

NAGSC Saturday August 5, 2023 Minutes

Location Wolf Center, 457 Esmeralda St., Fallon, NV.

1:00 pm

Paul opened the meeting with the serenity prayer
In attendance about 30 in person with 12 online

Chair-Paul E opening remarks and asked for any new attendees to NAGASC to introduce themselves:

Patty GSR from Thursday Lunch Bunch in Reno Diar's Club

Vanessa GSR Grupo La Nueva Esperanza

Summer GSR from Mount Rose Recovery Group

Kacy alt GSR "For the Effect" Reno Triangle Club

NAGSC Secretary Mike L asked for approval of June minutes motion was made, seconded and approved without opposition or corrections

NAGSC Treasurer and Area Alternate Treasurer Rich B read Jason Mc Area Treasury Report prepared by the Area Treasurer Jason Mc. Attached is the treasury documents up to March 2023.

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

The following reports are available:

- Income & expenses as of 07/31/2023 – See attached
- Balance Sheet as of 07/31/2023 – See attached

Cash Position (As of 7/31/2023)

Savings \$ 30,010.20

Checking \$ 81,718.31

Total Cash \$ 111,728.51

For the period ending July 31 st , 2023, our net income amounted to \$40,841.65, while the total expenses for the corresponding period reached \$61,653.07. Please note my new service email is jasonmarea42@gmail.com.

It's still best practice to use the Area email for all correspondence which is treasurer@nevadaarea42.org. If you email my yahoo email address, it could

get missed. 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, kindly send an email to treasurer@nevadaarea42.org containing the following details: your Service Position/Committee, a brief description of the expense, a breakdown of the receipts, your mailing address, and the name of the payee for the check. If you are hesitant to provide your mailing address, please inform me, and we'll figure out an alternative. I'll ensure that any group contributions with incorrect payee information are returned via mail or in person at the next Assembly. As a reminder, we now have a single treasury for the Area, with no SAGSC or NAGSC treasury.

Therefore, all voluntary group contributions should be made payable to “Area42”;

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

Jason M.

Area 42 Treasurer

Rich reminded all the committee chairs and officers to complete their budgets requests and send them to Laura the finance chair.

Officer Reports

NAGSC Chair Alternate Area Alternate Delegate Report Paul E

Hi, I'm Paul your NAGSC Chairperson and also your Area 42 Alternate Delegate, welcome to all of those here in person and those attending online. Is there anyone that is attending a NAGSC meeting for their first time? Please introduce yourselves. We have a full agenda with all of your reports, we want to hear what has been happening in your districts and committees. We have a NAGSC ad-hoc committee report and a couple of Area 42 ad-hoc committee updates. Then we have 2 first readings of NAGSC guidelines change proposals. Hopefully all of you have made hotel reservations for the Area 42 assembly in Tonopah, September 8th – 10th. If you need someone to share a room or a ride with this might be a good place to find someone. At any time if you have any questions about NAGSC and what is happening in the Northern Area or Area 42

please feel free to contact me. I would like to thank District 22 for hosting this NAGSC meeting and Debbie for finding us a facility to have it. Thank you for allowing me to serve, Paul

NAGSC Tech Chair – Michelle M
No written report submitted.

NAGSC Registrar Jodie G

Hello, my name is Jodie and I am an alcoholic and I am currently serving as Alternate Registrar for Area 42. My position has been pretty quiet, adding GSRs to Fellowship Connection as they come in and I recently added a couple new groups. Things are about to get busy though with the Area Assembly right around the corner. Lisa, the Area Registrar and I have been chatting, trying to get everything set up for registration for the assembly and the banquet. Please remember that although registration is free, we still need you to register and also paying for your banquet ticket online does not register you for the assembly. Banquet tickets will be \$24 due to the request of a wider variety of menu options.

I am looking forward to greeting you all in Tonopah and please reach out if there is anything I can do for you and your group.

Thank you.

Jodie G.

NAGSC Archivist Debbie S

Debbie alcoholic, serving as your NAGSC Archivist. I haven't had much going on in the world of Archives. I have had one request in June for some information on Nevada AA history. I just happen to have some copies of a summarized timeline dated between 1945 to 1970, that someone has put together. Side note...I have put a few on the flyer table for anyone that wants one. With the timeline dated to 1970, I have a few questions for you to ponder...Does your group or District have an Archivist? Did you know that we have binders, that your past DCM's have put together and gave a copy to the past Archivists for safe keeping? Most Districts have voids in their documented history. It is not too late to start putting together those binders or saving those event flyers, District meeting minutes, etc. to share with those who are yet to walk through those doors. Thank you for entrusting me with your valuable history.

Area 42 Finance Committee Chair Laura J

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve our Area as the oversight committee for our community basket, "where money and spirituality mix."

The Finance Committee is preparing a 2024 budget for presentation at the Fall Assembly. Budget request forms have been emailed to officers, standing chairs and other budget positions. If you received the form and have not filled and return, please do so soon. We will use these estimates and historical data to draft a budget. At the Assembly, the members will review, revise and vote for approval.

Newsletter Editor Laura J

The Summer edition of the Area 42 Newsletter will be published on August 10. Everyone should receive a copy by email. There is important information in this edition for GSRs and RSGs to share with their groups regarding the Area Inventory that will be conducted at the Fall Assembly. Please share and discuss at the group level and bring your group's conscience back to Assembly.

Laura J

Area 42 Finance Committee Chair

Area 42 Newsletter Editor

Area Chair Lyle C

Hello Northern Area and friends. It is good to see everyone. I wish I could be in Fallon in person; however, I'm not available to travel yet. The Area 42 Fall Assembly is coming up September 8th – 10th. Our Delegate Jake S. will give a delegate's report back from the Conference with a PowerPoint presentation. Also, our US Trustee-at-Large Marita R. will have her Trustee's report. We will have a special guest, Ruth J., Past Pacific Region Trustee, give a history of Nevada Area 42. Also Area will have an Inventory and a copy of the inventory will be in the Newsletter with the preliminary Agenda look forward to seeing everyone there.

Yours in Love and Service,
Lyle C Area 42 Chair

DCM Reports

District 02 DCM Debbie O

My name is Debbie and I'm an alcoholic. I am also the DCM for District 2.

District 2 is excited about our first "The Importance of a Homegroup" workshop September 23rd 11:30am - 2:00pm at the First Congregational Church 627 Sunnyside Drive in Reno. Drinks and Pizza Provided.

We meet on the second Thursday of every month at Central Office, with 14 active GSRs, we read a Concept and review GSR reports. We brainstorm on what more we can bring to our home group to help the new member.

We have some brand-new first time GSRs and we are excited to see what they bring to the table. Our focus is helping others get interested in the Service Structure and as a District bring light to Dark Meetings. We want people to be excited about service and know all the opportunities available.

I love the excitement and enthusiasm our GSR's bring to our district meetings, focusing on awareness of District 2, not only for the newcomers, but for all AA.

We are looking forward to the assembly next month to hear our fearless leader share his experience from GSO.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve AA. I am truly grateful.

It's a great day to be sober!

Debbie O.

DCM – District 2

District 04 DCM Scott A

I am grateful to be serving as the District 4 DCM for Panel 73. There has been a lot to learn and I am happy to say that the support from my service sponsor and other members of my district has made this a fun learning experience.

Participation in our district meetings feels like it is getting better and we have several new people who want to help bring the message of service to meetings that don't have representation. I look forward to seeing where this goes.

I have started reaching out to some of the area chairs and have been setting up presentations at our district meetings. This month we had Heather and Roland with bridging the gap at NNIG and it was fantastic. Next month Don D. our PI chair will be visiting us. I look forward to what we will learn from these wonderful people.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Scott A.

DCM District 4

District 06 DCM Kevin E

My name is Kevin E and I currently have the privilege as serving as your District 6 DCM. District 6 meets every other Sunday even numbered months. On June 17 we had our annual picnic and Paul was gracious enough to share at our meeting. We are looking forward to the inventory and have discussed it with in our GSR's and will report at our next District meeting following the information presented today. We are also looking for anyone to give presentations on their area service committees to come share if

interested, this also would help GSR's better understand how each committee functions. You can contact me anytime at eminutes@gmail.com.

District 08 DCM Laurie G

No written report submitted

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District 10A DCM Laurie B

Good day to you all,
District 10A has been fairly quiet since our last meeting.
We had to cancel our July regular meeting, we will meet on September 24th at 1:30pm at 680 River St. Elko, NV. We have our end of summer Sober Saloon BBQ scheduled for August 13th at 1:30pm
Flyer is attached to this email. Please share with everyone and come join us!!!
In September we will discuss all information that comes back from Tonopah.
We will also plan our yearly Gratitude Dinner that we hold in November.
Thank you all for your service.
Sincerely,
Lauri B

District 12 DCM Cathy C

We meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at this spot (The Wolf Center in Fallon). Our business meeting is at 5pm and we are having 4-6 GSRs come regularly. At 6pm, we have a delicious potluck where 15-20 people attend. At 7pm. We have our speaker/birthday/chip meeting where 20-40 people attend. The Treatment center is back to coming regularly as well. Over the past few months, I have been attempting to visit meetings, especially those that did not send a GSR- this way I can bring them a copy of the latest minutes and let them know that we would like their participation. I attended Hawthorne and hope to make it to Round Mountain this month. I am now working at encouraging GSRs to attend the assembly in Tonopah and get some of the committee chairs to present at our Business meetings and be our Birthday meeting speakers.

Thank you for letting me serve.

District 14 DCM Mike M

Hello Northern area 42, my name is Mike and I'm an alcoholic. I regret not being there in person, but my Lexus was recently totaled, therefore am relegated to zoom. Not to worry, I haven't let the worldly clammers get me down and thank God for zoom.

Quite the contrary, life is grand at district 14. We recently had our annual jamboree down on the Truckee River. It was a great success. Although we had a smaller turnout than last year a great time was had by all with games, speakers, great food, great fellowship, and people were feeling quite generous.

I recently had the good fortune of attending an informal DCM Q and A headed by Phil W via zoom. It was a great discussion and I thank him for his service, as well as the other attendees. One thing we discussed is the many ways to get the word out as to what's happening in our district as well as keeping up with the goings on in area 42.

We have a 4th step workshop coming up on Sept 16 from 1 to 4 at the Village Church in Incline Village as well as speaker meetings. By utilizing the area news letter, intergroup, central office and other resources we will keep all interested parties informed.

Our meetings are going well and we are poised to be helpful to all those with a drinking problem in the North Lake Tahoe Area, Truckee and beyond. Also I'd like to add that at least 3 of our members are submitting the paperwork to Nevada Dept of Corrections to be able to help out on the corrections committee. Thank you

Love and blessings,

Mike Moore, DCM DISTRICT 14

District 16 DCM Andrea B

Hello Members of Area 42 my name is Andrea, and I am an alcoholic from District 16 in Sparks Nevada,

District 16 reaches from east of Virginia Street US 395 north of I 80, East Fernley. north to the California border Sparks to Gerlach to the North. We have Seven General Service Representatives, and we have a hybrid District Committee meeting that meets on the third Tuesday of the month and 6 PM. We meet at 510 Greenbrae Boulevard in room 103 That is Boulevard, the Google will swear it's a "drive."

Terri M of Northern Area Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC chair) came to our district meeting and gave a fantastic presentation. Thank you, Terri. She also left an abundance of literature with us for our GSRs is to take back to their groups. The remainder of literature was shared in a literature rack at Social Services.

Don D will be coming to our District meeting August 18th to share with us about the Northern Area Committee of Public Information, PI for short.

We have several positions open in our district. I am happy to say in March we elected a District Secretary, Susan B. The Two Prior Months we had district members volunteer to record Our Minutes of Panel 73. Another gal has shown interest in the District's NNIG Liasson position, leaving our District's Grapevine and Archives position vacant.

We also Host an Annual Christmas Affair service panel event. A Food, Fun, and Fellowship; A Live, Laugh and Love. We are not alone and cannot keep it if we do not freely give what was given to us. That is the position We need filled ASAP (As Soon As Possible). I reached out to V.F.W. to rent their Hall and told them one of Our founders Bill W. was a Veteran of Foreign War. I only received what seems an automated response thus far.

From GSO, we have available for our GSR's to share with their Home Groups the GSO GUIDELINES on AA Members EMPLOYED in the Alcoholism Field also Finance and Others, to Help the groups carry Its "Message". Available on-line, TRULY!! BY-PASSES the TANGIBLE Head to the Heart Spirituality...

An Ad-hoc Committee was formed to Update Our District 16 Guideline's. A couple motions were passed one voting in a Technology Chair and One Voting Out the references to District members as "personnel". SEVERAL outrageous items, including the USPS (United States Postal Service) had been accepted into District guidelines. The Ad-hoc consisted of One current GSR, One Former GSR (for 10yr) , One member of District 16 and myself as the chairperson/ tie breaker. The Ad-hoc worked together Fabulously. Their Three Signed Update Was Presented at our May 16, 2023, District 16 Committee meeting.

Three Sober Members of Alcoholics Anonymous were able to retrieve SOME of the "properties" purchased during the previous rotation. As District 16 Archivist for the previous rotation...

I see there is even More S\$\$\$..And THAT IS WHY... There ARE THINGS AA DOES - AND THINGS AA DOES NOT DO There was a great article in the Grapevine this month, It reads : " It's A Seat , Not A Throne " I Have More to say , But My Lord Says HOLD Sincerely, Andrea B District 16

District 20 DCM Barb P.

District 20 consists of 3 rural counties in Northeastern California: Lassen, Plumas and Modoc. District is currently working out all the campout details and I will get that information distributed as soon as it is available. It will be at Eagle Lake this summer on Aug. 18, 19 and 20th. Please come join us. RV spaces, tent camping and cabins. Our District meeting was in Quincy and what a great job they did of hosting!! Lots of food and over 25 people in attendance. Great job!! Thanks for allowing me to be of service.

District 22 DCM Carlos C

The month of July has been one of the busiest month for me doing service.

We visited as a district committee five of our groups. The Grupo Nueva Luz asked me to do 2 study meetings, one about the first Tradicion and one about the step six. We have also been visiting with the committee of our 14th congreso de la Sierra Nevada 3 groups To inform and motivate them to attend our event the first weekend in October. I also participated as a speaker in two meetings, the topics were “Alcoholics Anonymous and its members through time “ and “ A deeper insight into a higher power “.

Our business meeting is the first Thursday of the month in Central Office and our study meeting the third Thursday of the month this month was about the seventh tradition and seventh concept.

Happy 24 hours!

Carlos C

DCM D22

Standing Committee Chair Reports

Accessibility and Remote Committee Chair Joe

Joe Alcoholic,

This is short report.

I'm still looking for volunteers for this committee.

I've been in touch with the Chaplin at the Fallon Naval Air Station about AA outreach. He is very interested .

Chaplin Harden and I have a meeting scheduled for September For myself & maybe a volunteer from the District 12 to do a Question and Answer session about AA meetings on the Base. He will provide us with the Requirements for regular access to the base. He can just sign us in for a one or two visits.

We discussed the issues about security and Anonymity.

I'll be speaking with the DCM of District 12 about finding a few people willing to bring a meeting on to the Base on a weekly/Bi-weekly basis. Hopefully people will be interested.

Thanks

Joe H.

Cooperation with Professional Community- CPC Chair Terri M

Hello everyone. My name is Terri and I am an alcoholic and your CPC (Cooperation with the professional community) northern area 42 Chair. Since Jan 1st I have been just learning my new position like most of us. I recently had the honor of going to Los Angeles to our Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (PRAASA).

What an amazing experience and I was able to understand what my job is now in AA. I am the link to the professionals such as, doctors, lawyers, therapists, social workers, nurses and clergy folk. I was able to attend roundtable discussions that were just CPC related. There were well over 1000 people all coming together to make sure AA continues to grow and not self-destruct. I found out that I have resources I can give professional people to help them connect their clients/patients to AA if they have a drinking problem. Thank you all for allowing me to be of service. I am truly grateful for the experience. Terri

Corrections Chair Bigg J

Hello my name is Bigg recovered alcoholic. Home Group Vast Amount of Fun I am currently serving Area 42 as Northern Corrections chair. I am honored to serve and have enjoyed my first few months in this position. Since we last met in Battle Mountain I have continued to attend a Corrections meeting online when my schedule permits. Some are in maximum state prisons all over the United States others will be held in a classroom setting. The main purpose of the meetings is to share the experience of other members. Some discuss Bridging the Gap others might present on a tradition the ones I've attended have a varied format and they have been informative. If interested email internationalcorrections@gmail.com and they will put you on their email list. Which will keep you informed of upcoming events and meetings.

I've also emailed a handful of DCM to inquire if the correctional facilities in their area have meetings going into them. The consistent answer is we are getting back to pre pandemic status and if the facilities allow us in we are getting back to "normal"

Another item worth noting is Nevada Department of Corrections had an orientation to clear volunteers to carry the message within the Nevada Prisons. We have not had this opportunity since pre-pandemic. There are no future orientations currently planned in the near future. So if this type of service interests you at all, look for any upcoming orientations. Size is always limited. We have approximately 4 people that I know cleared for all of Northern Nevada.

And these last 3-4 weeks have been educational as well.

I was contacted by email from a gentleman out of the South {Vegas} He inquired if we in the North participated in A.A. CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services. I got one email on a Thursday and on a Friday I received another asking the exact same thing. So I called him and asked exactly what he was asking? It seemed urgent. He said he had such and such experience and that he was asking what was our current status with A.A. CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services. I was caught slightly off guard and wasn't quite sure of what he was asking. So I told him I'd reach out to {JOE} the guy that rotated out and get back to him.

Have you heard the saying it takes about two years to figure out a position and then we rotate out?

Well I did call Joe and it was a familiar conversation one more time reminding me of when I first rotated in. Or the other lengthy conversation I had with another past corrections chair. Both of these conversations reminded me that YES we do A.A. CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services in Northern Nevada. But it takes members of Northern Nevada to carry that message. That the Bridging the Gap doesn't work without the voluntary contributions of members of AA. Nor does the A.A. CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE have any effect in Northern Nevada without someone volunteering and fulfilling the commitments. Neither of these programs require you to be someone that's been incarcerated. It just requires you to be a member that's willing to simply correspond with someone that is and in some cases about to be released.

I was contacted a third and fourth time from the gentleman in the South wanting to know if we were doing this service in the North. He also sent me a text saying he hadn't gotten any reply from me. Even though we'd spoken 2 times on the phone. After speaking to Joe our last Corrections chair and to Lonnie our Northern area Bridging the Gap chair I was assured we were and have been and that there was no urgency here.

So going back to when I first rotated in and I was attending Prassa and also at assembly. I was approached by former guests of Northern Nevada State that stated their experience on their exit from various Northern Nevada facilities. It was consistent that they were not getting the soft landing from AA that they had experienced in other states or for that matter Vegas.

So at the end of the day do we participate in A.A. CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services in Northern Nevada? Yes, a few members correspond with people incarcerated. But there is a need for more volunteers. We are barely scratching the surface.

If you are a member already bringing meetings into facilities, does that facility have Bridging the Gap forms available for the incarcerated? https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/f-183_bridgingthegap_Contact_Inside.pdf

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/p-49_BridgingTheGap.pdf

If you are not and want to get involved, are you aware of the CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services? Pamphlet Corrections Correspondence — a special kind of A.A. Service https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/f-26_en_0223.pdf

These are rewarding service commitments that need committed Area 42 members to fulfill and teach the new people that come in what Bill wrote oh so many years ago. That when all.... yes I said ALL other activities fail... work with another alcoholic would save the day. That through self sacrifice we can survive the certain highs and lows that life will bring.

Anyone interested in getting more involved please don't hesitate to contact me and we will get you set up. Anyone interested in being on and forming a committee that would discuss ways to get more volunteer participation please reach out to me.

Again it's not that we don't have these programs in place or that nobody at all is doing it. But we are limited on volunteers that do connect the facilities with AA after they exit. Going back to that orientation NDOC had for clearing the volunteers for prisons....there was one AA member in attendance out of 25 volunteers.

A.A. CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services is something any sober member of AA can do by volunteering. You can write as many incarcerated individuals as you wish to the best of my knowledge. A.A.

CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE thru A.A. New York World Services has the database of folks waiting to correspond as we speak.

I have a few forms with me today and you can also get these at AA.org for your groups literature tables. Please consider this type of service work. One day when all other activities fail it just might save YOUR day.

This will conclude my report thank you for letting me serve Area 42 the best Area in all of AA....so good they split us in Two.

DCM Co-cordinator Phil W

No written report submitted. Phil did remind everyone of the upcoming Forum in Las Vegas August 2024

GSR-Trainer Pat S

My name is Pat. It is an honor to serve as your alcoholic GSR Trainer for NAGSC.

Every NAGSC meeting is preceded at noon by a meeting of GSRs. Today was special as we had a presentation on how to make a and useful Group sharing session to groups. This was suggested by one of the GSRs and was a great idea. We also had our usual study of the Area 42 GSR Survival Guide. It has been noted that parts of this document need updating. For example, all reference to NAGSC finances must now reflect the fact that the north and the south have combined their treasuries. My

counterpart in Las Vegas says he has found some other parts in need of updating. We are working together on this to create a proposal, which, I'm told, must be brought before the entire Area 42 body.

If any GSRs have questions about their job, feel free to contact me (or your DCM).

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Grapevine Chair "Sober Sue" Sue H

No written report submitted

La Viña Chair Teresa B

No written report submitted

NNIG Liaison Ed L

Hi Everyone my name is Ed and I am an alcoholic and present NAGS Intergroup Liaison. As I keep saying I love this position having the ability to work with two great groups of people is amazing. Being able to help with information for the Intergroup chairs and passing on the information of their counterparts in NAGS has been just a small part of what I do. I now have the most recent list of Intergroup newest chairpersons so if you would like to contact your counterpart I have that information for you. Many of the intergroup chairs have hit the floor running in the Reno Sparks area. There is much debate about why Intergroup chairs don't reach out farther. Well maybe it's because they don't actually have the proper information and it has always been past practice in most areas of the country.

The best way to both groups to work together is to meet and share information with each other. At our last assembly I made the announcement that I have both up to date lists no one asked for one. As we all know rural areas face huge differences in our service because of the large area we belong to. In case you are unaware of how large area 42 is IT'S HUGE. Working together rather than separately we can get so much more done.

Don D on the last rotation stressed the importance of going to a Intergroup meeting and getting to know the chairs how things work there. Don and I have let members of Intergroup that it is ok to show up at a NAGS meeting and even an assembly in lovely downtown Tonopah.

One last thing lets get our Sponsee's involved bring them with you to a general service meeting. Take them to an Intergroup meeting introduce them to the members you work with. Let you Sponsee know that service work is a amazing way to stay sober by getting involved.

Thank You For Allowing Me To Be Of Service

Ed L

Public Information (PI) Don D

Hey y'all!

My name is Don and I serve as your NAGSC Public Information Chair. I have been working with the new NNIG PI Chair to help out with anything I can as well as some local districts in whatever I can do to be of service for them. I will be doing a PI Presentation for District 16 at their August business meeting as well as exploring some ideas for more PI exposure through NNIG in the next couple of months.

I would like to hear any feedback about how many members are using Spotify or Pandora with Ads to listen to music for information gathering purposes about how our area can utilize new media forms.

I will also be having a Virtual PI Workshop in October along with Northern Area PI Committee meetings in September that will be virtual as well. I am hoping to have committee members reach out to districts first to see how we can help them. I am also going to reconvene as many as I can from the Area Conference Committee to review last years agenda items as well as prepare for next Spring so hopefully if anyone needs help summarizing we can use our combined experience to workshop that within the Committee.

I would also like feedback about a question I have in regards to how everyone not just chairs have access to General Service Information and packets through AA.org whereas in the past maybe the Area chairs brought more of that info. So what as an area chair can I bring that isn't redundant or people already have ready access to? Please help me to work through this as feel it is something in the digital age is a turning point for AA.

Treatment/ Bridging the Gap Chair Lonnie M no written report submitted.

NACYPA Liaison Dan M

Hi family, my name is Dan, and I am an alcoholic. I am the NACYPAA (Nevada Area Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) liaison, 3 weeks ago we held the conference in Reno NV at Ramada. I am happy to say the conference was well attended, with there being around 200 to 250 people in attendance. The Host Committee did a great job being of service to Area 42. Thank you to those who attended and supported this year's conference. I am excited to let everyone know that next year ELKYPAA will become the next NACYPAA host committee. With this happening, is not only a great opportunity for the young people in Elko, but also a great opportunity for Area 42 to get out and support the district. Advisory Bored for NACYPAA spent several hours going over where the next conference should be held as the conversation went on we use the group conscience to come to substantial

unanimity in our vote. As I said before this is a great opportunity for everyone in Area 42 to bring life back to the Elko fellowship. Thank you for allowing me to serve as the Liaison for NACYPAA 2 “ Keys of the Kingdom”.

As always love and service,
Dan M

Linguistic Translator Diana V

No written report submitted

Old Business

NAGSC Standing Committee Ad-hock committee report Don D

The NAGSC Ad Hoc Committee discussing the effectiveness of our Standing Committees met on July 24th with the intention of putting forward a final report and recommendation to this body. It was formed in August of last year so for 1 year we have been looking at the questions our former Chair Lyle and current Chair Paul have asked us to look at which included but were not limited to

- How well do we cooperate with local committees (NNIG, districts, groups)?
- How well do we communicate with committees in SAGSC?
- How do other areas within the Pacific Region serve with Standing Committees?
- How well do we incorporate the information from the Area Conference Committees?

It was asked to propose recommendations for NAGSC to discuss and potentially implement changes.

The committee spent time interviewing members of the fellowship in the Northern Area to gather responses, Former delegate Julie C and current delegate Jake sent out a survey to areas in the entire General Service Conference to gather information about how they utilize their Standing Committees, and Ed L has been working with Intergroup finding out about their needs.

I could speak at great lengths about the answers we received from all this information gathering but to summarize in regards to what was asked of the committee the following were the findings in short:

1. We as the General Service structure do cooperate with local districts, groups, and Intergroups. Some have voiced a perceived schism in the past in regards to an ‘us and them mentality’ as far as Intergroup was concerned. There have been previous attempts and there are very effective current attempts at bringing these two bodies together to fulfill our primary purpose. Ed has been working to coordinate counterparts between the 2 bodies. Most in Intergroup agree that their service radius includes only Reno and Carson for their services committees although Ronda does regularly reach out to individual members in the outlying areas.

2. As far as local districts we can see varied activity in those districts. Many times because of the rural nature of a district there simply are not enough servants to fulfill committee positions. Some districts may have 3 members show up for their meetings. There are also groups who are doing direct action 12th Step work into facilities and by other means.

3. Most counterparts we spoke to had contacted their counterparts in the South to be available to them. As far as coordination with their counterparts beyond that the committee does not have enough information to further comment.

4. There is no simple black and white answer to how other areas in General Service Conference utilize their standing committees. Each area's chairs conduct themselves as they see necessary or historically appropriate for their area. We have seen that rural areas sometimes carry out direct 12th step work and also more urban areas as well. Where there is a need they look to best handle that.

5. With regard to the Area Conference Committees we see as an area we are still growing into that. Workshops and other instruction is probably needed in order to better prepare trusted servants for summarizing and then looking at how the final agenda items can be implemented as to area Standing Committees. With the deluge of information needing to be relayed by chairs we could definitely benefit from reassessing our process in regards to educating and follow up on these.

When our committee came together for the final meeting there was a unanimous group conscience as to putting forth the recommendation for a NAGSC guideline change concerning directly addressing guidance as far as how we define the scope of standing committee chairs to do service work. It was agreed on one hand our function in general service was to bring the area info, to facilitate districts and groups in direct action 12th step work. On the other hand we are not an authoritative body nor have discretionary function to tell anyone as a member of AA how to do their service work. Our servants are faced with the needs of suffering alcoholics who are requesting help. They don't know which entity to rely on nor should they have to figure it out when someone needs the help of AA.

It was suggested directly to be added as follows: **In unity, collaborate and cooperation with intergroup, districts and groups in order to provide services throughout Northern Nevada. Provide assistance needed in committee service work when intergroup, district or group resources are not available. Or when help is requested. In the spirit of service, NAGSC committee chairs support the individual A.A. service worker.**

Lastly and above all, the unity of our area is of utmost importance. We squander precious energy and time on matters that may make a newcomer to AA wonder how unified we are or a newcomer to service wonder if this is the right fit for them. Being un-unified will do no service to anyone in our fellowship. We must stand together as so much of our literature says. It was agreed that a guideline change need carry the voices of both sides so that we may lay this to rest so we can carry out the business that our higher powers set out in front us.

After the conclusion of the presentation of the NAGSC Standing Committee Ad-Hoc Paul asked for the sense of the body if they would like a guideline change or a best practices document for the standing committees. After some discussion the sense of

the body voted that at this time the suggestion of the committee be suggestions from the committee be best practices. Mike L suggestion that the NAGSC Standing Committee Best Practices be published on the area website.

Area 42 Ad Hoc Inventory Update: (Given by Ed L)

Hi, my name is Libby, and I am the chair for the Area inventory Ad Hoc committee. The committee collected inventory topics and questions from the Area. The deadline was June 30th. The committee met to review the questions and selected the ones we will be recommending at the Fall Assembly. We selected nine questions and will have them printed in the Area Newsletter which comes out before the assembly. At the fall assembly the body of members will select five or less to discuss on Saturday afternoon. After the assembly the committee will review the findings and make recommendations based on the feedback. Feel free to reach out to me or any committee member with any questions.

Thank you for letting me be of service, Libby

Area 42 Website Ad-Hoc Committee Report Mike L

Mike L Area Website Ad-Hoc committee chair reported on the progress of the committee. Mike stated the the committee was given the task how the area could update the website that hasn't been updated since 2010 to make it more user friendly and secure. While the committee was working on how to proceed Lou P District 1 DCM volunteered that with the help of a professional could design a more modern design that was user friendly, secure, and that could utilize modern technologies at a very reasonable cost. Mike introduced Lou who presented the present Area website and proposed new website. Click for [Proposed website](#) and present [Area 42 website](#) The presentation was only information only with more details will be discussed at the Fall Assembly. There were no questions but the sense of the body was very positive

New Business

1st Reading: NAGSC Guideline Change Proposal (Meeting Date) presented by Mike L

Background:

For several years now NAGSC has not met on the last Saturday of February. The first meeting of the year the NAGSC meeting provides forum prior to the Pre-Conference Assembly to review the General Service Conference agenda items, see 2.2 (AKA roundtable meeting). This has typically taken place in the middle of March, pending the timing of receiving the GSC agenda items.

Current:

2.0 MEETINGS

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2.2 Provide forum prior to the Pre-Conference Assembly to review the General Service Conference agenda items.

Change Proposed: (Underlined)

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Mike L read this proposal

1st Reading: NAGSC Guideline Change Proposal (Meeting Funding)

Background:

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Current:

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The only clarification was asked was is there ability of the NAGSC chair change depending on conditions.

Paul asked for volunteer district to host he next NAGSC meeting. Districts 2 &4 have volunteered to host the location to be announced.

The next NAGSC meeting is December 2, 2023 will be at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 1070 West Plumb Lane, Reno, NV. 89509

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 closing with the responsibility statement.