

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 Spring Pre Conference Area 42 Assembly Minutes

6:02 pm started meeting Serenity Prayer

Mike announced Agendas for assembly not in packet, they are up front.

Also menu for items for lunch up front.

Mike knows where he is doing it wrong and thank you for reminding him during the year where he is screwing up.

Also his job is to not let people know what his opinions are. Been studying Robert's rules of order. About 30% first time here, welcome

**Justin Area Secretary\*** Report and review minutes, Minutes approved with no corrections or amendments. Justin alcoholic, Thanked everybody, Mentioned motions and senses of assembly, PRAASA about different secretaries positions, Some printing supplies available, there is a lot of behind the scenes stuff that goes into Area Assembly. Lots of work, glad to be of service sober!

**Carol Area Treasurer\*** I have posted on the wall by the entrance table last year's group contributions to area 42, along with this year to date. This along with other Area 42 and GSO Reports are also available on the nevadaarea42.org web site at the password protected link.

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Thank you for allowing me to attend the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual PRAASA in San Diego earlier this month. There were 1838 present at PRAASA this year and I think I heard 57 was the number of Area 42 attendees. It is always a spiritual shot in the arm to spend the weekend with the trusted servants from the 14 other areas in the Pacific region. As always the roundtables proved to be most informative, Julie and I attended the Saturday roundtable with 45 other treasurers who were representing various areas, districts, groups and committees. General Manager Phyllis H. reported that General Service Office (G.S.O.) ended the year 2013 with an unaudited net profit of \$93,446. Of special note was the fact that we celebrated December as the highest month in contributions ever recorded – totaling \$850,000! If you would like to hear more about our 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contributions to the GSO and how they are used to acknowledge the still suffering alcoholics, then you will want to exercise your opportunity to attend the Idaho hosted Pacific Forum in Boise on July 11, 12, & 13 this Summer Area 42 Nevada GSO Contributions.

## **DCM REPORTS**

Spanish translation please go slow

**Jake DCM 1\*** My name is Jake-I am an alcoholic. I currently serve as the DCM for district one. I want to welcome all the new GSR's to their first area assembly in beautiful downtown Tonopah NV. We have a very busy weekend ahead of us so I will make this short and sweet. District one hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual chili cook-off in February. It was a great event with a ton of support. We combined the chili cook-off this year with a workshop on the grapevine. We would like to congratulate district 7 on winning this year and look forward to the 2015 chili cook-off. District one has taken a shift, as a district, on the hotline. Billy the hotline chair came to our district meeting and did a training for us. I

took the first shift for district one and it was a very rewarding commitment. Our shift is the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday from 8pm -8am. Doing this as a district will mean we will each take 1 or 2 shifts a year. We want to thank Billy for coming to our meeting, training us and giving us this great opportunity as a district. I am in my last year of this service position and it has been an amazing experience. I am going to be focusing on carrying the message of general service to the groups in our district that are not represented. We are working on a packet that we can take to these groups and speak with them about what general service has meant to AA's present past and future. Thank you all very much for being here and saving my life.

**Roger DCM 2\*** Following last Fall's Assembly, we sponsored a Cooperation with the Professional Community panel presentation. Both the NAGSC and NNIG Chairs of that area were able to attend and speak. We also had several past chairs contributing their experience. The panel was well attended with over 25 GSR's, DCM's, and AA group members. Our AA groups (that send GSR's to District meetings) are doing well. 13 of the 20 active groups in our district are represented, and generally in attendance. We are currently engaged in recruiting alternate GSR's, anticipating that many of the current GSR's will rotate out at the end of this year. With the cooperation and assistance of Joyce (past Delegate) we held a discussion of DCM responsibilities and qualifications. At our next meeting we plan to elect an Alternate DCM, and we expect that when elections roll around this fall that we will have several well qualified candidates for DCM and Alternate. Thank you for allowing me to be of service

**Jonelle DCM 3\*** Hi everyone, my name is Jonelle and I am an alcoholic. I am the DCM for District 3 in fabulous Las Vegas, Nevada. Since my last report given at the September Area Assembly meeting, District 3 hosted a 7th Tradition Workshop on September 28th... From that experience, we decided it may be best to ask our groups what types of events/workshops they would find most helpful and in turn be interested in attending...We will discuss this at our next District meeting in May... On Nov. 2 I had the super spiritual experience of traveling to a far off place called Caliente, NV to attend one of their two weekly AA meetings. Sober alcoholics are alive and well out there!!! I did not attract a GSR, however, I did manage to create a wonderful friendship with a woman who volunteered to be a contact person... They are now an informed group... I will be attending, hopefully with a car load full of folks, their Spring picnic once I receive the date... My awesome district funded me to my very first PRAASA ever!!!! I am truly grateful for the time I got to spend with several DCM's from other states and the education I received from the many panel presentations... I will continue, with the remainder of my term in this position, to outreach and make myself available to whatever I am called upon to do, to the best of my ability... Thank you all for the work that you dedicate yourselves to and thank you for allowing me the opportunity to do the same!

**Kathleen DCM 4\*** East Reno, Time flies, Went to PRAASA met lady 28 years ago for last drink, 2 DCM workshops, Tradition of working meeting of 12 concepts, went through some agenda items of GSC. Fall Roundup, present responsibilities, and general service. Cribbage and cabbage event, spring festival coming up, regional campout,

planning for cornerstone campout. Looking to future and rotating out by educating district on DCM responsibilities

**Michele DCM 5B\*** We are so excited to welcome Cindy, Pam, Char, Maria, Edgar to there first Tonopah. I am so fortunate to have a very active District we are having our next workshop 75- Year Historical Panel May 10, 2014 2-4 pm at the KCB Club 5717 w Alexander rd ste 145 89130 Looking forward to our annual picnic in October. We hold our monthly meeting on the second Saturday at 1:30 - 2:30 at the KCB Club address above. We are also working on our roaster to have all the information up to date and correct for the incoming new DCM and Alt DCM. So please come and join us.

**Chris DCM 6\*** Over the last 6 months District 6 has tried stay busy In October District 6 did an inventory. We found out that we are still fairly healthy but still have room for improvement. In November we had a General Service workshop and we focused on different levels of General Service. We had Roberta L speaking on the General Service Board, Sophie speaking on being a Delegate, Carol B speaking on Area Service, and I spoke on being a DCM. We held a 3 month Tradition Study workshop. In that workshop we used the 12x12, 12 tradition questions from the Grapevine, and the 12 Tradition illustrated pamphlet. In February we had a Secretary workshop in Dayton NV. And approximately 30 people showed up. I was blessed again to attend PRAASA in San Diego. I would like to say thank you to my wonderful Alt DCM John F who took my spot while I was on the road traveling for work for 2 ½ months between Denver and San Diego.

**Nelson DCM 7\*** District business meeting third Friday of every month 6:30pm Serenity Club Schiff drive 20-25 attend all are invited to meeting. 15 attendees here at assembly. District helps fund \$200 to each Larry and Dan first time here. Some challenges in 2014, overcoming them also drafting guidelines for our district. www first year up and running. PRAASA was great workshops, 1800 alcoholics for one purpose. District 7 is again champions thanks to Alfredo for the chili cook off. First service event of 2014 March 15<sup>th</sup> featuring traditions play, fee lunch by Chef Bud. Dan new District 7 treasurer, next event June 21 Serenity Club 11:30am no theme ye. September 14<sup>th</sup> is Mt Charleston picnic snow and ski resort from 10 till 3 2pm AA meetings old out last year. Accepting volunteers see Gene. Final event will be November 1<sup>st</sup>. please mark your calendars.

**Laura DCM 8\*** District 8 continues to carry the message of AA through General Service in the southern end of the Eastern Sierra. Our district includes 12 groups spanning from Lone Pine to Bridgeport. About half of the groups have GSR's and are active in General Service. We meet as a District on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the odd months, our district meetings are well attended. District 8 has organized a Concepts study group that meets once a month to read and understand the 12 concepts of world service. We are currently up to Concept #4. We have new GSR's and Alternate GSR's attending NAGSC round tables, Regional Praasa and Area Assembly. Our finances are currently in good order with enough contributions from our groups to send myself to Praasa and Assembly and to continue to fund District events. While our goal is to have 100% participation from groups by sending a GSR to general service events we also appreciate our group's spiritual contributions through their 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. Our Unity Ride team has a new chairperson, thank you Karie B for picking up the reigns and thank you to Michelle P for her service as the outgoing chair. This district unity committee continues to take members from larger groups to some of our less populated areas to strengthen the numbers at these

more rural meetings. Our C & T committee continues to take meetings into the Inyo County Juvenile Hall facility, the Men's & Women's county facilities in Independence and Bridgeport, the Federal Fire Camp outside of Bishop and the Alpine Recovery center in Bishop. This committee is funded by group pink can contributions.

**Bob DCM 9\*** Like to welcome, Paula and Bryce new GSRs, Workshop in October step 4,5 planning summer seminar as well. Thanks to district 9 for sending me to PRAASA it was a different experience. Meeting held even months 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. @ 2:30pm central office. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

**Samantha DCM Contact 10B\*** Serving as acting DCM until we get someone to step up, there are 4 groups, three are active, we are meeting every other month with each group hosting on rotating basis, we are planning our first ever District workshop, it's a chili cook-off and a three legacies workshop. District 10A is invited as well as area committee. In Winnemucca April 12<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm

**Chip DCM 11\*** Ashley Reporting Sobriety is alive and well in Tonopah and Smokey Valley. Bookshelf group has cook out every other month, Smokey Valley has campout once a year in July. Small and rural AA here and great fellowship, appreciate being of service. Thanks to assembly for allowing us to serve the sodas.

**Roberta DCM 12 \*** Since our last Assembly, District 12 had a special meeting in February to finalize the proposed Guidelines for the District and expect to vote on adoption at the May meeting. I initiated a GSR training session with several districts involved. Unfortunately I was unable to attend as the date was changed due to a scheduling at the meeting room and I had a previous commitment. I have visited several groups since September and will continue to visit those I have not been to during the coming months. I attended PRAASA in San Diego this month. It was a time to learn more about AA as a whole and exchange ideas with others in the Pacific Region. District 12 will be holding a PI/PCP workshop in June. We have invited the Grapevine and Archives to participate with displays. Look for the flyer as soon as we have a commitment on the room. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

**Glenn DCM 13\***I'd like to welcome all our new GSR's that are here tonight, especially the three new GSR's from District 13. District 13 is doing well. We have around 12 members who regularly attend our district business meetings. We recently filled our PI/CPC position and replaced our H&I rep. Thank you Rich and Christine W. for your service in these two positions and welcome back to general service. Also Kaycee F., for looking after our district archives and keeping them in order. Our District speaker meeting is doing very well. The meeting is held on the second Tuesday of every month and starts at 6:30 pm at the Triangle Club. We thank Cherie M. our Southern Area CPC chair for accepting our invitation to address our CPC committee and offering us ideas to better communicate to the groups in the district. We hosted a seventh tradition workshop presented by Cherie N. Thank Our next event will be a sponsorship panel workshop. No date has been set yet. We formed a committee last March to produce a set of District 13 guidelines. These guidelines were unanimously approved at our January 2014 business meeting. I've had the opportunity to represent District 13 at Area 42 events which included District 1's Grapevine presentation workshop combined with the Southern Area Chili Cook-off where we learned much about the our Grapevine magazine and committee and District 13 went home with a third place chili cook-off ribbon. I also attended District Seven's, 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition, "singleness of purpose" workshop along with the H and I

corrections workshop. I attend my first PRASSA earlier this month and look forward to sharing what I learned at the round-tables held on both Friday and Saturday night.

**Lynn DCM 14\*** First of all I would like to thank the GSR's in attendance today for their service in this assembly. District 14 is the North Lake Tahoe area with meetings in Truckee, Tahoe City, King's Beach, Incline Village, Loyalton, Sierraville, Sierra City and Downieville. We have 12 registered groups actively holding meetings with 7 of these groups regularly active in General Service. This year the District was able to finance my participation at PRAASA for which I am very grateful. However, we are still struggling financially and are asking for group support. Our district website is laketahoearea-alcoholicsanonymous.com that provides the meeting schedule and upcoming events. As of this writing, our website is at the top of the Google list. On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Kings Beach Group is hosting "A Journey To Recovery" with speakers, a raffle and dancing. District 14 will be hosting our annual Jamboree in August most likely in the Truckee Regional Park. We will be inviting all the NAGSC chairs to help educate and attract members to General Service. The district is also going to resurrect Speaker Meetings in an effort to have more group interaction. Thank you for allowing me to be of service

**Shannon DCM 15 \*** District 15 is doing well and has been busy in the last few months. We recently elected an alternate DCM and I am happy to say that I am somewhat relieved of this as I now have a little bit of help. We also have 2 new people who have picked up the general service ball and are now active in bring their groups opinion to the district as well as the area. I am very grateful to my district for sending me to my second PRAASA. I was able to gain a lot of very useful information of which I will be sharing with them through out the remainder of my rotation, being able to connect with so many other DCMS that share the same problems that I am currently am experiencing in my district and coming up with other possible solutions to combat these issues was an amazing experience. We recently hosted our 4th annual Valentines Day event which I was not able to attend, but it was a success and I want to thank all who participated in the event. I look forward to our next event which will be our 3rd annual Mothers Day Eat and Speak potluck on May 10th at 5pm at 329 n. 11th street. The T.I.E. Club where our featured speakers will be Ruth and Joan. There are flyers on the table. Please come we would love to have you.

**Ed DCM 16 \*** District 16 covers Golden Valley, Hungry Valley, Lockwood, Sparks, Stead, and Sun Valley & Sutcliff. My home group is the Back room in Golden Valley. Our District held our annual Christmas Affair December 7, 2013 at the Masonic Lodge in Sparks, NV, it was well received a great Turkey dinner and all the fixings, Speakers, raffle and prizes and a lot of volunteers that made it go. Our Treasury is in good shape. Our district is planning a Mother's Day retreat in May on Mother's Day weekend. I am very proud of my District we have 12 GSR's in attendance this weekend...I had a great time going to PRAASA last month. I learned a great deal how AA works and service.

**Christine DCM 17\*** not too much to report HI Area42 gave big books in English and Spanish, Workshop themes is history of AA, Spaghetti dinner planned, workshops in summer and fall, we have active committee chairs and still looking for some, GSRs come and go, none able to attend this weekend. District meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm 1230 S. loop road #2. Finances holding and hoping to improve.

**Mitch DCM 19\* Not Present, no report**

**Kyle DCM 20\*** Two steps forward and two back would probably most accurately describe District 20 during the time elapsed since last assembly. District members, especially those in district service, continue to experience personal or family challenges. Thanks to the program and a loving higher power we have been able to support each other and get necessary work done. We have 4 GSR'S, 1 alternate GSR & an additional 4 District 20 officers attending this assembly so were not dead yet! Thanks also to the members of Area 42 who have supported us with information, advice, and prayers. We continue outreach efforts to more distant groups in the belief that contact and communication contribute to unity. We have plans for workshops and panels along with a pot luck attentively scheduled for mid-May & hope to finalize and confirm dates and times for these events this weekend. Additionally we believe that encouraging attendance at this year's Forum in Boise will spark enthusiasm for service and A.A. as a whole so we are kicking around many ideas on how we might achieve this in our District. Thank you all for this opportunity to be of service and experience such rich fellowship

**Fransisco DCM contact 21\*** Some GSRs here, Working toward La Vina convention July 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. 17 Groups attend Spanish General meetings, total \$1000 given to area 42 Treasurer for help in translation equipment. We meet every Thursday.

**Roxann Alt Area Secretary, NAGSC Secretary\*** Lots of attendance at roundtables, Phil doing great job. Also, enjoying commitment as literature rep. up here. FEBRUARY ROUNDTABLE WENT VERY WELL, ABOUT 120 IN ATTENDANCE, A GREAT TURNOUT, AND A VERY PRODUCTIVE MEETING. ALL OFFICERS WENT TO PRAASA, FUNDED BY NAGSC..AS SECRETARY I AM LITERATURE COMMITTEE FOR THIS ASSEMBLY. I WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT I DO NOT HAVE ANY GENERAL SERVICE MANUALS, HOWEVER, I DO HAVE MANY PAMPHLETS TO OFFER. PLEASE COME AND SEE ME I WOULD BE HAPPY TO TRY AND PASS ON SOME OF THE HELPFUL PAMPHLETS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. I PUT ON ALL THE TABLE SOME OF THE FLYERS THAT ARE FREE FROM GSO, AND HAVE MORE AVAILABLE, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO TAKE WITH YOU....GRATEFUL FOR BEING ALLOWED TO BE IN, THANK YOU FOR MY SOBRIETY...

**Don S SAGSC Secretary\*** SAGSC has lots of support from past servants and thanks to them.

**Dean SAGSC Grapevine \*** The Southern Area Grapevine Committee meets the second Friday of each month at 6pm in the Las Vegas Central Office, 1431 E. Charleston Blvd, Suite 15. April 11 we will have our next Grapevine meeting. We would like to see a Grapevine rep from every group and I would ask each GSR to support the election of a GVR in their group. Please encourage Reps to attend the Grapevine meeting. Please email us at: [sagscgrapevine@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:sagscgrapevine@nevadaarea42.org)

**Mike NNIG Liaison\*** I'm serving as Northern Nevada Intergroup Liaison from NAGSC. It has been my hope to see more communication and cooperation between NNIG and Area 42. To this end there has been more contact between standing committee chairs and their respective chairs from NNIG. I was so pleased to see NNIG committee chairs at the recent NAGSC get together we held recently at the Triangle Club in January with DCMS, GSRS. Standing Committee Chairs all in attendance at this get together and potluck. My recent attendance at PRAASA in San Diego earlier this month has really energized me with more ideas to better serve. NNIG recently signed a 5 year lease with an option for another 5 years staying at their present address on Rock Boulevard In Sparks. Financially NNIG is holding its own with its prudent reserve fully funded because of the contribution from Women's international Conference. Central Office has seen more volunteer hours

along with a better organized office to serve AA members. First Tuesday of the month NNIG meets for its business meeting at the Triangle Club in Reno. Where committee reports are given, a treasury report and where the home group Intergroup representatives can bring their home groups group conscience as well as bring back to the their groups the goings on at Central Office. If you go to [NNIG.org](http://NNIG.org) you read in the Bracer detailed financial reports, all the upcoming AA events, and along with a well done AA meeting schedules for Northern Nevada and Eastern California.

**Paul NAGSC Grapevine\*** This year the Grapevine turns 70 years old and you can go to [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org) and click on the GV70 logo for a Grapevine Anniversary Kit; this includes a power point presentation and on website there are 7 free (7 minute) audio stories much more. On June 2014 – GV70 will be celebrated at Akron Founders Day. Since our last Assembly I had a table of Grapevine literature set up at the Oasis Festival in Fallon, NV. On Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. Then on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> there was a workshop on how to write a story for the Grapevine on Oct 12<sup>th</sup> in Reno, NV., this was put on by Laura J. and presenters Joyce Y. and Pat S. all who have had stories published in the Grapevine. Everyone there wrote or started writing a story, I was surprised at how much one could write in such a short amount of time and the content of the stories was truly for the heart. I am willing to attend any up coming events but I need as much advance notice as possible so that I can make sure that I don't have a scheduling conflict. I also attended PRAASA in San Diego, CA. March 7-9. There at the roundtable meetings for the Grapevine I learnt some new ways to help support the Grapevine and La Vina. The 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for La Vina will be in Las Vegas, NV. July 26-27, 2014. The 2014 May/June issue of La Vina will have a special section with stories from women. The 2014 August issue of the Grapevine will have a special section with stories that have been in La Vina translated into English. Please come see me at the Grapevine table to see some of what the Grapevine has to offer.

**Vince ALT Area Treasurer, SAGSC Treasurer\*** Posts on wall

**Julie NAGSC Treasurer\*** I was able to attend PRAASA this year. Here are a few snippets from the Treasurer's Roundtables that I found particularly valuable.

One Area brought birthday envelopes to Assemblies and members were encouraged to participate, envelopes were distributed and collected at the next Assembly; then sent to GSO as a group.

Treasurers don't direct how the money is spent, that is left to HP and the group conscience.

Contributions are spoken in terms of participation not dollars.

Recalling the intent

Is what counts.

Treasurers are not fund raisers. Instead we are guardians of the treasury.

It is our responsibility to talk about the Seventh Tradition and the spiritual nature of contributions.

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**Don SAGSC Intergroup Liaison\*** Last month Central Office reported 904 Information Calls, 75-12<sup>th</sup> Step Calls —Hotline received 1365 info calls, 109-12<sup>th</sup> Step Calls We had

average of **161** website visits per day for a total of **4,568** for the month. **Central Office** has received calls regarding inaccurate information on the meeting schedule. The Unity committee has been working on this issue and will be soliciting the District DCMs/GSRs assistance to update the information. **Las Vegas Central office is celebrating 50 years of service to the fellowship.** **Hotline** has 15 open slots right now and needs support. Please get the word out to your groups. **Billy** can be contacted through Central Office at (702) 598-1888 . **Silver Streak** is always looking for local AA articles to print. They need to be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please contact Patti at the Silver Streak or Jack at Central Office. **The Unity Committee** is developing a list for non-active or non-contributing groups for contact. The **Southern Area Intergroup Service Festival** was held on February 9<sup>th</sup>. The **Gratitude Ball** will be April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Las Vegas Hilton. The **Founders Day** Celebration is tentatively scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup> at the Salvation Army on Palomino Lane. Our Intergroup meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 6pm, at Central Office and we encourage all reps. from your Districts and groups to attend. *Please refer to the nevadaarea42.org; Area Member Info link (password required) to see the Las Vegas Intergroup finance numbers from these minutes.* **Tim BTG SAGSC\*** 15-20 per month request for help upon release and to write some letters. Working on sponsorship program at Salvation army, new ARC program. Coordinated with northern BTG to help a Reno request.

**Irene Newsletter\*** next newsletter is April 30. First I would like to thank Area 42 for the opportunity to serve the area as newsletter editor, it's an honor and privilege to serve you. The last edition of the newsletter was sent out on February 23, The next edition will be out on April 30. The Area publishes four editions every year, winter, spring, summer and fall. I send the file to all the DCMs and Area Officers and it is posted on the Area Website. I believe the DCMs then send the file to their GSRs.

I received some great articles for the previous editions of the newsletter and I'm very grateful for everyone's input. The newsletter Guidelines are to have service oriented articles and events listed. If you have a service article please send it to me to the newsletter email address.

**Kevin NAGSC Treatment chair\*** I had the privilege of attending PRAASA in San Diego and went to the treatment roundtable -the one big takeaway was that in other areas, the individual districts have treatment reps that are intimate with the treatment centers in their district and can respond in a more effective manner. The treatment chairs aid the district's and coordinates between them. I remain willing to assist any group or district with treatment centers and reaching out to them.

**Lonnie NAGSC DCM Coordinator\*** lots of district workshops in north, Rhonda and Me doing DCM workshop Blue room 7am Sunday morning.

**Lyle NAGSC CPC\*** Attended remote outreach Winnemucca 10A 10B 12 districts where there good informative time. PRAASA was beneficial meeting with other CPCs, learning how they do it in big cities, organizing and coordinating with intergroup.

**Samantha NAGSC PI** District 8 and District 10A hosted PI workshops in November and March with a mock panel. The PI committee collaborated with the Corrections Committee and the combined workshops took about 3 hours. I've been personally calling each DCM asking if they wanted any help with PI work. District 2 is planning a PI workshop later this spring and District 12 is planning one for June. I spoke with District



22 and was wondering if someone who was fluent in Spanish would like to help me if they decide they want some PI guidance? District 20 is working on a PI workshop for April or May and I've left messages with Districts 4, 6, 14 and 16. A Group in District 10B has a PI rep and she's actively getting meeting schedules and pamphlets out into the local community. Here are some questions you may want to ask meeting: What does your District or Group need regarding PI work? Is District or Group interested in getting PSAs to your local TV and radio stations? Has your District or Group considered offering Message to Teenagers pamphlets to your local high schools and colleges? How about the new PI poster directed at young people? Would your District or Group like to conduct a presentation at a college or school? Do your local libraries still have copies of the Big Book and/or 12&12? Has your District or Group placed meeting schedules in local hotels, doctor's offices, police stations, counselor's offices, churches? Would your District or Group like to create memo pads with AA phone number, email address and/or website on it? Has your District or Group considered a mock panel as a fun way to become informed?

**7:50pm Break then GSR orientation and Area Committee meeting in blue room**  
8:04pm

Mike started Blue room with serenity prayer. Explaining some of the agenda plans. Sophie has things to talk about Saturday morning. Sophie also discussed importance of discussion between people and agenda topics, let everyone to jump around and give their feedback.

Mike wants to make sure "grey pages" is on agenda, it was at SAGSC and NAGSC. From Floor- we are in blue room to give each other support.

Emily, Asked to have roundtable about treasurer problems, at next area assembly lunch time, will be brought up at DCM workshop Sunday morning

Too many emails and they are confusing. Maybe put date or revised in subject line. Jeannette has information about Assembly Attendance.

Roger Discussed Robert Rules of Order, there is an AA one. Tony Spanish district is asking for reports to help involve the Spanish, very difficult to talk and listen at the same time, please give reports in writing.

Cherie Finance Committee, asked us our thoughts on financing Officers for travel, Delegates travel. Some of us put in the budget they prepare every year to add money for travel. NAGSC did a special travel motion. Discussion about if officer is invited then invitor pays. Delegate has been invited to Spanish forum and should we pay her way?

Adjourned 8:49

Inventory meeting of that committee to follow in blue room

**SATURDAY 3/29/14**

Started 8:02 Serenity Prayer

Couple housekeeping items, Menu at café, Big Book going around for signing, Thank you card, Ask it Basket

**Area 42 Delegate Sophie\*** We save each others lives by being of service,

PRAASA 2018. Does A42 wish to host the Pacific Regional Service Assembly the weekend of March 2-4, 2018? I need to declare our intent at the region's luncheon at the General Service Conference. What is PRAASA? (**See handout**) An informal vote was taken at NAGSC and SAGSC with an overwhelmingly positive response. I will appreciate a formal expression of A42's as a whole. Does A42 wish to host the Pacific Region's Service Assembly March 2-4, 2018?

**PRAASA 2018. sense of assembly 99% in favor none opposed.**

#### **Delegate Report – March 29, 2014**

Greetings. my name is Sophie, I'm alcoholic and it is humbling and a great honor to be asked to serve as Area 42's delegate to the General Service Conference. Years ago a non-alcoholic friend of A.A. described our fellowship like this: "Alcoholics Anonymous is a deeply spiritual program whereby one alcoholic works with another and two lives are saved." That's why we are here, and that's why we are here this weekend – to do our part to keep our lifesaving program healthy and growing. Thank you to all who have made this weekend possible – from those who summarized background material to those who are recording our proceedings today. Thank you to the groups who share 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contributions with our Area 42 entities and our General Service Office. Finally, thank you to the families and employers who are sharing you with us this weekend. I'd like to welcome our guests. One of those is Doug R., a staff member at our General Service Office. Saturday night he will share experience, strength and hope with us that he has amassed through decades in A.A. General Service. I look forward to first-hand stories of what happens at our GSO and how it serves suffering alcoholics around the world. Before I begin with the updates, can we please have a moment of silence for Marty Watters – an AA World Service Trustee Director who passed away earlier this month. We can think, too, of our Panel 43 Delegate, Pete L.. He is home this weekend with health challenges and would appreciate our thoughts and prayers for a complete and speedy recovery.

**Online Anonymity** is available on the [www.nevadaarea42.org](http://www.nevadaarea42.org) Delegate's Page.

Currently it is in English only. **From the International Conventions Coordinator**, Eva S.. The 2015 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous will take place July 2-5, 2015 in Atlanta, GA. The theme is "80 Years Happy, Joyous and Free."

Next, a GSO memo is sent out annually starting three years prior to each International Convention. It's called "**Planning a local convention or event in 2015?**"

*"....experience as shown that planning a local A.A. event such as a convention, too near the dates of an International Convention may result in a smaller attendance at the local event."*

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**There is advance information/FAQ** concerning the International Convention on our website Delegate's Page and on [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org). It is available in English and Spanish. Related to that, our General Service Board recently approved the registration fees for the International Convention. The pre-registration fee will be \$100.00 (USD) per attendee and the on-site registration fee will be \$110.00 (USD) per attendee.

For future reference: on September 3, 2014, links to online **Convention registration and housing** will be added to our 2015 Int'l Conv. Web page.

**AA Grapevine, Inc.: News: The Grapevine celebrates its 70th birthday in June of this year!** Please see [www.aagrapevine.org](http://www.aagrapevine.org) for ideas on how your group can celebrate. The Grapevine continues to need new readers to be viable – the magazine needs AAs who have never before subscribed to discover this 12<sup>th</sup> step tool. Other news: there is an expressed need for a subscription program of some kind for Correctional facilities. An ad-hoc committee is looking into this

**LaViña** is our Spanish language “meeting in print” published 6 times each year. Circulation averaged 10,145 for 2013; it was budgeted for 9,200.

**Trustees' Committee on Corrections:** The staff noted that during the Holiday season the number of requests from male inmates for the Corrections Correspondence Service (CCS) was much greater than the number of outside volunteer members available. The corrections desk is seeking more male members to participate in CCS. The committee agreed to a proposal that a stand-alone service piece be developed on ways to engage more members to participate in Corrections service and that a questionnaire be sent to area Corrections chairpersons to gather shared experience to be included in the new service piece

**Trustees' Committee on Public Information: Once again Re: 2015 International Convention:** The Trustees' committee reviewed suggestions for improving communication with convention attendees and media professionals regarding anonymity at the 2015 International Convention. There is an ongoing concern to help AA members and the media better understand the **vital importance of anonymity at the public level, including the impact of anonymity breaks on the organization as a whole.**

Today is the day each year when we discuss conference agenda items and the collective conscience of Area 42 emerges. We will consider how we can best carry our message into next year and beyond to secure the welfare and future of AA as a whole. In April, I will carry Area 42's conscience with me to the 64<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference.

The first of our Twelve Concepts states

*“The final responsibility and ultimate authority for our world services resides in our collective conscience.”*

The General Service Conference is where that reveals itself each year. It happens when the informed conscience from each of the 93 areas combines with those of trustees, directors, and staff to form the collective conscience of our fellowship. **That** is what maintains and guides our world services for the next year and into the future. Today we are here to deliberate selected agenda items. A few of the topics I have requested are on the agendas of my committees. Those are Policy and Admissions and International Conventions and Regional Forums. I do not know what will come to the floor of the conference for our consideration, but I know for certain that I will be involved in discussions on these topics. Some of the agenda items we will share on are quite concrete, others may not seem to be. In all cases we apply the spiritual principles that underlie our Traditions and Concepts in considering what is best for AA as a whole. I am grateful for your sharing and will listen closely. The 64<sup>th</sup> General Service Conf. convenes April 27 – May 3, 2014 at the Hilton Westchester in Rye Town, NY. The theme is “Communicating our Legacies – Vital in a Changing World.” Sixty agenda items will be considered by the delegate committees. This will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of our 3-yr conference inventory process. When I return I will look forward to sharing the conference with you – what I heard, how I voted, and how the conscience of the fellowship revealed itself this year. I will be thrilled to give my report at group meetings, workshops, Intergroup, picnics, campouts, carwashes and AA bake sales (joking) – wherever you invite me. One last thought: please introduce yourself to our elder statesmen and women – rotated delegates and trustees. They are our people – with YEARS of service experience, love and commitment to A.A. Ask them any and all questions you can think of. They are here for us. Thank you for your service. Let’s have fun!

Finished 8:33am

Items for presentation and discussion:

Presented by Byron F.;

**Policy/Admissions – D**

Reconsider the 2008 Conference Advisory Action regarding responsibility for site selection of the General Service Conference.

**What does the delegate need to know?** Does your group feel that the Conference should have a role in the site selection for the General Service Conference? In favor 15% not in favor 45%

Also should Area 42 contribute to Delegate Cost of Conference as it has in the past? In favor 20% not in favor 10%

Presented by Joyce Y.;

**Grapevine – B & F**

- B: Review A.A. Grapevine Board proposal to the 2014 Conference Committee on the Grapevine to significantly reduce the La Viña deficit.
- F: Consider a request “to reaffirm the Right of Decision of the A.A. Grapevine Board to make formatting decisions for the A.A. Grapevine and La Viña magazines.”

**What does the delegate need to know?**

1. Does your group feel that La Vina is a valuable tool to reach the alcoholic who still suffers? 99% in favor
2. Should it continue to be published as a service piece or should we find another format in which it could be financially independent? 99% yes
3. Should the Grapevine Board or the General Service Conference make the formatting decisions? 99% yes

Great job by presenters, discussion ensued before sense

**Doug stated La Vina is a project of the GSB (general service board)not the Grapevine any cost are GSB issues not anything else.**

Some confusion of clumping too many items together for discussion.

Presented by Ruth J.

**Public Information – E & G**

- E: Consider revisions to the anonymity card (F-20)
- G: Discuss how delegates might stimulate local discussions in light of ongoing anonymity concerns.

**What does the delegate need to know?**

1. Does your group know about or use the anonymity card? Why or why not?
2. Is your group in favor of the revisions? 99% in favor
3. Does your group or do members have suggestions on ways to encourage group discussions on “Anonymity at all levels of media?”

Discussion ensued before sense, ,anonymity workshops, facebook for and against, important to teach younger people,

Presented by Joan M;

**International Conventions/Regional Forums – C**

Discus video recording of Flag Ceremony with anonymity protected.  
Discuss ways to encourage interest in Regional Forums and attract first-time attendees.

**What does the delegate need to know?** If you have been to a Forum, what would you do to encourage a first-timer to attend our Pacific Regional Forum in Boise, Idaho, July 11-13, 2014?

Discussion on cost of attending, and talking about it at group level, Sophie expressed how Pacific Forum 2008 in Spokane changed her life and her AA program, she hopes everyone gets to experience Forum. Great topics!

LC from south discussing SAGSC/NAGSC Roundtables

**Policy & Admissions: C**

Consider a request that an anonymous electronic voting system be utilized at the General Service Conference on all non-election votes for a trial period.

- Does your group feel that it is important that the conference make this change?  
75% in favor 25% not

Lots of both ways, Could effect GSO staff members, and Delegate conformity and accountability. Delegates make decision while they are there using our area assembly as a guideline

**Literature: D**

Discuss suggested changes to the pamphlet "Questions & Answers on Sponsorship."

- If your group's conscience has not been expressed in the report-back please go to the mic. There will be no sense of the assembly on this topic. In favor 25% not in favor 35%

LC read comments, from floor some groups didn't read pamphlet so uninformed, some suggested changes are diluting message, like idea of moving forward, and like some specific wording

**Corrections: A**

Consider request for revisions to the section "What A.A. does NOT do" in the pamphlet "A Message to Corrections Professionals" to be consistent with similar text in C.P.C. literature.

- Does your group or committee agree that the pamphlet should be changed as recommended? In favor 95% opposed 1

Discussion from CPC rep. keep it consistent with other AA CPC lit.

**Literature: I**

Approve a correction to inaccurate text related to the addition of appendices in the Preface of Alcoholics Anonymous.

- Does your group feel this change to the Preface of the Fourth Edition A.A. Big Book needs to be made? 90% oppose5
- Some comments from floor, what about people who already have permission to edit?

**Grapevine: E**

Reconsider publishing the “Alcoholism at Large” section of the Grapevine.

- Does your group think there is a need to reconsider having this section in the Grapevine? Sophie clarifies Is your group in favor of keeping gray pages in favor 90% remove5%  
Comments both ways, informative, implied affiliating, helpful, and what about process, who chooses, etc.

**Literature: E**

Discuss suggested changes to *Living Sober*.

- If your group’s conscience has not been expressed in the report-back please go to the mic. There will be no sense of the assembly on this topic. 96% not to make changes 3% to change  
There is mention of drugs in this reading, give us time to figure out what we are, or we might lose primary purpose,

Adjourned 11:38am for lunch

Resumed 1:19pm with serenity prayer

**Carri NAGSC special needs, remote com.\*** Attended PRAASA and creating interest in SN, Bishop Care Center has a meeting, will be meeting with intergroup to get more info out there. We would love to go to districts and answer questions, and give report.

**Daryl for Leslie SAGSC Special needs\*** Leslie elected Feb. 2013 to SN. Attended round tables and got 8 members to help with S. HI workshop March got 7 members to help. PRAASA roundtables, “meeting to go” bringing in AA meetings to institutions, hospitals, remote communities. SN meetings with CPC/PI and discussed SN workshops combined CPC/PI. Daryl B. appointed SAGSC SN Co chair. SN has notice in Silver Streak reaching out, looking for suggestions to reach remote areas, looking for reports from Districts,

**Phil Alt Chair NAGSC chair\*.**Last fall I was able to attend a GS get together in the South hosted by Districts 1, and 13 at the Triangle Club in Las Vegas. I like coming to your events and I also like communicating with you, so I think our new Calendar on the nevadaarea42.org website is a real great tool Thank you to Scott B who set that up. Now that I broached the Communication topic; I feel we should be looking into this as a Part of our Areas service structure, most areas in the Pacific region have come to using this kind of committee to help not take over communication which includes Translation and Interpretation services along with other aspects of communication. This Last Jan. Carol B., Sophie K, and myself were able to attend a SAGSC meeting at the Tie Club I enjoyed being in Las Vegas for that very much. A couple of weeks later Sophie and I did a little weekend adventure around the North which took us out to Battle Mt. to meet with our friends in the Eastern side of the Northern Area. The next morning Sophie and I went on to Reno where we had a get together with folks in General service and got to know a little

more about each other. Mid Feb came with its push to do the General Service Conference agenda Items Summary's and do our Round tables, After which came PRAASA I did put out a little report of my weekend there. It's really a great experience. The next NAGSC meeting will be in Incline Village NV June 7<sup>th</sup> and are we planning a good time for all who come. We are going to be having a Birthday Celebration for the Grapevine, 70 yrs. Young. Our Delegate Sophie K. will also be giving her Delegate Report. Everyone is welcome to come. We would love to have you celebrate with us.

**Rhonda Area 42 Archivist\*** Archives is active in north and south. Pat is very active in north, thanks for his service. I attended old timers rock and photographed 30 members with 30 years of sobriety and more. Pat and I attended PRAASA, wonderful experience. Archives roundtable lit a fire under my butt to do more than I do. Archives will be at Gratitude Ball in Las Vegas. And also a display for the Our History workshop, we look forward to a great summer of service and 2 more years of my commitment.

**Jeannette Area 42 Registrar\*** Attended PRAASA got info on helping DCMs, thanks to Emily for all her work online registrations went great! 89 registered online out of 216. I have lists for all DCMs here to review of your groups. Please get with me to go over unknown groups or if you have any questions. I will be updating GSO with current info while here.

**Emily Alt Registrar\*** Hi my name is Emily and I am your alcoholic alternate registrar. My major accomplishment since we last met was coordinating out areas first attempt at online pre-registration. I am pleased with the process, although it was not without it's challenges and a bit of a learning curve!

I have learned that there are some fields which I need to make mandatory in order to collect the information required to expedite registration. If we decide to continue with this option I will ask that each attendee provide group name, service position & district number also I will add a field for name that should appear on badge. This will eliminate the need for you to fill out the district sheets that we did this weekend and would require a simple initial or signature upon arrival.

#### **Online Registration:**

Discussion ensued regarding; whether we might offer the option to pay the registration fee either at time of pre registration or at the door. My suggestion would be that we offer the assembly at \$15 inclusive of fees as the continued use of the online system will save time and money going forward. I would suggest that we continue the option to purchase banquet tickets at \$15 plus fees = \$16.82 as this is more of a convenience factor. For the record we sold 42 of the 50 banquet tickets allotted this go around. A few factors to be considered in regard to my suggestion:

1. PRAASA 2015 registration was done online and included the service fee at \$14 2. We can eliminate the need for the ribbons by having that service position printed on the badge. Last year we spent nearly \$500 dollars on a run 1000 ribbons for badges which should last at least 4 assemblies. Over time this could save the area a significant amount.
3. Soft copies of packets can be an option down the line. Currently we have the ability to send all pre-registered attendees a bulk email, and if we attach the packet contents in an HTML format. We can create an option for the attendee to indicate that they will not need a hard copy of the packet. Your thoughts on how we ought to continue are greatly appreciated. Please take a few minutes to share your feelings so that we might get a sense of the assembly and decide our next step. I will do my best to answer any questions that



you have. 79 out of 89 preregistered showed, 42 out of 50 banquet tickets sold. Feedback from online registration was general good and quick.

**Sense of Assembly to register online for \$15 and area absorbing fees, banquet ticket fee (\$1.62) will be on top of banquet charge.**

**Chris NAGSC\* GSR Survival Training** report On October 27, 2013 the Stagecoach group, Friends of Bill W. provided the room to hold a GSR Training Presentation. We did a lunch potluck with coffee and water. We had approximately 15-20 people in attendance and a couple of new GSR's. District 6 and District 12 were there. We had enough time to go through the whole GSR guide and have really good questions and conversation over the 2 hours that we had planned out. Thank you for allowing me to be of service

**Scott Area Web servant\*** Area 42 maintains a website at the URL

<http://www.nevadaarea42.org>. The site is hosted by 1&1 Internet and currently runs on version 3.5.2 of the Wordpress Content Management framework. According to the Area 42 Website Guidelines, "The purpose of this website is to provide General Service activities information about Alcoholics Anonymous and about A.A. in Area 42. To create another way to access and inform all AA Members in Area 42 of events and to keep mailing costs from expanding as the Area expands in population and to better communicate with remote areas of Area 42." On the site, you will find minutes from Area Meetings, various guidelines, forms related to Area business, and contact information for Area Committee Officers. Anyone wanting to have content added to or updated on the site should contact either the Area 42 Secretary or myself at [webmaster@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:webmaster@nevadaarea42.org). If your updates do not appear within a couple of days feel free to send a reminder as sometimes updates can get missed. A recent addition to the site is a shared Google Calendar that can be updated by multiple users. This calendar was added as a request from an Area Committee member and is located on the Upcoming Events page. Currently the calendar can be updated by the Area 42 Secretary, The Area Alternate Chairman and the Webmaster. An addition to the website that was completed prior to the previous Assembly in September was the addition of a password protected page. This page currently contains copies of financial reports from the Area and NAGSC Treasurers. The page is accessible from the site menu under the Area Member Info link. The password is available upon request.

**Debbie NAGSC Corrections BTG\*** I am pleased to report that the North and South are working together with the Bridging the gap efforts. I have given presentations on the various ways we can carry the message of hope and recovery to the incarcerated alcoholic. Thank you Districts 8, 12, and 10a. We have volunteers taking meetings into a good portion of the jails, prisons and camps. We do fall short in the areas of informing our incarcerated alcoholics of services available to them on Pre-Release contacts/Bridging the Gap and the Correspondence. With permission from Clement C. at the corrections desk in the General Service Office and a small office/supply budget, I have printed and brought with me a few pamphlets. I have a few "Pre-Release Contacts" for aa's on the inside and a few letters for the correspondence service. If you or someone you know are taking meetings behind the walls of a correctional facility, please use these as tools to inform your brothers and sisters that are incarcerated. I have a few "Pre-Release Contacts" pamphlets for aa's on the outside. I am looking for volunteers to be a contact for an inmate that is soon to be released into your area. Please fill it out and

return it to me by the end of the assembly. It has been requested from the General Service Office to get the word out and find volunteers for the Correspondence Service. There is a high demand for men on the outside to sign up. I have a few pamphlets available. In 2013 over 1,555 inmates requested outside correspondence, there are over 90 inmates on a waiting list for an outside correspondence. For some inmates, correspondence with an outside member may be the only aa meeting they get. It would be an honor to come to your district meeting or workshop in this upcoming year.

**Bladimir DCM 22\*** Spanish conv. Reno September 5,6,7 2014 new meeting Gardnerville one hour and a half long meeting, attended Reno Roundup.

**David H&I SAGSC\*** In 2014 we have started 6 new meetings on the hospital (or treatment) schedule. 1 at the Salvation Army. 1 at the Las Vegas Rescue Mission 4 at other transitional living facilities. So far in 2014 the institution (or correctional) schedule remains the same as 2013. We have meetings in lv city jail and 6 out of 7 NDOC facilities in the area. We also support meetings in Lincoln county detention center and a federal correctional facility in Pahrump. Due to clearance requirements, there are always opportunities to be of service on the corrections side. On March 1<sup>st</sup> we held the 5<sup>th</sup> annual H&I workshop at the Salvation army. We had a good speaker from Terre Haute Ind. A panel of women active in Las Vegas H&I, and a panel of men active in California H&I. The purpose of these workshops is to raise awareness of H&I opportunities within the fellowship. That being said we also raised a few hundred dollars. The last time I actually counted we had between 40 and 50 meetings a week The most current financial statement is for February. H&I is funded entirely by the pink cans passed around in meetings. Starting Balance (w/ prudent reserve) -\$4,586.39 Group contributions - \$2,403.21 Expenses - \$0 Ending Balance - \$6989.60 We have since ordered some literature which doesn't show up on this. We meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 6p at Las Vegas central office. If you want to get involved just show up and we will try to plug you into service. Thank you for letting me be of service

**Fransisco Spanish central office Las Vegas\*** we have our own hotline and reach out to other groups to get involved, selling literature, Spanish webpage aahispanoslv.org, Traditional picnic 8<sup>th</sup> of june \$7 per ticket. We go to groups and coordinate with District 21. Have asked area 42 to be a part of convention in Reno September 5,6,7.

**Cherie SAGSC CPC\*** mental health at Ventitian conv with help, lots of information giving, workshop east las vegas community center, invited back. Postal workers convention in Nov, Ballys went well. Workshop with attorneys that was video conference last December, we were sent a CPC kit from GSO. Will be going to cardio conf. coming up. Service fest in Feb was good, HI workshop also attend, 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month at central office is our cpc meeting, looking for more district CPC reps.

**Kimberly PI Chair SAGSC\*** I just recently became PI Chair and this is my first Assembly. However new, I am excited to be a part of this committee and I look forward to working with the CPC Special Needs and Unity Committees. The Southern Area PI Committee meets the second Monday of each month at 5pm in the Las Vegas Central Office, 1431 E. Charleston Blvd, Suite 15. April 14th we will have our next Grapevine meeting. We would like to see a PI liaison from each District and a PI representative from each group. Please encourage Liaisons and Reps to attend the PI meeting. Among our topics will be: placing Big Book and other literature in libraries, PSA's, meeting

schedules placements, workshops, high school placements of literature and info and more.

**Cherie Alt Delegate, finance committee report\*** Reviewed and completed all 2013 business, thanks to Carol for her service. Prepare budget in September for 2015. Budget request will be sent out in June for a deadline of July 15<sup>th</sup>, PLEASE include your anticipated budgets!-----Alt Delegate report, PRAASA roundtables, helpful, duties of different areas Alt delegates, her duties are SAGSC chair, Roundup Board, Roundtable facilitator, Pray for Sophie's health. Scanning conference reports into computer from 1951. Thanks for letting me be of service.

FC reviews income and expenses, bank statements and paid bills for area 42 treasury for 2013. All is well and in order. FC puts together annual budget presents to Area committee and assembly in fall. Budget request will be sent end of June returned to FC by 7/15. The person submitting budget for 2015 will not be one using it, please keep this in mind.

**2:20pm** Mike Asked Dan and Sophie to come to mic and inform area assembly in regards to proposed guidelines changes. The Guidelines revision committee has not met in person for a while. They have had conference calls in which some members of committee could not meet. Joan told us that the changes requested at September 2013 Assembly have been made and they are ready to go forward. Lots of discussion about history of Finance Guidelines and Area Guidelines what's has been going on since the last Assembly and what should we do about it now?

Sophie asking that we form new committee and start over to align finance guidelines with area guidelines, this has been an amazing and large project. And maybe some fresh eyes can help.

Cherie explained finance guidelines 2008, 2009 started and adopted 2010, then to align and remove finance info from area guidelines, now hopefully approving area guidelines at this assembly to complete process. An email has been sent out with approved finance guidelines and proposed area guidelines for review to entire area committee at least twice recently. Edie has been working on the typos and fixing errors and believes area guidelines are ready for adoption.

No conference calls or committee meetings have been held since September. One revision has been received since last September. There has not been a need to meet. Thanks to Joan and Edie and rest of committee for working on this for so long. We put proposed area 42 guidelines on over head projector.

Tony made motion to accept proposed guidelines as written. Seconded from floor. Lots of discussion, Question was called, 90% in favor. 10% opposed. Minority opinion was heard and revote was taken we need 2/3rds to accept motion. 66% in favor of accepting guidelines as written. Joan thanked everyone and Sophie mentioned how important it is to treat each other well. Kevin B. had point of order stating that the process was not correct and the voting was not done right.

Mike discussed passing of Harvey who has been involved with the Tonopah community and in helping our banquet, please keep him and his family in your prayers.

**Sunday 3/30/14 SNOWED in Tonopah!**

Mike called to order 8:01 am

Serenity prayer

Went over area inventory history of the last year, now we will be hearing from ad hoc committees summarizing

**Do our leaders follow concepts and traditions?** Claudia reporting

2 major discussion points, Knowledge and Trust. 7<sup>th</sup> tradition, money where it comes from and goes, service sponsors, misinformation, clarification. Imperative that we trust our trusted servants. Is trust being questioned? What level, GSRs, Treasurers, DCMs etc....Recommendations, Self directed knowledge, its our responsibility to come to Area Assembly informed, read service manual, guidelines etc..Some thoughts from floor, about money, and self support. Lots of info in literature.

**Is our service structure fulfilling our area purpose** Jonnelle reporting

Should we combine NAGSC and SAGSC, should we do a mock conference? Lots of great info in concept 9. remind us to practice principles not personalities. Our job to inform new service attendees who serves who, appreciate linguistic districts, 13 area committees goal is to much General Service Board?

Researched division in NAGSC SAGSC. Many benefits, Recommended to continue this discussion on purpose, benefits of divide. Recommend better communication between NAGSC and SAGSC including face to face communication including special travel for area events like a mock conference not to do it at an assembly. Floor discussion, DCM meeting very beneficial every year at Assembly, recommended to have committee chairs meet face to face, or conference calls to work together.

**How effectively does area 42 communicate?** Roger reporting

Ad hoc committee thinks we communicate really well. Looked at several ways are meetings are set up and our people in place to give information. How do we help the new AA member, do we have the wherewithal to get them the information they need to stay here. Joyce speaking about Roberts rule of order, and if area guidelines say Roberts rules are to be used then assembly uses them, if not in guidelines then Chairmen's rules of order, which is whatever the chair wants for rules.

Jeannette 40% of GSRs are here and why don't they come back? Over 500 listed groups in area. Joan understands that many groups and meetings don't hear about our assembly, can we help those AAers to be in touch with GSO, or area.. Kevin spoke about registering groups and bringing meetings "The Group" pamphlet. From floor, might be a good idea to do a 5 minute explanation of rules of motions and procedures before each assembly. Importance of structure during motions. Prepare our GSRs at our District meetings for the assembly. Some nice discussion about how well area handles the assembly and to encourage more participation and to keep coming back.

**What are our service priorities?** David reporting

Suggested , increase participation, through communication, print area newsletter bringing to groups or mail them to groups if too remote. concept meetings at home groups, once a month or so. Increase communication to remote groups through outreach, remote meaning smaller than Las Vegas, Reno. Too much talk about money may put off groups, especially remote areas. Byron, Communication is two parts, one part telling, one part listening. What about webinars, meetings over the internet. Roberta L. Very inspired

and thrilled what we are talking about with inventory. Took notes lots of common themes coming up often during reports.

Joyce, we can do a chairs' rules, rather than Roberts Rules. If our area guidelines do not specify then its up to area chairman. Come up with check list, to review every assembly?

Ruth: come up with information sheet on how we run assembly to inform body every possible action, motion, ect.

Jannette surprised at how few GSRs there are compared to how many registered groups.

Joan speaking to lots of meetings and they are not groups. Maybe we can help them found out benefits of being connected or find out why they don't want to be.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Paul motion, "I would like to make a motion to add the Area 42 General Service Assembly Finance Guidelines to the Delegate Area 42 General Service Assembly as an appendix, so that both are one document. Paul E."

Seconded, Discussion, Cindy, would this affect each document as a whole. Cherie explained an appendix is something that can be modified separately. Ruth stated these are two documents traveling together. Phil, we should take care not to change these on a whim. Called question, voted to finish discussion 99%, one minority talk,

Now voting to accept motion, 95% in favor to adopt motion, minority opinion, these finance guidelines should be treated as important as area guidelines, this may cause confusion in the future as to changes in the process. Maybe we are rushing into this and need more time to understand the implications, Sophie agrees.

Mike asked if anyone in majority wants to change vote, several people raise hand. Going to vote again. Reread motion. 65% in favor 35% not in favor, Mike explained voting members to stand up 121 voting members need 66% to approve which is 80 votes we got 70 votes to approve . now counting not in favor 45. ***does not pass***

Asked from floor to not allow electronic smoking, how do we do that? Don't know

Rhonda asked to bring all paper work "don't throw away anything."

Motion from Claudia "To Read previous assembly minutes on a topic, in order to clarify issue up for vote." 95% in favor 5% against, minority asked how are we going to implement this? What if its not the previous assembly? Isn't it our responsibility to read the minutes before hand? Anyone want to change vote? Will be voting again, Claudia reread, then re voted 70% in favor 30% oppose. ***Motion passes***

Tony Passing along thanks from Spanish Speakers for making them feel welcome during weekend.

Ask it basket. Ruth read concept 9, Joan speaking to questions,

Lost power no motion to adjourn

Respectively submitted, Justin P. Area 42 Secretary.