

NAGSC Business Meeting

August 1, 2015, 2015

District 8 – Host
June Lake, CA Community Center
90 W. Granite Ave
June Lake, CA 93529

Meeting Opens: Carol B opened the meeting at 1pm with the Serenity Prayer followed by a reading, Area 42 GSR Survival Guide, Introduction to General Service, Page 1. Read by Janet, Elko GSR:

“The Twelve Traditions make clear the principle that A.A., as such, should never be organized, that there are no bosses and no government in A.A. Yet at the same time, the Traditions recognize the need for some kind of organization to carry the message in ways that are impossible for the local groups – such as publication of a uniform literature and public information resources, helping new groups get started, publishing an international magazine, and carrying the message in other languages into other countries... Today, general services include all kinds of activities within the Conference structure, carried on by groups, districts, area committees, delegates, trustees, the General Service Office and the Grapevine. Usually, these services affect A.A. as a whole.”

Introductions around the room.

Review Minutes: Minutes of previous meeting (June 6, 2015) reviewed,
Corrections: None

Motion to Accept: Made

1st: Yes

2nd: Yes

Vote: Minutes accepted as written

Treasurer’s Report: Tinna O

Currently we have \$8,945.44 in our checking account and \$1251.74 in our CD.

Group contributions from Jan to today total \$5,798.43 down about 13% from last year’s \$6,684.32.

I have been asked to step into the Area 42 Treasurer position as our elected treasurer passed away a couple weeks ago. I have accepted that position and will also act as NAGSC treasurer until the fall assembly when we can replace me. Thank you for the privilege of serving NAGSC. I appreciate you people and your dedication more than I know how to say.

Jul 30, 15

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings
1000 - BofA
checking #

8,945.44

1004 · Savings CD	1,251.74
Total Checking/Savings	<u>10,197.18</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>10,197.18</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>10,197.18</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
3000 · Opening Bal Equity	5,099.83
3200 · Retained Earnings	8,210.83
Net Income	<u>-3,113.48</u>
Total Equity	<u>10,197.18</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>10,197.18</u>

Corrections/Questions: None
 Motion to Accept Treasurer’s Report: Made
 1st: Yes
 2nd: Yes
 Vote: Treasurer’s report approved.

Paul E, Finance Committee Chair

I am happy to see committees using budgeted money to carry out their commitment. Our main concern currently is to move interested people into an open space for a nagsc treasurer. Anyone interested see Paul.

Officer Reports

Chairperson, Carol B

I would like to acknowledge and thank the people who came down here to the June Lake area today. I know several of you gave up having a weekend of getaway time cut short to participate in this service event today. But we are in a beautiful area so you can take advantage and go through the loop on your way back to 395 and enjoy the beauty out here. Thanks to Scott and district 8 for hosting this NAGSC meeting for us. I know most of you know we lost our treasurer Vincent C. on June 28th; he passed in his sleep on the day of his 53rd birthday. Please keep his widow Emily, in your thoughts and prayers, she's recuperating from an appendectomy she had early this week while in Southern California. Tinna O. Has moved into the area treasurer position for the rest of the rotation and she has generously offered to continue doing the treasurer duties for the northern area until after the assembly in September. I hope to get together with the Finance Committee this next week and finalize the proposed Area Budget. I shall send it out, so everyone will have time to peruse through the document in advance of the Assembly budget presentation for approval in September. There is one old business item that I mentioned to you last meeting that I would like to get a sense of this body regarding the presentations we're going to do with the Preconference agenda items. For eight years now the northern

area has had roundtables in February or early March. As those of you who attended in March know, we break out into separate rooms and have several presenters rotate through all the rooms, we also have a scribe take notes in each room, from what is said during the presentations. The reason I'm bringing this up and suggesting changing the format is only because last March the SAGSC secretary recorded all of the presentations and feedback and it was done in a manner that seems much more orderly than the way that it has been, when recorded and reported coming from several note takers. When it's all being done by the one secretary, it can be recorded, so the secretary can refer back to everything that's been said, exactly as it was stated.

Secretary, Laura J

Please sign in on the email list if you are *not* getting my emails or let me know if you need to be on a postal service mailing list. I am happy to accommodate you either way.

Registrar, Julie C

I regretfully am not able to attend the NAGSC meeting in June Lake. Thank you Scott and District 8 for hosting NAGSC. As you may know our Registrar, Emily, has had some difficult times recently. I want to do everything in my power to help her. Please continue to send your forms and communication to me. I am working with GSO to help Emily through this tough time. DCMs: Please continue to send New Group Forms and Group Change Forms to me. I will forward onto GSO and copy Emily. You can text a picture of the form to me if you like. GSRs: Please let us know if you don't get your packets. We will contact GSO to see what happened and most importantly to get your packets to you as soon as possible.

Archivist, Pat S

March 2-8: Attended Archives workshops/panels at PRAASA in Layton, Utah.

March 27-29: Took NAGSCS Archives display items to Area Assembly in Tonopah.

April 10-12S: Had Archives display at the Reno Spring Festival.

May 16: Had Archives display at our first ever Unity Day (in Reno)

June 14: Archives display at District 6 Founder's Day Picnic.

July 2-5: Attended panels on Archives and spoke with Archives representatives from GSO at the International Convention in Atlanta. Had some NAGSC Archives materials on display at the Pacific Region hospitality suite.

July 11: Discussed Archives at District 12 meeting in Fallon.

FUTURE: Archives committee workshop and potluck at my house in Minden, noon Aug 16.

FUTURE: Hope to have a display at Fall Festival at Lake Tahoe September 25-27.

Area Chair, Phil W

Hi to all of you, I'm very grateful to be able to be here with you. I asked Carol if I could say a few things to you about our area. I really love area 42 Nevada and think we do a lot for the alcoholic who still suffers. I have been in General service for a little while and am enjoying the commitment you have allowed me to have. Our upcoming assembly will be an interesting little business meeting. We have a guest coming Nancy H. who has been on the Grapevine board and, will be helping us look at our 2 previous area inventories, Michael M our Delegate will be sharing about his experience at the General Service Conference, we will also have time for discussions 1 of which will be on 'Ideas on how to keep our rooms safe', Solutions' Jake our southern Grapevine rep has a great idea for a Jeopardy game that we hope you all like with the final match Sat night before the Banquet, and speaking of the Banquet we will be having a Tri Tip BBQ style dinner. There will be 2 officers to be elected

we will be confirming or electing an Alt Treasure, and Alt Sect. and 2 Finance Committee members.

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Replacement of Area Officers:

A. In the event an officer vacates his/her position for any reason, the alternate will assume the duties of the officer for the remainder of the term.

B. The Area Committee will select a replacement for any vacant alternate's position until the next regularly scheduled Area Assembly, at which time the assembly will affirm the replacement or will elect a new alternate.

C. Replacement of an officer by an alternate will in no way effect the rotation (Northern and Southern) at the next election.

We will also hear a first reading of a couple of a couple of guideline changes that Carol B. has worked up. It looks like a full agenda with a lot of fellowship added I really love you all and look forward to seeing you in Tonopah Sept 11-13

Area 42 Recording Secretary, Paul E

My job as area recording secretary is to send out area emails to specific groups of people including the DCM, Delegate, Area Officers and past trustees/delegates. It is then up to the DCMs mainly to forward the information to the GSRs who can then get the information to the group members. When emailing your reports to me for the Assembly minutes, please try to get them to me a few weeks in advance so that the Spanish translations can be completed prior to assembly.

Area 42 Treasurer, Tinna O

The transition into my new position is going well but I am not prepared today with any area numbers. I am receiving contribution checks from the south, I have the Quickbooks software, and I am working with the account on the tax preparation. There are a few bumps but no hurdles and all is really going very smoothly. I will be available to help anyone who is interested in filling the Alternate Area Treasurer/Nagasc Treasurer position.

DCM Reports

District 2, Mary D

District 2 membership has seen some changes with new GSRs and alt GSRs in attendance at our monthly meeting; we welcome all to this service. Our attempts at creating a GSR training prior to the Fall Area Assembly have fallen short; therefore, we have been utilizing the district meeting for basic training. We will be purchasing Service manuals until members receive their kits from GSO. Alt DCM, Cyndy is heading up an ad hoc committee to create district guidelines. Our district is grateful to district 6 for sharing their guidelines and we will be using their model as we go forward. It's estimated the process will be about six months. August guest will be CPC members to share information with our group. We look forward to Area Assembly; members are coordinating ride and room shares.

District 4, Wayne H

One of the things I love about being sober in Reno is the number of activities there are, not to mention the large number of meetings in the area. One of my favorite activities that happens in July is the Serenity in the Sierras camp-out. It's a great 4 day mix of sobriety and fellowship. I love to run into people I have not seen in sometimes years to see them still sober and active in AA. This event always has great attendance and I don't think I know of anyone who has attended and has not had a good time. Some of the other great

activities coming up around Reno are the Fall Roundup September 4-6 at the Peppermill in Reno and the Gratitude dinner on November 14th at the Eldorado in Reno. As for District 4 proper, or attendance at the district meetings still tends to fluctuate. But in general has been improved. We are planning to have Cheryl and/or Joyce come to one of our district meetings in the near future to discuss cooperating with the professional community (CPC) in the near future.

District 6, John F

District 6 continues to have strong support at its District meetings. We meet on the even months in Carson City at the Alano club at 1:15 p.m. It is our hope to continue to reach out to groups that are not currently on the General Service radar. District 6 has been hosting a tradition workshop in Gardnerville and will be winding down soon. We continue to look for ways to bring information and support to any groups that may be interested about General Service. The District is currently revising its guidelines with a subcommittee and will be bringing the changes to the rest of the District 6 body. We will be happy to share our guidelines with any interested districts or groups. District 6 has been very fortunate to have a very active Grapevine rep who has been visiting events and groups. Anyone interested in getting ideas about Grapevine participation I will be happy to connect with Dani our Grapevine rep. Finally, I want to share that I was able to attend my first international conference in Atlanta. I left feeling unbelievably grateful for being part of such an amazing miracle happening not only here at home but all around the world. It is my hope to charter a large bus and take everyone to Detroit on 2020.

District 8, Scott B

On behalf of District 8 I am very grateful to be able to welcome you here to beautiful June Lake. The district is very happy to have been allowed to host this meeting and we all hope you enjoy yourselves while here. A little about the district. District 8 extends from Bridgeport, 40 miles to the north to Lone Pine 115 miles to the south. To the east and west the district is bordered by the Nevada state line and the Sierra crest which rises to heights varying from 12 to 14,000 feet. The demographic of the district is mostly rural, with Mammoth Lakes and Bishop being the two main population centers. There are ten registered groups in the District. The newest is the Benton Group that is celebrating its sixth anniversary today. In fact, many of us are going to travel to Benton immediately after this meeting to join the celebration. Since the last Northern Area meeting in June we have held a few events. On June 20, we held the third annual chili-cook off/summer kick-off celebration at Mill Pond Park, near Bishop. Mike M, the Area Delegate gave his conference report and several members from both the Northern and Southern Areas traveled and attended the event along with him. Two attendees from Las Vegas were Emily and Vince C. The entire district was very sad to hear of Vince's passing just one week later. On July 18th, Ray G, the NAGSC GSR Trainer traveled to Mammoth Lakes and provided a general service work shop. Thank you Ray for your service. Last Saturday on July 25, Lyle and Julie C traveled from Chester to speak in Bishop for the biannual White Elephant auction and pot-luck. We all thoroughly enjoyed their stories. Upcoming, later in August, from Friday the 21st through Sunday the 23rd, Mammoth Lakes will be hosting the 39th annual High Sierra Campout. One highlight not to be missed is the Saturday night BBQ, pot-luck and speaker meeting. Details are available on the internet or reach out to a district member here for more information. In closing I would like to thank you all for traveling to June Lake and allowing District 8 to host this Northern Area Assembly meeting.

District 10a, Amelita T

No report

District 10b, Samantha G

We still have not heard from the Battle Mountain Group at the District meetings since last fall so we're planning to get a carload and attend their meeting. The May District meeting had no GSRs in attendance; only visitors. I thought that might be the end of it; however I kept my commitment and organized the meeting for July as usual. We had 2 GSRs attend and a full hour of discussion on various Group topics brought up by the GSRs. One GSR said along with financial trouble, they're considering letting go of some of their meetings because they don't have chairpersons showing up and others are chairing more than one meeting a week. Another GSR reminded us that if the meeting is supposed to continue, God will keep the doors open, if not, the meeting will close. The question was asked, "How do we strengthen carrying AA's message?" The question of whether a Group is focusing on Tradition 1 was posed for discussion. We discussed how the unity of Tradition 1 applies to Groups being part of a District. A GSR said he sees a lack of leadership in the GSRs in this District and suggested we each bring 2 people to the next District meeting; we applauded that suggestion. A GSR asked whether anything was done about the local non-AA meeting using AA's name or AA being sued for a woman's death. It was suggested he contact the delegate and GSO. We discussed hosting the Delegate again this year to his Conference Report. We plan on holding it at the Three Legacies Group in Winnemucca. We will probably include a couple other Area committees like last year and make it a potluck.

District 12, Ed L

Hi Everybody, I hope you are all having a safe and fun summer. I regret that I could not be here today but it was unavoidable. District 12 is doing well and thriving. We have chosen to invite one presenter every month to our business meeting. We invite any and all of our members to join us if they chose to. So far the attendance has been low but our GSR's have gained plenty of information to take back to their groups. We will have Mike L. from the Corrections at our August meeting. At the assembly in September we will have a short business meeting and pick out other presenters. This will allow us a chance to ask in person those people we would like to present. In other terms we will be able to brow beat them in person. Some dates to remember Sunday August 9th Fernley is having their Annual Picnic it is at the In Town Park just off of Main Street on 95A. It starts at 11:00 am. Silver Springs has a Pot Luck Birthday Speaker meeting on the last Saturday of every month come on down, If you would like to be a speaker at this meeting please let me know we could use some fresh stories. The second Saturday of every month District 12 has a Birthday speaker meeting. We could use speakers for this meeting as well. The district has a speaker coordinator give me a call or email and I will put you in touch with him.

District 14, Anne Y

Everything is good attendance is up for summer. We only have 2 positions open with one possibly being filled next meeting which will be September 15th, place to be determined. The jamboree will be in August at the Truckee Regional Park. If you have flyers take some if you want me to email you one I can. Please add anything I have forgotten. Let me know if you have any questions.

District 16, Catherine H

Our guest for our June meeting was Phil W. the area 42 chair. We got to hear a little bit about the personal story of how he entered general service. I want to thank you again Phil for coming out, and traveling four hours each way. I tend to forget how big the state is. I come from a little state in the Northeast where it only takes an hour to drive all the way across the state. During our June meeting the 11 step retreat, and district 16 parted ways. Nancy W. Read us a nice letter from the 11 step retreat committee expressing their gratitude, and made a \$50 donation to the district. Our district thanks you so much for that donation. Several months ago and ad hoc committee was formed for the purpose of revising the district guidelines which we were unable to find a complete copy of. In just a few months they completed their task of revising and updating all the district guidelines. This week I learned that they will be brought to the next district meeting for our review. I would like to thank everyone on the committee John N. ad hoc chair, Andrea B., Nancy W., and Jen M. for all of their time. My personal commitment to visit every single meeting in district 16 was put on hold for the past month, due to the fact I was put in a lot of time in getting a binder together for area 42 archives, NAGSC archives, and one for district 16. Realizing now how important the archives are when all of districts 16's binders were misplaced over the past four years. I don't know where I heard this before but anything that you sent to the archives should have the date and year on it. Don't forget everybody that the Christmas affair for district 16 is now on December 12, 2015 at the Masonic Lodge. We made sure it is not on the same day as NAGSC meeting so you can all attend.

District 20, Larry B

No report

District 22, Henry B

No report

Chair, Liaison Reports

Cooperation with Professional Community, Cheryl E

Aloha All! Here are the activities that CPC (NAGSC CPC and NNIG CPC) has been involved with since the last report in June 2015. University of Nevada Medical School, Reno: Joyce Y (NNIG CPC chair and NAGSC CPC co-chair) and I, along with other CPC committee members meet with Dr. D. and 4-5 third year medical students. We provide the students with some appropriate pamphlets and central office meeting schedules and a short presentation on CPC. The students get an assignment from Dr. D. to attend a 12 step meeting and then they report back on their experience in about 6 weeks. We also attend the report backs. We meet with a new rotation of students every 6 weeks. This continues throughout the year. Since the last report, we met on June 15th, July 14th, and July 30th. Right At Home, Reno: Joyce and I had met with Tricia S., Client Care Coordinator. Right At Home provides in home care and assistance. Their care givers are seeing some clients with alcohol problems. Joyce and I, along with the NNIG Sunshine Committee chair person, gave a presentation to about 8 care givers on June 24th. We were well received. We provided AA meeting schedules and literature, along with AI-Anon meeting schedules. Right At Home has about 140 care givers. They plan to have us come back in the fall to give another presentation. University of Nevada, Sanford Center for Aging, Reno: We will resume

attending the Senior Outreach Services educational talks at the Laxalt Auditorium, Nelson Building of UNR, in the fall. We bring an AA literature rack an hour before the talk and make ourselves available to answer questions and provide information on AA before and after the talk. This event allows us to network with other providers as well, and learn how we may reach the suffering alcoholic through their services. We continue to stay in contact with Dr. Sina W., who organizes these talks, to make ourselves available to other organizations that we could cooperate with to reach the suffering alcoholic. Washoe County School District (WCSD), Reno: The school district changed how it schedules folks to talk with employees and/or students. There is a more rigorous process now. The CPC committee has a member that is retired from the school district and will initiate the process in this fall. District Meetings: We would like to attend Northern Area district meetings and give a 10 minute overview on CPC. We are scheduled to go to District 4 business meeting on August 6th and District 2 business meeting on August 11th. CPC Presentation: We continue to work on a basic presentation that can be used as a starting point for any CPC presentation. We are modifying the CPC presentation that GSO provided to accomplish this. CPC Committee Meeting: We held a NAGSC/NNIG CPC committee meeting on July 19th. There were 5 in attendance. We have a new NNIG CPC liaison and two new committee members. We reviewed the recent CPC activities. We also reviewed the May edition of the Grapevine, which had a special section on CPC and activities that other areas/districts are involved in. We will be meeting again on October 11th to determine other activities we want to pursue as a committee and budget for these for 2016.

Public Information, Lyle C (Read by Rick B, committee member)

A quote the PI Workbook: "What is Public Information Work and Why Should A.A.s Do It? Public Information (P.I.) in Alcoholics Anonymous means carrying the message of recovery to the still-suffering alcoholic by informing the general public about the A.A. program." I was able to attend the International Convention in Atlanta and was asked to participate at the Public Information Booth. This was the first time that GSO provided booths for each of the standing committees. I was on the registration floor for four hours at the PI Booth. The new PSA video Shadows was there for viewing in English, Spanish and French. I was able to discuss with members at large about PI, mainly the concept that we are informational not promotional. I met some staff from our General Service Office and other Area and local PI Chairs. One of the PI Chairs from Florida talked at length to the District 20 PI Chair and me regarding an upcoming CPC/PI open forum. For the first time in recent memory District 20 is planning an open forum for the professional community in Lassen County with PI participation. I had the opportunity to discuss the value of running PSAs (public service announcements) on the local radio stations to a concerned Area 42 member. I explained that letting the public know about Alcoholics Anonymous is informational not promotional. We are anonymous individually, but AA is not anonymous.

Grapevine, Debbie S

In early June, Jake, our Southern Area GV Chair, contacted me with a letter of request from the GV Office. There were 8 inmates in the North and 8 in the South asking for GV magazine subscriptions. This was a powerful experience to watch unfold and be a part of. In sending a letter of announcement to Laura, our Northern Area Secretary, to send out to you all by way of email; groups, districts, members, and NNIG/Central office's Pink Can Treasurer, were flowing in to meet the needs of our incarcerated members! Thank you all for your willingness and help. In July, I was invited to the "Serenity in the Rubies" 19th

annual campout to set up a GV display. Their committee paid for my registration, lodging, and dinner. I am feeling the need to say thank you again for this opportunity! I so enjoyed the meetings, speakers, and fellowship, highlighted by the beautiful scenery. I had most of the GV books and supplies packed in cardboard boxes in the bed of my pick up. In running into a major storm, I was both surprised and relieved that all stayed dry! I froze Friday night as I only took a couple of blankets to 7000 feet. Thank God and members of the Elko Group for the loaner sleeping bag! A new subscription of the GV magazine was sold. I have learned that District 6 and the Gardnerville/Minden Group each have their own GV reps. They have contacted me with their contact information. Thank you for your service. If there are any other groups or districts with GV Reps, I would be interested in contact information. In respect of AA GV's Subscription challenge, I have brought with me some subscription forms. I would love to be invited to your District meeting, event or workshops,

Corrections/Bridging the Gap, Mike L

Hello my name is Mike L I am an alcoholic serving as the NAGSC Corrections Committee Chair. These summer months has seen little activity for the corrections committee. Unfortunately the NNIG corrections chair stepped down and NNIG is seeking a new chair to fill the position and NNIG still also needs a Bridging the Gap Chair as well. From the Douglas County Men's jail coordinator I obtained a copy of "It sure Beats Sitting In a Cell" pamphlet. It is a great introductory pamphlet for the incarcerated alcoholic. The pamphlet includes stories from AA members that have been incarcerated and brief explanation about AA including what AA does and does not do, sponsorship, Corrections Correspondence Service along with prerelease and re-entry suggestions. This pamphlet is a great tool for the Northern Area corrections service committees to bring 12 twelve step work to correctional facilities. I am very excited about this pamphlet and I will be doing my part to get this pamphlet distributed. This pamphlet and accompanying DVD are available from AA world services. We have two upcoming presentations. First one is with Gary our Treatment Chair at the Jay Walker Group at the Sparks Alano Club next Saturday at 2:30. The Jay Walker group is very interested "learning how AA reaches those in need". In October we will be going to the District 12 business meeting in Fallon the GSR's from District 12 are very excited to hear about how we bring the message to the corrections facilities. I am very excited to be able to show how we can bring the message to the incarcerated alcoholic. If any of you like the corrections committee to visit your districts please talk to me after the meeting or contact me, my contact information is the roster. Thank you so much letting me serve.

Special Needs/ Remote Communities, Roberta B

In July I travelled to Elko and made a Special Needs/Remote Communities presentation at the business meeting of District 10a. It was a small but enthusiastic group. We watched a short video of the 12 Steps and a special needs member's story in American Sign Language. 10a and the Elko Group are wonderful hosts and I thoroughly enjoyed my stay. I was scheduled to attend the business meeting of Area 14 in July, but had to cancel due to a medical issue. Hopefully, I will be able to reschedule before the snow flies or my house sells. I was to attend the District 16 business meeting in August, but this event has been cancelled. If your District would like a presentation, please let me know and I will schedule it as soon as possible. If any group in your District has a special needs issue, please let me know and I will be glad to visit that Group to help find a solution. I would like to visit the more remote areas while the weather is still good. The incidents of people bringing dogs

purported to be service dogs to meetings are increasing and there are specific rules in the ADA regarding such animals. It is important that your groups know the rules in order to avoid ADA issues and to assure that all AA members with special needs can comfortably attend meetings with their service animals. I am in the process of getting the ADA guidelines regarding service dogs translated into Spanish and hope to visit District 22 after that is accomplished.

Treatment Facilities, Gary S

No report

Intergroup Liaison, Michael M

No report

GSR Survival Manual/Trainer, Ray G

No report

DCM Standing Committee Facilitator, Chris S

Reported on the DCM meeting prior to this nagsc meeting. 5 DCMs, 7 chairs attended, he asked how many DCMs had had presentations from committees, answer – 3 and one workshop. Presentations inspired a few more members to become committee members.

NAGSC Old Business

Carol asked for a sense of the body concerning changing the format of our Round Table discussions from break out, smaller group discussions to one room where all discuss together and one scribe. This may simplify the note taking process.

Discussion:

Phil – Opposes the change because one room will create less feedback from the GSRs. The notes can be written in a different manner but note taking is secondary to getting the information out to the groups and making sure all have a chance to speak.

Paul – Prefers the intimacy of round tables, suggest giving each presenter one scribe that travels with presenters.

Joyce – Prefers the intimacy of separate rooms but agrees the Nagsc notes were not accurately when read at the Assembly.

Roberta – Perhaps give each scribe a recording device.

Wayne – Prefers intimate rooms, the notes are turned in too quickly and not organized properly.

Karie – The one room means she can hear every speaker, not just the members of her smaller group

Sense of the body was to keep the break out format.

Minority Opinion. Nancy prefers to hear all opinions but not just the opinions of a small group

Minority Opinion. Chris, might be better to hear everyone, to try something new.

Nagsc will keep as we have in the past, Carol will assign a scribe to each presenter and compiled notes will go to GSRs prior to assembly to take to their groups discussions.

NAGSC New Business

Sue read the following for a sense of the body: Does the Nagsc body support forwarding this proposal as a possible agenda item.

Concept meeting participants: Joyce Y., Merl C., Nancy W. Cheryl E. & Sober Sue

- Our Concept group meet in Spring in 2014.
- Attendees were: Merl, Joyce, Nancy, Cheryl and Sober Sue.
- We can not know what Bill “Apparently Inadvertently” meant.
- We are addressing only the Endnote #4 on page 73 of Service Manual 2013-2014; not any of the other wording in Warranty 6.
- We read the email from Sophie (Delegate) and the history regarding the research on the Concept 12, Warranty 6, Endnote #4.

1. Written request:

A Concept study group which met in Reno, Nevada in the spring of 2014 had some concerns about endnote #4 of Concept 12, Warranty 6.

Actual Endnote:

(4 Bill here, apparently inadvertently, used the phrase “in action and spirit”, instead of “in thought and action” that appears elsewhere in both the Conference Charter and the statement of Concept XII.)

Specifically our group felt that the endnote is a guess as to what Bill meant. There is no evidence to indicate that he meant anything different from what he actually wrote. We request that endnote #4 be removed.

2. Background material

2013, Panel 63, General Service Conference Delegate, George J. previously addressed this same concern about Endnote #4. He unfortunately died before he could complete the process.

2014, Area 42 revealed that someone in the publishing department made notes to the 1972 Service Manual to make changes to the Warranty by crossing through certain words and adding new words. The endnote was then added to reflect the change in wording. The person made an assumption that Bill W. “apparently inadvertently,” made errors in his wording and created endnote #4.

2014, Our research and communication with Tracy O., General Service Coordinator, indicated that there is no clear knowledge of how or when endnote #4 was originally placed in the Service Manual.

2015, Next we will be going thru District, Area North and South and then our Delegate and to Conference.

Some discussion held to clarify the purpose of the proposal and what specifically is being asked in the proposal.

Marianne – Agrees because AA should never be drawing conclusions about what Bill W “meant”.

Samantha – can you just remove the words: “apparently inadvertently”?

Nate – Why not add additional footnote that explains why the footnote is there?

Carol – Concerned about the notes around 2014 about crossing out and changing. Joyce suggested removing this section.

Samantha – would like to see some of the background material not presented here today.

Paul – Once submitted to GSO, all of the background info will be available to all.

Jenny - Aren't we splitting hairs?

Tinna – Concerned that if we remove the endnote then there will be no indication that a change occurred?

Marianne – pointed out that the warranties have been returned to the original.

Nancy – feels the point of removing the footnote is to dispel the idea that any of Bill's wording has been changed.

Gary – Should mention that the original wording has been restored.

Sense of the body taken:

Does Nagsc want to support a recommendation that this proposal be given to our area delegate for consideration as a future agenda item?

Vote: Yes

7th Tradition Collected: \$87.00

Important Dates:

Fall Area Assembly – September 11 – 13, 2015, Tonopah, NV

PRAASA – March 3 – 6, 2016, Spokane, Washington

Spring Assembly – April 1 – 3, 2016, Tonopah, NV

Next NAGSC Meeting: Saturday, December 5, 2015

2 districts offered to host, Winnemucca 10A & 10B and District 4

Vote taken, body voted District 4, Location TBA

Motion made to adjourn – 3:50pm

Close with the Responsibility Statement

Revised by Ad Hoc Communications Committee for Anonymity Breaks in 2016.