresponding period reached **\$94,473.35**.

For the period ending **February 29th, 2024**, our net income amounted to **negative <\$1,607.43>** while the total expenses for the corresponding period reached **\$6,308.97**.

Kindly take note of my updated service email: **jasonmarea42@gmail.com**. While I'm accessible via this new email, I **strongly recommend** utilizing the official Area email,

treasurer@nevadaarea42.org, for all communications. Using my Yahoo email might lead to potential oversight (**Please Stop Using**). Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Voluntary Group contributions can be made payable to “Area 42” and mailed to;

Area 42

PO Box 70171

Las Vegas, NV 89170-0171

To request a reimbursement, send an email to treasurer@nevadaarea42.org containing the following details: your Service Position/Committee, a brief description of the expenses, receipts, your mailing address, and the name of the payee for the check. If you're hesitant to provide your mailing address, please inform me, and we'll figure out an alternative.

It's my pleasure to serve in this capacity and thank you for your cooperation!

Sunday Session Six: Area Guidelines & Area Conference Committees

Lyle invites all to join in the Serenity Prayer

“God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.”

Welcome – Lyle (Chair)

MODERATOR: Lyle introduces Tony S., Chair of the Translation/Interpretation Committee

Guidelines Change Proposal: Translation Committee Guideline 1st Reading — Tony S

Reason for this proposal: The original Translation Committee guidelines were approved in spring, 2020, and need to be revised. This update more accurately reflects how the committee operates.

Black font = previously approved guidelines (Addendum 3, Area 42 Guidelines, 9/2022)

Red font = changes proposed by the Translation Committee

I. Purpose

The Area 42 Translation Committee will be responsible for keeping open communications, written and oral, between the Spanish Linguistic Districts and Area 42.

A. The Translation Committee will coordinate and facilitate translation (written) and interpretation (oral) services. It will provide consecutive and simultaneous Spanish/English interpretation at Area Assemblies and pre-conference roundtables;

B. Depending on the availability of volunteer translators and/or interpreters and equipment, the Area 42 Translation Committee will:

1. Provide, upon request, consecutive and simultaneous Spanish/English interpretation at:
 - a. Area Committee meetings;
 - b. Area Standing Committee meetings;
 - c. NAGSC and SAGSC meetings.
2. Provide written translation of Area 42 Assembly minutes, conference agenda item summaries, the newsletter, updates to the website and such other documents, reports, minutes or emails as may be requested by the Delegate, Area 42 Secretary or NAGSC or SAGSC Secretaries in consultation with the Translation Committee;
3. Provide written translation of Area 42 officers', SAGSC and NAGSC DCMs', committee chairs' and liaisons' reports;

II. ~~Membership~~ Members and Meetings

~~The Translation Committee is to be a Committee which will consist of:~~

- ~~1. Chairperson~~

~~2. Alternate Chairperson~~

~~3. Committee members~~

- A. Composition and Terms of Service - The Translation Committee will consist of a minimum of four members: three officers and at least one other member. The Chairperson and Alternate Chair must be bilingual English/Spanish and capable of interpreting and translating.
1. The Chairperson will be appointed by the Area Chair.¹
 2. The Alternate Chair and Secretary will be elected from within the committee.
 - ~~3.~~ Translation Committee officers serve a four-year rotation. Rotation is strongly encouraged.
 4. All Translation Committee members have one vote. In the case of an even number of committee members voting, the Chairperson does not vote.
 5. All are welcome to serve on the Translation Committee.
- B. Meetings – The Translation Committee meets monthly. Meetings of the Translation Committee are open to all.

III. OFFICERS

A. Chairperson

1. Facilitates carrying out the purpose of the Translation Committee;
2. Attends and conducts the meetings of the Translation Committee;
3. Interprets at Area Assemblies and pre-conference roundtables;
4. Prepares and submits quarterly reports to NAGSC/SAGSC meetings;
5. Secures translation and interpretation resources for Area Assemblies and Area Committee Meetings;
6. Oversees the preparation of the annual Translation Committee budget and brings forward requests for budget revisions as needed;
7. Gives Translation Committee reports and presents motions at Area Assemblies;
8. Relays all requests for written translation to the volunteer translators. Note: the Translation Committee fulfills requests received from the Delegate, the Area Secretary and the NAGSC and SAGSC secretaries only;
9. Facilitates repair of equipment as needed;

10. Serves on the Area Communications Committee.

B. Alternate Chairperson

1. Attends and participates at Translation Committee meetings;
2. Conducts Translation Committee meetings in the absence of the Chairperson;
3. Interprets at Area Assemblies and pre-conference roundtables;
4. Schedules equipment use requests for Area events (Assemblies, Area Committee Meetings and pre-conference roundtables);
5. Sets up, tests, and oversees equipment operation at all Area Assemblies and, upon request, at Area Committee Meetings;
6. Works with interpreters at Area Assemblies and resolves any immediate needs that may come up during work time (e.g., people talking to them while they are working, where they will be set up, equipment problems etc.);
7. Inventories equipment after each assembly;

C. Secretary

1. Attends and participates at Translation Committee meetings;
2. Takes minutes of all Translation Committee meetings. Sends the minutes to the Translation Committee Chair and Translation Committee members prior to the next meeting;
3. Prepares Translation Committee agenda by communicating with Translation Committee Chair and other Translation Committee members prior to the Translation Committee meeting;
4. Gives the Area Archivist all Translation Committee meeting minutes at the end of the rotation;

D. Depending upon the availability of equipment and interpreters, the Translation Committee Chairperson and Alt. Chairperson (or other bi-lingual person) should be present at all Area Assemblies and pre-conference roundtables to interpret. There must always be at least two interpreters present.

Responsibilities of the Translation Committee

~~The translation committee will be responsible for:~~

- ~~C. Keeping open communications with Area 42 and the Spanish Linguistic Community.~~
- ~~D. The translation of documents.~~
- ~~E. Providing translators during Assemblies.~~
- ~~F. Providing a budget for expenses; materials, translation equipment, printing and other expenses~~
- ~~G. Conducting two or more meetings annually.~~
- ~~H. Presenting a semi-annual report at Area Assemblies.~~

IV. EQUIPMENT POLICIES

- A. The Northern and Southern Area Chairs will store their own equipment and be responsible for transporting the equipment to area assemblies.
- B. The cost of any repair or replacement of the equipment as the result of damage at an Area or NAGSC/SAGSC event will be the responsibility of the Area.

These proposed guidelines will become effective immediately upon adoption.

1 Will require a change to the Area Chairperson's duties in the Delegate Area 42 General Service Assembly Guidelines

Area Translation Committee: proposal to change Delegate Area 42 Guidelines

FIRST READING
Spring Assembly, 2024

Area 42 Guidelines – Area Officer Duties (section 1.4)

Background: This proposed change is to align the Area Chairperson's duties with the revised Translation Committee Guidelines – if they are approved by the body.

1.4 Area Officer Duties:

- A. Duties of the Chairperson:
1) through 9) as-is

ADD: 10) Appoint the Area 42 Translation Committee Chairperson

This change will become effective upon adoption of the revised Translation Committee Guidelines.

Area Comments.

It is mandatory we can translation at the Nags and Sags meeting

Translation should be responsible for the translation equipment

We will need to some changes with the finance guidelines with this change

ACC REPORTS

Agenda- Pat S.

Hi, this is Pat from the North. The Agenda Committee report is short and simple: our committee met by ZOOM several times to discuss the seven items listed under agenda. Paul had already looked at it, and realized the first six had not changed since the last time. So he simply copied those. The small committee work on item G, whittling it down to a single paragraph. That's it. Sorry I am not be at the area assembly.

Archives: Ronnie D.

Verbal Report Given

Corrections Bigg J.

Verbal Report Given

CPC: Anne D.

Hello.

My name is Anne and I had the great honor of chairing the Area Conference Committee - Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) committee. Terri M. was my alternate chair and the 2023 Chair. I'd like to thank her and Susan M and Chris H who were the other area members who participated. (We had about ten people total on the roster that I received from Paul.) Our past trusted servant advisor was past Panel 71 Delegate Julie C who served on the General Service Conference CPC Committee during her time representing us. We are grateful to have her expertise and insight.

Thankfully, our workload was light. We had five total agenda items - one of which was to look at the CPC Workbook materials. Julie said that was a pass through item that is included every year but one that we didn't have to address. We also had a Literature item that was part of the CPC Agenda Items which was there as part of the effort to distribute the workload more evenly.

And also lucky for us that the Literature item was there because that was the one item from our agenda that Jake opted to have explored at the NAGSC meeting in March. Our very own Terri M. summarized it and did a great job on her presentation at NAGSC. Thank you, Terri.

I have printed out our background information and our summaries for anyone who might like to learn more about the CPC Agenda items.

Finance: Carol B.

I was happy to welcome the new members of our Finance Committee at our January 27th meeting. Amanda and Tanya from the South, and Carol from the North joined Jason, Rich, and myself. Their fresh ideas and enthusiasm combined with the experience of our longer term members will make for a productive team. The Committee would like to remind GSRs and

RSGs to work with their groups to look at how they contribute to service entities after covering their groups costs. Analysis of the contributions indicates that once we combined our three treasuries into one, groups have continued to contribute to the Area in the same manner as before, but that contributions that used to be made to NAGSC and SAGSC are not being made to the Area. Of course, how a group makes contributions is completely autonomous, but please remember that the Area is now funding the services provided by NAGSC and SAGSC. The only way to fund NAGSC and SAGSC services is through group contributions to the Area. Sometime between now and the Fall Assembly, we will be starting our budget process. Once the budget request forms are made available, our committee will be conducting workshops to educate members on the process and to be available to assist with filling out the forms. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve our Area as Chair of the oversight committee for our community basket, “where money and spirituality mix.”

Grapevine Sue H.

Verbal Report Given

Literature Libby G.

Hi, my name is Libby and I'm an alcoholic. I'm the chair of the Literature ACC committee. This committee's purpose is to review the background material for the Literature agenda items, write summaries and present the items requested by the Delegate. I want to take a second to give thanks to my co-chair Mike, the NAGSC secretary. He covered for me while I was on vacation and made sure all the items were summarized within the week we had to get them done. Thanks Mike! We had eleven items to summarize and they were done on time. We had one meeting and lots of email communications. We had one item selected by the delegate for SAGSC. It was Item J – about updating the 12 Concepts pamphlet to use the word contributions instead of donations. Victor was the lucky winner who got to do the presentation at the SAGSC meeting. At our meeting we also had some great discussion about some of the other items and suggested to Jake that there were a couple of other items that might be of interest to the Area if there was opportunity. Thanks to everyone on the Literature committee and thank you all for the opportunity to be of service.

International Conventions/Regional Forums: Alfredo M.

My name is Alfredo, I am an alcoholic and the chair for our Area 42 International Conventions and Regional Forums committee. Today I am here to talk about Item E- “Discuss ways to encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums” and more specifically the upcoming Pacific Regional Forum. For those who don't know we have 4 Forums a year. In North America A.A. is divided into 8 Regions so every region has a forum every two years. PLEASE, PLEASE if you haven't already mark your calendars, this year July 12th, 13th and 14th the Pacific Regional Forum will take place at the Westgate Resort & Casino in fabulous Las Vegas Nevada.

Registration is FREE and YOU are invited.

Bring a friend, bring a newcomer, bring your home group...all are welcome.

What is a Regional Forum you might ask?

A Regional Forum is "an experience you must not miss"!

A Regional Forum is your chance to learn and become better informed on how A.A. works and meet some of the hard working people who do that work.

A Regional Forum is your chance to meet General Service Office staff, Grapevine staff, A.A. World Services staff, General Service Board Members and other Trusted Servants in our region.

A Regional Forum is your chance to attend workshops, listen to presentations, and use your voice by participating in sharing sessions where you can go to the mic ask questions, make comments and/or share your experience.

Finally, a Regional Forum is your chance to grow in your recovery and be of service.

Did I mention registration is FREE?

Question: How we can we as an Area (or I as an individual) encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums?

Answer: Word of mouth and pen- talk about it, announce it, email it, text it, Facebook it, Instagram it, Twitter it...repeat.

Thank you, Alfredo M.

Policy and Admissions: Carol H.

Good afternoon, area 42, all those out in zoom land and in person. My Carol and I am an alcoholic. I'm so grateful and excited to be here at the assembly. always get such a boost in my recovery whenever I attend an AA function because of the energy within the fellowship. The gratitude and selflessness is just overwhelming. If you're new to Tonopah: welcome! I hope you find the warmth of camaraderie and love that I find in these AA gatherings. Always remember: you are never alone! I'm here today to share the experience of our committee and as the chairperson for Policy and Admission. As Committee Chair on Policy and Admissions, we, as a group pretty much worked separate.

I mainly communicated via email, and text. I expressed to the committee members that I would be there for them if they ever needed any help whatsoever. Although I most likely knew less than they did at the initial onset. I delegated agenda items to the group alphabetically, as I felt this was the best random way to get it going. I was not available until 4 days after the agenda items were distributed to the chairs, so we kind of had to hustle to catch up. We were 5 members with 5 agenda items, and along the way, one member was over committed in other various AA service areas so I picked up her agenda item. I also helped another member with her report, but that was my job as chair. To be there for them in anyway possible. It was, at first, a bit overwhelming, as I felt as if I were in Congress reading a bill submitted to the legislature. As a member of AA that has not been in the loop of agenda items as much as I would have liked, I felt that the background material was a bit dry and felt a bit convoluted at parts. Some items had up to 50 pages of printed material to review. It was a bit challenging, to say the least. That being said, if you can believe this, I actually appreciated the experience and knowledge that I gained from being a part of the Area Conference Committee, on Policy and Admissions, as Chair. I say that now, but I might not have a month ago amongst the scattered papers all over my study. I have such gratitude and appreciation for all my committee members. I think we did pretty darn well! As a result of being on this year's committee, I felt a deep desire to attend this year's Area Assembly. I would not usually be attending if I were not a GSR, but the want in me to follow these agenda items forward gave me the desire to attend the assembly in person. I am just one of those people that can't really focus on zoom. I need the in person experience to get the message. But that's just me.

As a result, my gracious, supportive District, District One, gave me the opportunity with funding to attend today. Their heartfelt support for me to attend was just another selfless act of this incredible, life altering program, Thank you all for letting me be of service.

Public Information: Don D.

My name is Don and I served as the Public Information Area Conference Chair for this year. We had an amazing year that was very fluid due to the participation from our committee members throughout the process. We had 5 active participating members and 2 presenters. We had 15 agenda items, many of which were reviewing progress on previous items and 2 presentations. We met a couple of times previous to receiving the items then we were able to distribute the workload very evenly throughout the committee. I am extremely grateful for how proactive my committee members were and the collective experience we had to be able to get them done. Thank you for the work you put in and helping our area to be better informed on what is happening in AA as a whole.

Report and Charter: Ed L.

This agenda item is very lengthy but the main reason for this discussion is clarification. In 1955 Bill W wrote in the section AS IT IS UNDERSTOOD” That neither the twelve traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous nor the warranties of article 12 of the conference charter shall ever be changed if and when the time comes. Except by a vote of 3/4,s of the registered groups world wide. There would be at least a six month time frame for the groups to respond. The main focus of this resolution was to discern between listed and registered groups. A footnote was to be added the AAWs only list groups solely for purpose of accurate communications. What all of really comes down to is that a meetings on the meeting app are just that a meeting and are not necessarily registered. So who can vote on a very important issue? Who’s votes would be counted listed or registered or both? The proposal in this item is to remove the footnote and to have further discussion on the subject as to what votes would count. Bear in mind Bill wrote registered groups in the original draft in 1955. Much discussion needs to be made as to how do we allow every AA member a vote. Like many agenda items this topic will be around for quite a while. Right now

the question is to remove the footnote and discuss different wording as it somewhat confusing.

Treatment and Accessibilities: Anna L.

My name is Anna, I am an alcoholic, and the Alt. Chair for the Treatment & Accessibilities Area Conference Committee. The Chair from the South and I received an email in December from the Alt. Delegate with the roster for our committee and direction to contact them to determine if they still want to participate. The Chair sent out an email as requested. We received the background information on February 23rd with an extension to have the summaries completed by February 29th due to the late delivery of background information. There were nine agenda items for the Treatment and Accessibilities Committee to summarize, two of which were already summarized. The Chair summarized three of the remaining agenda items, and the Alt. Chair summarized four. The Alt. Chair sent an email to the committee asking if anyone was interested in presenting, should any of the topics be selected for the Area Assembly. One committee member replied stating that they are serving on another committee, and another committee member replied stating that they were interested in participating. None of the Treatment and Accessibilities agenda items were selected for the Area Assembly. Unfortunately, there was some frustration and a sense of lack of communication among our committee. Certainly, there are circumstances beyond our control, such as when we receive the background information, but we would like to make a few suggestions for future rotations:

1. Increase the support ahead of time to ensure that the ACCs are prepared for each step in the process. For example, the Alt. Delegate could send out an information package that includes documents such as the Nevada Area 42 Calendar, an ACC Panel Chairs List, Guidelines for Agenda Topic Summarizers, and Guidelines for Agenda Topic Presenters; or at least an email with links to the documents and a reminder to review them.

2. Hold a workshop for the ACC Chairs & Alt. Chairs in January to create a collaborative environment where Chairs and Alt. Chairs have an opportunity to ask questions and share experiences from previous rotations.

3. Do not rely solely on email to contact committee members. If they do not respond to an email, follow up with a phone call; or try starting with phone calls. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions regarding the Treatment and Accessibilities ACC or any of the agenda items we summarized.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service, I am delighted to be here.

Trustees:Jodie G.

Hello, my name is Jodie and I am an alcoholic. I served as the Area Conference Committee Chair on Trustees. In early December, I received my committee roster and was encouraged to reach out to the members, introduce myself and see who was still interested in being a part of the committee. I received one response, from my co-chair. I was not concerned because there was a lot of time before we got our topics and a chance we would not have any topics summarize, as we did not in 2023. On Thursday, February 22nd I found Paul had shared with me the Google Drive with our topics, background information and a deadline of February 25th. I once again reached out to my committee and did not receive any responses. I have done summaries in the past and decided to do the work on my own. A week later I received an email from my co-chair, she wanted to help and had missed the email in the sea of emails we get this time of year. I explained the work was already done. When we ran into each other at PRASSA and we talked about the subject she reminded me that I could always reach out to her again if I do not get a response. That is when it occurred to me that I had denied her an opportunity to be of service on this committee. That is not the Alcoholics Anonymous way. I have learned a lesson and I will do better going forward. In the past, I have worked with other Area Conference Committees to summarize and I was assigned topics to work on prior to the formation of the ACCs. I enjoy the work and would continue to do so no matter if it is with or without Area Conference Committees. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

New Business

Communcation Platform Jeffery

Would like a ad hoc committee to explore different communication platforms

ACC coordinator position: Caroline

A recommendation for a possible ACC Coordinator position. We respectfully ask for an ad- hoc committee to be made to look into an ACC coordinator position to discuss how to make the ACC process better and more efficient.

Lyle responded I will look into this.

Motion to meet Bi monthly meeting for area officer/ committee chairs this would be on trial for one year starting after the fall assembly

Motion was second

Comment to change to quarterly instead of by monthly-no to the change

Isn't this what we do at Nagsc and Sagsc?

Area community meeting.

Motion amended to quarterly to try the process beside Tonopah twice a year.

Vote: 45 for and 21 against

Minority opinion

This is too much to ask of our volunteers

Second vote:

Did not pass

Sunday Session Seven: What's on our mind and Ask it Basket

What's on Your Mind: Lyle C.

- Zoom pulling service people out of the local area
- If we can just save one person. We once continue to help that person
- Practice all our principle
- Grapevine for people with divergent challenges.

Ask it Basket: Julie C.

Would the increasing request to GSO do you think our request are being eroding?

- We are always be eroding
- We are a business, but a spiritual business. It is not eroding, our 12 concepts support this.

Can agenda proposals not be accepted until all the background information is available?

- Usually it takes a couple of times for an item to get passed and the cost information is available.

As a New GSR should I go to the mic if someone said what I want to say?

- As a new GSR please go to feel welcome
- It is more efficient if we do not go to the mic and repeat things that have been said.

Noted that what is discussed at area is not common knowledge to many groups. Is there another way besides word of month to get the information to the groups?

- This is where the DMC can visit your groups. Workshops are very helpful to understand what's going on in the area.

I hope that the issue with meetings being a safe place remains a topic with the area?

- I do too with the safety card

What are the biggest obstacles in running GSO?

- Prioritization and workload organization

How do we get the agenda items we are passionate about discussed with the area?

- Current Delegates get to decide on the items. How do we incorporate the delegate's decision?

Past Delegates, what are you most passionate about?

- When I became a past delegate I went to the past delegate conference and took a position. I have been apart and traveled with new people.

Can we see a greater effort made to encourage service work in our fellowship?

- Yes we can I believe to get the GSR more involved in our area assembly and standing committee.

Can you clarify Lavina donations? Can they take contributions?

- Lavina piece from the GSO voted to give them the money.

Why are we not asking for a finance percentage?

- The items come from you and us. The office tries to go through all the background information. This is where you might be about to find that information

Who decides the location of PRAASA?

- It is on a 15 year rotation

Please consider doing the conference rotating in the North or the South.

- We used to do that but each area was not represented evenly.

Can we ask questions online?

- Yes in the chat

How do we stay and clean up?

- Just stay

Thank you NCYPAA Food and 5B Drinks for hosting the Fall Assembly

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Close with the Responsibility Declaration

