

Area 42 Assembly Transcription and Reports

Friday, September 5, 2025

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Saturday, September 6, 2025

First Reading of Proposed Guidelines Change

NEVADA AREA 42 GUIDELINE CHANGE PROPOSALS

Proposed Amendment

The objective for this proposal: To add a digital form/and or link to a financial institution to collect Seventh Tradition contributions on behalf of Area 42. Background: Intent-Purpose: The current Website Guidelines indicate that it is not permissible to link to or provide Nevada Area 42 members with a means to make online contributions to an off-site financial institution. Prior to the September 2021 Area 42 Website Guidelines change, the Area 42 Website in accordance with the A.A. Guidelines on the Internet did not link to outside businesses or enterprises. There was an appetite to allow for a link to a pay portal for assembly registration that lead to the 2021 Website Guidelines change. The current guidelines includes a content list that indicates where the Area 42 website can link to if outside of Area 42. It includes a registration form and pay portal that allows members to pay for registration and purchase banquet tickets for the area assemblies, but it did not address a pay portal for Seventh Tradition contributions. Currently, the Area 42 Treasury can only accept cash, checks or money order Seventh Tradition contributions. Over the past several months, many group treasurers and other group members have expressed requested that the Area create a way to accept online contributions to the Area 42 treasury. The logical place to find a common access point is on the Area 42 website. This Website Guidelines change would allow members to make online contributions.

Website Guidelines 3 currently reads:

3. Site Content

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*AAWS Website Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

(http://www.aa.org/default/en_services_aa.cfm?pageid=31)

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*Webmaster, North, South & Area Officers and Service Committee Chairs

*GSR Survival Guide also en Espanol.

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*Guidelines for the Area 42 Website Committee (rev 9/08)

*Guidelines for Area 42, SAGSC and NAGSC (rev 9/06)

*Area Delegate Page

*Suggestion - Comment submittal box

*Service Opportunity Contact

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Proposal for Website Guidelines 3 to read:

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Q&A for Guidelines Change

Questions	Answers
Will the link be specific to a particular type of contribution?	It is intended for groups; we do not typically accept contributions from outside sources.
"There shall be no reference to or link to any non Pay for NAGSC & SAGCS stuff. Sounds confusing the way it reads	This language already exists the way it is.
AA.org, a checkbox saying confirmed member of AA. Should we include that in the guidelines?	We probably do need that. Anne will make that change
Do we need to re-read your guidelines if we make new changes?	Yes
After the second reading, how much time before this is implemented?	As soon as the body approves it, the webmaster will start working on it
Is this only for 7th tradition contributions, or does the excerpt of it make it seem like other things could be paid for?	I wanted to rephrase it using similar language and make it simpler. The intention is to collect 7th tradition funds from groups.
Clarifying question regarding the process.	Confirmed that this is the first reading. Next would be approval.
Who is deciding which application to use?	Treasury would most likely use Stripe
An ad hoc guidelines committee meeting is currently underway. Working on a proposal for other changes.	
We should trust our trusted servants to self-claim whether they are members or not.	
Rewriting this proposal will extend the timeline. Can we make those changes while we are here?	Do not believe that is possible; the guidelines require a first and second reading. We must follow the process.
Can't we accept the reading that you did? Do we have to make the changes suggested? I would like to see us make those changes to the guidelines now and do a second reading in the spring.	
Will there be a pull-down menu for donations? Do we need a cap on?	We can set it for a maximum.
Logistics is up to the treasurer.	

What is a Budget? Rich B.

My name is Rich and I'm an alcoholic, I have been asked to provide the assembly with an explanation of the Area 42 budget and its purpose. Let me start by explaining that when decision was made to put the three treasuries together, I was against it. Then God intervened with a sense of humor and I was voted as the Alt-Treasure and now, the Finance Committee Chair. With that being said, here we go. Why do we have a budget? The Area treasury is the steward of the donations that come in from the total Area 42 fellowship. The money is to be used to support our Area's service work to help the still suffering alcoholic. Thought, How much money does it take to carry the message to the suffering alcoholic? What is the responsibility of the Area as it relates to carrying the message? According to F3 – Self Support: Where Money and Spiritually Mix- • The area committee, which coordinates vital A.A. activities over a broad geographic area; sends a delegate to the annual General Service Conference; holds area assemblies to determine the needs of the Fellowship; and provides information at all levels of service. Who is funded? The donations that come in from the groups are used to support the service work of Area 42. The average amount of donations is \$4,000 a month (\$48,000 a year). We have 12 officers, 22 committee chairs, 22 DCMs and 100-150 GSRs. As a Finance Committee we try to spread the money out into categories to be fair to all officers, committee chairs, DCMs and GSRs. Our primary responsibility is to support the delegate's service responsibility. In order to host the Area Assembly meetings, the costs include money to pay the room rental, hosting costs (meals, technology, printing, etc.), and alongside the districts, assist the groups in sending their representatives (GSR's) to attend the assembly either via the virtual platform or in person when Area funds are permitted. A.A. is not a paid position (work vs volunteer) The Area 42 funds the committee chairs as they provide information to the districts on how to carry the message to the alcoholic. In our experience we find no one committee more important than the other. All are vital avenues to reach the still suffering Alcoholic. Prudent Budget: The goal is to be reasonable with money now that we are sober. This means we need to be prudent when it comes to the budget and what the Area has afforded us. When (the individual is) We are spending the Area's money. It is necessary for all of us to be mindful in our travels and spending. Budget recommendation process: We receive budget requests, we put the requests together and work together to spread the money fairly across the board to the (12) officers (22) committees (22) DCMS and (100-150) GSRs. This includes travel, housing, and food; along with office supplies and misc. expenses. We look at the approved budget from the last two years, compare the actual funds spent, the trend of contributions received and then average it as fairly as we can to meet the committees and positions needs. We then bring the budget to the assembly floor for the body to review, adjustments and approval.

Please note: Using the process of reviewing the actual reimbursed budget costs from the prior two budgets can be incorrect to obtain the potential future costs if a funded service position does not submit receipts to be reimbursed. Although this is a generous form of service it does present problems when we are building a new year budget. Additionally, there is a limit to the financial support the Area can provide when group and member contributions to the Area fluctuate. This is an area all of us can help by bringing back the financial information of our area to our groups so they can decide how to contribute their money across their splits. It is rarely possible to fund all activities and all travel at 100% of all costs.

Rich – Budget Discussion

If you want and invite your God into the room seriously keep in mind we're doing God's work right we're trying to carry the message to alcoholics to still suffer there's a lot of people out there that because of this disease is dying and that's what we're here for money and spirituality can mix and hopefully we can get that done today speaking about things out of our control did you all know that the post office box burned down truly truly it was a two-story building it was a one of those strip malls the entire thing went burnt to the ground and our post office box the financial committee we have a new mailbox and if by chance you are sending money to the old mailbox I'm under the impression and been told that that mail is being forwarded to the new mailbox now keep in mind that we would like you to take if we have a gazillion of the Easter and give it to the people in your group because they probably don't know this and talk about this and you know nothing opens up a really good conversation when you say guess what the mailbox burnt down people's eyes get real kind of wide so there you go okay so again I'm going to do a little house cleaning before I get into the presentation okay but and here's the house cleaning for of our committee members are coming off the board the committee after this assembly Sunday this Sunday we are asking for someone anyone to take their place if you would like to be a part of the financial committee we would encourage you to if you have questions by all means come up and ask anybody as far as the financial committee is concerned me as well let you know what everything is done by Zoom and we'll ask you you know if you want to be a part of the committee that would be great I learned something a while back that if you don't like what's happening volunteer okay make changes do something to make a change all right anyway that's my oh thank you very much I appreciate you saying that okay hey let's have the committee members stand up please Tanya Amanda Carol and of course I'm the chair of the committee this is your treasure Annie and your alternate treasure I think is over there in the corner know where she at oh there she is waving her hand okay she's there to correct me as we go along do you have something you'd like to say oh okay thank you okay who's leaving Carol is leaving Amanda is leaving Dawn was appointed in middle of of the rotation and we were going to ask the body tomorrow to confirm him to be he's already graciously volunteered to continue for the next two years is that right 2 years I already told you I'm an alcoholic my name is Rich okay I've been asked to provide to the assembly the what area 42's the the ex how to explain the the budget how we go about the budget process okay and here's one thing I want to start off by saying this when the the three treasuries were combined to one I was adamantly against it and God intervened with the sense of humor and said you should be the alternate treasurer and so for two years I was the alternate treasurer of the very first panel that was the combined Treasury and he didn't think I learned enough so he said how about you being the financial committee chair and here I stand before you and with that being said here we go why do we have a budget the area Treasury is a Stewart of the donations contributions okay every time I say donation you say there we go by the way we're going to put on a little skit and you're all part of it okay all right okay so contributions that come in for the total area Fellowship I mean total area service work to help there's still suffering alcoholic how much money does it take to carry the message to the suffering alcoholic what's the responsibility of the area as it relates to carrying the message those are questions you want to ask yourself cuz we asked that we

ask that question of ourselves the whole time that we're trying to put this thing together according to self support money and spirituality mix it says the area committee which coordinates a vital AA activities over the board of Geographics sends a delegate to the area general service conference holds area assemblies to determine the need of the fellowship and to provide the information at all levels of service so basically what we do what are responsibility here as an area is the whole two assemblies and to send a delegate to New York that's our responsibility who is funded the donations that come in I'll get you know what if I don't learn it you will the contributions that come in from the groups are used to support services \$4,000 a month comes out to 48,000 a year we have 12 officers 22 committee chairs 22 dcms and 100 to 150 GSR that's the amount of we we give money to that many people as a finance committee we try to spread the money out into categories our primary responsibilities to support the delegates service responsibilities in order to host the area assembly meetings the cost includes money to pay for the room rental hosting costs such as menials technology printing and alongside the districts assist the groups and sending their representatives to attend the assembly The area funds for permitting I don't know how you look at that but that's a lot of that's a lot of money AA is not AA is not a paid position it's a volunteer so I want to so you ask yourself is this is this your work is this your job or are you a volunteer I don't know about you okay the area the committee chairs as they provide information to the districts on how to carry the message to the alcoholic now as we understand it we're supposed to support the committee chairs to carry the message to the districts in our experience we found that no one committee is more important than the other we don't we don't differentiate say ones more important than the other as far as we're concerned everybody's important all of our committees are important all are virtual Avenues to reach the still suffering alcoholic that's what they are prudent budget the goal is to be responsible with money now that we are sober this means we need to be prudent when it comes to the budget and what the area has afforded us when the individual is spending the areas money it's necessary for all of us to be mindful of our trouble and our spending now I'm not trying to prevent anyone we're not trying to prevent anyone from doing service because they don't have the means in which you do so and we want you to also be as prudent as you can be one of the things that we ask is simply you know if if you if you come to Tonopah and if you can share a room share it if you drive to Tonopah and you can share the ride please share it and this all every little bit helps an accountant told me a long time ago budget recommendations process okay we receive a budget request I received as the financial chair I received the budget request we put the request together and work together to spread the money fairly across the board to the 12 officers 22 committees in the 22 dcms and 150 gsr's this includes travel housing food along with office supplies and miscellaneous experience expenses we look at the approved budget from the last two years okay so you send me the you send me the budget your budget request and I put it in in a budget form now some of you are a little confused as far as when you're looking at the budget if you at if you ask for so much money to go to Tonopah that's put under travel if you ask for so much money for office supplies that's under expense that's how those dollar amounts I mean so if so we had some folks that were a little confused are going where's that money I asked you for it because it's not in it's not under you know the CPC committee well that dollar amount is just the amount you ask for office supplies The rest of the money that you asked for for travel is already in the budget in the travel part it's just combined under committee members okay I got to find out where I left off here okay we look at the approved budget from the last two years so we look at the last two years and in compare the actual funds spent not what you what was asked but the money that was spent compare the actual fund and then the trend contr Committees needs as best we can now if you had any time to look at the budget and if you're not an accountant like me I am not an accountant I'm going to be making an amends here before too long so you're going to have to be prepared for that but if you look at the budget that you received in your package and I can tell you we didn't give you all the money you wanted to spend okay because we have to do it fairly and if you didn't ask for it you didn't get it we then bring the budget okay so we put that all the information on a budget and then we bring it to you for approval okay I explained this to the financial committee at the financial committee meeting this morning I have been a CEO of a couple of different companies in my career and there is a God I'm not retired but I'm the guy who spends the money okay as a CEO I spend the money I count on my Treasurer my fiscal person to tell me what I can and can't spend he who controls the purse strings of the organization controls the organization did you know that there's a couple of accountants in the room I get you that I'll bet you they're shaking their head probably right about now and if they're not that they would agree with me but that's not how it works here guess what who controls the purse strings y'all everybody the financial committee we don't we make recommendations this is what we're recommending you want to change it that's fine you want to spend more in one area that's great we would we open for that but then you also got to come back and say where do we cut because somebody's going to be missing something now ultimately in the best world you know that bottom line I was talking about that should be zero but that's in the best world and I don't think I've ever seen a budget in Alcoholics Anonymous it's total zero man who knows maybe we can do that today okay using the process of reviewing the actual reimbursement budget cost from the prior to budget can be incorrect to obtain a potential future cost if it if the funding service is positioned do not submit receipts to be reimbursed although this is although it is generous from the service it does present a problem when we are building a new budget for the next year so basically what I'm trying to say to you here is this if we want you to be prudent but we also want you to turn and receipts we want the accurate amount it takes to do the position that you're doing it takes that because then when the people who are trying to build this recommendation this budget can actually provide you with a more accurate budget this is not an easy process have I found out this year okay and here it comes I owe you all a great man the reason you have two budgets in your packages under no no no under if you see right here under no no 16 look at 16 F and 16g when I submitted the first budget the formula on that particular line was off it didn't calculate so then I had to make a a quick repair and then turn around You can have it in your new one or a more up-to-date one in your in your packet and you're ready for that and you're ready for this pardon my language I fucked up again okay I made it then my my beloved Julie calls me up and says I found \$10,000 and that's the good news okay bye it's not easy because you're I mean I don't know I don't know how accounts do it but I mean I looked at this stupid budget for so long my eyes started to cross you know and it and and you know I commend all you people that are involved in helping us put the budget together because I tell you what it's it's crazy okay if you're Layman like me and not an accountant it's not easy and it's really not easy if you even know your account because people are constantly wanting to change their number okay additionally there are limits to the financial support the area can provide when the group and the members contributions to the area of fluctuate we're in a state of flux right now we got a really great amount of money here back in 2020 2021 and we and then we combined the treasuries in 2020 not you and generally but the body went hey we have way too much money we got to get rid of it you need to spend it okay and we started spending money like drunken sailors okay now we're here and the sailors still drunk okay because people still want to spend that money but it's not there okay so and there's all kinds of reasons why they're down and I I'm not going to get into that part okay just trust me they're

down okay this is an area all of us can help by bringing back the financial information to our group to our area and to our groups so that we can decide how much to contribute their money's across the split okay it's rarely impossible excuse me it's really possible to fund all the activities and the travels 100% of the time and the cost okay now a lot of words and I'm a very simple man okay and I am like I said I'm not an accountant so I would like to do this with you I would like to kind of do a little skit it's not going to take very long okay and here's what I need you to do I need you to be quiet because these people are going to have to stand out here in front and they're going to have to talk as loud as they can so you can hear him so

Q&A From Budget Discussion

Question	Answer
DCM has had questions about funds for travel, sometimes they ask for more money. Would like to hear what others are doing.	
Funding travel includes NAGSC & SAGCS as well as assemblies.	
CPC Budget - 350.00 for 2026	Not time for that. There was nothing on the budget that reflected 12,000. Majority of money was to get pamphlets to professionals. Would request 2760.00 instead of 350.00. Would you like to take away the money from travel 2180.? This is for the committee only for travel. We need to go to a digital committee once a year.
Do the receipts offset the ones that you get? Do you have a way to reconcile?	If you don't turn in reciepts then it doesn't get counted.
We have been concerned about this problem and we don't want to be part of the problem we want to be part of the solution. After business meetings in Bishop, we came to an agreement that none of the GSRs were going to ask for money for travel. WE decided to contribute 200 to the area, and hope that others will do the same. Our district is helping with the hotel expenses and sharing rooms and sharing beds. That's love in service. I want to thank Debbie for printing out the packets for us in Spanish so that we can save money for the area. We want to use our judgement in deciding	
We were told at the assembly that we were getting 50 cents per mile. A the list NAGSC, we were given an email 2 days before that we were only getting 34 cents and some did not know that. We should be looking at alternatives.	
Line 29 - accessabilites is spells wrong. G column, profit and loss says we spent 971 dollards and there is zero on the budget. Gas compared to mileage. Half of the expense	
Committee chairs should be looking at the budgets to ensure you are within.	
Budget is uncontrollable,	
Budget committee - he was told over 20 percent of budget could be approved, not 10 percent. Number for PI 2969.24. Requested 2026 -	
Missing line item for forum travel for 2026. Delegate and Alt delegate are both funded. Difference between mileage and gas is wear and tear.	Did Lyle request funding for Forum? I am going and if the budget can help then great. Neither delegate or alt delegate submitted for the forum. Hard to budget for this as I do not know how much I have to spend. Would the finance committee give a number.
Reduce Expenses.	
Archivist budget has been reduced by 600, it will be ok. However, main repositor is in the south. The north does not have storage, it is in someone's garage.	There is a line item for archivist storage.
Line 40, down from 1000 from 2025.	Food is self-funded, we take a contribution

Are the meals for travel expensive.	
Line 23 shows 1500 for tech, does that include all computers or just tech	
PI budget trying to add 2100 to the budget.	North will cover travel, south will use their travel budget for pamphlets.
Guidelines Ad hoc committee should include no committee people go to districts for funding from them	Motion will be held until What's on your mind.
Line 14 and 40 Coffee and food, 3000 should be offset by 3000 expense.	The 18000 represents all for the banquet costs. The 3k is in there.

Julie C. Past Delegate Unity Presentation and Workshop.

Good afternoon everyone. My name is Julie, and I'm an alcoholic. I have the privilege to currently serve as a director on the AAWS corporate board in the role of a non-trustee director. When Jonelle first asked me to speak about unity, my immediate thought was, What a huge and important topic and where do I begin? I wondered how I could possibly break my remarks into bite-sized pieces. I love our new 2021 pamphlet EXPERIENCE Has Taught Us: AN INTRODUCTION TO OUR TWELVE TRADITIONS, which contains small nuggets on each of the Traditions. This is what it says about Tradition One: "We of A.A. need each other to stay sober. Our individual sobriety depends on the group, and the group depends on us. Focusing on what's best for the group and the Fellowship as a whole, we experience the safety, security and unity that comes with being one voice among many. Without unity, the heart of A.A. would cease to beat and we would be left in loneliness once more." So, in a nutshell unity is a spiritual necessity for us to survive. As I thought about what I could say that may be helpful to us in preparation for the workshop which follows, one phrase kept coming to mind, something I've heard often at the General Service Office and from our board; the phrase is charitable assumption. What does that mean? For me, it means choosing to assume the best in others. It means trusting that others love Alcoholics Anonymous as much as I do and that they also want what is best for all of us. It means giving people the benefit of the doubt. I'll be honest, this doesn't always come naturally. When I'm feeling defensive or self-righteous, I can easily forget that the person I'm talking to, or the idea I'm wrestling with, may come from a perspective that is deeply important to someone else. Practicing charitable assumption takes conscious effort for me, but I've found it's one of the surest ways to keep unity alive. As we gather to discuss unity and service, I wonder if it is helpful to pause and examine our attitudes, habits, and openness to change. The following questions are offered as invitations; invitations to explore how we can better serve together and strengthen our fellowship. Jonelle has provided specific questions for each group to discuss together, so my questions are intended to help us begin opening our hearts and minds ahead of time. The goal is to encourage willingness, openness, and a spirit of listening, so that when we come together, we are ready to truly hear one another and grow in unity. 1) Is "the way we have always done it" still in our best interest? Tradition is valuable when it protects our spiritual principles and helps carry the message. Am I willing to listen, really listen, to other voices and perspectives, even if they challenge my own? Do I resist change out of fear or habit, rather than what best serves the Fellowship? How might I balance respect for our history with openness to new ideas? 2) Should we collaborate more with districts further away? Unity does not stop at the edges of our geographic area.

Unity
2 Am I willing to participate even when it requires extra effort or travel? What might I learn, and what might I offer, by working with districts different from my own? How could broader collaboration strengthen unity and service? 3) How can our current structure best help us use our limited resources, both finances and trusted servants, to serve the whole? Our structure shapes how we spend our time, our energy, and our funds. Do I consider the needs of the entire Fellowship when making decisions? Could sharing resources more closely make committees and service more effective? Am I keeping our common purpose in mind: serving the still-suffering alcoholic? Here is a list of a few examples of events and actions that increase unity in Nevada Area 42: These foster connection, trust, shared purpose, and a sense of belonging: Local and Regional Service Events Area Assemblies and District Meetings where all voices are welcomed PRAASA (Pacific Region A.A. Service Assembly) Regional Forums and other listening sessions with GSO and Trustees Unity Day or Founders' Day celebrations Area or District "Service Sponsorship" workshops Inclusive Practices Providing simultaneous interpretation for Spanish speakers Actively welcoming remote or underrepresented groups Hosting bilingual meetings or literature tables, including Grapevine and LaVina Ensuring minority opinions are heard and respected Spiritual Group Conscience Processes Mindful, informed discussions with full participation Careful use of substantial unanimity (2/3 or more) Sharing experience rather than debating opinions Reaffirming Tradition One when decisions are hard Joint Fellowship Activities Alcathons, speaker meetings, campouts, potlucks, gratitude dinners Intergroup and YPAA liaison participation at area Outreach to under-participating groups or members Spiritual Leadership in Action Leaders who encourage wide participation, not control Chairs who practice humility, not authority Service sponsors helping others learn A.A.'s service structure

Unity
3 Trusted servants listening before speaking Here is a list of a few examples of events and actions that challenge unity in Nevada Area 42: These tend to cause confusion, division, resentment, or withdrawal: Lack of Participation or Communication Secretive decision-making without group input Districts or Areas not informing or including GSRs Trusted servants failing to report back to groups Rapid decisions without discussion or spiritual reflection Dominance or Disregard for Minority Opinion Ignoring or minimizing minority voices Dismissing new members or young people in service Forcing through motions with simple majority instead of substantial unanimity Over-relying on one or two "strong voices" Barriers to Inclusion Lack of translation or interpretation services. Failure to invite, welcome all members. Overlooking or neglecting outreach to isolated or smaller groups. Violation of A.A. Traditions Public controversies or political issues brought into meetings Unchecked personal agendas in service positions Endorsing outside causes or fundraising beyond the Seventh

Tradition Public punishment or gossip about members or decisions Poor Conflict Resolution Taking issues to social media or gossip circles instead of the group conscience Personal resentments spilling into group or Area decisions Ignoring Concept V: “The well-heard minority is our chief protection against an uninformed, misinformed, hasty or angry majority.” One of our most vital resources for maintaining unity is choosing strong leaders — people who inspire trust, listen with humility, and act in the spirit of service. Bill wrote in Concept IX: “Our leaders do not drive by mandate, they lead by example. In effect, we are saying to them, ‘Act for us, but don’t boss us.’” This captures unity: placing trust in leaders who serve, not govern. I invite us to reflect:

Unity

4 Do we select leaders based on their ability to serve the whole Fellowship, or out of convenience, preference, or “rotation”? What qualities matter most: experience, willingness to listen, humility, courage, and Gratitude? How do our choices affect unity now, and for those who will come after us? When we choose leaders with these qualities, we strengthen the unity of Alcoholics Anonymous for today and tomorrow. I believe the most valuable tool in maintaining unity is the group conscience. The A.A. group conscience supports unity because it is the process by which our Fellowship makes decisions together in a way that values every voice and keeps us focused on our common purpose. Here’s how it works to strengthen unity: Shared spiritual foundation: The group conscience is grounded in love and service, not personal power or control. This helps us remember that decisions are about what’s best for A.A. as a whole, not just for one person, group, district or area. Inclusive decision-making: Everyone has the right to be heard, from the most experienced member to the newcomer. When people feel their perspectives are considered, even if the final decision isn’t what they personally preferred, they are more likely to support it. Respect for minority opinion: A.A. practice calls for hearing the minority opinion before a vote is finalized. This reinforces the idea that differing perspectives can enrich the decision and ensures that unity is built on understanding, not just on numbers. Focus on the common welfare: The group conscience is guided by our First Tradition: “Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.” This tradition reminds us that unity is not uniformity, but a willingness to work together despite differences. Substantial unanimity: Important decisions often require more than a simple majority. By aiming for a stronger consensus, we seek decisions that most members can accept and support, which builds long-term unity. Spirit of trust: The process assumes good faith and charitable assumption; that others love A.A. as much as we do and want what’s best for the Fellowship. That mutual trust is the glue that holds our unity together. In short, the group conscience allows us to navigate differences in a way that honors our principles, respects each member, and strengthens the bonds that keep A.A. united in its primary purpose: to carry the message to the still-suffering alcoholic. My experience is that I regret not saying something during a group discussion far more than anything I have said. When I stay silent, I miss the chance to contribute to our collective wisdom. I might be holding back out of fear: fear of being wrong, fear of being misunderstood, or fear of going against the flow. But later, I’m left wondering if my perspective could have helped the group makes a more informed decision, or if my silence left an important truth unspoken.

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5 In Alcoholics Anonymous, we are taught that the group conscience works best when all voices are heard, including the quiet ones and the dissenting ones. I’ve learned that my responsibility is not just to listen, but to share honestly when it’s my turn. Even if my point isn’t adopted, my willingness to speak can encourage others to share, too. When I speak up respectfully, I may still feel a little uncomfortable, but that discomfort fades quickly, replaced by the knowledge that I did my part. When I remain silent out of fear or self-doubt, the regret lingers. Experience has taught me that unity is not served by silent agreement, but by open, honest, and loving participation. Bill W. wrote in A.A. Tradition How It Developed: “... our most challenging concern has become the future of Alcoholics Anonymous; how to preserve among us A.A.’s such a powerful unity that neither weakness of persons nor the strain and strife of these troubled times can harm our common cause. We know that Alcoholics Anonymous must continue to live. Else, save few exceptions, we and our brother alcoholics throughout the world will surely resume the hopeless journey to oblivion. Almost any A.A. can tell you what our group problems are. Fundamentally they have to do with our relations, one with the other, and with the world outside. They involve relations of the A.A. to his group, the relation of his group to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole, and the place of Alcoholics Anonymous in that troubled sea called modern society, where all of humankind must presently shipwreck or find haven. Terribly relevant is the problem of our basic structure and our attitude toward those ever-pressing questions of leadership, money, and authority.” I’d like to close with an experience from the 2022 General Service Conference that deeply shaped my understanding of unity. For context: in the late 1990s, the Conference approved the development of the 4th Edition of the Big Book, which took about five years to complete. During that process, the Conference reaffirmed that the first 164 pages would remain unchanged. In 2021, we approved the development of both a 5th Edition and a Plain Language version, once again stating clearly that the first 164 pages would remain intact. The impact of all the changes in 2021 on the Fellowship was intense and often divided. So late on Friday evening in 2022, as the Conference was drawing to a close, we considered the ninth and final proposed floor action – that we once again reaffirm that the first 164 pages would remain unchanged. What followed was over an hour of passionate discussion. Some felt the reaffirmation was unnecessary; we had just stated it in 2021. That was my initial view, and I voted “no.” Others spoke from a place of deep fear, worried the Big Book might be altered, even that “God would be taken out.” Some pointed out that if delegates had communicated more clearly, such fears wouldn’t persist. The conversation was heated at times, and emotions ran high. What I saw and heard was everything: fear, anger, heartbreak, but also kindness, love, and thoughtfulness. And in that space, I listened. I realized that while Nevada clearly understood only the stories were being updated, many other Areas were deeply afraid. For them, reaffirmation was not redundant. It was reassuring. It was safe. At that moment, I changed my vote.

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The floor action did not pass, but the experience remains one of the most profound examples of unity I have witnessed in A.A. For me, it was a chance to set aside my opinion, listen with an open heart, and let unity guide my decision. I often remember the wisdom passed to me as a new delegate: “Listen as if you have no opinion, speak your truth, vote your conscience, and trust the process.” Or, put another way: “Listen like you want them to change your mind.” I am deeply grateful, Jonelle, for the opportunity to reflect on this experience and to share with all of you today. Unity is not always easy, but it is always worth it.

Unity Group Feedback

Group 1: Unity in Our Primary Purpose and Common Welfare Facilitator: Rhonda W.

- How do I understand 'our common welfare,' and how do I help uphold it within Area 42?

Understanding "Our Common Welfare"

Rooted in the Traditions and Steps: Involves practicing honesty, open-mindedness, and willingness—key to building unity.

Putting the Group First: Prioritizing the needs of the fellowship over personal preferences or agendas.

Service Over Ego: Setting aside pride, listening to all members, and working respectfully with everyone.

Unity as a Function, Not a Goal: Unity supports our primary purpose—to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

- How You Help Uphold It in Area 42

Respecting Group Conscience: Supporting decisions made by the group, even if they differ from personal views.

Carrying the Message, Not the Mess: Sharing helpful experience instead of creating drama or division.

Living the Structure: Participating in service roles like GSR to ensure effective communication across the Area.

Courage and Presence: Staying involved, even when it's uncomfortable or challenging.

Action-Oriented Unity: Demonstrating unity through consistent, service-minded behavior.

- When I place personal preference before our collective purpose, what impact does that have on our unity?

It damages trust: When a trusted servant puts personal preference first, it becomes self-serving and erodes the group's trust in that person and the process.

It creates division: Personal agendas can lead to fragmentation, especially when they influence decisions like budgeting or policy. It shifts focus from what's best for AA to what's best for me.

It silences the group conscience: Trusted servants are messengers, not decision-makers. Ignoring a group's voice in favor of a personal view misrepresents the fellowship and undermines unity.

It discourages participation: If everyone prioritized their own opinion, there would be no structure or cohesion—just chaos. Someone said, "What if nobody did what we did?"—a reminder that unity requires service, sacrifice, and shared responsibility.

It blocks growth and understanding: Acting on "contempt prior to investigation" shuts down dialogue and learning. Unity asks us to stay curious and open-minded, even when our preferences don't align.

- In What Ways Do We Put Unity and Common Welfare Into Action—Not Just in Word, But in Deed?

Participation and Service

Unity is built by showing up, voting, serving, and engaging—especially when it includes listening to minority opinions and supporting group efforts, even when we personally disagree. Respecting Group Conscience. Following group decisions, even if we don't fully agree, shows trust in the process and commitment to AA as a whole. Financial Support. Contributing financially is one way to show support for AA's work. Members mentioned that our actions—even with money—can reflect our values. Being the Example. Taking initiative, organizing events, and supporting underserved communities are ways members build unity through action. One example was a collaborative effort across three districts to host inclusive workshops.

Carrying the Message

Everything we do to help the next alcoholic—whether through sponsorship or service—puts our common welfare into motion.

Leading by Example

People are more likely to get involved when they see others doing the work. Living by AA's principles encourages unity through action, not just words.

- What Moments in Area 42 Service Have Filled Me with Gratitude for Our Unity?

Building Relationships: Getting to know members from across Nevada helped people feel more connected to AA as a whole.

Being Heard: One person shared how meaningful it was when someone followed up with them after they spoke at the mic—just listening made a big impact.

Respect During Disagreement: Unity was often felt most during disagreements, when members stayed focused on what's best for AA rather than personal views.

Quiet, Personal Interactions: Moments like conversations with trusted members or listening to someone speak made a strong impression.

Travel and Outreach: Visiting remote locations with others helped build a sense of shared responsibility and inclusion.

Connection During Difficult Times: A member spoke about how a presentation at Area 42 helped them find support during a family crisis.

Openness to Growth: Members appreciated being in a space where it's okay to not have all the answers and to ask for help.

Presence Despite Hardship: One person, who had recently lost their spouse, chose to attend the assembly anyway—demonstrating quiet dedication to service.

Appreciating Others: Listening attentively and acknowledging others' contributions were shared as simple but meaningful ways to support unity.

Group 2: Understanding and Practicing Area Unity

Facilitator: Paul E.

- How do our Area practices and structures support unity—and where might they present obstacles?

Area practices like newsletters, conventions, workshops, and assemblies help support unity by keeping members informed and connected.

Sharing reports and minutes can improve transparency and help people feel more included. Local events hosted by districts and groups also build community and bring members together.

However, there are still obstacles. Language and geographic barriers make it harder for some members to fully participate. A lack of access or awareness about where to find important information, like meeting minutes, can lead to disconnection. Some suggestions included adding more videos and improving communication tools to make information easier to find and understand.

- How does having multiple sets of guidelines affect our shared sense of unity and direction?

Having multiple sets of guidelines can create confusion and a lack of cohesion between the Northern and Southern parts of Area 42. When different language or terminology is used in each section, it can feel like we are operating as separate entities rather than one unified Area. This can lead to misunderstandings and weaken our shared sense of direction.

A more streamlined, unified set of guidelines—with consistent language—would help create clarity, foster cohesiveness, and support the principle of unity. When we present ourselves as organized and aligned, we are more attractive and welcoming to newcomers and members alike. Disorganization or inconsistency can push people away and give the impression that we are not united.

- In my experience, how do unity and service support each other—or become separated?

Unity and service support each other when members show up with enthusiasm and a shared purpose. Enthusiastic, engaged members are attractive to others and help bring people together. That energy builds a sense of connection and shared responsibility.

However, unity and service can become separated when there are inconsistencies in how we operate—such as using different language or structures from other areas. While Area 42 is unique, being more aligned with broader AA practices can help us feel more connected and less isolated. When service is done without clear communication or shared direction, it can lead to confusion and disunity.

Staying focused on our purpose, using common language, and serving without bias helps keep unity and service working hand in hand.

Group 3: Creating Spiritually Safe and Inclusive Space

Facilitator: Terri M.

- Do I help create an environment where all members feel safe and respected to participate?

Many members shared experiences where meetings were disrupted by political arguments, intolerance of differing opinions, or inappropriate behavior. Some groups have responded by reading the AA Safety Card or adding statements to their preamble to clearly state that disruptive or unsafe behavior will not be tolerated. These efforts are meant to reinforce that AA is a safe space for everyone.

One example involved members misusing a group phone list to harass others, which led the group to stop using phone lists altogether. In more serious cases, outside authorities like police or mental health professionals have had to get involved.

Even in these situations, members emphasized the importance of addressing harmful behavior directly while still offering a path for inclusion—making it clear that if someone is willing to respect the group's boundaries, they are welcome. Creating safety and respect often requires clear boundaries, honest conversations, and a willingness to protect the group while remaining open to all.

- What does spiritual safety look like in Area meetings—and what helps foster it?

The group discussed that spiritual safety isn't limited to Area meetings, though Area meetings are generally seen as very welcoming. New attendees are often acknowledged, reassured that it's okay to feel uncomfortable, and encouraged to ask questions. This helps create a supportive and inclusive environment.

In other settings, spiritual safety can be more challenging. Some members are put off by frequent or rigid talk about God. While the Big Book encourages members not to shy away from spiritual discussions, it also emphasizes that each person is free to define a “God of their understanding.” Respecting that broad range of beliefs—and making space for all interpretations—is key to fostering spiritual safety. It comes down to creating an atmosphere of tolerance, where all members feel accepted regardless of their spiritual background or beliefs.

- How can I help ensure that newer or quieter voices are invited into our circle of unity?

Welcoming newcomers was emphasized as essential. Some meetings have greeters or acknowledge newcomers specifically—even those who don't self-identify—to make sure everyone feels included. It's important to create a space where new or quiet members feel seen and invited in.

Discussions often noted that meetings can sometimes be dominated by a small group of regular voices. To balance that, formats like ticket meetings or actively inviting newcomers to share can help include a wider range of voices. Identifying those who are new and engaging with them—especially those sitting alone or on the sidelines—can make a big difference.

Service is also a key way to involve newer members. Encouraging them to take on small roles or suggesting they might be a good fit for a position helps them feel valued and part of the group.

Some shared that long-time members can sometimes unintentionally make newcomers feel unwelcome. In a few cases, old-timers recognized this and made amends to the group, setting a strong example of humility and responsibility. Overall, consistent, intentional efforts to recognize, welcome, and include all members—especially the quieter ones—are what help expand and strengthen unity.

Group 4: Unity Through Leadership, Rotation, and Sponsorship Facilitator: Rich B.

- Do I seek guidance from those who have served before me, or do I rely solely on literature? How does this support unity?

The group agreed that both are essential. Literature provides a shared foundation and consistent guidance, while speaking with those who have served adds personal experience and real-life application. Together, they help us stay grounded and aligned.

Using the same literature keeps us on the same page, while guidance from experienced members helps us understand how to apply it in practice. This combination supports unity by helping us avoid personal interpretation or misuse of the literature. Trusted servants also help keep each other accountable, reinforcing consistency, clarity, and shared purpose.

- How does service sponsorship strengthen unity by preparing and supporting new trusted servants?

Service sponsorship helps new trusted servants feel supported and confident in their roles, rather than overwhelmed or uncertain. Without it, many shared that it can feel like you're just figuring things out as your term ends—you don't know what you don't know.

Having a service sponsor helps bridge that gap by offering guidance, sharing experience, and helping someone understand not just what to do, but how to do it effectively and in line with AA principles. Passionate sponsors also inspire enthusiasm for service, which helps carry that spirit forward. This shared understanding and encouragement strengthens unity by ensuring we're all working from the same foundation and supporting one another in our responsibilities.

- What does rotation mean to me spiritually, and how does it serve our collective good? Group

Rotation prevents one person from holding the same position indefinitely, allowing fresh voices and new perspectives to participate. If I don't rotate out, I deny others the opportunity to serve, which is important for their recovery as well. Spiritually, rotation helps us decenter ourselves—reminding us that ego must take a backseat because ego decentering opens the way for a higher power. Rotation supports unity

by encouraging humility and shared responsibility. Sometimes people stay longer because of challenges finding replacements, but overall rotation is vital for both personal growth and the health of the group.

5: Responsibility and the Right of Decision in Unity

Facilitator: Tracy D.

- How do I honor the Right of Decision while remaining connected and accountable to the group conscience?

We agreed that the Second Tradition reminds us the spiritual nature of AA keeps us connected and accountable. As trusted servants, especially GSRs, we are messengers of the group conscience, not acting on personal opinions. To honor this, we must stay connected with our groups—understanding their views and feelings—so we can accurately represent their voice.

Providing an informed group conscience is key. When the group is well-informed, decisions reflect the collective wisdom rather than just the GSR's judgment. If the group isn't informed, the responsibility falls more heavily on the GSR, which can be risky.

The trust the group places in us by electing us means we serve them by carrying their conscience faithfully. The idea of “decision” ties back to Step Three—seeking God's will or a higher guidance—not just personal will. Staying connected, informed, and accountable ensures that the right of decision truly reflects the group conscience.

- What does 'each individual's responsibility for the whole' mean in my Area service experience?

It means actively listening, staying involved, and being present in service. As we gain experience, our understanding of AA's message of hope deepens, and our perspective grows. With that growth comes a greater responsibility to serve the whole group, not just ourselves.

Each individual's actions and awareness contribute to the health and unity of the entire fellowship. • Am I showing up with a spirit of service—or expecting special treatment based on my role?

Is it ego based or we keeping ourselves right sized and titles are only words Services action

Group 6: Unity in Communication and Conduct

Facilitator: Lisa I.

- How do I approach my communication—with kindness, professionalism, and unity in mind?

The group emphasized the importance of sharing honestly while being mindful of frustration or anger that may arise. Attention to tone, words, and actions is crucial, as all contribute to how the message is received. Using kindness, professionalism, and a focus on unity helps create a safe and respectful environment. Being present, engaged, and empathetic—such as offering support or active listening—fosters connection. Leading by example encourages others to communicate respectfully, reinforcing how members treat one another within the group.

- Am I aware of how my tone or delivery affects unity in our service body?

The group recognized that coming across as harsh or indifferent can harm unity. Disagreeing with others, especially when done sarcastically or jokingly, can create discomfort and division rather than support. Service is about stepping outside oneself, so maintaining respectful and calm communication is important. Sometimes it's easy to forget how our tone, words, and body language impact others. Being calm and collected may not come naturally, but it's essential to work on it to foster a positive, unified environment.

- What can I do to help improve the tone, clarity, and spiritual intention of our communications in Area 42?

The group agreed it's important to create a safe space where people feel respected, especially during disagreements. When someone's tone is harsh or irritable, it helps to address it privately rather than in front of others to avoid embarrassment and defensiveness. Considering others' perspectives and trying to see things through their eyes fosters understanding. A helpful guideline shared was: say what you mean, mean what you say, but don't say it mean. Kindness is key.

Acknowledging people's efforts before offering constructive feedback makes them more receptive. Criticism should be given gently, explaining what can be improved and why, in a respectful way. Public reprimands should be avoided. Also, asking whether communication is kind, true, and necessary can help maintain a positive and charitable tone. These practices support clearer, more compassionate, and spiritually aligned communication in Area 42.

Group 7: Spiritual Principles When Unity Is Challenged

Facilitator: Shaun F.

- When disagreements arise, how do I apply spiritual principles to help preserve unity?

When disagreements arise, applying spiritual principles means responding with honesty and compassion rather than reacting impulsively. It involves practicing love and tolerance, remembering to stick to our primary purpose. Recognizing that different views aren't necessarily right or wrong helps maintain respect. A key approach is to seek to understand others rather than focusing on being understood, which requires humility and helps preserve unity even when conflicts occur.

- How do pride, fear, or resentment show up in our Area—and how can we return to spiritual connection?

Pride, fear, and resentment show up in Area 42 when people speak from positions that don't reflect their personal experience, especially on sensitive issues affecting minority groups. Sometimes pride makes people assume they understand others' perspectives without truly listening. Returning to spiritual connection means listening with an open heart, valuing minority opinions, and being willing to change one's view when presented with new understanding. Moments like seeing minority opinions impact group decisions remind us of the importance of humility and respect, fostering gratitude and deeper unity despite differences.

- What actions help restore brotherhood, harmony, and love when unity is strained?

Willingness to listen and understand, encouraging honest sharing, validating others, remembering the common bond as survivors, humility to see and hear each other deeply.

Group 8: Digging Deep in Unity (Districts 21 & 22)

Facilitator(s): Dina M./ Lizette G.

- What does 'Area Unity' mean to me personally? Do I feel I understand it clearly?

Being present, actively participating in all issues, and learning from the experiences of others.

- Where do I see us succeeding or struggling in how we conduct the business of A.A. at the Area level?

So where we see where we see us succeeding is in the opportunity that we still have to to reunite here in the assembly so we can keep learning where we see us struggling is difficulty and and everything that that has that has to do with money and the distribution that we feel could be sometimes incorrect and that that provokes that that the message doesn't doesn't get to the alcoholic that's still suffering

- How can we continue to grow in this arena?

We can continue to grow by committing to ongoing learning, reflecting on and learning from our mistakes, and being present at every assembly and meeting.

- Which Tradition or Concept helps me stay spiritually aligned in service? How and why?

The Seventh Tradition helps stay spiritually aligned in service because it fosters a spiritual mindset through self-support and responsibility. The Fourth Concept supports this alignment by encouraging participation and ensuring a voice at the decision-making table, promoting inclusive service.

Group 9: Unity Through Traditions and Concepts

Facilitator: DaNella K.

- How do we apply Tradition One and Concept IX to foster unity in leadership and participation?

We apply Tradition One and Concept IX by recognizing that unity and leadership come through shared service, open-mindedness, and willingness to teach and learn. Great leadership means committing to the common welfare, respecting different views, and valuing collective wisdom over individual will. By working together, setting an example for newcomers, and remembering we cannot recover alone, we foster a spirit of unity that keeps AA a safe place to learn and grow.

- What does it mean for a loving God to express Himself through our informed group conscience—and how do I support that?

A loving God expresses Himself through our informed group conscience when we set aside ego, listen with humility, and allow collective wisdom—including minority voices—to guide our decisions. We support this by being willing to listen, staying open to intuition, and remembering our role is to serve others, not control outcomes. In doing so, we trust that God works through the group to provide guidance greater than our own.

- How do I practice and encourage spiritual leadership rather than authority-based leadership?

We practice spiritual leadership by staying humble open-minded and focusing on sharing experience rather than giving directives or debating opinions encouraging others through love service and action especially for newcomers keeps the focus on unity and growth instead of authority by replacing Pride with humility and leading through example we help create an environment where everyone's voice and spiritual journey can be respected

*Group 10: Financial and Structural Unity (Virtual)

Facilitator: Joan R.

- How does the spiritual principle of self-support go beyond financial contributions in Area service?

Self-support goes beyond financial contributions by being present—attending meetings, assemblies, and showing up for service commitments. It includes volunteering for committees, helping organize workshops, and combining personal recovery with group unity. It's about taking responsibility, having difficult conversations, asking questions, and actively participating. True self-support means doing the work, not just funding it—recognizing that it takes a collective effort to keep AA functioning.

- How do we connect our financial health to our spiritual health as an Area?

We connect our financial health to our spiritual health by practicing the Traditions—especially the Seventh—through gratitude, transparency, and participation. When we are spiritually well, we naturally want to give back, including financially. A key point raised was that many groups may not understand the Area's financial situation, and it's our responsibility to communicate that clearly and often. Sharing what the Area actually does builds trust and helps groups see the value in contributing. It's also important to adjust how group contributions are structured—some groups still allocate funds based on older models that don't account for combined Northern and Southern Area needs.

Spiritual health in service includes humility and a willingness to live within our means, even as we strive to carry the message. Suggestions like hosting virtual assemblies to reduce costs and better informing groups of their unused travel funds highlight the need for creativity and accountability. Ultimately, improving our financial health starts with better communication, spiritual intention, and mutual responsibility.

- Do multiple structures or sets of financial/service guidelines strengthen or weaken unity? In what ways?

Having multiple sets of financial or service guidelines can present challenges to unity, but the process of integrating them—like combining SAGSC, NAGSC, and Area 42 practices—has been a valuable learning experience. While it may cause some confusion or questions at first (such as how GSRs are funded), it ultimately strengthens unity by moving toward consistency and shared understanding. The key is ongoing education, open discussion, and willingness to grow together rather than revert to older, separate structures.

Group 11: Unity Through Inclusion and Accessibility

Facilitator: Jacob S.

- How do language, geography, and digital tools either support or challenge unity? In what ways?

Language, geography, and digital tools all significantly impact unity in Area 42. The geographic size of the Area presents major challenges, especially for remote communities—including institutions—where access is limited. North/South dynamics were acknowledged but seen as something not to let hinder our commitment to unity and service.

Language access and interpretation were identified as key supports for inclusion and connection. Technology, particularly Zoom, has been both a help and a challenge—helpful for bridging distance but sometimes limiting deeper, in-person connections and potentially fostering isolation.

Overall, solutions like consistent communication, translation services, and being willing to say "yes" to needs wherever they arise are crucial to overcoming these barriers and supporting unity.

- What efforts have I seen that promote inclusion—and where could we do more?

Efforts that promote inclusion include regular discussions on accessibility within meetings—such as how to accommodate different physical or language-related needs—and emphasizing inclusive, respectful language that doesn't alienate anyone. Inclusion isn't just about translation, but also how we communicate overall.

More could be done by rethinking roles like greeters to ensure newcomers feel genuinely welcomed. Since everyone enters meetings with their own insecurities—especially newcomers—being intentional about first impressions and creating a safe, welcoming space is essential to helping people stay connected and come back.

- How can I help simplify and explain service in ways that invite more people into our circle?

Helping simplify and explain service can start with making roles more approachable and less mysterious. One group shared a successful idea called “Third Legacy Chairs” where each service position was explained simply on a 3x5 card. These were shared at meetings or upon request, making it easier for members to understand what each role involves.

Others suggested using AA announcements to highlight open service positions and encourage questions. Instead of overwhelming newcomers with complex agendas or structures, we can keep it simple—emphasizing that getting started just means showing up, taking notes, and reporting back.

Tying service to the Third Step—doing God's work and trusting we'll be taken care of—was seen as spiritually grounding. Sharing the enthusiasm and impact of service helps make it more inviting. Finally, it's important to remind groups that every group should have a voice, and part of that means helping members see themselves as capable of stepping into those roles.

Group 12: Unity Through Practicing the Steps in Service:

Facilitator: Debbie O.

- How do I apply the spiritual principles of the Steps to my Area service?

Honesty, open-mindedness, and willingness were identified as the foundational spiritual principles that guide all others in Area service.

Honesty means being transparent and accepting; open-mindedness involves being receptive to different perspectives; and willingness is about showing up, participating, and staying engaged. Together, these principles foster acceptance, connection, and unity within the service structure.

- When I am wrong in service, how do I promptly admit it—and how does that support unity?

Admitting when we're wrong in service supports unity by practicing integrity, humility, and accountability. The group shared that checking in with others—like DCMs or experienced GSRs—helps gain clarity when unsure. Feeling discomfort can be a sign to pause, reflect, and seek feedback. This process fosters trust, encourages spiritual growth, and keeps personal ego from disrupting the group's harmony.

- How does practicing Steps Ten, Eleven, and Twelve help keep me grounded in humility and useful to the group?

Steps Ten, Eleven, and Twelve help keep us grounded in humility and useful to the group by reinforcing ongoing self-reflection, spiritual connection, and service. The group agreed these steps bind us together—they're shared by all of us, regardless of where we are in recovery. They remind us to show up—physically, mentally, and spiritually—and to practice these principles in all areas of life, not just in AA.

Through consistent practice, these steps keep us humble, connected, and available to help others, which strengthens unity within the fellowship.

Area Conference Committee Invitation from Alt Delegate

Does anybody here have never heard of an Area Conference Committee? And please don't be shy, because I want to know who I'm talking to. Okay, great—thank you!

So, in the spring, the main reason for what we do as an Area is not only to support 12-step work in Area 42, but also to prepare and send our Delegate to the General Service Conference. Just like you represent your group, our Delegate represents Area 42 at the conference, which is held in New York in the spring.

At that conference, there are agenda items. The Area Conference Committee is divided into 13 committees. Each Area Delegate is assigned to one of these committees—just like our Delegate. Every Delegate, from every Area, is assigned to a committee.

Let me tell you what these committees are:

Agenda

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)

Corrections

Finance

Grapevine

Literature

Policy and Admissions

Public Information

Report and Charter

Treatment and Accessibility

Trustees

Archives

International Conventions and Regional Forums

Now, some of those probably sound familiar—because we have some of those committees here at the Area level too.

Each of those committees—at the Area, District, or Group level—can submit a letter to the General Service Office (GSO). You might say, “Hey, we thought of this idea. Maybe if we did this in PI, it might make service work better,” or “Hey, maybe if we had a plain-language Big Book, it might make 12-step work easier.”

Anyone can submit a letter. These letters are considered, and many turn into agenda items. This is where the fun begins. That "March Madness" that Lyle mentioned? Around mid-February or early March, all the General Service Conference committees submit their final list of agenda items for discussion. There are a lot—last spring, I think there were around 119! In the past, we used to pick just 7, 12, or 15 of those items to discuss at the Area level. But that meant we weren't giving our Delegate a comprehensive understanding of how Area 42 felt about the full agenda. So, the brilliant folks in our Area created these Area Conference Committees to mirror what happens at the General Service Conference. These committees break us into smaller working groups, each focused on one of the 13 topics. The reason I'm telling you all of this is because I want to invite you to participate in helping prepare our Delegate to be fully informed. And by doing so, you also help your group by coming back informed and able to lead discussions on these important items. As GSRs, you want to be able to answer: "What do I need to know?" "How does my group feel about these agenda items?" "How do I bring our voice to the Area?" Long story short—or maybe short story long—there is a Google Form created for you to sign up. I'll ask that it be put in the Pumble app, sent out by email, and there's also a QR code available. There are many ways to access it. This is your opportunity to volunteer. I do have a list from last spring that I'll continue to use. But even if you're not sure whether you signed up—or you're brand new—please join us anyway. We'll assign you to a committee and get you involved. Let's prepare to serve:

- Our Area
- Our groups
- And our members

I've got one minute left—does anyone have a question? Did I cover everything pretty well? We need your help. Many hands make for light work. And it's actually fun. It sounds dry—but it's fun, huh, Heather? Yes, it really is fun. And the cool thing is that every two years, we rotate. If you stick around in service, you rotate to a new Area Conference Committee. So if you've been here long enough, you've probably served on a few. And honestly—"Report and Charter"? How fun does that sound? But it's actually really interesting! There are some very cool things that happen in Report and Charter—but you wouldn't know that just by hearing the name. So: join us. We have a lot of fun in service.

Sunday, September 7, 2025

Revised Budget

50,000 expected group contributions for 2026, if we get more, we can spend more. Please take the information regarding contributions back to your groups.

- Line 26 corrections from 300 to 200
- Line 27 CPC I from 2700 to 350
- Line 28 PI from ?? to 1850
- Line 29 ARC from ??? to 400
- Line 30 from ??? to 200
- Line 31 La vina from ??? to 200
- Line 32 grapevine from ??? to 500
- Line 34 GSR Trainer from ??? to 800
- Line 35 DCM Trainer from ??? to 400
- Assembly package - no changes
- Line 53 Area Officer & Appt Positions from ??? to 6000 (travel) we need to double up on rooms and ride together.
- Line 54 NAGSC/SAGSC Officers from ??? to 1000
- Line 55 standing chairs from ??? to 3230
- Line 56 DCMs from ??? to 0 (zero)
- Line 57 finance committee from ??? to 600
- Line 58 GV La Vina display from ??? to 700
- Line 59 GSRs from ??? to 3000 (50 per person)
- Line 60 translators from ??? to 3500
- Line 65 area officers from ??? to 3000
- Line 66 NAGSC/SAGCS officers from ??? to 0 (zero)
- Line 67 standing chairs from ??? to 0 (zero)
- Line 71 Archivist travel from ??? to 150
- Line 74 Archives storage from ??? to 2000
- Line 75 GSConference Contribution from 4400 to 2200 (bare minimum that we can lower it to)

Leaving us 176.00 positive

Revised Budget Q&A

The archive storage is a rental place with a lease so I'm not sure we can only pay \$2,000

It is 200 off, we will be in the red 2400

Should we make the amounts even across the committees? It isn't balanced.

CPC and PI to have a similar dollar amount

Line 16, the total income was 61K, today the projected income is 73k, how did it increase?

Added 12k from stagnant amount, we collect it at assembly

Did you look at past spending for CPC - for the last few years very little has been spent on travel with the majority being spent on resources to reach out

No response

Group contributions are 50k, but GSR travel is 3000 (50 per person) the decisions made at AA are from GSRs/groups, but less than 10% of the budget goes to funding them to come and have their voice heard. I will tell my group to keep the money with the GSR so that we can afford to come to assembly. We need to reconsider, it is the most difficult position to fill.

We are not here to fund GSRs, we are here to help, and the most we can afford is \$50.00

Since the budget wasn't approved yesterday, the majority requested that we return with a version showing a positive balance. If contributions increase, we can revisit and adjust the budget accordingly. With that in mind, I'd like to ask the Chair—and, if needed, the Area officers—to support GSRs in carrying this message back to their groups. We understand this might be uncomfortable or unclear for some, so we'd like to offer help in the form of a brief letter that GSRs can share with their groups. Ideally, this message should go through each group's GSR first before being sent out more broadly. We're not making cuts because we want to limit participation—we're doing so in response to what was asked of us. Our goal is to help support the Area and its members as best we can.

Minority Opinion

Balance CPC and PI

We always approve a budget in deficit. This is a dramatic overcorrection.

Applaud the committee for coming up with the new budget, but this was rushed.

This was rushed; the intention was to bring a balanced budget. We did not have enough time to approve. I am offended. There is no reason PI should have more money.

The problem with finances in AA is that it does not bring God into it. We have never passed the basket on the assembly floor.

When we asked for a balanced budget yesterday, we did not mean that any budget that you give us will be accepted. Produce a balanced budget and give us something to discuss.

I am going to tell my group that the area has problems. We need to resolve these problems together.

Balancing the budget in one year is burdensome, consider making changes over 3 or 5 year plan.

Trustee Explanation and Third Legacy Voting

The AAWS Board consists of 21 Trustees. Most of the time, there are 21—though that's a topic for another time. Seven of the trustees are nonalcoholic Class A Trustees (friends). There are 14 alcoholic Class B Trustees (drinkers). The Class B Trustees are divided into three categories, which exist to assist the board. Their specific duties and responsibilities vary slightly. The goal of all three categories is to ensure the board has access to a wide range of perspectives.

There are 4 General Service Trustees, 2 General Trustees (one from Canada and one from the U.S.), and 8 Regional Trustees (6 from the U.S. and 2 from Canada). The 8 Regional Trustee regions are: Eastern and Western Canada, Northeast, Southeast, Southwest, West Central, East Central, and our region—the largest in the history of the universe—the Pacific Region.

These trustees are selected based on their service experience and familiarity with AA principles. Although it is not said that any trustee “represents” a geographic area, all trustees represent only the Fellowship as a whole. Regional Trustees bring a regional AA perspective to board discussions, and that experience is invaluable to us.

An AA Regional Trustee has many duties and responsibilities to the Fellowship, including quarterly board meetings held in New York, each lasting three to five days, plus travel time; the annual one-week Conference in New York, usually held in April; regular communication as needed throughout the year with board colleagues, Fellowship members, and GSO staff; participation in other matters that require attention between scheduled meetings; and most importantly, attending Regional Forums and local AA events when requested.

In addition to these duties, Regional Trustees serve on the board of AAWS, Inc. or AA Grapevine, Inc. for two years, typically during their second and third years of trustee service. In other words, serving as a Regional Trustee requires a great deal of time and effort, and any candidate considering running for Regional Trustee should carefully consider their available time and ability to commit to this service.

The AA Third Legacy Procedure is a special type of election process, used mainly for the selection of delegates and regional and general trustees. It is considered unique to AA and, at first glance, may appear to introduce a strong element of chance into a matter that should depend solely on the judgment of the majority. However, in practice, it has proven highly effective in eliminating the influence of factions or parties that tend to thrive in most political environments. Forcing a candidate into election is difficult—if not impossible—since voters have a wide selection of candidates. More importantly, a candidate who finishes second—even if highly qualified but without strong initial popular support—is encouraged to remain in the election rather than withdraw.

What's On your mind

we have a meeting for the gsr's before next ex area whatever meetings we have. It always says the word orientation so there's a lot of gsr's that think well I've been a GSR for 6 months I don't need to go to that it's not an orientation this is I don't know if this needs a motion or if it's just something changes in the in the agenda so we have a meeting for the gsr's before next ex area whatever meetings we have and it always says the word orientation. Hence, there's a lot of gsr's that think well I've been a GSR for 6 months I don't need to go to that it's not an orientation can we please change that word.

What is the approximate loss of funds due to the post office box fire? \$4500

New people are confused because people that have been around tell them it will all work out. Show us, explain to us how, then maybe we would be willing to approve.

PO Box was burned. No funds were actually cashed, the groups can rewrite

Carol made a motion to include in the funding that all who submit budgets stay within their approved amounts and not seek funding from any of the groups or other area entities

Discussion

Just area funded members are asked not to go to

Committee chairs should not be stopped from doing their work, I disagree.

Green can was passed for CPC/ PI funds. Individuals, groups and districts have contributed funds for my committee. There is nothing in the current guidelines.

This was southern area. When they did collect money they gave the money to the area, who then gave it to the committee.

Not talking about GSRs and DCMs, this is about funded committees.

Area Committees were funded half by area and have by central office. When areas split from central office, the area took the committees.

Ad hoc committee is looking at the area guidelines. This may be separate from the finance committees guidelines, which are in the area guidelines, but are separate. Could it be healed?

He's very good recovered alcoholic and currently service the GSR trainer and an exit cup in the north and I appreciate you all being here I want to touch base on what day said about the orientation or you know whatever word we're putting on it whoever wants to come will probably learn something in our GSR orientation. okay whoever is in the room would want to come there that's what we're doing there is we can go there to educate whoever's in there so we we appreciate it the other thing I'd like to touch base and another thing that I'd like to touch base on is as you drive home today and you're taking a some of these things didn't really go my way I'd like to think that we'd take a look at tradition to where there's a group concerts working in here and if you're not sure why we don't do just do a 50/50 or 518 on the same page on on passing one issue or the other so that's why we use the 2/3 and that tradition too was certainly alive and well at the assembly in 42 this weekend and I appreciate you all thank you

Anyways I'm a GSR from Silver Springs and this will be my last tonopod assembly as GSR I served four years and I just wanted to say that to any new gsr's here welcome here in for a life-changing experience it has been for me I am so overwhelmed with gratitude for those of you who kept me from walking out of my First Assembly thank you I was I was literally on my way out like I don't belong here and he handed me toilet paper we put this in the women's room for me and Jake Jake helped me out here because like at the end of my two years I was like oh there's nobody else you know I don't want to go over my two years I don't know what to do and he's like oh how many years did you do in a row so anyways there's there's recommendations here there's no real rules and I think I'm just overwhelmed by this particular assembly and the unity that I learned about like like a shipwreck the camaraderie that we all have and I don't agree with 100% but I'm really grateful for the 2% that I didn't agree with because I could take that to my group and and spread the word and look forward to many more years of service and Adventures and I don't know what's coming up next but just wanted to thank you all thank you Before this weekend I had a suggestion for the body to do an area 42 challenge to ask all members to donate in increments of \$4.20 or \$42 and I think it would be helpful to coincide with the new address that we can promote both and help the area with money and help the area with Is there in Reno at Washoe County Jail is there a group of people that take a meeting in there yeah yeah and who and who do I contact Paul you answering she said they said Rhonda

okay okay thank Paul you answering she said they said Rhonda and Intergroup

I want to say thank you to the members who will show up today to this assembly I going to talk with Lavinia committee this is something that is overwhelming when when some of these members saw the budget what we have for Lavinia for next year it's only 200 bucks \$100 for the North 100 for the South and some of you guys came to Vladimir and start giving him contributions for La biña he raise it up \$140 right now from you guys that is gratitude and action thank you so much

I would really like to see charts and graphs I'm not real smart with numbers so for those of you I want to see some Trends I want to see some history like money coming in money going out like over and and so that's one thing and then I was on the website to go look in the history and I failed to find a lot of information so if could do that going forward for the last 10 years that would be helpful.

In the minutes there was a motion seconded, what was the answer, we already approved the minutes.

Pink can funds are higher than NNIG funds. I'm going to tell my group to change the allocations.

Ask It Basket

The past elegant panel 69 what are the steps needed or processed to propose an agenda item and get it to an assembly so I'm assuming you mean agenda item for the conference in New York if you want to put in agenda item on the assembly agenda you just call John L. she'll handle all that if you want to get an agenda item for the conference you right and a proposal what it is that you want let's say you want to change the preamble so you write a proposal to change the preamble in my opinion it's better if you take it to your group and have your group say you know so it's coming from a group and not just an individual person can even take it to your district and get your District to sign off on it you could even bring it to the area and get the area to sign off on it then you send it to the trustees committee New York you send it to the to them they will review it and they decide if it goes on to the upcoming agenda or not so some things like I don't know we

want to renumber the pages of the big book like that stuff doesn't normally go to an agenda item right and then there are things like housekeeping like if the is spelled wrong that doesn't make it to an agenda item they just changed the word to the right spelling so I hope that answered your question should the finance committee resign for presenting and in your accurate and misleading budget proposal first of all let me say you thank you very much for the question I certainly understand some of your frustration effort finance committee in AA is a special little group it's tough I loved what Teresa said about the fact that we are not weird this is not our business this is our volunteer we come here we don't have an expertise and what they did was they did a budget the way we've done for years and then we had great discussion we had a minority we had a vote we had an approval we had a minority opinion we had a change and this group our body said no so I don't think the finance committee did anything wrong and then what they did is they went back and took their lunch hour and spent hours and minutes and days well maybe not days cutting it and came back with something else are any of us happy about where we stand financially right now probably not so I say thank you for honoring the group conscience and coming back with something and I would fully ask that we do not ask them to resign can around for the area like we do for the pink can that's the question so my answer is we can do whatever we want we can do whatever we want to do the group conscience right but in my experience what we have is the group conscience and the group conscience rules right so the pink can that I'm aware of is an H for h&i in the South hospitals and institution committee that separate from the area that does a lot of amazing work taking meetings in the hospitals institutions so with a new address and what like Dano suggestion of hey Let's do \$4.20 let's see if we can get people to contribute \$4.20 to get you know funding for our committees you know things like that so you know my my experiences if this is an area committees the money should come to the area and that's how it should come out and if we wanted to do a pink can or something else then we could bring that up can non-voting members speak during minority opinion and similar to what Jake said that really depends on what your local area is consciences and procedure I'm not sure if that's something that's defined or not and if it's not maybe some clarity could be helpful in our experience I know that in on my area where I'm from in Connecticut there's a little cheat sheet like a two-pager of business procedures and it sort of defines some of those things and I also know that on an ongoing basis that gets reviewed and people tend to see where there's ambiguities or things that aren't clarified so sometimes adjustments get made so I realize that was a non answer is you and if you look at some of our literature it might strike you that there might be one answer that's more persuasive than the other however people can come out different ways on some of the same principles so I think that's more of the local autonomy What was the hardest role in general service that you had and why was it so difficult and well I think One of those roles where I could do a lot of work or I could do a little bit of work depending on my motivation and it was the type of service position where the work could potentially be Limitless if I wanted it to be and it was challenging walking into a group sometimes trying to get a new GSR and giving an announcement in a pitch for general service and somebody sitting in there with their arms crossed and they don't want to hear it but what I found is sometimes the person challenging because it's not my background I know that others have a account getting to learn new skills and do things that make me uncomfortable and instead of refusing to do something that was outside of my comfort zone I did it and got to learn new things Could we please have a Spanish speaker at one of the next year's assembly it can be translated for all to hear the speaker's message that's a great idea and we don't know what John L has planned for next year so I would speak to Janelle if you have a good speaker that you would like to recommend I would speak to Jonelle. My group is working out percentage contributions if area 42 is not funded what disappears thank you for the question I'm not sure I fully understand I guess if you don't fund us so if you don't fund area 42 that would mean that we would not have an opportunity for your group's voice and so as a group there's for me what I discovered when I got involved with General services that I have a responsibility as a member of Alcoholics Anonymous anonymous to be involved and share my group's voice so that our delegate can go to the conference and speak for us and listen for us and participate for us so if we don't fund area 42 if we stop all funding I don't I hope I'm answering the question correctly I apologize if I'm not but if we don't have any funding for area the service committees they could be picked up by groups I guess so there might be districts but I think the most important thing is your voice you will lose your voice so thanks for the question what is the best advice you could give a new general service sponsor thank you for the question and the best advice the best advice I could give for new general services for a new service sponsor I would say be a friend and probably if you're a service sponsor you'll probably be a service sponsor like you are a recovery sponsor and they're not all the same right some sponsors make you give them your checkbook and tell you what to wear and do all those things and some don't right for me I try to be a good friend and I say whatever questions you have asked me right and if you want to go if you want to do something

What that says is shouldn't there be representation from our Hispanic Community for the finance committee as a standard procedure what do you think that's a question I'd say that's a question for the body and it's a yeah that's a good question I'm not saying yes or no but I think it's it is up to the body it does make sense to me and well there's a Rhonda's got a point they need just a member of the Hispanic Community needs to stand for a position with support of a translator if that's necessary.

Area Officer Reports

Delegate Lyle

1 Hello, everyone! Slide 1: Lyle, alcoholic, and I'm deeply honored and excited to serve Area 42 as the Panel 75 Delegate! I've been asked to serve as a member of the Conference Committee on Trustees and a secondary committee, the Conference Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums. • This is how the podium looks for the 75th Conference. Slide 2: Here we are heading to GSO for the Friday meeting and GSO tour with Matthew P74 07 (Cal Northern Interior) delegate and his wife Vicky, P66 07 delegate; Julie, P71 A42 delegate; and Mike, P75 A69 (Utah) delegate. Riding the subway with Scott H., General Service Board chair, who took the picture. Slide 3: • After the tour, we went to Matthew's and my favorite place to eat, Katz's Deli on the Lower East Side, a place I had lived long ago. • Also, here are some gifts from our past Delegates to keep me going. Thank you very much—I needed them. Slide 4: • This is the Calvary Episcopal Church, where Bill went to meetings with the Oxford Group with Ebby and Sam Shoemaker. • The Clinton St. house where Bill and Lois lived in the early days. • Towns Hospital, where Bill met Dr. Silkworth and had his spiritual experience. Slide 5: • Visiting Time square • Doing the history tour, • and me freaking out on day one. Slide 6: Arriving: • They restored the meet and greet on Saturday night before the Conference which was held at the Hilton in Midtown • Another gift from a thoughtful friend Slide 7: • The make-up of the 75th

Conference • The voting members of your Conference Slide 8: Delegate statistics. 2 Slide 9: Roll Call, very exciting Slide 10: Changes to the Conference, Slide 11: • The first order of business, How the Conference Operates, was sent out right before the Conference. One change was that floor actions would need to be at the discretion of the co- chairs and not in the opening session. A letter from some delegates requested HTCOs be changed back to the version we have in the Service Manual. Seventy-six delegates signed the letter and sent it to the Trustees Conference Committee. The floor action part was changed. However, not all the delegates were included in the letter and were not happy about not having a voice in that process. • The committee was trying to avoid getting bogged down and working into the middle of the night when the best decisions are not made. Delegates were concerned about losing their voice. After everything was said, we used HTCOs from the Service Manual. It passed with substantial unanimity on Wednesday. Slide 12: Displays at 75th GSC. Some of the Literature tables Slide 13: 75 th General Service Conference Takes its Inventory Slide 14: Conference Inventory • Trusted servant leadership rather than governance maintains focus on spiritual principles. Communication Problems: • Slow, inconsistent, and insufficient communication between the Board, GSO, Delegates, and Groups. • Delayed delivery of background information makes meaningful feedback from groups difficult. • Not enough explanation behind decisions, causing distrust. • Use of overly technical or confusing language Participation Challenges: • Low participation at Area assemblies and in the General Service structure overall. • Disconnected groups and uninformed members weaken the process. • Many groups lack GSRs, leading to gaps in representation. Authority Imbalance: • Concerns that the Trustees and Board control too much of what reaches the Conference. • Some feel floor actions and PAIs (Proposed Agenda Items) are filtered or mishandled. 3 There will be a report with suggestions on the inventory. There is a committee made up like the conference to look at the inventory. Slide 15: 75 th General Service Conference. PACIFIC REGION DELEGATES Slide 16: This is the Financial Report Slide 17: Financial Presentation • After dinner, the financial auditing firm we hired presented their audit report. A full version will be included in the 75th Final Conference Report, mid to end of September. • They rated us as having “a good measure of financial health.” • They reported that management and travel costs for 2024 decreased by \$1.2 million compared to the previous year. The auditors noted that management had listened to and acted upon last year’s audit recommendations, taking responsibility for the stability of our financial position. • Key points: o Strong management o Good financial metrics in the financial statements o No finances were transferred inappropriately between the corporations — all transfers followed stated policy Slide 18: • 7 th tradition up 3.8 % • Operating up 6.9% • Cost of program services per member: \$6.48 a year Slide 19: Expenses were better than budget by \$116,000 Slide 20: Here is the 2025 GSO Budget Slide 21: Here is the 2024 Grapevine Financials • Subscriptions are up 25% for Online Grapevine, 3% for print and 17% increase in circulation for La Viña • I like the app! Slide 22: Here is the 2025 Grapevine Budget. 4 Slide 23: Seventh Tradition - Your self-Support Slide 24: Group contributions. Please notice the small dollar amounts - they rock. Slide 25: Statistics Slide 26: Reserve fund at 6.40 months, not the 9 to 12 month goal. Slide 27: Pictures from trip to GSO Slide 28: Literature at GSO Slide 29: • These are some of what GSO does for us. • Serenity prayer in different languages Slide 30: • GSO: Grant’s tomb in the background, out of Bob’s office. GSO building • This is a non-profit building • The retrofit is now budgeted at \$2.1 million and has begun. The office will be closed from Aug 11 th through the end of the retrofit. • We had a long discussion and decided not to stop since we were already too far into the process. Slide 31: GSO: Your PRDs (Pacific Region Delegates) Slide 32: PRDs 2 working lunches 1. Pacific Regional Forum 2028: ü Area 09- Mid Southern California (Orange Co) 2. Trustee-at-Large Election by Region: (third legacy procedure) ü 14 Area Candidates from the 15 Areas ü Goes to the Hat: Roxanne R. and Jennifer B. ü Jennifer B. (Area 06) - Pacific Region Trustee At Large Candidate 3. During the election... ü Jennifer B. from the Pacific Region came out of the hat 5 Slide 33: Voting at the Conference Slide 34: Conference Actions 1. Advisory Actions: Recommendations that are passed 2. Suggestions: Recommendations that reach a majority, but not substantial unanimity 3. Committee Considerations: Discussions without a recommendation Slide 35: Committee room Slide 36: Area 42 Roundtables • Harmony & Effectiveness did not come out of committee • Updating Living Sober passed Slide 37: SAGSC Roundtables 1. Policy & Admissions • The committee considered a request that a super majority of voting members be required to change or amend Founder’s Literature and took no action. Super Majority here means a ¾ approval vote at the conference to become an Advisory Action. The committee expressed the importance of this topic but also noted that developing a policy on possible voting requirements and procedures may be preemptive prior to defining what would be categorized as co-founders’ writings 2. Report and Charter • The committee discussed the requests for a revision to Article Three of the Conference Charter in relation to changes to the co-founder’s writings and took no action. The committee noted that further clarification was needed on the definition of co-founder’s writings prior to considering changes in policy or to the Conference Charter. CURRENT CONFERENCE CHARTER Purpose: The General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous is the guardian of world services and of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. The Conference shall be a service body only, never a government for Alcoholics Anonymous. • The Report & Charter committee recommended to the conference that the General Service Board classify all AAWS and AA Grapevine literature written prior to 1971 as Recovery, Service, or Archival/Historical; review existing policies and consider proposing additional policies as appropriate for updating each classification, and that a progress report be provided to the 2026 General Service Conference. 6 • To provide clarity on the nuances between similar PAIs on potential changes that were forwarded about the co-founder’s writings to the Report and Charter and the Policy/Admissions committees, both committees met briefly during their Tuesday committee times to clarify discussion of these agenda items and mitigate the risk of overlap or contradiction. • For historical context: From the Conference Charter, 1955: “But no change in the A.A. Tradition itself may be made with less than the written consent of two-thirds of all the A.A. groups.” • Updated by the 1969 Conference to include the words: “the Twelve Steps” and by the 2021 Conference to include the words “and the Twelve Concepts.” Slide 38: NAGSC Roundtables. • Discuss PLBB process: The committee recommended that proposals to rescind or revise the Plain • Language Big Book be collected and deferred until the 77th General Service Conference to allow for a wider Fellowship experience. Slide 39: The following slides will be available on the website. • Agenda Item A The committee recommended the 2026 GSC theme “Humility in Action” Slide 40: Committee Considerations. Slide 41: CPC advisory actions and recommendations Slide 42: CPC and Corrections. Committee Considerations • They took no action regarding professionals and neurodivergent members Slide 43: Finance Advisory actions and recommendations: • Item A1. A group may also decline to hear from a GSR at all and will be removed. Slide 44: Finance Committee Considerations. Slide 45: Grapevine and La Viña Advisory actions and recommendations: Slide 46:

7 Literature • An update on the development of the Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous. • The committee had a thoughtful discussion about the progress report and project timeline for the development of the 5th edition of the Big Book of AA. The committee requested that a manuscript or progress report be brought back to the 2026 conference committee on literature. • We hope it's the book! Slide 47: Literature • We did not approve the creation of a 12x12x12. Slide 48: Approved the animated Video for the 12 concepts illustrated Slide 49: Policy & Admissions • We have already discussed the founder's writing Slide 50: Public Information • The three Australian PSAs are on a later slide. Slide 51: Public Information PI had a lot of recommendations, and you can see many did not pass. Slide 52: Links to 3 new videos from Australia – we will need to format for us Slide 53: One of the videos will hopefully play. Are You a Danger to Your Family Slide 54: Report & Charter • The committee recommended that the word “woman” be removed from the Concept Four essay, so that: “New volunteer corporate directors will ask why any paid staff member should also be a corporate director and thereby have a vote as good as their own.” There are as many men and women staff, so the wording is actually being corrected for accuracy Slide 55: The Service Manual is no longer included in GSR packets. • Here is the cost and the cost of shipping for a Service Manual. • Let me know if you think we should include the manual in the free packets?

8 Slide 56: Treatment & Accessibilities • Review progress report on the update of service material with shared experience from neurodivergent alcoholics. • Definition of neurodivergent: Someone whose brain processes information and experiences differently. • I personally wanted Area 42 to review and consider neurodivergent people, and for me to gain more compassion for some of our members. There are many types of neurodivergence. • The Treatment and Accessibilities Committee discussed including in the newly revised service piece, “Making the A.A. Message Accessible,” sharing from neurodivergent alcoholics, and suggested that the Accessibilities Checklist be updated with recommendations to support neurodivergent members. Slide 57: I got to vote for Julie C. as a N-T-D (Non Trustee Director) on AAWS! Slide 58: This is the Trustees Conference Committee Slide 59: Trustees Committee Considerations Slide 60: This is the International Conventions & Regional Forums Committee Slide 61: International Conventions & Regional Forums advisory actions and considerations • The committee stated its full support for the development of a Service Declaration. • The committee requested that the trustees' IC/RF committee begin exploration regarding the inclusion of sovereign states to the Flag Ceremony at the International Convention, including reaching out to gather sharing from indigenous populations. • And Julie is on that subcommittee! Slide 62: Vancouver Slide 63: More Vancouver Slide 64: Here are links to the new souvenir book, photo audio recordings and the mug for your Purchasing pleasure!

9 Slide 65: Floor Action #1 The 75th General Service Conference issues a censure, expressing formal disapproval for past behavior of the General Service Board for the following reasons: • Contributing to an environment that lead to the resignation of experienced and trusted Board members; • Ineffective, inconsistent, and non-transparent communication to the Conference; • Unacceptable behavior by trustees including harassment, intimidation, and bullying; • Undermining the spiritual handshake with the Conference, as described in Concept VI, by not following a Conference Advisory Action. Accordingly, the Conference directs the General Service Board to: • Continue to take its inventory, with specific focus on improving accountability to the Conference; • Report to the Conference on inventory findings and the specific actions taken to address these concerns. The Chairs of the Conference recused themselves and the entire General Service Board from voting, but stated that they still have a voice in the room. • A motion to decline to hear the censure motion was made, seconded, and voted on. The motion to decline to hear did not pass. • The censure motion will be heard. • We had a thoughtful three-hour conversation about the board's past deeds. • Some comments regarding the effect a censure: • Could have on our Class A Trustees. • The behavior is years old and much of the board has now rotated. • Are we being punitive? There was a motion to call the question and the chair declined in favor of continuing the conversation. Until everyone who wanted to be heard was heard. • Motion Failed Floor Action #11 Passed. Slide #66: The end!

Alternate Delegate Lisa

Hello, Lisa, alcoholic. I currently serve as your Alternate Delegate for Area 42. My main responsibility is supporting our delegate to prepare for the General Service Conference Each spring and in any other happenings Lyle needs help in our area. Also, per the A42 guidelines, this makes me your SAGSC chair. Part of how I support our Delegate is by organizing the area conference committees. Each spring when we receive the agenda items we have a very short timeline in order to review, process, and summarize each agenda item. As an area, we have found we can be most comprehensive by mirroring the General Service Conference in our own area. This means that We rely on volunteers (that's you!) to join an Area Conference Committee (ACC). I'd like to say thank you to everybody who has participated in the area conference committees, and invite you, if you have not yet participated, to please sign up. I have created a google form to make it simple for you to volunteer and simple for me to read your writing. Since the last time we met at the assembly here are some of the highlights of my position: • I was invited to attend the district 17 meeting in Pahrump to share about what the The purpose of PRAASA is and why it's important and useful to attend. • I was invited to share my experience, strength, and hope at the PI Picnic, thank you John. • I got to be one of the four presenters at the Accessibility Plain Language Big Book workshop. I was able to share my journey from the start, being totally offended by the thought of this Plain Language Big Book, to keeping an open heart and mind and slowly opening up to the idea of how it could help people and really loving it. • Danella DCM for D1 invited me to attend one of their district meetings, and that was a Delight! • Also my report would not be complete without the highlight of attending the international convention. It is a joyful experience and I'd say my favorite thing about the international convention is how everywhere you turn there are so many AA members who are just full of love and light. It's just another sign that this thing really works and has been working for a long time now. Over 35,000 AA members attended. Pure Joy! • Last but not least, I met with area officers on zoom when meetings were called. You keep me striving to be better and more organized and effective in each and every position that I have had the opportunity to fill. I can't thank you enough for the love and kindness you continue to show me and all of your Area 42 Servants as we learn to be the best versions of us for you. Gratefully and with love Lisa I

Chairperson Jonelle W.

Hello Area 42! As Area Chair, I am responsible for the Assembly. The Convention Center, the banquet, the agenda, the speaker getting, and if not virtual, their travel, assisting the host districts, working with the amazing tech committee, and the unbelievable translation and interpretation committee. I work with the Registrars on registration and numbers, and I discuss money with the Treasurers, and I make sure that the Super supportive Alternate Chair and I are in sync. I communicate with our fabulous Delegate and Alt Delegate about what needs to be communicated and where I am at and what I may need some help with. I compile emails to be sent out by our Secretary, make sure the Archives have a place to shine, the GSR Servants are prepared, the trusted servants have some things to do and if not, make something up.. I attend a monthly Chairs meeting with all of the United States/Canada Chairpersons (usually not all - but whoever attends), I set up before the Assembly Officers meetup and an after the Assembly Officers meetup, and then I actually get to lead the Assembly, make sure we are somewhat on schedule, make accommodations for some last minutes, coordinate clean-up assistance, and my list goes on. You see what I do standing here and now you know what it takes to get here. After each assembly I have served in, my sponsor and I do some reflecting - maybe some pen to paper work or just some long talks. This rotation thus far has been a lot about making sure my recovery is present and active, in my service. What does that mean? That there are 12 steps in my service work, that there is sponsorship in my service work, and I ain't talking about service sponsorship, I am talking about 1st Legacy sponsorship. That my sponsor knows about what my defects are in service and that I am willing to do the opposite (or at least pray on them until I am willing), where my resentments and fears are, where my Higher Power is in all this, how my sanity is looking? am I taking personal inventory or am I just taking everything personal, am I righting some wrongs? am I involved in none of my business? How's my boundary setting was the latest... I'm working on that one! And that list goes on too... She reminds me that as an officer, I am held to a different standard, that the body elected me and trusts that I am qualified and can serve in my position, which is what I told you when I made myself available - as a pretty sane-ish functioning sober alcoholic. Even in service, I need to be the best example I can be of our big book. Since our last Assembly, which included the death of my mother and the opportunity to speak at the International Convention in Vancouver on our Three Legacies, God has pushed me. Rustled my feathers a bit. Planning the Unity The workshop was not only uncomfortable and challenging, it was necessary. Our hearts went into it, as well as every thought we could have ever had about our 2nd Legacy. Julie and I brainstormed and then brainstormed some more and then got quiet and did some fine-tuning - several times, and then changed some stuff, and then finalized some stuff and then, and then, and then... Our attitude was - Go with it! The body asked for it! And don't hold back! Thank you for running with it with me Julie. Thank you to the facilitators who accepted with no questions asked. This goes real deep for me and has shown that others feel as Julie and I do. I have been in discussions and Zooms calls on finances and what do we need to do about moving forward with our PO Box and the unfortunate situation that accompanied having to make decisions. Thank you to all those who walked through that process. It was a first for many and hopefully, the last. As an Area 42 Officer, people watch me, hear me, depend on me, avoid me, and ... possibly judge me. I am here to make sure that we do the work of Area 42 so that we can do our part in Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. I will continue to bring my recovery into my service work. I invite you all to please consider bringing yours as well. Thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you! Jonelle W. Area 42 Chairperson

Alternate Chairperson Debbie O.

Hello everyone, my name is Prayer Chair Deb and I'm an alcoholic. I am your NAGSC Chair which makes me your Alt. Chair for the Area. I am more than halfway through my first year and my goal for this rotation is to help DCMs and GSR have a better understanding of the process at this level of service. Which includes me understanding the process at this level as well! I've been attending district meetings and having conversations about why attention is low at NAGSC and the Area assemblies. Feedback has been informative and important. Some didn't think they would have to attend NAGSC if they were attending the Assembly, (Not True) while others didn't understand what goes on or feels lost with the process at the assembly. So, with this information, I thought it would be helpful to include a 10-minute slot at each NAGSC meeting to help better understand the process that goes on at the assembly. We had Sofie, our Pass Delegates, who did a wonderful job breaking down an Ad Hoc Committee including, what's the purpose of an Ad hoc committee, who requests it, what are the steps and how long the process takes. Then we had Ruth J, our Pass Delegate do an amazing job at explaining the process of making Motions. Why would you make a motion, can anyone make a motion? What happens to the motion when it's made, and why does a motion resend. Our December NAGSC meeting will be on Finance, breaking it down in layman's terms. The idea is to help DCM's and GSR feel comfortable with the business part of AA, so they can find their voice to be able to ask uncomfortable questions. I will continue listening to what tools you need and how I can help provide them. Thank you for allowing me to be your trusted servant. 5/9/2025

Secretary Ronnie D.

Hello everyone, my name is Ronnie Dillion and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10th, 1999. I have the privilege to serve as your panel 75 Area 42 Secretary. General service has taught me that a privilege is an opportunity to serve. A privilege doesn't mean that it will be easy. I would ask for a motion to approve the Spring 2025 Area 42 Assembly minutes. Motion to approve? As your secretary I have attended all the SAGSc meetings, and the ZOOM meetings called for Area Officers. I am a member of the Area 42 Communications Committee and have attended all the monthly ZOOM meetings to date. As your secretary I have forwarded all the emails received to the body in a timely manner. In preparing the Fall Assembly Packets in English and Spanish I have established a non-profit, tax exempt account with the Fed Ex store that I have used as a vendor for several years for my personal General service roles. By implementing this new account Area 42 has been able to forgo paying Nevada Sales Tax for the Printing at a savings of almost three hundred dollars. Further cost saving measures were double sided printing on cheaper paper, black and white format and cheaper white bond envelopes. Last Assembly our cost for packets was 1200 dollars, This assembly our cost was 970 dollars. In preparation for this assembly I asked for you to turn in your reports before September 1st. By doing this we are able to translate the majority to Spanish. This allows the Translation committee to have your written reports on screen while reports are given at the podium in real time. Instead of word for word live they can read directly and forgo constantly asking speakers to slow down their speech to keep up. Although we would ask you to speak at a slower

pace not only for translation, but so that those with hard of hearing can better understand you. Lou P. was a huge help with the digital files at the printer. Dina M. and her committee have been the best with translation. Michelle has been my greatest support. Mike Lees answered the phone and offered his experience and support. If this is your first assembly we would welcome you to General Service. Please don't feel overwhelmed and there are no stupid questions here. Please keep an open mind and we are grateful that you answered the call to be the I in "I am responsible". I want to welcome the people on Zoom. We realize some cannot be here in person and we want you to know that we are so glad you took the time to participate in the assembly. My sincere wish is that we all have a good experience at this assembly and that we not let any chance to share a kind word and an understanding heart pass us by. Thank you for listening.

Alt Secretary Michelle

No report

South Secretary Jen

Treasurer Anne

Good morning I'm Anne I'm an alcoholic and I'm going to make this short and to the point so that we can get on with our wonderful budget presentation currently we have 3,000 yeah 33,642 12 in the bank account we've gotten about 200 coffee money we did have a little issue in July the post office burned down so we have a new PO box it's PO Box 401-282 Las Vegas Nevada 89140 so if you could send your contributions to that we've got plenty of postcards around they've got Spanish and English if the hosting committee could please give me their food receipts I will be passing the basket before lunch and then we can make sure that we covered our food and actually I think that's about it unless anybody has any questions. Ok that's it.

Alternate Treasurer Anne K

Hello, all. My name is Anne and I am an alcoholic. I also have the great honor of serving you as your Area 42 Alternate Treasurer. Thank you. I am excited to announce that Area 42 has a shiny new mailing address: Area 42 PO Box 401282 Las Vegas, NV 89140 With this new address comes a new communications campaign to let all of our groups know about the change. It's going to take all of us here and then some to help spread the word about the new address. I know from serving as Panel 69 Area 42 Registrar that our area includes many, many groups who do not have GSRs so I'm asking you all to help get the word out to as many groups as you possibly can. We are a team in this. I can send the postcard to you via text if that makes it easier too. We've included a change of address one sheet for the packets and a post card in both Spanish and English. The website already has the correct address and we've reached out to LV Central Office and Northern Nevada Intergroup to update their websites. If you are a DCM, Area Committee Member or Area Officer, past trusted servant you have also received an emailed copy of the postcard in your inbox. The email would have come from the chair through the secretary. I also have a ton of these printed post cards for you to make available at the places where your group meets. I've already dropped off a few hundred at LV Central Office, The Camel Club in Las Vegas and The Meeting Space. If anyone else wanted to help us get these to our clubs please let me know. We have plenty of post cards and are happy to print more as needed. We anticipate that this will be at least a year-long change of address campaign. For those of you who don't know, we changed the address because University Station The United States Post Office in Las Vegas burnt down to the ground on July 25. Thank you to the groups who are already using the new address. It was just wonderful to see your contribution envelopes in there when I checked it last week.

When we last met in April, we talked about having a One Hour Finance Workshop. Wanted to let you know it was held on April 22. Also want to apologize for the password confusion there. I learned the hard way a typefaces with all caps is not the best choice when relaying passwords with upper and lower case letters. So sorry. Thank you again to all who attended and participated. Please know that I am always here for you and happy to answer any question you might have regarding anything Area 42 Treasury. If I don't have the answer, I will help you find one. Thank you for my life, Anne Panel 75, Area 42 Alternate Treasurer 2025

Registrar Jodie G.

My name is Jodie and I am an alcoholic. I am delighted to be serving as your Area 42 Registrar. Area Assemblies fill my heart for a year. I love the fellowship and the business we get done here in Tonopah. I wouldn't miss it for anything – or almost anything! We are currently waiting the birth of our My first grandchild! So while I am missing you all immensely, I am living a moment I got sober to not miss! I think you will understand. Luckily I have an amazing alternate, Lou and I am sure he can handle the job in my absence – Thanks, Lou! As always I am an email away from helping groups, GSRs or DCMs. You can contact me at registrar @nevadaarea42.org. I look forward to seeing you all in the Spring.

Jodie G. Registrar – Area 42

Alternate Area Registrar – Lou

Greetings, Area 42, My name is Lou, and I am an alcoholic. It is both an honor and a privilege to serve as your Alternate Area Registrar for Area 42. This role has given me the opportunity not only to assist with the administrative side of our Fellowship but also to serve the members and groups who make Alcoholics Anonymous such an amazing community. Over the past months, I have been learning the ins and outs of the Fellowship Connect system, helping to register new groups, GSRs, and DCMs. I also had the opportunity to assist the Las Vegas Central Office in getting all the Spanish-speaking groups and meetings accessible on lvcentraloffice.org and integrated into the

Meeting Guide App. Being part of this effort to make our Fellowship more inclusive and welcoming has been extremely rewarding. In addition, I've made improvements to the assembly registration system to ensure more accurate tracking and reporting. I hope that the system is straight forward and easy to navigate. Your feedback is always welcome, as it helps me continue to improve our service. I truly enjoy this position and the work it entails. Managing data, maintaining spreadsheets, and working with technology may seem mundane, but for me, it's another way to give back. If you have any questions about registering yourself or your group with the General Service Office, or if you would like to confirm that your information is current and correct in the system, please don't hesitate to reach out. I am available throughout the weekend and can also be contacted by email at alternaterearegistrar@nevadaarea42.org. Finally, I want to express my gratitude to Alcoholics Anonymous. This Fellowship has given me my life back, taught me the value of service, and allowed me to grow in ways I never imagined. With gratitude, Lou

Archivist Rich B

Looking for storage for the northern Area Archives. The Archives are starting to become damaged from the transference from person to person And being stored in people's homes, garages and sheds. Hoping to have approved money to pay for storage in the north like they do in the sou Met with District 22 and 6 Met with the 2 districts to encourage districts to have a district archivist to improve the district binders. (you will see examples of the binders in the archivist room) Just started interviewing long timers in the northern area. Recently completed one with Craig from Hawthorne, NV. (District 12) you can read his story in the archivist room.

Alt Archivist Heather

My name is Heather and I'm an alcoholic and the Area Archives Alt. Chair, *I had the privilege to attend the International Convention and see, along with several representatives from our Area, meetings and panels, including two Archives panels. I look forward to incorporating some of the information and ideas into the Area 42 Archives. *We put together a nice exhibit for Founders Day. Hopefully, you were able to peruse these displays and collections. *Archives is happy to share that there is now an Archives link on the to Las Vegas Central Office Website. So if you go to the Central Office Webpage, <https://www.lvcentraloffice.org/> and click the "Related Links" Button you'll see a link to our page. <https://www.lvcentraloffice.org/area-42-archives/> You may also locate the group history form on the Central Office website as well (in English and Spanish). We are hoping to add a similar link very soon to our Area 42 website. * We are beginning to interview members with 35+ years sobriety in our Area, and are scheduling interviews now. This has been a really wonderful project for our Archives Committee. *We always love to see volunteers at our monthly meeting at Central Office, the last Thursday of each month from 1-3pm. In May we added an "Area Archives Meeting". This virtual meeting is at 10:30am on the third Saturday of each month (ID: 867 1631 4717, Passcode, Archives42) <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86716314717?pwd=nyQBsd19e40idCVhFJZ7qQLyQT17Ic9.1> *Our committee looks forward to being a part of several events in the fall: Seniors In Service (w/ our friends in Accessibilities) on 10/18, Roundup on 11/27-30, Service Festival on 12/14. Reach out if you have any questions: Heather L. - happyjoyousfree7@gmail.com Alt. Archives Assembly Report - 2025 My name is Heather and I'm an alcoholic and the Area Archives Alt. Chair, *I had the privilege to attend the International Convention and see, along with several representatives from our Area, meetings and panels, including two Archives panels. I look forward to incorporating some of the information and ideas into the Area 42 Archives. *We put together a nice exhibit for Founders Day. Hopefully, you were able to peruse these displays and collections. *Archives is happy to share that there is now an Archives link on the to Las Vegas Central Office Website. So if you go to the Central Office Webpage, <https://www.lvcentraloffice.org/> and click the "Related Links" Button you'll see a link to our page. <https://www.lvcentraloffice.org/area-42-archives/> You may also locate the group history form on the Central Office website as well (in English and Spanish). We are hoping to add a similar link very soon to our Area 42 website. * We are beginning to interview members with 35+ years sobriety in our Area, and are scheduling interviews now. This has been a really wonderful project for our Archives Committee. *We always love to see volunteers at our monthly meeting at Central Office, the last Thursday of each month from 1-3pm. In May we added an "Area Archives Meeting". This virtual meeting is at 10:30am on the third Saturday of each month (ID: 867 1631 4717, Passcode, Archives42) <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86716314717?pwd=nyQBsd19e40idCVhFJZ7qQLyQT17Ic9.1> *Our committee looks forward to being a part of several events in the fall: Seniors In Service (w/ our friends in Accessibilities) on 10/18, Roundup on 11/27-30, Service Festival on 12/14. Reach out if you have any questions: Heather L. - happyjoyousfree7@gmail.com

Webmaster Jeffrey C.

The Website position has been relatively quiet, which is a good thing. I have been having calls with Chris H. about the potential for the CPC landing page on the site. We are looking forward to the option of including a pay portal on our website to accept donations. I would like to continue to invite all DCMs to reach out to me with their proper District meeting days and times so that we can be sure that we have the correct ones listed. You can find my email on the Area Contact page on the website nevadaarea42.org. I am currently reviewing the formatting of the site, the menu options, and cleaning up certain areas of the site to make it more user friendly and easier to find things in the front end of the site as well as in the password protected area. For those of you who are new, the website is nevadaarea42.org the password protected area password is area42member (all small).

Newsletter Editor Joan R.

Hi my name is Joan. I am grateful and excited to serve as your Area 42 Newsletter Editor. We're gearing up for the Fall 2025 issue and we want to hear from you! We are currently seeking submissions for articles, photos, and letters to the editor. Our Summer 2025 issue featured a lovely photo of wild horses from District 17 in Pahrump, Nevada. Please send us pictures and descriptions of what makes your District special! Articles from our Area Committees are also highly encouraged. Share your experiences, insights, and stories with the Area 42 community.

Please remember that we cannot use images that show faces. Additionally, all submissions will be reviewed to ensure anonymity. Submissions can be sent to area_newsletter_editor@nevadaarea42.org by Wednesday, October 8, 2025. We look forward to seeing your contributions!

Linguistic Translator Dina

Technology Chair Ashley

Ashley alcoholic okay my report is as if we're starting the weekend all right hi area 42 my name is Ashley I'm an alcoholic I'm so happy to be here with you let's get some good work done this weekend which we did I would first like to give a huge shout out to the tech Team D Erica Stephanie Mike and our favorite person Jeff for everything he has taught us and continued to help continue to help us with so let's you know the texting does some hard work of there to get us all set up and keep us running throughout the weekend and I couldn't be more grateful and couldn't have asked for a better team they absolutely make my job easier and they make my job easier I also want to give a shout out to Janelle and Ronnie so they're continued hard work and dedication to area 42 allows us to enjoy our time here not have to worry about the little things keep losing my spot because they got a covered Ronnie Works tireless hours days and weeks to get our minutes typed up and make sure area 42 has all the information they need and wow does he do an amazing job and Janelle with her Podium guide I just know how many people it is going to help in the future it is amazing the things you can do when you love Alcoholics Anonymous and honestly everyone in this room deserves a huge thank you thank you for taking time out of your life to show up for Alcoholics Anonymous and you're continued hard work for area 42 with that being said we are still learning mistakes will happen we ask that you please bear with us and as bear with us as we learn and grow we hope that we are met with love and understanding when those mistakes arise and please know that we do appreciate all of your feedback as well as long as that feedback is that we're amazing just kidding just kidding we appreciate all feedback good and bad it helps us Learn and Grow

Alt Technology Chair Mike/Dee

Finance Committee Chair Rich B.

My name is Rich and I'm an alcoholic, I have been asked to provide the assembly with an explanation of the Area 42 budget and its purpose. Let me start by explaining that when decision was made to put the three treasuries together, I was against it. Then God intervened with a sense of humor and I was voted as the Alt-Treasure and now, the Finance Committee Chair. With that being said, here we go. Why do we have a budget? The Area treasury is the steward of the donations that come in from the total Area 42 fellowship. The money is to be used to support our Area's service work to help the still suffering alcoholic. Thought, How much money does it take to carry the message to the suffering alcoholic? What is the responsibility of the Area as it relates to carrying the message? According to F3 – Self Support: Where Money and Spiritually Mix- • The area committee, which coordinates vital A.A. activities over a broad geographic area; sends a delegate to the annual General Service Conference; holds area assemblies to determine the needs of the Fellowship; and provides information at all levels of service. Who is funded? The donations that come in from the groups are used to support the service work of Area 42. The average amount of donations is \$4,000 a month (\$48,000 a year). We have 12 officers, 22 committee chairs, 22 DCMs and 100-150 GSRs. As a Finance Committee we try to spread the money out into categories to be fair to all officers, committee chairs, DCMs and GSRs. Our primary responsibility is to support the delegate's service responsibility. In order to host the Area Assembly meetings, the costs include money to pay the room rental, hosting costs (meals, technology, printing, etc.), and alongside the districts, assist the groups in sending their representatives (GSR's) to attend the assembly either via the virtual platform or in person when Area funds are permitted. A.A. is not a paid position (work vs volunteer) The Area 42 funds the committee chairs as they provide information to the districts on how to carry the message to the alcoholic. In our experience we find no one committee more important than the other. Rich B. Finance Committee All are vital avenues to reach the still suffering Alcoholic. Prudent Budget: The goal is to be reasonable with money now that we are sober. This means we need to be prudent when it comes to the budget and what the Area has afforded us. When (the individual is) We are spending the Area's money. It is necessary for all of us to be mindful in our travels and spending. Budget recommendation process: We receive budget requests, we put the requests together and work together to spread the money fairly across the board to the (12) officers (22) committees (22) DCMS and (100-150) GSRs. This includes travel, housing, and food; along with office supplies and misc. expenses. We look at the approved budget from the last two years, compare the actual funds spent, the trend of contributions received and then average it as fairly as we can to meet the committees and positions needs. We then bring the budget to the assembly floor for the body to review, adjustments and approval.

Please note: Using the process of reviewing the actual reimbursed budget costs from the prior two budgets can be incorrect to obtain the potential future costs if a funded service position does not submit receipts to be reimbursed. Although this is a generous form of service it does present problems when we are building a new year budget. Additionally, there is a limit to the financial support the Area can provide when group and member contributions to the Area fluctuate. This is an area all of us can help by bringing back the financial Finance Committee Report Fall Assembly 2025

The Committee met 3 times since the Fall Assembly. We dealt with topics such as: Increasing the PI committee's budget. We were not able to increase the budget until the budgeted monies were spent. Setting QuickBooks on-line so we can have real time access to the account and P&L. We prepare a budget for 2026 This budget will be brought to the body this weekend for the assembly's approval The PO Box burning down A special meeting held to decide to get a new PO box, this will be reported to the body by the Treasurer information of our area to our groups so they can decide how to contribute their money across their splits. It is rarely possible to fund all activities and all travel at 100% of all costs.

NAGSC SAGSC Committee Reports

Accessibility Committee Chair SAGSC Diana M.

My name is Diana. I'm an alcoholic and serve as the Chair of the SAGSC Accessibilities Committee. Our mission is to break down barriers that prevent alcoholics from fully participating in Alcoholics Anonymous and support individuals facing challenges in attending AA meetings, both in person and virtually. These efforts are vital in ensuring that no one is left behind and that everyone has the chance to find support and recovery through AA. I am thrilled to be part of a dynamic group of AA members from the US and Canada who are passionate about improving accessibility. These advocates never cease to inspire us to launch initiatives aimed at enhancing access to vital resources and information for our fellowship. This past year our committee was motivated to develop and present the "AA Member Resource Finder"; "Best Practices to Make and Keep Our Meetings Accessible"; and "How to Produce an Accessible Document". We are also collaborating with the Las Vegas Central Office who is restructuring their website to include a category for the Accessibilities Committee, which will contain our contact information, local resources, as well as vital material from the General Service Office. We are excited to announce another hybrid event in collaboration with our SAGSC Archives Committee: "Decades of Dedication - Our Elder Statesmen in Service." Continuing the tradition from last year's first "Seniors in Service" workshop, this event aims to celebrate and honor the invaluable contributions of our "Elder Statesmen" as well as to embrace and preserve the collective memory of Area 42. We will be featuring five speakers sharing their inspiring journeys in AA service over the years with time for a Q&A session. Join us on Saturday, October 18, 2025, from 2 to 4 pm (Pacific Time) at the Las Vegas Central Office, 1515 East Tropicana Ave, LV, NV 89119, or on Zoom. (ID: 888 2786 4410 & Passcode: access.) We understand that there are many who may not realize how welcome they would be in bringing their questions and challenging situations to our committee. We are here to listen and to work together on addressing the important issue of "who's missing in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous and why?" Your insights and experiences are indispensable in helping us create a welcoming and supportive environment for everyone. All are welcome so join us and be a part of the change! Our committee meets virtually on the 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m. on Zoom. We accommodate members in English and Spanish. Our next meeting will take place on September 22nd (2025). Meeting ID: 833 0643 2783. Password: handofaa. I present this report with a grateful heart in loving service.

Contact: sagscaccessibility@nevadaarea42.org or dianaserviceA42@google.com

Accessibilities/Remote Communities Paul

CPC Chair Leif

My name is Leif F, I am an alcoholic and I also chair the NAGSC CCP. Since the last convention, I have been able to attend the NAGSC in Gardnerville, hosted by my district, and the most recent one in Bishop last month. I have also had the opportunity to share information about the CPC in two different districts: 2 and 4. I was able to attend both meetings virtually and give a brief presentation. We had some difficulties with the screen, but we managed to overcome them. Both districts were well attended at the presentations and asked good questions. If there are other Districts that would like a presentation, please let me know. Thank you for allowing me to be helpful. Leif F
NAGSC CPC Chair

CPC South Britany

H&I S Kim

Corrections N Mike M. mwm1100@yahoo.com

Dear Area 42, I am Mike and I am an alcoholic. We are working with the new Nevada Dept. of Corrections Volunteer Coordinator to facilitate meetings in 2 Carson City Prisons. She is quite busy as she also handles NA and all the other volunteer entities. With the help of NNIG we have some 40 interested AA members in helping with Corrections. We are in the process of getting them approved. These things take time but we will get there. We are also working on getting a meeting in the Lovelock and Ely facilities. Thank you for letting me be of service. Sincerely yours, Mike M. Area 42 Corrections Chair

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DCM Coordinator S Dan O.

My name is Dano B. I am an alcoholic. I currently serve as the southern DCM coordinator. As DCM coordinator, the main goal of my position is to inspire and guide the current DCMs in their journey. The fall assembly has always been the longer, drawn-out assembly without all the shiny roundtable topics and agenda items. The fall assembly is mainly business. I feel it is my duty and responsibility to make it clear. DCMs and GSRs' understanding of the budgets and how Area 42 carries its message. This is how we can have an informed group consciousness. Groups, members, and servants need to be the guides on how we manage our contributions and dispense them. The sustainability of our area lies within our own understanding of budget contributions and spending, and I would love to see the DCMs and GSRs play a role in helping our area flourish into the next generations of trusted servants.

DCM Coordinator N Jay S.

Hello Area42, my name is Jay S., and I am currently serving as your Northern Area 42 District Committee Member Coordinator. I am unable to attend the Area Conference. Our daughter is getting ready to have a baby, and we are going to stay close to home so we can meet

her. I hope you all have a wonderful time in Tonopah and enjoy the Unity workshop. I have asked Paul E. to help cover my position at the Sunday DCM meeting. Love you all, and I look forward to seeing you soon. From: Grampa Jay

Grapevine Chair Chris

Grapevine S Ruthie

GSR Trainer S Caroline

GSR Trainer N Bigg

General Service Liaison SAGSC Shaun

Hello Area 42, my name is Shaun and I am an alcoholic. I am your General Service Liaison in the South, reporting from Las Vegas Central Office. • We are a hybrid meeting. All meeting info such as date, time, online meeting link etc can be located at the very bottom of this report in written form sent out to the body, or come visit with me any time this weekend. • Hotline and 12th Step List committee chairs have been extremely active in ensuring the availability of these services. Thank you Jim and Shawn. • We had a successful Founder's Day celebration at Central Office thanks to John H and all of the volunteers that made this a great time. • Our other annual events are as follows: 50th Annual Gratitude Ball on September 27th at the Westgate Resort, 59th Annual Las Vegas Round-Up on November 27-30 at the Plaza Hotel and Casino, and the Annual Service Festival taking place at Central Office on December 14th. See me for any info on these events including flyers. • Please subscribe to our monthly newsletter, SLVRSTRK. Our editors are really working hard to create an informative and inspiring editorial. Info to subscribe at the bottom of my written report. Thank you for listening and being an integral part of my recovery. God bless. Shaun Farina sagscintergroupliaison@nevadaarea42.org 702-418-2993 Intergroup meets at 6:00PM every 2nd Monday of the month at Central Office (1515 E Tropicana Ave #710) or online on Zoom (ID: 958 1257 1807 PW: 710AA) lvcentraloffice.org Subscribe to SLVRSTRK - link in drop down menu on website

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Intergroup Liaison N Anna

Intergroup Liaison S Shaun

Public Information Chair Terri

Public Information Committee S John L.

Our objective is to reach the still suffering alcoholic through publicly facing channels. We have amazing subcommittee chairs and volunteers, and all 6 subcommittees are making progress. Literature has distributed more than 3000 QR code flyers, and hundreds of pamphlets. Media has commissioned ads in English and Spanish to run in 20 buses throughout Las Vegas through the end of the year and is achieving visibility through social media. Outreach is constantly working to add people to the committee to reduce the burden involved in maintaining literature in more than 200 facilities, staffing events, and working with 26 media outlets as well as local trade unions. Hispanic has been distributing materials and holding multiple events. And Native Americans are working with various entities to roll out programs for that community. The committees are continuing to ramp up based on available funding and volunteers. We really need help keeping brochure racks full. We are looking for volunteers that live near assisted living, police stations, hospitals, detoxes, and urgent cares, trade union halls, and other facilities to do this. All it takes is to stop by every couple of weeks and to check on them – around a 10 to 15 minute commitment. As mentioned, there have been 3000 of our QR Code flyers printed and distributed since the first printing. The Las Vegas- Clark County Library System is now actually printing flyers themselves to keep them stocked in the libraries. We are moving forward with a second edition printing of 6000, including a Spanish language version. Also, a version for Northern Nevada has been created and provided to the NAGSC PI chair. Both Ely and Pahrump have received the new edition, and they plan to customize and print their own versions. Finally, we intend to work with District 22 if they would like to have a Spanish version for the North. Our QR code tracking system has over 650 hits on the QR codes for pamphlets, hotline numbers, and AA websites. The anonymous system counts every single time someone accesses a code and is only used to help us understand the visibility we are getting into the public domain. We also have a Facebook and Instagram page and have run 2 test campaigns for visibility. We plan to ramp that up now that it is proving to be effective and have started testing Tik Tok. There is a flyer on the table that provides a perspective on the bus advertisement, the QR flyer, and current stats from social media and QR code hits as well. Fortunately, some districts, groups and individuals have been contributing funds as our Area budget is spent for 2025. Many thanks to those of you and your groups that are helping us get the word out to the still suffering alcoholic. We now have a PO Box where contributions can be sent. Please make checks out to John Linss and send to: Area 42 Public Information 9811 W. Charleston Blvd. Ste2-650 Las Vegas, NV 89117 If you need anything or have any questions related to Public Information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. Yours in Service, John John L. Chair - SAGSC Public Information Chair

Treatment/BTG Chair N Debbie S.

My name is Debbie, serving as your alcoholic NAGSC Treatment/BTG (Bridging the Gap) Chair. Out in Fallon, Frank started taking a BTG panel into “New Frontier Treatment Facility” a couple of years ago. He was taking a panel into the residential clients twice monthly. Frank has recently stepped back; leaving Russ with the first Friday, and myself with the third Friday monthly. An AA meeting is not currently taken into the facility; however, the clients are able to attend an AA meeting once a week, on Saturday nights. I can tell you from personal experience, that taking an AA meeting or panel; or a BTG panel into a residential Treatment Facility is a rewarding 12th step opportunity or commitment. NNIG (Northern Nevada Intergroup) has just recently filled the Treatment and the BTG Chair positions. I have reached out to both via phone. I have made contact with Becky O., the BTG Chair. Becky and her predecessor had come up with a QR code that the clients can fill out and submit the “Blue Card”, requesting a temporary contact upon their checkout date. It is a great way to make sure that a client has another opportunity to get from that facility door to the doors of Alcoholics Anonymous. The counselors at “New Frontier” will use their computer to help the client fill and submit their temporary contact request, if the client so chooses. We, the panelists, can leave the hard copy “blue Card” or temporary contact request form with the clients, however, we may not be there to collect and submit it to NNIG before their out date. Moving forward, I am looking forward to working with NNIG’S Becky O. and the Districts (&/or individuals) involved or interested in Treatment and Bridging the Gap.

Debbie S. NAGSC Treatment Chair Spanish.

LVYPAA Liaison Sam

RENVPAALiaison Dan

WACYPAALiaison Brad

Linguistic Translator Dina

Alt Translator Interpreter Lizette

Hi everyone, my name is Lizette and I’m a grateful alcoholic. I serve as the Alternate Chair for the Translation Committee, and I’m really happy to be here with all of you today.

This will be a short report.

I joined the committee about two years ago, and it’s been amazing to watch it grow. It’s a beautiful thing to see other alcoholics step into service—bringing their energy, their willingness, and their hearts to help out. That’s what keeps this work going.

We meet every Thursday at 5:30 PM on Zoom. Folks from both the north and the south come together with one common goal: to translate reports and minutes so we can better serve our Spanish-speaking AA community.

Most of our volunteers don’t actually speak Spanish—but they’ve gotten really good at using tools like Google Translate, DeepL, and others to get the job done. It just shows that willingness goes a long way.

I also want to say thank you to everyone who submitted their reports on time. That makes a huge difference—it gives us enough time to get everything translated before the Assembly, which helps everyone be able to read and understand the reports more easily. So thank you for that—it really matters.

And finally, if you’re looking to take on a new service commitment, this is a great way to get involved. For me, service has been such an important part of my recovery, and I truly believe in what we do.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

Technology Chair N Erica

Technology Chair S Stephanie

District Reports

District 2 Lana

My name is Lana and I’m an alcoholic in the in the DCM for District Two, we meet the second Thursday of each month at Central Office at 6:30pm. we’re excited about new GSRs that have started in the last couple of months, and we look forward to working together and getting to know each Other. In August, we joined forces with district four and presented a traditions workshop. It was well attended, including several old timers and a past trustee. The experience in history they shared was invaluable to all. Thank you to District Four, big

time and all who attended and participated, we helped it collaborate again with district four in the very near future. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 3 Billy

Hello, I'm an alcoholic. My name is Billy. Billy. That's kind of loud, huh? Grateful to be sober, grateful to be here. I am the DCM for district three, and we meet on zoom the second Sunday of every odd month. I can get you the information if interested. We've had kind of low attendance lately. Besides, we're just getting now back. Our mesquite group is their GSR is joining in. They should be here for the assembly. So I've been currently getting out, getting the trying to get our groups, to get GSRs but district nine and us are we're tomorrow. We're going to have a date. We've decided on doing a unity workshop in September, or, I'm sorry, in November or October. We're going to decide tomorrow, on the Saturday, and we're going to do it at 10 high in Las Vegas. So thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 4 Liv

Liv - Alcoholic MCD for District 4 We meet on the fourth Thursday of every even-numbered month. The District is a small portion of Reno, made up primarily of the Triangle and Driars clubs. We partnered with District 2 to hold a Traditions workshop. It was a great success with great presentations and 57 people present. I attended a Nickel group business meeting (meeting Monday through Saturday at 5:30 p.m.) at the Driars Club. They don't have GSR yet. It was amazing how grateful they were to hear about the General Service! Leif, president of the CPC, was the guest speaker at our last District meeting. Great participation of our GSRs. This District is very lucky to have them. Today, September 5th, I celebrate my sober birthday. 9 years! You couldn't be in a better place to do it: Area 42's fall assembly is great!

District 5b Victor

My name is Victor Mojado, and I am an alcoholic.

My paying gig has been hammering me with ridiculous amounts of overtime of late. Thankfully, I serve in the best district in the area. I would like to take the time to personally thank the elected servants of 5b for their extra effort and work. In particular, our Alternate DCM Susan has been solidly there for all of us, and I'm inspired by and grateful for her effort.

Work on the 5b website continues, as does preparation for our next workshop and the district picnic. As always, we offer our partnership to other districts and committees of Area 42 for projects, just reach out if you would like to work with us. I can be reached at (702) 596-1794 or vrm65@cox.net.

Thank you for allowing us to be of service.

District 6 Don

My name is Don D. I'm an alcoholic and serving as the current District 6 DCM. District 6 encompasses Carson City, the Dayton area, Southlake Tahoe, Topaz Ranch Estates, and the beautiful Carson Valley. We are an active and healthy district. We have most of our service positions filled within the district. We have active service work going on within our district and collaborate with NNIG when it best serves the still suffering alcoholic.

In July we were grateful to have hosted NAGSC and excited to take our Delegate Lyle's report back to our groups. Bigg my Alt DCM was kind enough to chair August's District meeting where we had our Accessibilities and Remote Communities Chair Paul give a great presentation. We will be asking for more of our NAGSC chairs to share about their service positions at our district meetings.

We meet as a district on the second Sunday of every even numbered month at Carson City Alano Club at 1:15pm with our last meeting having more attendees than in quite a while so that was very exciting.

As always I am grateful for what this service position brings to my life and for the GSRs and others in my district. I love my AA service as a big part of the life worth living I have today.

Thank you,

Don D

District 7 Teresa

Dear Area 42, My name is Teresa and I am an alcoholic and the District Committee Member (DCM) for District 7. It's been relatively quiet in our District for the past few months, until our fabulous Picnic at Mt Charleston that was held on August 17th. What a success! The weather was perfect. We had 327 attendees. We held a 50/50 raffle and sold t-shirts. We had group meditation in the morning along with games, face painting, music, food, speakers, and a countdown to sobriety. All in all, we were able to cover expenses almost down to the penny. We are working on the final details for a Workshop in October and should have a date and more details by the time I deliver this report live to the Assembly. I don't have much more to report, but if you'd ever like to visit our monthly meeting or see what's happening with events in our area, we have a website on lasvegasdistrict7.org where you'll find the date of our next meeting and the events posted. Thank you for allowing me to serve. Teresa S. A42, D7, Panel 75 DCM

District 8 Sarah

District 9 Jake

Hello beautiful Area 42! My name is Jacob and I am an alcoholic. Our district is doing phenomenally well. We are so grateful to be here and be active again. Currently, the district has decided to do an inventory to see how we can operate better as a district and We are really excited

to see how that turns out. After the assembly we are also planning on having a unity event with district 3 where we invite speakers from across both districts group to come and speak on their experience with unity. We are currently working on a date so stay tuned for details! As always, much love and service, thank you all for showing me the way.

District 10a Julie

District 10b

District 11 Dave

District 12 Dan

Daniel, an alcoholic, serving as an incoming MCD for District 12. The western boundary of District 12 includes clusters in Fernley, Wadsworth, Silver Springs, and Yerington. The southern boundary expands into what was District 18 to include Hawthorne. Our eastern boundary stretches along America's loneliest highway to the city of Austin. Centrally located are the groups at Fallon and Lovelock, which stretch north to the Oregon border. District 12 is excited to announce the long-awaited revival of the Oasis Festival, an AA Celebration of basic fellowship not seen since the 2020 pandemic. Pete B. de Fallon has been tasked with gathering volunteers and forming committees to see that the much-talked-about murmurs finally come true on October 25, 2025 at the Fallon Convention Center. We of District 12 are humbled to reach out to the surrounding districts for support and would love to share this part of our Community with you! It is my pleasure to serve as a liaison between Area 42 and my District.

District 13 Lori

District 14 Bill

District 15 Heather

Hello everyone We had our ice cream party on July 27th. It was a lot of fun. We had two excellent speakers. We still have economic difficulties. We will try to host our District 15 meeting, which will be on the second Monday of each month at the T.I.E. club at 6 p.m. We will try for two months. Thank you to all the GSRs for your help, support and dedication. I appreciate all your work. May all your spiritual blessings come true in your life. Thank you for being at my service. May you have a blessed day Heather MCD District 15

District 16 Kaleb

District 16 DCM - Kaleb M. Hi everyone, my name is Kaleb and I'm an alcoholic. I am your MCD from Area 42, District 16. Our district encompasses Sparks, Spanish Springs, Sun Valley, Stead, North Valleys, Cold Springs, Pyramid Lake, and much of northern Washoe County. Our business meeting is held on the third Tuesday of each month at 424 Greenbrae Dr., Sparks, NV 89431. We already have most of our management positions covered. Josh F. is our Alternate Director of Communications (MCD). Dave H. is Treasurer and Interim Technical President. Mary D. is our Intergroup Liaison. Lloyd S. is our Grapevine/Literature President. Stacy P. is pleased to resume her position as Chair of Holiday Affairs. We are looking for a Secretary and an Archivist. We do not have many news to report since the last assembly. Meetings have gone well at the new meeting point, located at 424 Greenbrae, Sparks. This place has no official name; We call it "424". The group of jaywalkers, who meet daily at 5:30 p.m., report a good influx of new visitors. AA is very active in District 16! Thank you for allowing me to be of service to you, Caleb M.

District 17 Audra

District 18

District 19 Jim

Hello all, My name is Jim C, and I am an Alcoholic. I am serving as DCM for District 19. This is my DCM report for the Area 42 Fall Assembly. CampNic 2025 was held July 18th-20th at Ward Mountain Campground on Murry Summit. I believe 50-70 people were in attendance throughout the weekend. We had a pot-luck dinner on Friday evening, with a 3 speaker Welcome Meeting. We had a Breakfast Burrito morning on Saturday. This was followed by a Horseshoe tournament. There was also a Nature Hike. Ruthie B was in attendance and put on a Grapevine Workshop in the afternoon. We had a hamburger and hot-dog dinner (bbq). Thanks to Shane and Matt for cooking on Saturday. Thanks to Todd and LaLani for being our Speakers on the Saturday night meeting. There was also a homemade ice-cream social after the meeting that night. Sunday morning was a donut breakfast followed by a Gratitude meeting. Thank you to Anne KD for being the CampNic Host. Thank you to Doug and Julie for keeping the kids entertained. Thanks to all that were in attendance and made CampNic 2025 a Success. We are looking forward to the Caliente Picnic at KerShaw Ryan State park on September 13th from 10am-3pm. Also looking forward to the Gratitude Dinner / Chili cook-off later this year. Last but not least Thank you to Anne KD and Trey for carrying the message into the Ely State Prison. This concludes my DCM report, Thank you for letting me be of service. On Friday, August 15, 2025 at 02:54:52 PM PDT, Noelle H.P. <noellehp561@gmail.com> wrote:

District 20 Anna

District 21 Alejandra

District 22 Pedro

Other Committee Reports

Libby G. Ad Hoc Area 42 Guidelines Committee

My name is Libby and I'm an alcoholic as well as the Chairperson for the Area Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee. Our purpose is to review and amend the existing Area 42 Guidelines and provide recommendations for future potential efficiencies. An example of one such change is to add the Website guidelines to the Area Guidelines. Currently, the website guideline is a separate document. Our team consists of Sophie, Caroline, Heather, Annie, Michelle and Erica. We are meeting regularly every one or two weeks. As you might guess it is slow going, especially in the beginning as we find our way in this process. Everyone is excited about the work. That's about it for now we'll keep reporting as we make progress. Thank you for this opportunity for service, Libby Libby G. Ad Hoc Area 42 Guías Comité. Informe del Comité Ad Hoc de las Guías del Área 42 Mi nombre es Libby y soy alcohólica así como la Presidenta del Comité Ad Hoc de las Guías del Área. Nuestro propósito es revisar y enmendar las Pautas existentes del Área 42 y proporcionar recomendaciones para futuras eficiencias potenciales. Un ejemplo de tal cambio es agregar las pautas del sitio web a las pautas del área. Actualmente, la directriz del sitio web es un documento separado. Nuestro equipo está formado por Sophie, Caroline, Heather, Annie, Michelle y Erica. Nos reunimos regularmente cada una o dos semanas. Como es de suponer, el trabajo es lento, sobre todo al principio, mientras nos abrimos camino en este proceso. Todo el mundo está entusiasmado con el trabajo. Esto es todo por ahora, seguiremos informando a medida que avancemos. Gracias por esta oportunidad de servicio, Libby

Communications Committee Jeff C.

The Communications committee is made up of myself (Webmaster), Jake S. (our outgoing Delegate), Ronnie D. (Area Secretary), Michelle M. (Alt Secretary and NAGSC secretary), Jen G. (SAGSC Secretary), Joan R. (Newsletter Editor), Dina M. (Area Translator), and we have also invited Ashley L. the Tech Chair to join our meetings. We then decided as a committee to meet on the first Sunday of the month at 6:00 PM and we have been doing this since our rotation began. We also agreed to invite an area officer to our meeting each month to see how we can better serve as a Committee. So far we have invited our Delegate Lyle, our Chair Jonelle, Libby (who is heading up the Ad-Hoc on the guideline revisions), our Alt. Registrar Lou. We have put on one Pumble workshop to inform and bring understanding to the area about this platform, that is meant to increase communication throughout the area and are willing to do this again to keep this tool in awareness. We have reviewed our guidelines and are in contact with Libby and the Ad-Hoc Committee about any minor changes to them. It is our intention to present a guideline revision to the body to allow website changes to be approved by the Communications Committee to allow for a more expedited and easy flow in this rapidly changing environment of communication and information. We will continue to meet monthly and invite other area officers to our meetings to see how we can continue to serve Area 42 more effectively.

ACC Treatment and Accessibilities

I'm Paul, alcoholic chairperson of the Area Conference Committee (ACC) on Treatment and Accessibilities. Our committee consists of our Alternate Chairperson Diana M., John B., Francisco C., Libby G., Nikki M., and Staci H., we also have Jonelle as Area support and Phil as an advisor. Out of the eight agenda items we summarized, only one was an advisory action Item F. Review revision of the conference-approved flyer "Where do I go from here" (F-4). The update to the flyer "Where do I go from here?" (F-4) to be approved with the following change: "This mutual understanding and program of recovery gave them the strength each desperately needed to pass up the first drink that had always paved the way to disaster." One other Item D. Review progress report on the update of service material with shared experience from neurodivergent alcoholics. This was presented at the SAGSC meeting by Nikki and was updated and changed prior to the GSC. We have not met since the Spring Area 42 Assembly and this is my bad. I will touch basis with everyone in December and turn over the reins to Diana to be the Chairperson for next year, as we switch duties, if anyone that wants to join our Area Conference Committee please let me know. Thank you for allowing me to serve, Paul