

Assembly Minutes
September 14 – September 16, 2018
Tonopah Convention Center, 301 Brougner Ave., Tonopah, NV 89049

Friday, September 14, 2018

Area Chair, Julie, opened Assembly at 6 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer and the Anonymity Statement.

Kristen D – District 5B - reading – “12 Traditions”.

Announcements:

Welcome 1st Timers!

There will be Grapevine Jeopardy. Begins 8 a.m.

Banquet tickets available - see Justin.

Coffee jar – the coffee is not free – please put money in contribution jar.

Thank you District 9 for hosting.

Ask – It Basket on stage.

Area Secretary, Jonelle, asked for a motion to approve Spring 2018 Assembly minutes.

Motion made.

Seconded.

Approved unanimously.

Area Secretary: Hello Area 42. My name is Jonelle... Thank you. Thank you for my sobriety, my desire to be useful and thank you for the opportunity to send you an obnoxious amount of emails for the past two years. I will never ever cringe ever again when I receive an Area 42 email ever ever again. I promise. I now know that the trusted servant is just doing their job and making sure all in service for their groups, districts, and Area are informed with the ongoings of our Area, districts, groups and A.A. as a whole. During this rotation, my laptop has not left my side. It has become my best friend. Having my laptop with me EVERYWHERE I WENT, has allowed me to serve efficiently. My turnaround time was pretty quick, but it had to be... because what needed to get out to you was important. And I knew that! I take the service work that I am allowed to do in A.A. extremely serious. I have tried not to ignore you, I have tried to answer every single question that has come my way or at least guide you to who could have the answer, I have tried to keep you informed, I have tried to let you know I appreciate you, I have tried to hold up my responsibilities the way they are outlined in our Area Guidelines and I have tried to do all that has been asked that were not outlined in the Area Guidelines. Thank you for your reports, presentations, proposals, roster updates, and everything else that is needed for the Assemblies. Thank you for putting up with my pitiful attempt at translating what I could because I believe it is important. I will say this for the incoming Secretary. Please learn to listen, take great notes, document everything, use good time management, expect questions that are meant for the person who is actually writing the email eventhough that is clearly stated in the email, have a plethora of Post – Its handy, do not take **not** getting reports, presentations, proposals, roster updates and everything else that is needed for the Assemblies on time personally, and most of all, please grow and change and learn and love the entire experience! I would like to say thank you to Tony and Tony. For translating our reports and interpreting our Assemblies. I hope you know I will never take you for granted. At the July SAGSC meeting, I mentioned my, what I thought – was passable translation of the Area Minutes. I was later informed it was not that good! I want to thank my friend Diana from District 1 for translating our approximately 35 pages of minutes. Writing those minutes takes me a long time but I can't imagine what it takes to translate them or any other document for that matter! So thank you my friend. I am sure you will be called upon in the future. Please, if this is your first Assembly experience or your 50th Assembly experience, invite whatever or whomever you tap into to open you up to a new experience. I am excited for mine! If you have not emailed me a copy of your reports or presentations, please leave me a copy in the box on the stage and give a copy to one of our Tony's in the back. You can also email me a copy – which I would prefer – at secretary@nevadaarea42.org. Any district event flyers, Area website material, etc. Please make sure to send to me so I can scrub them for personal emails, phones # , last names. I will be unavailable from October 15 to November 15 for any contact at all. Monica, our Alt. Area Secretary will be available to distribute any Area material that needs to get body. I will send a friendly reminder to you as the dates get closer. Thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you!

DCM Reports:

DCM 1: Hello, my name is Joan R. and I am an alcoholic. It is my honor to serve you as the DCM for District 1, which covers the region of Southern Clark County including Searchlight, Boulder City, Henderson, and a portion of Southeast Las Vegas. District 1 teamed up with the Grapevine committee to host Christmas in July: A Grapevine Workshop, which was held on July 21, 2018 at the Community Church of Henderson. We filled the meeting hall, and several members read their stories published in the magazine. We also performed the Grapevine Christmas Carol to celebrate the important role “our meeting in print” plays in our fellowship. Please mark your calendars for the District 1 Picnic. It will be held on October 13, 2018, from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Broadbent Park in Boulder City Nevada. Mike K. will be our speaker, and we will also have live music, a DJ, and children's activities. We grill hot dogs and hamburgers and invite attendees to bring a dish to pass. This is a free event. Sorry, no pets!

Please pick up a flyer and share this event with your groups. If you are a GSR or alternate GSR in District 1, please join us Saturday during the lunch break. We will eat pizza and salad while we have our meeting in the Blue Room. Thank you for letting me be of service. Thank you District One and Area 42 for your passion for Alcoholics Anonymous and all of your hard work to ensure that the hand of AA is always there for anyone who reaches out for help. You continually inspire and humble me.

DCM 2: The district 2 secretary stepped down in July and Michelle M. stepped up to take her place. Thanks Michelle! Participation in district meetings is growing. We had ten GSR's at the last district meeting four of which were new GSR's. District 2 is doing very well financially and will determine how to disperse excessive funds at the next district meeting. District 2 will be having elections for DCM, alt-DCM, treasurer, and secretary on November 8th. District 2 hosted a Grapevine writing workshop last July 14th. Thanks Pat S. for facilitating this workshop. Three writers who have published in the Grapevine shared their experience of writing and submitting articles. We took time to write short articles and read them aloud which proved to be a heartfelt and cathartic experience. Many thanks to District 2 for allowing me to serve as their DCM. Joel B. DCM, District 2

DCM 3: Hello All, I have been able to successfully transition into the DCM position for district 3. The district is financially solvent, and will be having elections for the upcoming rotation no later than the November 11 SAGSC meeting. Other than that, I plan to visit as many groups within the district as possible to encourage engagement in the general service structure. Thank you for allowing me to serve! Jason M.

Alt. DCM 4: More clubs are getting involved and the clubs are growing. Some of us will be helping with the seniors in sobriety international convention in May. Also some of us are also helping with A program making presentations to high schools about what AA is and what it is not. We make a scripted presentation without any personal stories about what to look for if you think you may have a problem and how to get help. Next year District 4 should be involved with other projects.

DCM 5B: District 5b has been meeting monthly to support the groups in the district. We have had some interesting group issues come up such as some meetings have changed locations and were requested to carry insurance for their new meeting place. Our District held a work shop on Anonymity which seems to be a favorite topic these days. We had a panel of four people and are grateful for the districts participation as well as other districts members showing up to reach and learn. We had 43 in attendance at that workshop and included great discussion. A few months ago our district meetings moved to a new location, we are now meeting at the Keystone club instead of the KCB. We are grateful to be able to support different locations in our district and share the love. Our annual picnic will be held Sunday, October 7 from 12-3 at the Children's memorial park. We look forward to gathering as a district. Tickets are \$5 and grateful to Chuck C. As our picnic chair. If you would like tickets please see chuck or another district 5b GSR. Grateful in Service, Lisa.

DCM 6: Hello everyone I am Mike L an alcoholic honored to be serving as District 6 DCM. District 6 serves Carson City, South Lake Tahoe, Douglas County and east to Stage Coach in Lyon County. Holding our district meetings the second Sunday of even numbered months at the Carson City Alano Club. It is hard to believe this last two years are coming to a close. During this panel our district have been bringing the message of recovery to the district. Our committee chairs and District 6 have been busy with workshops on Safety in AA, Corrections and Treatment, and secretary workshops. To help us better serve visiting the district during this panel we had visits from NAGSC Corrections chair, PI chair, and the Accessibilities Chair. Because I needed to leave to care for my elderly parents during the summer our Alternate DCM, Drew H stepped in allowing me to do the living amends for my parents. Drew and our district did a wonderful job hosting our Founders Day Picnic and Speaker meeting that was held in Stateline, South Lake Tahoe. The picnic was so successful the district wants to host another picnic next year again at the lake. At our last District meeting in August we held our elections for the next panel. It was wonderful to see the spirit of rotation embraced by the district. All our positions were filled including all the officers and committee chairs. With most being their first time serving the district. Drew H from the Minden Gardnerville Group was elected as our new DCM and Rina H was elected as Alternate DCM from the Brown Baggers. Thank you District 6 allowing me to serve

DCM 7: Hello Area 42, Lisa Grateful Alcoholic. I have to say this has been more difficult to write than I ever thought. I realized this will be, for the time being, the last Assembly I will address as a DCM. In the spirit of rotation, the baton must be handed off. It has been a fantastic two years, there has been much growth in many areas, hopefully in allowing me to better serve the fellowship. I want to thank all of you who have served as a power of example to inspire me. Since our last Assembly District 7 has held two service events. In April we focused on Step & Tradition 2, how we apply them in all our affairs, (in & outside of the rooms). Our second event in July was on Anonymity & Social Media, obviously with Tradition 11 at the core. Both events had approximately 45-50 people in attendance. Last month we held our 33rd annual Mt. Charleston picnic. It was wonderful, lots of fun, food & fellowship. I want to thank those who chaired these events, and to the entire picnic committee. There is much work to put together the picnic, the dedication & cooperation of all of them led to a relatively stress free harmonious successful event. We will have one more service event in October, the theme to be determined. Other than the events its been business as usual, out Alt DCM continues to visit unrepresented groups & non-registered meetings. We have gained a few new GSR's due to his service. Again, thank you all for the opportunity to serve. I have been truly blessed with many gifts due to this program, obviously my sobriety but also the peace I always sought due to a Higher Power in my life, and finally, the gift of people such as yourselves who have helped me in my journey.

Alt. DCM 8: We had a busy summer despite all the smoke we experienced. Lots of visitors at all of our meetings- which on the whole were well attended. District 8 represents the eastern sierra, which included Lone Pine, Big Pine, Bishop, Benton, Mammoth Lakes, Lee Vining and Bridgeport. Several fun events to mention: We had a Gratitude Picnic in Bishop at Millpond

Park. At this picnic we had a chili cook-off + Phil provided his Delegate report to our district. We also had the 42nd annual Mammoth Lakes AA campout- with close to 200 people attending. Great speakers, workshops and activities. Make sure to come next year. Our election rotations are held in November. Thanks. Julie- DCM Alt.

DCM 9: Hi everyone! My name is Vickie and I am an Alcoholic. I am the DCM of District 9. Whoop whoop! District 9 is in Las Vegas, bordered on the north by Charleston Boulevard, the west by the strip and the 15 freeway, the east by Eastern Avenue, and dips into California to the southern border of Area 42 just north of Baker. Our district is financially healthy and we are grateful to our new treasurer Becca in helping manage that. District 9 has grown and we are excited to have support from so many meetings with GSRs. It has definitely made it easier in hosting this Assembly. I was nervous about taking on that challenge but everyone stepped up! Now, I did have some reminders from a few people about the fact that we were hosting at all, which is understandable given a certain history relating to doughnuts in the Southern Area. We have worked hard, so I hope we made up for that and that everyone is enjoying eating! I know I usually do. We are having elections while we are here in Tonopah and I am super excited to see who the next DCM will be. I hope they have as much fun as I have. We don't have any events planned for now but I am sure that will soon change. Thank you for letting me be of service!! I love coming up here and seeing all of you! Vickie.

DCM 12: Hi all, this is Lisa H, Alternate DCM for District 12 checking in with a brief service report. First, I would like to offer my apology for not attending this event. I am really fond of the Fall Area Assembly in the second year of the rotation, as elections can be great fun and always seem to present an opportunity to reach out to a power greater than myself. Next, I want to share some of the happenings with district 12. Typically, this district conducts elections prior to the Area Assembly, the district service body voted to delay this election until December, in the hopes of attracting additional member support. I also would like to inform the NAGSC body that a site has been secured for the December 1st meeting hosted by District 12. Additionally, this is District 12's busiest season with our 8th annual Oasis Festival this coming October 20th. Come and enjoy a day of fellowship and good food. November of course, brings about our annual Gratitude Dinner, the Monday before Thanks Giving, again all are welcome. That's about it for now. I am grateful for the opportunity to be of service to you, Alcoholics Anonymous, and our members.

DCM 13: Greetings my name is Lorri and I am an alcoholic, I am the alternate DCM for District 13 and southern area 42. Since our last assembly we have great news to share with everyone in area 42 about District 13. Last assembly we were working with a skeleton committee, there was the DCM Kim M. , alternate DCM which is myself Lorie, and our secretary Lorri G. Since then we have Put a great strategy into motion we now have representatives for grapevine, archives, intergroup and working on the rest of the positions to be filled. We have a cast of GSR's that are now attending our monthly District 13 meeting's. And for that we're grateful. We had an extremely successful workshop for newcomers the participation was overwhelming and the attendance was also. Are middle of the month speaker meeting is the second Tuesday of each month where we ask someone from District 13 to share their story, we have been branching out to other districts and asking for members to share their story with us also. We are having a fundraiser for District 13 for Halloween which the triangle club has gracefully excepted to let us use their facility to put on a dance a costume contest Bobby and for apples a coloring table for the children, with a reasonable fee for couples or singles and children naturally you're free. This event Will Take Pl., October 27th which is a Saturday night at 8 o'clock. Next month in October at our District 13 meeting we will be voting for some new positions as it's time to change some of our committee members commitments.

DCM 14: Well I'm happy and sad to be making my last report to Area 42 as the Dist 14 DCM. I feel grateful to have been able to serve in this capacity the last 2 years. I've learned so much from my fellows in service. Although this is my last assembly as DCM I will possibly keep going in service with the area. Our District is doing well. Most recently we had our annual Jamboree by the river in Truckee. Our local YP group was the host group and it went very well. We still have one more speaker meeting this year. Even more recently I attended the business meeting of the Kings Beach Golden Group. I took on questions and concerns regarding the operation of our District events and services. One of the main focal points from members of the Golden Group was voting in district, and whether it was appropriate for officers (such as treasurer, schedule coordinator, cpc/pi chair etc) to have a vote regarding district matters. In our district the officers often out number GSRs and the golden group feels as if this is not right. I brought up the right of participation and it wasn't received very well. Long story short, We are still dealing with this groups concerns. All in all I am pleased with how things have gone the last 2 years and very happy to have people in Dist 14 interested in general service. It has been a pleasure to work them and with all the people in our area. Thanks for letting me be of service.

DCM 15: Hi, I'm Dave K. and I am an alcoholic. Once again we are gathered for the Fall Assembly. This one is our election assembly and hopefully those desirous of positions with the Area (42) service structure will be able to undertake one of the positions for the next service conference period, 2019 and 2020. The District (15) election meeting will be held after the November SAGSC meeting on November 11th, 2018. Any interested members of the groups at the T.I.E. Club wishing to assume a commitment as a District (15) trusted servant, as well as, any others, are more than welcome to attend. Suggestions, ideas, and service are always desired, acceptable, and most appreciated. Thank you for letting me be of service.

DCM 16: Hi to All, District 16 has had our 12 Traditions Workshop last August 18. The participation was great, the education was priceless and our presenter did a wonderful job. Over the next few months District 16 will be working towards our annual Christmas affair, held within the first weeks of December. Exact date will be provide. And of course we look forward to our last

of the years NAGSC meeting in December also. As for the health of District 16, we are financially strong and have many many years of service experience within us currently. But our new GSR participation is weak. Over the years we have had less and less consistent group GSR participation. My concern for District 16 now, is the possibility that it will go dark in the coming year. At this time all of our current members happen to be at their own rotation periods and we do not have new GSR's available to serve. We of course will keep working on this and get the word out to all. In that my rotation as District 16's DCM is also coming to an end this year, I wish say thank you to all who have helped me these last two years...when I say "two years" out loud.. it seems impossible that this time is correct. In the beginning, though, I can remember thinking "when on earth is this painful learning curve ever going to end!?!?!!" Today, like always, I kind of, sort of, halfway know what is going on and it's time to rotate out. I will keep in Service though and certainly hope to continue being with all of you too...my Family. With complete gratitude, Nancy W. DCM 16

DCM 17: Hello I'm Kim from District 17. We represent Sandy Valley, Pahrump & Beatty, NV, along with Death Valley (Furnace Creek) and Tecopa, Ca .About five months ago we were contacted by James G. about restarting a meeting in Death Valley. We can now report this meeting will be on 2nd and 4th Wednesday's at 6:00 pm, at the employee lounge, Furnace Creek. Our district has died down over the past few months due to the flight of the snow birds. But they are due back soon. Our annual Lovell Canyon Campout will be held September 27-30, 2018. It is dry camping only, no hookups or water. Portable potty available. Only organized event will be Saturday lunch/Speaker. \$5/ meal. 50/50 tickets. Thank you for letting me be of service these past two years.

DCM 20: Hello everybody my Name is Jay S. and I have been serving as your District 20 Alt DCM. I am very sorry to announce that Heidi has stepped down from DCM. However, I am Delighted and honored to step up for the rest of the year as your District committee Member for District 20. I would like to begin by thanking our groups in District 20 that always step up for commitments and service work. I also want to give a huge thank you to all of the District 20 GSR,s that are here this weekend. Clint, Jodie, John, Will, and our newest GSR also known as John. You all have a huge part in keeping District 20 strong and united, and passing on our message to all whom you come in contact with. We are in the final stages of switching our phone service to NNIG in Reno. It has been a long drawn out process. We are very excited that our hotline phone number will now be answered by fellow alcoholics. We have made new stickers with the updated phone number and are looking forward to wrapping up this project. District 20 held its trusted servant selections at our normal meeting at 10:30 on August 18th. The meeting was followed by BBQ/Potluck Hamburgers and Hotdogs supplied and cooked by District 20. Following the BBQ we had an "Ask an Old-timer Panel". Members submitted question. Old timers answered. We had around 200 years of sobriety on this panel. I had a wonderful time watching all of our groups come together as a district. Our new GSR from Alturas Ca. is to host the next District 20 meeting in Alturas Ca. on October 20, 2018. Another full day of food fun and a speaker meeting is planned. In a wonderful display of AA tradition I am pleased to announce that our current GSRs from Chester and Westwood have stepped up to fill district 20 trusted servant positions for next year. Starting in January Clint is our new ALT DCM and Jodie has stepped up for district secretary. We hope to fill more positions at our next two meetings. In closing- let me thank you all for allowing to be of service. I am once again delighted, blessed and overwhelmed at the love, patience, and friendships I have found in Alcoholics Anonymous.

DCM 22: Receive a cordial and affectionate greeting from the District 22 of Alcoholics Anonymous, wishing that upon receiving this report you will be enjoying 24 hours of blessed sobriety.

- District 22 committee has been visiting all Spanish speaking groups in our District to talk about service.
- In our District we have 12 groups and 11 GSR's attend to our meetings.
- District 22 has elected the new officials for the next service panel, filling out the positions of DCM, Treasurer, and Secretary.
- I feel grateful for all the things I have learned with you as a DCM. Thank you for your acceptance and for allowing us participate on AA service.

Thank you, Luis C. DCM District 22

Standing Committee Reports:

Accessibilities North: no report.

Accessibilities South: no report

CPC North: All is well. I look forward to going to a few more District meetings before the end of the year. Thank you for letting me be of service. Anne Y.

CPC/PIC South: Hello, Area 42! Thank you for allowing me to serve you as your Southern Area 42 Cooperation with the Professional Community Chair. It is an honor and a pleasure to serve you. We work closely with the Public Information and Accessibilities Committees and we have all been very, very busy carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to professionals who work with alcoholics in the law and to members of the general public – **in English and Spanish**. We are delighted to have strong participation with District 21. We set up information tables at events, and those people who want what we have come to us. We do not promote AA. We are frequently the least popular table at an event, but there's always someone ...Since our report in March, we have attended many events, including a table every month at both the Giving Project, which reaches out to our veterans, and the Pop-Up Homeless Connect, which serves homeless alcoholics. We have attended 2 counseling

professionals conferences, a Recovery Resource information fair, Family Connect, the Family Forum with Faith Organizations, several health fairs, a senior fair, a Metro Cinco de Mayo event, Founders' Day, Overdose Awareness Day, and National Recovery Month with the Mayor's Faith Initiative. In addition to our monthly committee meetings, and participation in Intergroup and SAGSC, we held a follow up internal workshop in to assess what we are doing, how we are doing it, and what we can do better. We reviewed the General Service Board's Strategic Plan to see how we can be of service to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. We are a work in progress. We have an enthusiastic and dedicated group of volunteers. We attend monthly meetings of the Pact Coalition, Nevada Homeless Alliance, and the Mayor's Faith Initiative. To help educate our fellowship about what we do, we submit information to the Area 42 Newsletter and the *Las Vegas Silver Streak*. The Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community committees receive many requests for AA literature, information, and presentations each year. In order to fulfill all the requests, the committees need your support. Please consider passing the Green Can for monetary contributions at your meetings. A big thank you to all of the groups who do support help us purchase literature to reach the still suffering alcoholics. We are very grateful to our enthusiastic and dedicated volunteers. Our busy seasons are spring and fall, and this fall is no exception. We have several events coming up. Please see the flyers on the table for more information about how you and your sponsees can help. Green Can labels and volunteer information can be obtained by contacting us at SArea42.Pl.CPC@gmail.com

Corrections Committee North: This Committee is in place to help your Groups and Districts carry the AA message into Correctional facilities. I have not received any interest lately. Please remember I am here to serve you. DCMs and GSRs, if your District or Group would like a presentation or workshop, all you need to do is invite us. We'd be glad to come! If you're interested in helping get AA meetings into correctional facilities or contacting AAs who are already taking meetings in, please join this committee! And please let me know if you are already taking meetings into correctional facilities or are interested in participating on the Corrections Committee. We still have 3 months remaining in this rotation and I would love to come to your Group or District! I'd like to thank the Northern Area General Service Committee for allowing me to be of service. I am grateful to have made myself available to serve Alcoholics Anonymous in a fun and informative way; however I need your participation!
Respectfully submitted by Samantha G., Northern Area 42 Corrections Chair

DCM Coordinator South: Hi everybody, My name is Claudia and I am the DCM coordinator for the South. My continuing duties in this position have been to facilitate one training session prior to the January SAGSC meeting of a new rotation year, provide literature to assist them and to co-chair a training section at each of the area assemblies in order to help our current and any new DCMs most effectively serve their districts. My colleague in the north and I also provide a google group available to all of the DCMS and officers to help keep track of other districts' events and keep the communication open between them. I have been open to suggestions as to how to better coordinator the communication between the DCMs and have talked about them with my colleague from the North. In the mean time, if you have any suggestions of ways the DCMs can help each other with their common challenges, please let me or the incoming DCM Coordinator know. Thank you for letting me be of service.

DCM Coordinator North: Hi Everyone, my name is Ed and I am an Alcoholic and the present DCM Coordinator. I would like to thank Julie for asking me to fill in for John last September. This position has been a great experience for me. I especially enjoy the DCM meetings I have learned a great deal and the people I have met will be friends for life. Joyce Y you made the comment at the meeting in Truckee that you appreciated being a part of the meetings that there isn't much for a past delegate to do. Well I think I speak for all of us here in expressing our gratitude to you for sharing your wisdom, experience and knowledge with all of us. The knowledge you have shared is invaluable. I hope you will continue to work with the new DCM Coordinator. (hint, hint whomever it may be). I haven't had to do a lot of running around to district meetings with this position but I have met most of you at NAGS meetings. I have enjoyed working with all of you and appreciate the friendships we have made. Last Sunday I celebrated 27 years of sobriety I don't say this to show off but to explain how it happened. At my very first AA meeting I was given a service commitment that led to another then another. I have always had some sort of service position. I think one of my favorites was cookie chairman because it made me very popular. The point of all of this that service is your best defense against that next drink. If you can create a position for the newcomer anything coffee maker door greeter clean up person anything to make them feel a part of they have a better chance of staying sober. I would like to thank everyone in this room for keeping me sober and relatively sane this past year. I look forward to working with you all again. Yours In Service, Ed L. DCMC

Grapevine North: Pat S. Again, thank you for allowing me to serve as co-chair for the Grapevine and La Viña representing the northern half of Area 42. Grapevine and La Viña representatives link the journal to members of our Fellowship. We have taken Grapevine displays/sales to several events, and are scheduled to do so at AA events in Reno, Sparks, Lake Tahoe, Mammoth Lakes and Gardnerville, all before the end of this year. We held a Grapevine workshop in Reno and are available, ready and willing to address any group or district. I'm happy to report that most NAGSC districts now have Grapevine/LaViña representatives, as do many groups in the north. Please stop by the Grapevine/LaViña table, say hi, and for goodness sake if you don't currently subscribe, do so and leave the subscription form in our special mailbox. Again, thank you for allowing me to be of service as your Grapevine/LaViña co-chair the past two years.

Grapevine South: Justin alcoholic. Grateful to be of service. Special thanks to Rhonda for appointing me to this position and Jake the past GV chair for all his help! GV is a rewarding and full service commitment there are monthly GV committee meeting, monthly Las Vegas Intergroup meeting, steering committee meetings Sagsc, assemblies, PRAASA and tons of service events. AA commitments are a great way to stay sober and grow! The elected alternate area chair will be appointing this position so if your

Interested let him/her Know or me as well I'm happy to fill you in on the details. GV reps are not book and magazines salesmen! We carry the AA message to the alcoholic through our meeting in print. Our committee meeting is the last Friday of every month at central office 6pm usually there is pizza! U can always pick up GV's at central office during regular business hours. Then bring the money back or the magazines back each month. 2 publishing companies AAWS and GV. All literature is conference approved, GV is born out of our own experiences. Specific topics like steps, sponsorship, etc. There is an online pay version which has lots of articles and archives, and an app to receive the magazine. There is a free daily GV quote and a YouTube channel. There is a subscription challenge this year so please renew or subscribe we have the forms back here. We are very fortunate because central office provides thousands of dollars in literature to bring to events. Let me know if you would like the GV table at your AA event! We attended and set up a table at July SAGSC's and Had a GV writing workshop July 21. Thanks to Jake and dick. We were at the mt charleston picnic in August and oct 13 district 1 picnic and oct 20 district 7 workshop. In nov sagsc and roundup! Newest book armed services and in September another book about atheist and agnostics. Thanks for letting me be of service! Justin P.

GSR Trainer North: My name is Debbie, your alcoholic GSR Trainer from the Northern Area. I was offered this service position in January of this year. Starting with the January 2018 NAGSC meeting, we have been doing something different in the North. We have held a GSR Training/Roundtable meeting at noon, an hour before the actual NAGSC meeting. In my opinion, the 30-45 minute GSR gathering has been a wonderful opportunity. It has served as a briefing to the NAGSC meeting agenda, an opportunity to have questions answered, and a sharing session of how business is conducted for their groups. Today's GSR's are our upcoming generation of Officers, Committee Chairs and Ad Hoc committee members that will be doing the work for our area. Every opportunity given to network, listen, ask questions, and participate in a small group is opportunity to grow and better serve. I am enjoying the time that I have been able to spend with our Northern Area GSR's, therefore I thank you for this opportunity to facilitate such an awesome group of servants of Alcoholics Anonymous...Debbie S.

H&I: (given by Alan V.) I'm an alcoholic and my name is Alan V. I currently serve as the Correction Panel Chair with the Las Vegas H&I Committee. I was given the privilege to present a report on the current H&I standings and activities in the Las Vegas and Southern Nevada area. Our monthly business meeting is held the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00PM at the Las Vegas A.A. Central office. We are a self-supporting service entity within Alcoholics Anonymous and receive no financial support from Area 42. Our sole financial support is based upon group and individual contributions, and literature funding from the "Pink Cans" effort. Currently we take over 200 meetings a month into treatment facilities and 97 into correctional facilities. In August we just added 2 new treatment facilities and a 1 Correctional Facility to our roster. Our newest addition is a Federal Correctional Facility (first in this area). We will be sending a representative to attend this years A.A. National Corrections Conference in November, as we did last year. We are also in total support of bringing this event to Area 42 in the future. ANY QUESTIONS ? Respectfully submitted, Alan V.

Intergroup Liaison South: Michael H. gave the Treasurers report to Intergroup on August 13, 2018. The income and expenses for the month ending July 2018 are as follows: Total Income \$9,708.23; Total Expenses \$11,402.21; Literature Income \$4,439.32; Literature Expenses \$2,249.12; Intergroup Bank Balances: Total Central Office Accounts \$22,558.41; Payroll Account \$830.64; Prudent Reserve Account \$10,004.14; Literature Account \$12,422.98; Total Bank Accounts \$45,816.17. Central Office took 807 information calls, the Hotline received 1,716 information calls. Central Office received 115 twelve-step calls, while the Hotline received 288. The Web Site experienced an average of 331 hits per day, for a monthly total of 9,930 visits. Our very own Anne K. is now the webmaster for Central Office. We are so grateful for her service, thank you Anne. The Intergroup Bylaws are being updated to align with how Central Office an Intergroup are currently operating. A Committee was formed to update the Bylaws and are being reviewed by the Steering Committee. The updated Bylaws will be presented at the next Intergroup meeting. The Gratitude Ball will be held on Saturday, September 29, 2018, at the Palace Station, tickets are available. Intergroup meets every 2nd Monday of the month at 6:00PM at Central Office. At your Service: Kellie W. SAGSC-Intergroup Liaison

Intergroup Liaison North: So a lot has been happening at NNIG. Over the last few months the total amount of calls into Central office has been approx. 653 and the volunteer hours have been 336. There were a couple of months where the totals were not reported. All volunteer positions have been filled. Central office is still open on Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. In May Central office received a grant from NV Energy and was able to receive new LED Lighting in the office. Voting took place at the June business meeting and most positions were filled. BTG, CPC, and Corrections were of those positions not filled. At the July business meeting Bridging the Gap was filled. At the July business meeting Rhonda who has been filling in as the Central Office Director officially was voted into the position. Also at the July business meeting the ad-hoc committee brought forward the new guidelines and said that in August we would be voting on those. Upcoming events include Halloween event and dance Oct. 27, Gratitude dinner November 3 at the Eldorado resort, New Year's Eve event Dec. 31 at the Automobile Museum in downtown Reno. If you would like to know more of what is happening please go to NNIG.org. There you can find events, meetings and much more.

PI North: Hello to all, thank you for letting me be of service as your Northern Area Public Information chair. I was able to attend my first PRAASA in March. I really appreciated the opportunity to fellowship with other Public Information committee members and learn of their experiences in service to Alcoholics Anonymous. I was able to purchase four pamphlet display racks ,to make available AA literature to interested people. I was able to leave one display with the McQueen Highschool health class

in Reno NV. I am cooperating with NNIG PI chair. In May I was allowed to participate in a presentation to students at McQueen highschool. Our presentation is a scripted Washoe County School District approved piece of information about " What Alcoholics Anonymous Is and What It Is Not ". I was so pleased to be part of the group. After our presentation some of the children had questions about alcoholism and some took pamphlets with them. In the month of June, District 16 invited me to their business meeting to give a Public Information presentation to their group. Thank you Nancy for this opportunity! This was good experience for me speaking and sharing with others what I have learned about PI service work. Ending the month of June and through the 4th of July holiday ; Alcoholics Anonymous ran an add in the paper " The Big Nickel ". Our add simply said " If you want to drink, that is your business. If you want to stop, we can help. Call Alcoholics Anonymous 775-355-1151". In July the newspaper " The Nevada Appeal " said they would be glad to post Public Service Announcements free of charge. What they did for us is place the addresses of meeting clubs from Carson City to Elko in their paper. As well as multiple daily meeting schedules for the public to see. Thank you for allowing me to be of service Andrea B. Public Information Northern Area.

Treatment/BTG North: Throughout the Northern Area we cooperate with Treatment Facilities in three primary ways. We have committees established throughout Northern Nevada that may take three types of meetings into Treatment Facilities. Those would be recovery meetings, Bridging The Gap presentations, and Orientation To A.A. presentations. Recovery meetings are wide spread throughout the North and generally involve two members conducting an A.A. recovery meeting with treatment client participation. During this two year panel, we have established Bridging The Gap Committees that make these presentations currently at five treatment facilities in the North. While informative about A.A., the primary purpose of the Bridging The Gap presentation to offer the treatment client an A.A. Temporary Contact that will take the client to their first A.A. meeting once they have departed treatment. We have three new pending Bridging The Gap opportunities; the Vitality Center in Elko, the Lassen County Drug & Alcohol Treatment program in Susanville, and the New Frontier treatment facility in Fallon. I am most pleased to report that after more than one year of effort, we are making our first Bridging The Gap presentation at New Frontier in Fallon on September 22nd and the Fallon BTG Committee will be making these presentations every other Saturday. A District Bridging The Gap Committee usually consists of a team of members who coordinate and deliver the presentations at treatment facilities and a Temporary Contact Coordinator who links those clients who have requested a BTG Temporary Contact with an established A.A. member who has volunteered to take a treatment client to their first A.A. meeting. During this 2 year panel to date, we have developed a network of 176 A.A. members throughout the Northern Area who have volunteered to be BTG Temporary Contacts. The third way we cooperate with treatment facilities is through our Orientation To A.A. presentation series. Developed locally in Northern Nevada, the Orientation To A.A. series consists of four one hour presentations about A.A. that take place four weeks in a row and then the series repeats. A separate committee of A.A. members coordinate and deliver this presentation series. We are currently delivering the Orientation To A.A. series at Bristlecone in Reno and Carson Behavioral Health Services in Carson City. One objective of our Orientation To A.A. presentation series is to correct misconceptions treatment clients have about A.A. If you are a General Service Representative attending this Assembly, you may be asking yourself "What's The Point?" The point is that the message you can carry back to your Group is that there are Treatment Committee Service opportunities available. We are in need of BTG Temporary Contacts in every city. If there is a treatment facility in your city, there are probably Service Opportunities to participate in making presentations at that facility or in taking a recovery meeting into that facility. I have a table in the back of the room with more information everyone here can take back to their Group that explains how you can be of A.A. Service through cooperation with the treatment community. With gratitude in Service, Pat B. NAGSC Treatment / Bridging The Gap Committee

RENVYPAA Liaison: The past six months have been an exciting time for Young People's in A.A. in the Reno, Nevada area. Since the Spring Assembly we had our annual campout, "In-Tents Sobriety", that was a huge success. There was over a hundred people in attendance including all ages from small children to our beloved elders. The speakers were amazing and the events were a blast. As a committee we have voted to bid for the Western Area Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (WACYPA) until we are awarded the privilege of hosting this conference in Reno. It's an amazing conference that helps carry the message of A.A. to the newcomers and revitalize the spirit and passion for those of us with time. Like life, we have grown as individuals and as a committee. Experiences have shown us the way way to change, such as increasing our contributions to quarterly increments, expanding our available positions of service, and participating in an annual inventory. This process is allowing us to reflect and see where we can be of maximum service to the newcomer and A.A. as a whole. Our next upcoming event is going to be November 10th, specifics and details will be available soon and can be found on our website, RENVYPAA.com, or by attending our business meetings the and 4th Sunday of every month, upstairs in the Triangle Club, in Reno, Nevada. Thank you for allowing me to be of service, with love, Anthony, RENVYPAA Liaison.

Officer Reports:

Alt Area Treasurer: I just want to thank you all for allowing me to serve as the Alt Treasurer for Area 42. Since Paul remained healthy and happy during this Panel, there was little for me to do and I, personally, truly appreciate Paul's diligence and dedication to the Treasurer position in Area 42. Thanks for the allowing me this opportunity. Edie D. AREA 42 ALT Treasurer.

Area Archivist: I am honored to be your Area 42 Archivist; I have been maintaining and displaying our archives. A lot of work is being carried out in Las Vegas at Central Office, where most of the archives are stored. Thanks to Area 42's support I was able to go to Las Vegas to help with archives and attend the District 21 Forum. It was an awesome experience, great AA and

wonderful food. Gabriel R., Alternate Archivist and a wonderful team of volunteers have been working on construction of the rooms, installing shelving and the much needed organization of our vast history of Area 42. We now have some new display cases at Central Office to exhibit some of our many pieces of history. To our Districts Archivists or DCM's please help me update your binders, with flyers, business minutes, and your history and information. Please be sure to sign our visitor book in the archive and check out your district histories and other Area 42 history. Thank You for this opportunity, Lyle C. Area 42 Archivist.

Alt. Area Archivist: Hi, my name is Gabriel; I am an alcoholic. When I made my proposal in September 2017, we were focused on the front room of archives. I ignored the storage room and did not realize that it needed a lot of attention: getting plastic storage containers and shelving. We have five (5) shelves, about fourteen (14) plastic storage containers. We have been putting documents in binders, we still need to go through about twenty (20) boxes of documents to put in binders by year and date. Still a lot of work to be done. The next project is to transfer cassette tapes to USB-flash drive. The estimate of tapes to transfer is 25,000-30,000. After comparing similar items, I found a portable cassette converter to USB for \$30.00. Per item We will need volunteers for the transfers of the cassettes. 16GB USB flash drive for \$35.00 for 10 pieces. Still doing a lot of work in the front office (archives). Thank you for letting me be of service. PS. Do not forget to visit archives room.

Newsletter Editor: Hello and happy 24 hours everyone. Today I stand before you to make my final Area 42 Newsletter report to the Assembly. After serving for two two-year rotations, it is time to part ways with this service position. I am so grateful. Thank you to everyone who has supported me in this effort over the years. Your help, guidance, contributions and input have been instrumental. Because of your input, the Area 42 Newsletter now includes a brief calendar of events and columns by the Intergroup Liaisons from both the north and the south. Thank you – especially – to all the Area Secretaries who email the newsletter their committees who distribute it to their committees; the DCM's who distribute it to the GSRs; and the GSRs who distribute to the individuals in your groups. One of the highlights of my Newsletter Editor life was going to a meeting that I don't normally go to and seeing an issue on that group's literature table. Wow! Thank you for the SAGSCs meetings. Thank you for the Area Assemblies. Thank you for the PRAASA's. And thank you for the ad-hoc committees. This experience has helped me grow my soul and my skill set. Thank you. The fourth and final 2018 Area 42 Newsletter is set to come out on Oct. 31. The theme is gratitude. If you have an especially interesting gratitude practice or experience, I would love to hear from you. Yours in love and continued service, Anne K. Area_newsletter_editor@nevadaarea42.org

Announcements:

Justin has Banquet tickets!

Break 7:45p.m.

Resume 8:00p.m.

Area Committee Meeting: (Blue Room)

Area Chair, Julie, opened the ACM at 8p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Overview of the weekend. Trustee's panel, Conference Committee reports that will be given during the elections, past Delegate Panel will present.

Request to the Chair – appoint Ad-Hoc committee to review Guidelines re: Standing Committee Chairs as ACM members. This will be a proposal to the body as a Guideline change. First reading at the Spring 2019 Assembly. Request granted.

Conference Committee feedback will be called by committee, not by names.

Ad-Hoc Committee updates: Communications Committee, Translation/Interpretation Committee, Mapping Committee.

Q. Is translation technology available or an option?

A. No.

Budget update – request for 2 laptops – 1 for Area Secretary and 1 for Area treasurer. Budget for translation.

Saturday, September 15, 2018

Area Chair, Julie, opened Assembly 8 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer and the Anonymity Statement.

Don O. – District 2 - reading – “General Service Board Meetings”.

Announcements:

Alt. Area Chair, Tinna selling Banquet tickets.

Please be mindful that there is translating going on in the back of the room.

Delegate Report: Power Point Presentation – can be viewed on Area 42 website – www.nevadaarea42.org

Past Trustees Panel:

Luis - District 22 – Timer.

Roberta L. (from CD's) -past Delegate 1997-98. A.A.W.S Director 2006-2014, Trustee the last four years. Literature Trustees Committee – 2 Terms. It was all a glorious and wonderful experience! How can I share the feelings and joy of the last last ten years of service? The most exciting time was serving on the the Trustees Literature Committee. I am an advocate for literature. It was a time of strife, but when isn't it. I was Chair of the committee for two terms. I learned about A.A., our literature, and myself. When I came into to service, I was not sure of myself but after serving on these committee's I became more sure. I have no clear recollections of the high and low points of that time, but I only want to remember the good. Serving A.A. at any level is

the most satisfying way to live. Seeing this room filled on a Saturday morning is amazing. When I was in service, the A.A.'s took up the floor and the Ala-nons took up the top section. If I had a magic wand and could go back, I would. I would do it all over again, but better. Everything you are doing is vital and important to A.A. Thank you!

Phyllis H.: (from CD's) – served on Conference Committee on Trustees as Delegate – Chair 2nd year. Pacific Regional Trustee . Trustee on Nominating Committee. I now live in Delaware. A.A. is great there! My experience on committees is like Roberta said – some great and some testing my patience and tolerance, but all allow me to grow as a person. We find out who we really are while in service. And it is safe to be that here! Some situations that tested me as Delegate was being on the Conference Committee on Trustees. It had a small agenda and I pre-judged. But I learned we are put in exactly the position we are supposed to be put into. How important was this committee? Very because it is the process that matters. The situation that came up was a diversity statement that was to be put into Class A Trustee letters for those who were interested in serving in that capacity. My committee found that it sounded like affirmative action rather than A.A. language. We decided to take no action. I reported that back to the Conference and the Trustees were not very happy. They asked us to take it back to committee, so I did, and we still agreed on no action. This item came back the following year and several years later, the right language was decided upon and used. Thank you!

Julian R.: (from CD's) - past Delegate Panel 41. Pacific Regional Trustee 1994 – 98. When asked to participate, I asked myself what would be interesting to you? Then I thought how are we to remember the highs and lows from that long ago? As Delegate, I served on the Public Information Committee and I thought it was a perfect match. I worked in the PI field for the government. Boy, was I wrong! I was reminded that I was a conduit to carry our message of recovery as an individual member through the service structure into the conference and back. I try to keep that thought in mind - the idea is to carry the message. I was on the Literature Committee when we sent out a questionnaire to the fellowship. Sometimes the questions would ruffle some feathers. One Delegate said to the committee that if this particular item passed that he need not bother coming home! I thought he was kidding! When it got down to the final vote, he abstained. We have an obligation to the entire fellowship, not just us and our areas. As a Trustee on the Literature Committee for four years – last year being Chair – was the most gratifying. The Delegate Committee on Literature is different from the Trustee Committee. The Delegates approve/disapprove and then bring to the conference floor. They do not work out the details. The Trustees Committee does the long hours, sleeves rolled up type of work . When the fourth edition was being ironed out, I was apart of that. We read through thousands of drafts. There was a tremendous amount of reading and deliberations. I am grateful for the opportunity! Thank you!

Greg M.: Good morning! My name is Greg, I'm alcoholic. I'm a past delegate, panel 37, from Area 17, Hawaii. Additionally I had the great pleasure to serve as a Pacific Regional Trustee 1990 – 1994. January 1, 1999 – January 30, 2009 I was employed by AA World Services as General Manager. In total I've attended and participated in sixteen General Services Conferences, five World Service Meetings and over thirty Zonal meetings. I've been a member and a non-voting member of many committees including special, adhoc and Committees of the General Service Board, Canada/US. I mention this to you, not to impress, but so you may understand the difficulty I experienced selecting just two examples of committee participation. Thank you Julie for the loving invitation to participate in this past trustees panel with my fellow "has-beens." I've been asked to share one experience while serving as a member of a Conference Committee and one experience serving on a Trustees Committee. I was an Area Delegate member of the 1987 Report and Charter Committee. Oh Boy, what an order that was! "The Hidden Agenda." Introduction of an agenda item not published in the final agenda always causes difficulties and can disrupt ones faith in our Conference process. The Report and Charter Committee had convened on Monday of Conference week. We were in the middle of discussing our agenda when there was a knock on the door and the General Manager and his assistant asked if they could interrupt our meeting to discuss an important item with the committee. Everyone in the room was dismayed including the Committee secretary, who was a GSO staff member. It was agreed to listen to a request from Management to add an agenda item to our already accepted Committee Agenda. The request was to revise Article Two of the General Service Conference Charter. It seemed the Charter lacked appropriate language to protect assigned publishing rights for International GSB's. We listened to the rationale for the request, asked a few questions then asked them to leave. I was shocked by this experience; the sanctity of Conference Committee process had been violated. The tone of the discussion by committee members changed from one of awe and trust to disbelief and suspicion. At one point the Committee secretary was accused of complicity. Angry voices and tears flowed abundantly - The meeting went downhill from there. Lessoned I learned – Always ask myself "How important is it? When in doubt table the question and move on!

The Right of Appeal

Concept V

Throughout our world service structure, a traditional "Right of Appeal," ought to prevail, thus assuring us that minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered.

The Concept further states: *The traditional "Right of Appeal" should also permit any person in our service structure, whether paid or unpaid, to petition for the redress of a personal grievance, carrying his complaint, if he so desires, directly to the General Service Board. He or she should be able to do this without prejudice or fear of reprisal."*

The General Service Board acting as a Committee of the Whole has granted on several occasions requests from individuals to meet with the Board to present their grievance. Every time I've seen our sacred principles in action my heart is filled with

wonderment of the many freedoms easily granted to those who are in pain, feeling separated and needing to have their voices heard.

A.A Legacies – Recovery, Unity, Service are life giving and when they are inter-woven they do create a foundation for living, working and playing together. Truly a gift from a Higher Power.

George: (from CD's) – Delegate 43 years ago. Past Trustee on the Finance Committee 40 years ago. General Manager of GSO. I, too, had to try and remember stories from that long ago! In 1972, ICYPAA was to be in San Francisco. I was on the PI Committee for that and was asked to provide the youngest attendee to be interviewed by the news and radio stations. She was 14 years old and we decided she was too young for all that, so we found some folks that were able to accommodate. Then we were asked by CBS if we could provide someone to be interviewed. We explained anonymity and we found this enthusiastic young man and they did a five minute clip on him. A few years later, as Delegate, I gave the clip to the PI Committee and they decided to make a film using the interview. I wound up on the Trustees Committee for PI when I was a Trustee, with the film going back and forth, because we were not sure about anonymity. Someone asked me if I saw the man in it walking down the street would I recognize him? I said Yes! I have been living with him for 12 years! We had a private screening with the full board and they loved it! It was the first film done by A.A. with real members, unscripted, and protected anonymity. As Delegate, I was on the Finance Committee. In 1976, there was a Conference Action that changed finance, which is still the way it is done today. I am not going to tell that story – this guy makes me nervous! (Luis – the timer). Thank you!

Break 9:35 a.m.

Resume 9:50 a.m.

Announcements:

Affirm Tinna O. as Alt. Area Chair or hold another election. Motion made to affirm Tinna as Alt. Area Chair. Seconded. Passed.

Voting members explained.

Who is eligible to make themselves available for positions? According to guidelines – you must have served as a DCM, DCMC, Area Officer, NAGSC/SAGSC Officer to stand for Delegate, Alt. Delegate, Chair, Alt. Area Chair. Treasurer, Alt. Treasurer, Secretary, Alt. Secretary, Registrar, Alt. Registrar can be anyone who has served a full two year commitment within the General Service body.

Motion made to affirm Chair's decision to keep to the Area Guidelines as they stand now.

Seconded.

Passed.

Minority opinion – needed only clarification.

The guidelines will be reviewed by an Ad-Hoc Committee.

* Paul E. appointed to Chair the committee, however, once voted as Area Chair, he was unappointed. Lyle C. will Chair Ad-Hoc Committee.

Coffee contribution jar located by coffee – it is not a tip jar! We pay for it.

Ballot runners explained.

Mike M., past Delegate, gave an overview of the election process.

Voting begins...

Those who were willing to serve were asked to qualify after the first vote was taken. This led to some members of the body changing their votes, therefore, a motion made to throw out the first vote and vote again.

Seconded.

Passed.

Rhonda F., Alt. Area Delegate/ SAGSC Chair, and Tinna O., Alt. Area Chair/ NAGSC Chair, discussed the sign up sheets for Conference Committees for future. Alternated calling up committees for report backs from committees formed in summer. Past Delegates that have served on the committees giving the report shared their experience as well:

Mike M., past Delegate discussed Right of Decision at the Conference.

Agenda: no report.

Policy & Admissions: The Area 42 Policy & Admissions Conference Committee members are: Lyle C and Laura J, both from the North. We reached out to GSO for answers to the questions as well as reading the service manual and the docs in our folder. Also, we have useful information on our Nevada Area 42 website in the password protected part. We had one conference call before the fall assembly so that we could answer the questions for the assembly as a committee. Thank you to everyone on the committee.

1. *How well did the North and South work together?* The two committee members from the south were not available to participate. I reached out to Glenn W., SAGSC secretary and he, as always, was willing to help. So we were able to include the south through the July SAGSC report.

2. *What was the gist of your committee?* “The Policy & Admissions committee, which has no corresponding trustees’ committee, as others do, is responsible for matters of policy pertaining to the Conference itself and for reviewing all requests for admissions to the annual meeting of the General Service Conference. All changes in the Conference plan, all steps in the expansion of the conference, and all procedures affecting the cost of the Conference are taken to the Committee on Conference Policy & Admissions. This committee has the job of approving or disapproving requests for additional delegate areas.” (From the Service Manual p. S61) There are 9 delegates who sit on this committee, split between 1st year and 2nd year delegates. Eva S. is the secretary and General Service Office contact person for this committee at least through the end of this year. This committee, depending upon the agenda items, may make recommendations for advisory actions.
3. *What did you learn about the process?* A committee member did some research on our committee to contribute to the report and found the information about what our committee is focused on at the General Service Conference to be fascinating. She also was able to seek out new resources for information on the Area website and at the General Service Office. When people were not available to participate, I learned how to reach out to those who were, rather than focusing on those who weren’t. It isn’t important who does the work, but that the work gets done (Ruth J). I had no idea what happened at the conference and learned how valuable this particular committee is. Yours In Service, Lyle C – Area 42 Archivist.

Policy & Admissions: Sophie K., Past Delegate Panel 63 (2013-2014) and Bob H. from Hawaii – current Delegate Panel 67. (Sophie’s experience) Part of my service at the General Service Conference was on the Policy and Admissions committee. Its business is matters of policy relating to the conference itself.

Some examples of topics that come to this committee are:

- Who gets to be present and who gets to participate at the conference. Sometimes representatives from general service offices in other countries ask to attend as observers; sometimes alternate delegates must be approved when a delegate can’t attend;
- All procedures affecting the cost of the conference – like when and where it will be held;
- How much of the written material will be translated into Spanish and French

The committee can also consider how voting happens; prior to 2015, the conference voted by show of hands – except ballots were used for elections.

When I served on the P&A committee one of our agenda items was to consider using an anonymous electronic voting system on a trial basis for non-election votes only.

My committee discussed the pros and cons and ultimately supported the idea. Then we devised a plan for a 2-year trial process. The conference approved the plan. The trial period went favorably and the 2018 conference was the first to use all electronic voting – except for elections.

Corrections: Members: Clint F. Julie C. Mark P. from the North and Kellie M. Liz F. from the South. Our goal was to research and learn more about how the corrections committee at GSO works. What the Delegates responsibilities are. How they provide feedback to the trustee’s correction committee by making suggestions and recommendations. One Corrections Committee assignment is to respond to any correspondence from correction facilities: On the average Diana L. the Correction Coordinator will respond to about 600 letters from inmates and 200 letters from local corrections communities and professionals also she forwards request for literature and new AA meetings. The Corrections Committee receives more mail at GSO than any other committee. As committee chair I was asked to write a report for this assembly and respond to these 3 questions? Did the North and South work good together? Yes, for those that had time to participate the communication and input was wonderful and informative. What was the gist of your committee?

To get learn more about the process and responsibilities of the committees at the General Service Conference. To work together as a committee representing both the north and south.

What did you learn about the process?

- We learned about how many delegates sit on the corrections committee.
- What the committee does.
- The trustees role with the committee.
- That the committee may take action or make recommendations.
- Also, GSO is willing to help with information about committees .

Grapevine: no report.

Public Information (PI): 5 members. Louis P., Lisa T., Holly P., Joan C., Samantha G.

What does this committee do?

“Like all of A.A., the primary purpose of members involved with Public Information service is to carry the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers.” Specifically, the committee is responsible for creating greater

understanding of - and preventing misunderstandings of - the A.A. program through the public media, electronic media, P.I. meetings, and speaking to community groups.

- Who sits on this committee?

The first qualification for doing P.I., or any other service work, is sound sobriety. All committee members need to be thoroughly familiar with the A.A. program and able to provide consistent and accurate information about the Fellowship. The members who sit on the committee are delegates and trustees.

- Who is the contact at GSO?

I did not do this.

- Are there trustees assigned to this committee?

Yes, there are. Most trustees sit on 4 to 5 separate conference committees. They meet in person quarterly for each committee they sit on. The information from each of these quarterly trustee committee meetings can be found in the "Quarterly Report" which is mailed to delegates, past delegates, trustees, and past trustees. Even though the trustees meet more often in person on PI, they keep the delegates who sit on the committee in the loop on everything.

- Does this committee take action or make recommendations?

They could do either based on the outcome of the conference decision. They can decide in the committee room to recommend or to take action on an agenda item and the larger body gets to decide how to move forward which often is to do nothing at all.

- Any other pertinent information?

None yet.

Public Information (PI): Joan M., Past Delegate Panel 51 (2001 – 2002) (from CD's). I was on the committee and we had three issues: 1). Re-do film strip on youth. We decided it was too expensive. No action was taken. 2). Reviewed PI Workbook – made minor changes. 3). Reviewed and make new PSA's. That passed, went to the Conference, and passed as well. Thank you.

Archives: no report

Archives and Report & Charter: Marita R., Past Delegate Panel 49 (1999 – 2000) (from CD's). I got two committees. I was excited to be on Archives. The first time that we had an Archives for Delegates. We set up all the bueractic stuff. First thing wanted was group stories. We found that GSRs would go to the oldtimers about how the group started. Groups and Archive connections are being made in the present, not just the past. We have Spanish women, we never had Spanish women groups before - they will continue to allow us to grow. Our founders are out there! Thank you!

Report & Charter: Our Conference Committee for this exercise is Report and Charter. AA members from the Northern and Southern Areas worked well together to gather information about this committee. What I learned from this process is other like minded people are eager to be helpful and answer any questions I may have. I only need to be willing and take action. The primary function of Report and Charter is to maintain the AA Service Manual, the Final Conference Report and Regional / International Directories for 12 Step Contact Lists. They also read drafts of the Conference Report and check it for accuracy. Thank you.

Report & Charter: Joyce Y, Past delegate Panel 39 (1989 – 1990) (from CD's). I had no idea what Report & Charter was and I am sure some of you feel the same way. I didn't want that committee. I wanted literature, but I loved it! I was expecting about 800 people at the Conference, so I was really surprised when it was a lot less then there are here today. I was in a room with eight other people working more than half the Conference on an agenda. Our primary job was to work on agenda items regarding the Service Manual and Concepts. Sometimes we overlap committees. I was elected Chair. We had 6 points that define a group in our literature, however, many places state in our literature that when 2 or more gathered define together... could not come to a decision. This issue also included the Literature Committee. An Ad – Hoc was appointed. I was on that committee. We went back to the groups, discussed, back and forth. In 1991, the 6 points were removed.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): no report.

Finance: no report.

Literature: My name is Debbie, I am an alcoholic. I was asked to be Chair of the Area 42 Conference Committee on Literature by our Area Alternate Chair on June 30th. By some Divine Force, I immediately looked on the Area 42 website for the date of the SAGSC meeting. It was July 8th! Holy cow, we have just a week to get these five questions answered. I just took on a commitment with a one week deadline! The first thing I had to do was humbly ask for my fears and shortcoming or defect of character be removed, namely procrastination. That same Saturday evening, I reached out to all the Area Literature Committee members. Thank you April, our co-chair and Dano for your response and help. We each took on a question to research. April and I each took a second question. April responded back with finding an answer to "What does this Committee Do?" in the AA Service Manual...By the way, the Conference Committee on Literature reviews and discuss new literature and audiovisual needs, reviews and discuss existing pamphlets and new pamphlet drafts as they are prepared. The Conference Committee on

Literature may make recommendations to the entire conference floor or determine that more information is needed. We found our answers in the AA Service Manual, Contacting the General Service Office desk on Literature, and reaching out to a past Delegate and our current Delegate. We were able to gather all the answers to the five questions just in time for April to report back to the SAGSC Committee. I believe that I have just answered the questions...**What was the gist of our Committee and Did the North and the South work well together.** In this process, some of the things that I have learned were: the resources to find answers pertaining to Alcoholics Anonymous; although the Service Manual is a boring read, it is a great resource; the staff at the General Service Office are quicker to respond to e-mails than I imagined; the Corrections Committee discuss literature pertaining to Corrections, as opposed to the Literature committee. In closing, I now have a better understanding of the General Service Conference and the importance of preparing our Delegate with our groups and districts thoughts and feelings on the Conference Agenda Topics.

Literature: Dick, Past Delegate Panel 49 (1999 – 2000). The fourth edition stories were coming in and they had widdled them down to about 80 out of 1,200. The Literature Chairs and an Ad-Hoc committee read through. I was very busy. We got to half. At the same time, a proposed African pamphlet was in the works. The Area was not for it. What I took back from New York was that pamphlets were an identification tool and therefore could save alcoholics. I changed my vote and we now have that pamphlet. (Personal GSC experience shared about seeing all the Archives at GSO and Stepping Stones). Thank you!

Treatment & Accessibilities Committee: 1) Did the North & South work well together? Yes, among those who participated, we communicated, shared the research required, and shared our learning. 2) What was the gist of your committee? The Conference Committee on Treatment & Accessibilities considers matters of importance to the Fellowship that pertain to Treatment and / or Accessibilities and may or may not make recommendations to the General Service Conference. 3) What did you learn about the process? Learning more about this committee puts a whole new dimension on the term "all inclusive". That our Fellowship is proactive in reaching out to current and potential members who may not feel "included" due to challenges they face in participating in our program of recovery. It is amazing to find out how many ways we can be of service to Reach & Help alcoholics. I feel I have made a major transition between "hearing about General Service" and "being in General Service by participating in this project. This project has helped the words of our 12th Step "Come Alive" - The 12th Step has come full circle. By working together as a Fellowship, we discover more and more ways to reach out to those who feel Not Included. That the GSO Staff Member assigned to this Committee truly enjoyed hearing from us. From our Delegate Phil - Serves on the Treatment & Accessibilities Conference Committee: That the Conference Committee on Treatment & Accessibilities took action by changing the scope of their Committee. The Agenda Item was: Discuss ways that remote communities concerns might be addressed by the Conference. Home Group sharing on the topic honed in on the possible need to create a new Conference Committee on Accessibilities thus separating Treatment from Accessibilities. **In addition, the committee supports the work of individual A.A. members and groups serving those who experience barriers to accessing the A.A. message and participating in A.A.'s three legacies - recovery, unity, and service. Supports work that strives to ensure that A.A. members who live in underserved or remote communities - communities difficult to reach because of geography, language or culture - have access to the A.A. message.**

Treatment & Accessibilities: Phil, Current Area 42 Delegate Panel 67 (2017 – 2018) (from CD's). Read the purpose of the Treatment Committee. We did working lunches, came early, etc. We became an Accessibilities Committee, rather than Treatment once we decided as a fellowship to longer be Special Needs. It was a great experience, thank you!

Nominating:: Hi I'm Paul and I'm an alcoholic. Our little committee got off to a very slow start. A member in the south was supposed to be the chair of this committee and I was asked to be the co-chair for the north. The member in the south got very busy and did not have the time to devote justice to our committee. So, she asked me if I would be willing to step up and be the chair and I did. This was about all the interaction that I had with any of our committee members. I contacted GSO and found out some interesting information. First there is a Trustees committee for all of the different committees (Treatment, Corrections, CPC, PI etc.), that is separate for the committees themselves. The committee that is the Trustees on the agenda items is actually the "Conference Committee on Trustees", but when contacting GSO they call it the "Trustees Nominating Committee". It was formed as the "General Service Conference Committee on Trustees" at the first GSC in 1951, then it was made up of 5 members drawn by lot geographically. Their responsibilities were mainly involved in the recommendation of A.A. trustees from regions. They also offered disapproval, if any, to non-A.A. and New York A.A. trustees.

Julio is the contact at GSO and he sent me some wonderful information; the history and highlights of actions from all of the GSC and the composition, scope and procedure of the Conference Committee on Trustees. There are at least 9 voting members of this committee and a non-voting secretary. (all Delegates) There are no Trustees on this committee. Since the 1951 Conference, this committee has been mainly involved in the qualifications and procedures for election of Class B regional trustees and trustees-at-large. Members of this committee are part of the voting body and the chairperson of this committee co-chairs the election. The responsibility of this committee has evolved to include the qualifications and procedures for selection of Class A trustees, General Service trustees, corporate board directors, and appointed committee members. This committee is to make recommendations, reached in committee by majority vote, to the entire Conference. To present these recommendations to the Conference for approval, disapproval or amendment in a report given by the committee chairperson. Most recently; The committee thoughtfully reviewed a proposal to censure the General Service Board and after seeking extensive additional input from the general manager of G.S.O., the chair of the General Service Board, and additional General Service Board trustees,

agreed to take no action. I found that it is very easy to find out information from our GSO, all you have to do is reach out and ask for help. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Lunch 11:55 a.m.
Resume 1:30 p.m

Announcements:

Dark District 18 had four members in attendance.
Serenity Prayer said to unify the assembly.
Elections resume...

Area Officers/NAGSC/ SAGSC Officer Reports:

SWACYPAA Report (instead of LVYPAA) & Video Bid Presentation

SAGSC Secretary: Hi everybody my name is Glenn and I'm honored to serve as our Southern Area Recording Secretary. I don't have a lot to report today. The SAGSC minutes from our last meeting have been sent out and I made a correction to the website version of SAGSC guidelines footnote to reflect the correct date of amendment. If your district or committee is having an event please send me the flyer or information and I will be happy to forward it out to my email list. Thank you all for letting me be of service. In love and service, Glenn W.

NAGSC Treasurer: (from CD's). Will, alcoholic. Thank you for allowing. We have a current balance of \$6,046.02 in our checking account. We deposited \$8,535.24 so far this year. We have a CD that is \$1,252.94. Please see me for receipts for Northern groups. Thank you.

SAGSC Treasurer: (from CD's). Chuck, alcoholic. Financial Reports are with me at the back table. DCM/GSR disbursement funds will be done tomorrow. Our current balance is \$19,773.09 and our Prudent Reserve is \$7,513.67. Thank you!

Alt Area Delegate: First I want to thank Phil for his work as Delegate. He kept me in the loop and included me in everything he did. He came to the south several times and even stayed with Paul and I (which Paul called my sleepover with the delegate. I have seen amazing changes in our area this panel, The Spanish women started a woman's meeting, Archives redesigned the archives room. The Pacific Region rallied for the Grapevine and the \$7.27 7.40 membership challenge, we really did lead the nation in Grapevines and Personal donations. We learned a bit about the 13 conference committees. We attended 2 PRAASA (one in our own backyard) and a Forum. It has been an amazing 2 years and my pleasure to serve you as alternate delegate for Panel 67. Thank You, Rhonda F.

Area Alternate Chair: Tinna O. Thank you for allowing me to fill in as Alternate Chair until our elections. I got to chair my first NAGSC meeting in August in Battle Mountain with District 10a and it was a great experience. We heard the very first reports from our General Service Conference Committees exercise representatives in the North and these were quite informative. I look forward to progressing through the exercise and learning lots more about the GSC Committees. It is a pleasure to serve you in this capacity.

Area Alternate Secretary (NAGSC Secretary): Monica S. Hello friends my name is Monica, grateful Alcoholic. So happy to be a part of this amazing experience the last two years has flown by and I am so grateful to have been able to serve as your Alt Area Secretary. For those that this is their first Service Assembly welcome, I hope that you find yourselves exactly where you are supposed to be. I look forward to meeting many of you and seeing all of you at the literature table this weekend. Part of my primary duties include serving as the Northern Area Secretary, provide a literature display at Assembly, and assist and coordinate with the Area Secretary. The balance from the last service assembly was \$282.06. Thank you again to all the service each of you do. Please stop by and say hello look forward to a fabulous weekend with all of you.

Area Treasurer: Hi I'm Paul and your alcoholic treasurer, it is so wonderful to be here at another Area Assembly. It has been my pleasure to serve as your Area Treasurer and I still have more to do until the end of the year. I would like to thank everyone that has contributed to our Area 42 treasury. It is doing very well as you can see from the reports in your packets. There are 2 reports a "Balance Sheet" and a "Profit & Loss" statement, these are for the fiscal year of 2017 thru 2018 (August 1st – July 31st). If you want to see August of 2018 the start of our new fiscal year come and see me at the treasurers' table. I have or will be giving your DCM receipts for those groups that have not sent me an email address to send them. This is the easiest and most cost effective way for me to get them to you. Also in your packets you will find a proposed budget for this fiscal year. Please review this carefully and do not be alarmed by the large negative on the bottom line. This will all be explained when the budget is presented. If you have any questions you can come and see me and I will try and answer them or you can wait until it is presented. The coffee contribution jar near the coffee is not a tip jar. It is to help pay for the coffee, as part of our rent agreement with the convention center we have to pay for the coffee. Thank you in advance for your contributions and thank you for allowing me to serve.

Area Registrar: I want to thank the Area 42 body for giving me the opportunity to serve in the position of registrar over the past two years. It has been my pleasure to spend so much time in communication with so many members while fulfilling the duties of this commitment either by email, phone or, my personal favorite - while occupying the lobby of the Tonopah Convention Center during Area Assemblies with Jake. The commitments that put me face to face with other members are always the most fulfilling! I wish to thank Jake for working so well with me, especially during the time of my illness, when he stepped up mightily

to the plate. I think we made a good team and I enjoyed his mellow nature and his dedication to Area 42 and Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. I was fortunate to be able to attend the Pacific Region Forum last weekend in San Jose. As always I was impressed by the lengths that our General Service Office and Trustees will go to help us carry the message. 10 years ago, when I first began attending Praasas and Forums, a common area of concern was that our literature, in its content, its look and its delivery was losing relevance to newer alcoholics and thus perhaps a part of the reason for our flattening membership. At that time, self-correction in this area seemed like a behemoth, even a Goliath undertaking to me. The presentations at this past Forum, especially from David Rosen, "The Publishing Guy", has reminded me that we, the members of AA along with the help of the General Service Office, should never be underestimated in what we can accomplish. The Forum also serves to remind us, the membership, that we may be the ones who think of, discuss, and vote on great ideas but the amazing staff at GSO are the ones tasked with accomplishing the work. They are the "David's" who face the Goliaths and our own "Publishing Guy", David, seems to have done this. Look forward to seeing many changes soon on the look of the literature as well as ways that member can access to material on our website. My outlook for the future of AA is once again on a positive track. I have purchased a new computer for the Registrar position as was discussed at the Spring Assembly. It is set up, MS office is installed and the computer is working well for me, actually making the data entry part of this commitment much easier. I have gone to great lengths to set the computer up with no affiliation to my personal information. Everything, including a Microsoft account is under the name of Area 42 registrar, with the email address assigned to the position on the website contact page. When asked for a date of birth, I used June 10, 1935, AA's birthday! I also created a computer information and a maintenance log on the desktop. I believe this will help with a smooth transition of this equipment during the rotation changes. Thank you from myself and from future registrars for the new equipment. Now, for the numbers....This Assembly we had _____ members pre-register for our event and we pre-sold _____ banquet tickets. Our final Assembly registration is _____, with _____ voting members. We had _____ GSRs here this weekend and _____ DCMS. I have these numbers broken down by district if the DCMS want this information, please see me. We have group information spreadsheets for each DCM. If you haven't received yours yet, come find Jake or myself. DCMS, please look these over and help us update our group records. We also have forms for changes or additions to our Area's groups and representatives. Thank you again for allowing this humble soul to participate in General Service which allows me a better participation in my own recovery. See you in the next rotation! Forever in the Circle of Love & Service, Laura J.
** Count – 109 on-line. 119 on-site. 15 DCMS. 117 GSRs. Total registered – 228.

Alt. Registrar: My name is Jake – I am alcoholic. I am once again absolutely humbled, honored, and grateful to have spent the last two years serving as your alternate area Registrar. I cannot believe that it has been two years already. At the end of every report I give I say; Alcoholics Anonymous has saved my life, and general service has become a huge part of my program of recovery. The longer I stay sober the more I realize what a miracle it is that I actually showed up to AA and what is even more amazing is that I actually took some direction and became a member of this fellowship. I do not know what I thought you were going to do that was going to change me from hopeless alcoholic who could not stay sober for five minutes into a person who is happy joyous and free and did not have to drink. Luckily for me I did not have to do anything. I walked through the door and you held my hand and showed me the way to a new life. The only reason I am standing here today is because in 2007 my home group said hey guess what you are our new GSR. When I found out that that meant I had to come to Tonopah Nevada for a whole weekend and sit in the Tonopah convention center with a bunch of AA nerds I cussed out my home group the whole way driving up here. Once again within two hours I found out exactly how wrong I was again. I found out that the people sitting in this room were doing more to help the alcoholic who still suffers than 90% of the people I had met up to this point. From that day my life changed and as my sponsor always says, my AA world got bigger, and I have not missed an area assembly or a SAG's meeting since that day. Serving as your alternate area Registrar has been an absolutely wonderful experience and the biggest reason for that is our area Registrar Laura. My biggest job is to support Laura and she has done a fantastic job serving our area as registrar. Everything that we had to do she got on it immediately. She kept all of our records straight with the General Service Office and I personally have never seen the registration for our area assemblies run so smoothly. I will be forever grateful to Laura and the amazing job that she has done for us all. I also want to thank every member of our area Committee every SAGs and NAGs committee member and every member of area 42. As I am writing this report I do not know who will be serving us for the next two years, but I am sure that Area 42 will be in good hands. My opinion is that a higher power puts everybody in the exact position they belong in wether I think so or not. Luckily for all of you I will still be serving as your alternate area Registrar until the end of the year. So as always if you need any new group forms or GSR change forms please see me or Laura. If for any reason you have registered with us and you have not received your welcome packet from GSO please let us know. Alcoholics Anonymous has 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 and thank you very much giving me a life worth living I love you all.

Webmaster: Hello, my name is Libby and I'm the Area 42 Web Servant. I'd like to thank you all for the opportunity to be of service. The Web servant position is a 2 year position with the option of another 2 years because of the technical nature of the job. I've been in the position for four years so this is my final assembly in this position. It's been wonderful working with everyone. When things are going well nobody thinks about the website and that's how it should be. I'm happy to report the website has been running pretty well thanks to all the hard work of the web servants before me. I was just doing the maintenance of updating events and emails for the most part. We did have a slight issue with needing to clean last names from

documents on the site, but it was done without affecting the usage of the website. For anyone new, the area website is www.nevadaarea42.org. For those that need to look at the Area Member Info page the login password is Area42member. Once again thanks for letting me be of service ,Libby G.

Report given by Diana re: Hispanic Women's Group in Las Vegas. Read about Remote Communities. Struggle to bring in Hispanic women. Safe meeting place for Hispanic sisters. Wednesday 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Three consistent members and all three in attendance at this assembly.

Announcements:

7th Tradition baskets being passed around the room – reimburse District 9 for hosting.

Area Chair: My name is Julie, I'm an alcoholic and I currently serve as your area chairperson. I am grateful that Tinna O and Pat S, who made themselves available to serve as alternate area chair for the remainder of this panel. Since the last assembly, I have been transitioning the responsibilities for NAGSC to Tinna, who has done a wonderful job of stepping in so quickly. She and Rhonda have been coordinating the area conference committees that are reporting this weekend. We have been talking about conference committees for years and this is the first time we have tried this exercise. I understand there have been some wonderful experiences, some fear and some challenges. I am hopeful that as we continue we will grow in our effectiveness. I am grateful to you for entrusting me with your assembly. I had a wonderful time planning this weekend. I apologize in advance if I over planned it. It gave me the opportunity to discuss with our past trustees and delegates about the conference committees as well as the trustee committees. I feel blessed that we have so many knowledgeable, loving past servants willing to share their experience, strength and hope with us this weekend. For those of you who are new this weekend, Nevada Area has an abundance of past delegates and trustees who give freely of themselves so that we can learn. Help us when we skin our knees and gently nudge us back on course when we veer off. I sincerely hope that everyone has a great time this weekend selecting your Panel 69 trusted servants, learning about the conference and meeting others from Nevada Area 42. Thank you again for allowing me to serve in the capacity of area chair. I am humbled by the privilege.

Finance:

Area Finance Chair: Tinna O. Thank you all for allowing me to serve on your finance committee for the last two years. The committee has created a proposed budget for the coming fiscal year for your review and approval. We are planning on the 2nd reading of our proposed amendments to the financial guidelines at this fall assembly. This committee is a pleasure to serve with, you have picked some very conscientious members.

Area Budget: ** Area 42 2018/2019 Budget and Assumptions proposed, discussed and approved by the body. To view actual documents – www.nevadaarea42.org under AREA MEMBER INFO (login required).

Finance Committee Proposal: Tinna

2nd Reading for Approval:

ADDENDUM to Area 42 Guidelines (approved 3/15)

AREA 42 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY FINANCE GUIDELINES (approved 9/12)

2.0 Responsibilities of the Area Treasurer

(Add the below after K.)

L. Maintain a binder with current copies of the following documents for the Nevada State Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous:

- · IRS Tax Exempt Status Letter
- · Nevada Secretary of State Annual List of Officers (See section 2.0 I)
- · Articles of Incorporation
- · Nevada Department of Taxation Tax Exempt Status Letter (This will need to be renewed every 5 years with the Nevada Department of Taxation)
- · Las Vegas PO Box information
- · Finance Committee Minutes for the two years of treasurers' service commitment

Identical copies of this binder shall be provided to the Area 42 Archivist, NAGSC Treasurer, and SAGSC Treasurer. The Treasurer shall provide all binder holders with copies of the Finance Committee minutes and updates to or copies of any included documents in a timely manner, not to exceed six months.

Motion to approve.

Seconded.

Passed.

Presentation: Is there a need for a Nevada Area Conference of Young People in A.A.? Read by Noel.(from CD's):

Young people in A.A. does not necessarily mean age. It is for anyone with room to grow. We are presenting to see if there is a need for a Nevada Area Conference of Young People in A.A. This is presented as an Area Conference rather than state in order to include the entire Area 42. This allows maximum outreach to all communities. RENVYPAA and LVYPAA have been approach about starting YP meetings in outlying communities. Wed wanted to see if this is needed Area wide before moving forward with a Conference. RENVYPAA and LVYPAA can bid on ICYPAA, WACYPA, and SWACYPA. Due to the size of these Conferences, it is unlikely that a smaller community would be able to host or even attend. Having an Area wide Conference would allow smaller

communities to host and outreach young people. RENVYPAA and LVYPAA are the only active YPAA committees within the Nevada Area. This has come up several times. (Shared history of YPAA's in A.A.). Principles shared about YPAA's would be the ones used to create NACYPAA (Nevada Area Conference of Young People in A.A.). We would like support from the Area 42 groups and hear the feedback from GSR's in the Fall. We will take steps needed to have a Conference no earlier than Fall 2020.

Comments/Discussion:

Mammoth Lakes could use YP's.

My family may need this – they want to see YP's.

Mesquite Group is in favor.

Future of A.A. lies in YP groups!

I got sober young. Knowing that there were YP groups was a huge part of my sobriety. So many are not aware. Nevada could use a Conference.

Young family members could benefit from YP Conference.

Remote Communities – there is a need! This will give them a place.

I was 20 when I came in. We have 14 year old in my homegroup. We support this!

Does your group or Area feel there is a need for NACYPAA?

YES! (unanimously).

Ad- Hoc Reports:

Translation Committee: Committee met via conference call on July 24th and present were: Edie D., Chairperson; Monica S., Secretary; Tony S., Translator; Luis C., DCM Dist. 22. Translator, Tony A. & Jose G., DCM Dist. 21 were unable to attend. We are also communicating via text messages. It was determined that we are not yet ready to present a Guideline change proposal due to items that need to be addressed further. Compensation. At the present time (this is provided the budget is approved for 2019) the budget would allow a total of \$3,000. Per year (\$1,500. Per assembly or \$750. Per translator). No receipts are required and the Treasurer will cut checks for the “per person/per assembly” amount. It was agreed that this new amount would be acceptable. Approximate amount of time required for each translator at each assembly would be 11 hours (2 hrs on Friday – 7 hours on Saturday – 2 hours on Sunday) or approximately 5 ½ hrs per translator. If we use \$60/hr as a guide, this would give each translator \$330. For time spent at assembly plus a balance of \$420. To cover travel, lodging & other expenses. The hours will be handled by the two translators so that there is an even participation between the two. Was advised by Jonelle that we have a volunteer from the south who is willing to translate the area minutes into Spanish for the spring assembly. We will investigate whether or not this individual is willing to continue to do the minutes translation. One of the suggestions from the committee is that we look for volunteers from the body who would be willing to translate reports for the Translators/Interpreters. It would appear that there are approximately 51 reports that would need to be translated prior to each Assembly. In order that no one is overburdened, it is suggested that we try and find 10 to 12 volunteers to do this job. We will be sending around a sheet to determine how many volunteers from both North and South would be willing to donate their time to translate documents. We will continue to discuss in order that the Committee will be able to submit a Guideline change proposal at the March Area Assembly. Respectfully submitted, Edie D. – Ad Hoc Chair.

Corrections Conference: When we returned from Assembly in March I reached out to the chair of the first ever Corrections Conf. He and I had a long discussion about what it took to create the conference and why it came about. Interesting note about how it came about, during the 2015 international conference many of the correction chairs got together and requested that GSO support a corrections conference being put together and be held in various locations across the nation. From there they chose a location and created a committee. There was no seed money put forth by any committees or Alcoholics Anonymous, the deposits were simply put onto a member of Alcoholics Anonymous' credit card and they relied solely on registrations to pay for the whole event. The next Corrections Conference will be held in Maine later this year. They will be going over bids for 2020 at that time. If we as an area decided to support (not financially) the conference and can see it's benefiting Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole, we suggest creating a bid to hold the conference in the year 2021. We have no intention and bidding in the next two years. 2019 conference will actually be held in Texas, and the 2020 conference is to be determined, but since area 42 is hosting the pacific regional forum at that time we recommend waiting until 2021 to actually host. An ad hoc committee member has reached out to some venues in Las Vegas and they told him it was to far ahead to get any real numbers regarding how much an event would cost to hold there. Please know that because we are talking about an event three years away we are very early in getting any concrete details of what this might look like. If the next event is successful then we will have more numbers and more of an understanding as to what it would take to do a conference like this. But as of now there wasn't much we could do. Grateful to be of service. Thank you.

Mapping Presentation: My name is Jake – I am alcoholic. I am currently serving as the Area 42 Mapping ad hoc Committee chair. A little history for this ad hoc Committee is that at the fall of 2017 area assembly a request was made to review the maps that we currently have for Area 42. At this time Emily was still our area chair. Emily asked Julie, who was at that time, the alternate area chair to chair this mapping ad hoc committee. She also asked Libby and I if we would serve on it. The first official meeting of the Mapping committee took place at the Spring 2018 area assembly on Friday night. Libby, Julie, and I met in the blue room after the area committee meeting to discuss the scope of our newly formed committee. At that time we decided we should look at the current district boundaries, the current maps that we had, the current written descriptions, as well as talk

about procedures and policies for updating and maintaining any new maps. The most important thing that we decided in this meeting was to ask our area if there was anyone who would be willing to volunteer for our committee that actually knew something about maps. On Sunday at the Spring 2018 assembly we ask for volunteers and Lorenda, Kevin, and Kirk volunteered to be a part of this committee. Thank God! These 3 members of our area have specialized knowledge in computers as well as mapping. We had our first meeting by conference call and at this meeting we came up with a plan to start putting together clear and easy to understand maps using the boundaries that we already had. We also talked about that after the area was able to look at these maps and the DCM's were able to see them we would talk about putting them on the area website and put together a easy to use interactive google map. As many of you know Emily who was our area chair had to step down. This made Julie our area chair and she felt it would be inappropriate for her to be the area chair as well as the chair of this ad hoc committee. She asked if I would take over as chair of the mapping committee and I gratefully accepted. At this time Lorenda had finished our first draft of the district boundary maps. I used our area website to send these maps to all of our DCMs. I also contacted Claudia our current DCM coordinator and asked her if we would be able to have time in the DCM committee meeting to discuss these maps with all of the DCMs and she kindly agreed. At the time I am writing this report this is basically where we are now. I am sure that after we meet with the DCMs and the Mapping committee on Sunday I will have more to report to you. I would just like to thank Julie for her service on this committee. She continues to be a part of our committee and is very helpful. I want to thank Libby for all of her service. She has acted as our secretary and has taken minutes at all of our committee meetings. And I especially want to thank Kirk, Kevin, and Lorenda for all of their service. We have named them the technical division of the mapping committee which means they actually know what they are doing. Our committee would be absolutely lost without all of their support. Thank you all very much for being here.

Sunday, September 16, 2018:

7:30 a.m. - DCM Meeting:

Introduction of the coordinators – Claudia B. (S) and Ed L. (N)

Opened with the Serenity Prayer

Introductions of attendees. – DCMs, Alt. DCMs, and visitors

Purpose of meeting: Information and sharing on the DCM position with questions and answers.

What can DCMC do to better serve you?

Q. Can we do something to teach people to use Google Groups or a tutorial?

Q. Never invited to Google Groups – is there a way to roll call or confirm?

Q. Is there a way to know when an event is? When I used Google Groups, it never showed.

A. A DCMC can be more helpful in explaining Google Groups or have options for DCMs to communicate about events rather than using Google Groups.

Ways to keep GSRs engaged & participating...

Have raffles as incentive to show up at District Meetings for all service members to participate.

Food!

GSRs do not take advantage of the GSR Training. Hold more trainings.

Make it available to everyone!

Have training in your Districts.

Remember to be PATIENT!!!!

Think about other District Meeting times that could work - mornings, not on Saturdays, etc

Send text reminders.

There were ne DCMs in attendance at this meeting. Information shared was:

Get a service sponsor!

Get familiar with pamphlets on DCM & Service Manual

New DCM packet will be sent from GSO.

Suggestion that the out-going DCM should sit with the incoming and guide them for a bit.

Keep getting all information out to your GSRs.

Jake S. gave presentation on Mapping.

Meeting adjourned.

7:30 a.m. - Standing Committee Chairs:

7-40 am open with Serenity Prayer/ 9 members present/ Justin took charge/introductions.

Ann- concerns intergroup and anonymity breaks/questions with bylaws/would like to form some kind of committee

Central discussion topic- improvement with cooperation between Central Office and area Service/Also coop between northern

Bracer and southern SilverStreak

Caroline- CPC How to cooperate with English and Spanish H&I

Tony said working/making progress

Communication issue- English audio boosting hardware for Hard of Hearing

Pat S-vision for Area 42/ Spanish speaking co-chairs for all committees

Justin- important to remember rotation may be uncomfortable, but it's what keeps us sober

Archives- have Districts "adopt" bin of cassette tapes to be transferred to digital material

Caroline- regarding all these tapes...decide what is AA and what is not before digitizing

Close with Declaration of Responsibility

@ 8-48

Drew H.

Assembly:

Area Chair, Julie, opened Assembly 8:30 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer and the Anonymity Statement.

Billy – District 2 -reading –“ Concept 12”.

Communications Committee: Members: Chair - Anne K., Co-chair Ed L., Paul E., Glenn W., Sandra S., Ronnie D. Proposal that was submitted to Area 42 in Sept. 2017 at the Fall Assembly: Communications within the Area. “We need an ad-hoc Communications Committee that will deal with calendars of events, newsletters, other forms of communication including best practices, etc. Motion made – Create ad-hoc committee to propose the formation of a permanent Communications Committee.” Non Guidelines Changing Proposal: In an effort to form a permanent Communications Committee, the ad hoc Communications Committee recommends that an Area 42 Communications Committee be established to serve during Panel 69. The committee recommends that the Panel 69 Communications Committee consist of five members: Immediate Past Delegate, Area Secretary, current Web Servant, two members at large one being from the north, the other being from the south with at least one from a linguistics district. The scope of the duties of the committee shall pertain to any issues concerning communications within the area such as internet technology, internal and external communications throughout the area, public information support, bulk email concerns or any issue of communication brought forward by an area member.

Responsibilities of the Panel 69 Communications Committee

A. Draft a set of Communications Committee Guidelines based on current communications practices for Area 42. B. Perform a semi-annual review of Area 42 website, newsletters and other Area 42 communications. C. Conducts two conference call meetings per year prior to the semi-annual Area 42 Assemblies. Committee chair may convene additional calls as necessary. D. Reports yearly activities to the area at assembly. E. With the cooperation of area members, maintains an area calendar of events that shall be shared with the Area through the website and other communications tools.. F. Be available for guidance should questions or concerns regarding public facing or internal communications needs come forward from any Area 42 member. G. As necessary, committee drafts and submits proposals to the Area.

Background: In the spring of 2018, the Area Chairperson appointed Paul E., Ed L., Glenn W. and Anne K. to look into the idea of creating a Communications Committee for Area 42 based on the motion that was proposed at the Sept. 2017 Fall Assembly. The committee added Sandra S. and Ronnie D. and commenced meeting. While the committee unanimously agrees that a permanent Communications Committee is needed for the Area, it is the opinion of the ad hoc committee that a temporary Communications Committee be established before entirely reworking the Area Guidelines to reflect the new duties and responsibilities of committee members. The idea for the September 2018 motion was made as the result of one of the recommendations of the ad hoc Anonymity Break Committee that was erected in 2016 to address the anonymity breaks on the Area 42 website. Without getting into too much detail, Area 42 was inadvertently responsible for hundreds of anonymity breaks at the public level that were cleaned up by the committee. The ad hoc anonymity committee completed its duties and reported on its work at the Fall Assembly in September 2016. The work done by the ad hoc anonymity break committee revealed that other areas had established Internet Technology Committees that were made up of Area Committee members who helped oversee digital communications of all kinds including bulk emails, websites, published newsletters, online documents, online registrations etc. The ad hoc anonymity break committee also began discussing remote communities, ASL and linguistic challenges that effect Area 42 uniquely. The current practice of translating Area documents into Spanish was born as a result of that committee's work. That committee unanimously agreed to recommend Area 42 create a permanent Communications Committee. Below please see the portion from the September 2017, Area 42 minutes where the Ad hoc Anonymity Break Committee recommends to form a Communications Committee: (Recommendation from the Ad hoc Anonymity Committee) 6. Ad hoc committee recommends that a permanent Area Communications Committee be established. a. Committee to be made up of the following members: Area Alternate Chairperson, Area Secretary, current Web Servant, immediate past Web Servant, three members at large, at least one to be from a linguistics district. b. The scope of the duties of the committee not be restricted to website anonymity but may include any issues concerning communication such as translation, ASL, PI issues, bulk email concerns or any issue of communication brought forward by an area member. The current ad hoc Communications Committee includes three members of the ad hoc Anonymity Break Committee. The September 2017 motion to create the ad hoc Communications Committee was made by a member of the ad hoc anonymity committee and has the full support of all members of the committee. In addition, the current members of the ad hoc communications committee wanted to add an Area 42 Event Calendar that could be shared throughout the Area.

Motion made to accept the non-guideline change: The committee recommends that the Panel 69 Communications Committee consist of five members: Immediate Past Delegate, Area Secretary, current Web Servant, two members at large one being from the north, the other being from the south with at least one from a linguistics district. The scope of the duties of the committee shall pertain to any issues concerning communications within the area such as internet technology, internal and external communications throughout the area, public information support, bulk email concerns or any issue of communication brought forward by an area member.

Seconded.

Substantial Unanimity. Passed.

Paul E. graciously stepped down as incoming Finance Chair due to his position as incoming Area Chair. Finance Committee to decide who will be Chair.

Election Results:

Area Delegate (S): 3 people made themselves available - **Rhonda F.** – after 3rd vote.

Alt. Area Delegate (N): 6 people made themselves available - **Julie C.** – went to the hat.

Area Chairperson (N): 6 people made themselves available - **Paul E.** – after 3rd vote.

Alt. Area Chairperson (S): 3 people made themselves available - **Jake S.** – after 4th vote.

Area Treasurer (S): 2 people made themselves available - **Claudia B.** – after 2nd vote.

Alt. Area Treasurer (N): 4 people made themselves available - **Laura J.** – after 3rd vote.

Area Secretary (N): 2 people made themselves available - **Debbie S.** – after 2nd vote.

Alt. Area Secretary (S): 6 people made themselves available - **Lisa I.** – after 5th vote.

Area Registrar (S): 4 people made themselves available - **Anne K.** - went to the hat.

Alt. Area Registrar (N): 7 people made themselves available - **Tony A.** – after 2nd vote.

Thank you all who made themselves available. Congratulations to all!!!!!!!!!!!!

Fun fact - 4,902 ballots cast.

Break 9:53 a.m.

Resume 10:16 a.m.

Bob H. shared on 2016 Pacific Regional Forum in Hawaii. The easiest job I had in A.A. New York takes over and do everything. I got to stand around and be a greeter. The impact it had was amazing. We were having some difficulty filling positions prior, we had some apathy in A.A. in our Area. After the Forum, a dozen people stood for each position.

Phil W. shared on the upcoming 2020 Forum in Las Vegas. We will chose our Chair at the Spring Assembly 2019. Thank you.

Rhonda to appoint WebServant. Libby gave what experience is needed.

Host District for Spring 2019 Assembly – District 20 & SWACYPA.

New Business:

Lyle C. – request to the Area Chair for an Ad-Hoc Committee re: guideline change to bring back Standing Committee Chairs as members of the Area Committee. Background - Standing Committee Chairs were dropped from being part of the Area Committee in a guideline change several years back. According to our Service Manual – Chapter 5 – they are part of the Area Committee. I was hoping to re-visit the guideline change and put them back in. Chair believes it is a reproable request and I am appointing Lyle. And I am also going to appoint Lyle to look at voting members in the guidelines.

Thank you Kirk for doing the voting tallies!

Thank you District 9 for hosting!

Thank you District 20 & SWACYPA for the upcoming assembly!

Thank you District 6 for making yourselves available!

Greetings from Jack F. from Las Vegas Central Office!

Archives needs 10 cassette players – Marita proposed bringing this to groups as a challenge to support Archives.

Q. Did we cover coffee?

A. Yes.

We have pre-registration flyers for SWACYPA.

Q. There was no what's on your mind?

A. It is at the Chair's discretion.

So, what's on your mind?

Experience shared about the Regional Forum.

Thank you Panel 67 & welcome incoming!

Ask it Basket:

Marita facilitated.

Q. Why was the How it Works script changed up? It happened at PRAASA and now here three times.

A. Typo. Have incoming Chair take a look at it.

Q. Does the Nevada Energy grant for LED lightbulbs go against 7th Tradition?

A. Central Office is a business not a group. No 7th Tradition break.

Experience shared from worker at Nevada Energy.

Q. Is the ad in newspaper promotion or public service announcement?

A. I am not sure about the ad, I do not know the wording.

Q. If we are self- supporting, how hard would it be to eliminate services and stop asking for money?

A. We decided that eliminating services is not a good move. We do not beg for dollars. It is a spiritual act. Bill acknowledged that... it will never happen.

Q. Is there a consideration for a Service Manual e-book that would make it easier to update?

A. Not that I am aware of at this time. I do not think an e-book would be the way we would go because it is just the fellowships. Best way would be the new App. But you never know???

Comment: I was able to save it yesterday.

Q. Why is Area 42 Nevada and not 24, 32, etc?

A. Alphabetical listing.

Comments: I really think the voting process should be just that. One thing at a time.

Q. H&I question re: availability for SAGSC funding if they have a sub-committee.

A. H&I is pink can funded by the groups. If they decide to form a sub-committee, they can. It is up to them.

Q. Battle Mountain held NAGSC meeting in a location that would not accept our 7th Tradition rent. If they refuse it, what do we do?

A. Make a donation or do something physical to that location.

A. International Convention developed policy re: inducements, discounts, etc. If they offer this to everybody, then we can accept it. Not just because we are A.A.

Assembly Closed @ 11:30 a.m. with I Am Responsible.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jonelle W.

Area 42 Secretary