

## **NAGSC Business Meeting**

**June 4, 2016**

Host District – N/A  
Nugget Resort Casino  
1100 Nugget Avenue  
Sparks, NV 89431

**Meeting Opens: Carol B** opened the meeting at 1:05pm with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer followed by a reading, read by Roberta L, GS manual, Concept XII, regarding the General Warranties of the Conference: In all its proceedings, the General Service Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. Tradition, taking great care that the conference never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus an ample reserve, be its prudent financial principal; that none of the Conference Members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any others; that all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that, though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in thought and action.

**Review Minutes:** Minutes of previous meeting (March 12, 2016) reviewed,  
Corrections: None  
Motion to Accept: Made  
1<sup>st</sup>: Yes  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Yes  
Vote: Minutes accepted as written

### **Treasurer's Report: Will L**

Hi my name is Will currently serving as your treasurer. We have a current balance of \$6,304.76 in the checking. We made deposits of \$894.49. Our contributions have been real low so far. PLEASE have your groups send your donations to the address listed in my report.

### **Officer Reports**

#### **Secretary, Laura J**

Please leave your email address with me if you want to be included on the Nagsc email list. Thank you to all who have sent a digital copy of your report, I can receive emailed reports up to 2 weeks after today. I have been working with the ad hoc committee to clean up anonymity breaks on minutes posted to the Area website. As a result my scrubbing methods are much more refined. If you include last names, personal home or email addresses, personal phone numbers or non AA web addresses these items will be removed from your report before I post to the Area Website. There is no problem with you including these in an oral report they just won't appear in the final minutes.

## **Registrar, Julie C**

Thank you to all the DCMs who worked with Emily at the Fall Assembly to update your groups and GSRs' information. Please let me know if you are having any trouble with listing groups or updating information. Again, it is our hope that the new reports are helping you with outreach in your districts. As always: DCMs: Please continue to send New Group Forms and Group Change Forms to either Emily or me. You can text a picture of the form if you like. GSRs: Please let us know if you don't get your packets. We will contact GSO to see what happened and most importantly to get your packets to you as soon as possible.

## **Archivist, Pat S**

Districts, event chairs, even individual meetings continue to request Archives displays and/or presentations, for which I am grateful. It's time to think seriously about being available for Area 42 Archivist. He/she will be elected at the Sept. 9-11 Assembly in Tonopah. It is a four-year service commitment. For the upcoming panel, the archivist will be selected from the north (NAGSC). The position of Archivist and Alternate Archivist rotates, with the alternate archivist (me) currently from the north. Following is the official duty description for the Archivist, from the Area 42 Guidelines: "1) Catalog and maintain all archival material for Area 42 Provide displays of archival material at Area functions". Of course, there's more. A primary function is to maintain the official binders for each district. You can add your unofficial projects to this ad infinitum. As a brief example, while serving as Alternate Archivist, I started binders with NAGSC meeting histories, photos of meeting locations, and oral histories from old timers. This is just a small sample.

## **Area Chair, Phil W**

Hi there, I just wanted to thank you all once again for how well you have continued to be so very accepting and unified in your love and tolerance of all who suffer from alcoholism. I would also like to thank the ad hoc committee that is working on some anonymity breaks on our web site. I do use the Web site and already some of the reports are being put back online, also the team has worked on providing the same reports on the Spanish version of the web site. I did have a lot of fun at the last Assembly and really loved how you all were so interested in Bob W's presentations. He worked for a few hours on writing out what he was going to say so we would be able to have written translation. Anyway I just want to say I love you all and look forward to seeing you soon.

## **Area Secretary, Paul E**

Discussed Ad Hoc Communications Committee work. Most of the items on the web site that were moved for a time to a password protected area, have been moved back to the open area. The committee will put together a list of recommendations to prevent these breaks in the future. We have also translated all material into Spanish rather than the sporadic amount done previously. We will have a report at the next Assembly.

## **Nagsc Finance Committee Chair, Paul E**

Updates for Nagsc finance guidelines will be discussed at the next Nagsc meeting in August.

## **DCM Reports**

### **District 2, Mary D**

District 2 is healthy and ready for this NAGSC meeting and our delegates report. Thank you to GSRs for your dedication as our communication bridge. Our meeting date changed to accommodate the Triangle Club schedule; we meet the second Thursday of the month at 7:00pm, upstairs. A new alternate DCM was elected: Allysa will serve out this term. Congratulations and Welcome! Our ad hoc committee to develop district guidelines has been resurrected thanks to Dawn; we will discuss prior to the June meeting and update members soon. Most grateful to Dawn and to Nicole for support! June guest is Roberta, committee chairman and July we have Lyle; we're looking forward to hosting these area representatives! Elections for the district are held in August. I plan to attend the Hawaii forum September 30-October 2. Aloha!

### **District 4, Wayne H**

I was happy to see a nice representation from District 4 at the last area assembly. It never stops amazing me the amount of dedication that shows up at all the assemblies. However, there was one topic of discussion at our district meeting after the assembly that I wanted to mention. It was on the last vote about who was on the area committee. Several of the GSR's that were at the assembly did not understand the question and would have wanted to change their votes once they understood the question. Other than that one hiccup, we all had a great assembly. Overall, things have been going well for District four. We have been fairly stable in group representation. I did want to mention a few upcoming events in the Reno area. Next weekend in the founder's day picnic next Saturday at Idlewild Park. The cornerstone group has its campout coming up August 5-7. September 2-4 is the fall roundup. If you would like any more information on any of these events, details are posted on the inter-group website at nnig.org.

### **District 6, John F**

We have been pretty quiet in the District. The biggest news, is that we are having our annual founder's day picnic coming up next Sunday June 12th at Genoa Park in Genoa NV. 12 pm potluck. 1:00 p.m. speaker meeting. The GSR from the Minden Gardnerville Group Drew H will be the speaker. Please bring a dish to share along with a chair and some sunscreen. We will be having our elections in August and as it is already time to start thinking about the next rotation. We continue to have a sprinkling of new GSR's show up at our district meeting bringing in fresh enthusiasm. Finally thank God for good alternates!

### **District 8, Scott B**

About our District. District 8 is located in Eastern California, running north to south over 100 miles between the crest of the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the Nevada border. The main population centers in the district are Bishop and Mammoth Lakes and there are currently 10 groups. We are looking forward to the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Chili – Cook off/Summer Kickoff/Delegate's Report that will be held June 25 at Mill Pond Park in Bishop. Both Mike M and Joyce Y have agreed to speak at the event. We are also planning to have copies of the District 8 archives binders available for people to browse between burgers. The bi-annual Bishop White Elephant auction/speaker meeting is in the planning stages. This event is held the last Saturday of every January and July and this year it will fall on Saturday July 30. More info will be available as the date approaches. Also, Mammoth Lakes will be holding its 40<sup>th</sup> annual High Sierra Campout August 26-28 in Mammoth Lakes CA. The High Sierra Group in Bishop has completed its move from their previous location to two new locations. These are the Methodist Church in downtown Bishop and the Coyote Meadows Community Center. Finally, District 8 has completed a first reading of their new proposed guideline revisions. A second reading and vote will be taken at the next business meeting in July.

## **District 10a, Janet T**

Ronnie spoke for the district reporting that all is well.

## **District 10b, Samantha G**

During our last two district meetings we discussed Concept V and learned more about our General Structure. We also went through the Assembly body's sense on the GSC agenda items. One GSR shared a neat experience of a visitor with longtime sobriety showing up at his home group. The next day he showed the visitor around town and had a great AA talk. We tried once more to hold an election; however no one was willing to stand for any positions. We talked about whether or not to continue holding district meetings. It was voted we decided to hold more workshops and start a monthly "service study" where we will study the Traditions, Concepts, and other principles regarding General Service. We hope this might be less intimidating to newer members than a district business meeting. We also hope this might be a more informal way to educate members on our Traditions and Concepts and fill future General Service positions. We practiced Tradition 1 by checking to see if this new service study would conflict with any of the groups' regularly scheduled meetings. Our workshops will continue to consist of Area committee presentations and we're planning a Grapevine writing workshop for July. We've asked the delegate who could give his delegate's report in his stead to District 10B and potentially 10A as well since he has declined.

## **District 12, Ed L**

Hi my name is Ed and I am an Alcoholic. District 12 has been busy with all kinds of events coming up. The Silver Springs campout is June 10, 11 and 12. Frank from Austin has information on their campout in the Rubies he claims it to be the best in all of AA Silver Springs disagrees. Fernley has a campout and picnic coming see Bob from Fernley see if he can remember the dates. As always Fallon will have its Oasis Festival in October see Monica, Randall, Nick, or Lisa for more information. Gary took time out of his busy schedule to show up at our district business meeting and give us an excellent presentation on Treatment. His passion for this part of our service structure is amazing he is very dedicated. Thank You Gary. We are looking forward to a visit from Cheryl and Joyce or is it Joyce and Cheryl I'm not quite sure, don't want to cause a resentment. They have a very busy schedule so book them early if you want them to show up. We have heard from other districts that this is a can't miss presentation. The presentations we have had from all of our trusted servants have been a great way to get the message out. Not everyone wants to be a GSR sad as this may be. By inviting all of our committee chairs to each business meeting our GSR's are able to explain in depth what each committee does and how to get involved. Our goal is to get everyone in District 12 a commitment. A lofty goal maybe but something to work towards. We do compete with the Oasis committee many feel that if they show up to their particular committee meeting once in a while they are covered and we lose them. BUT!!! We shall overcome or compete as much as we can without mudslinging. The last project we have to get done is to try and get meetings in the Lovelock area this may be my job once my commitment as DCM ends. There is a chance that someday we may be able to start meetings in the Lovelock Prison. That area is an AA desert, those sentenced to meetings by the courts have nowhere to go, There is one man trying to keep AA live in that area, but he is a Firefighter and very busy. Time to roll up our sleeves

## **District 14, Anne Y**

All the positions are filed. Quarterly speaker meeting is going well lots of support. The District 14 Jamboree will be August 7th at Truckee Regional Park.

## **District 16, Catherine H**

During the last Area 42 Assembly in Tonopah I was able to get 2 of the Area standing chairs to attend our monthly business meeting. On April 29, Pat S, Northern Area's archivist attended our meeting. He gave a 10 minute talk on the importance of the archives, and showed us interesting stuff that was from our district. After he attended this meeting it reminded me of the year or so ago when I couldn't find a complete copy of District 16's guidelines. To better insure that the next DCM does not fall onto this particular issue, I appointed Ryan K to be the District archivist. Ryan will hold onto another complete copy of the records for the district. This will be another complete copy to insure that it never happens again, making it a little easier for the next DCM. April's meeting was very unique with our guest taking care of the chairperson to organize hosting the NNIG speaker meeting, at which we voted in Sue since she was not there. The second reading of the amendment to the new guidelines was approved. We finished 20 minutes early so the alternate DCM, Andrea and I decided to attend the 7pm AA meeting right upstairs at the Christian Fellowship Church "Whole in the Soul" group and found Pat S already in the room. Mark off another meeting for District 16, up well over halfway done attending all the groups in District 16. We also made sure to invite them all to the next district meeting. On May 17 our guest for the meeting was Pete L, the new GSR trainer for Area 42. Right at the start of Pete's presentation he mentioned that I only allowed him 5 or 10 minutes for his presentation. I wanted to make it clear that Pete took over 25 minutes. 90% of that was questions being asked by the GSRs. I want to thank you again, Pete for coming out and would like to invite him back anytime he would like to come. My report is never finished unless I mention that the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual District 16 Christmas Affair will be on December 10, 2016. Please set the date aside as it is always a great time.

## **District 20, Larry B**

My term as DCM for District 20 is nearly up. With that in mind I hope to recruit dedicated members to stand for positions being vacated and to maintain some continuity. Dedicated members have made progress in the areas of Public Information, Cooperation with the Professional Community (with true dedication and altruism we have treasurers and registrars providing foundation upon which to act) and, in my mind, most importantly in outreach to the various groups and members in District 20. This invites unity, a necessary condition to our common welfare. Yes, we have also revived the campout, have some new meetings, and new interest in District Service, but the true gift for me is the spiritual connection between members in service. I wonder how I can pass this gift on to others. Thanks for the opportunity to be of service.

## **District 22, Henry B**

### **Chair, Liaison Reports**

#### **Cooperation with Professional Community, Cheryl E**

Here are the activities that CPC (NAGSC CPC and NNIG PI/CPC) have been involved with since the Spring Assembly. University of Nevada Medical School, Reno: Joyce Y. (NNIG CPC chair and NAGSC CPC co-chair) and Cheryl, along with other CPC committee members meet with a doctor and 4-5 third year medical students. We provide the students with some appropriate pamphlets and central office meeting schedules and a short presentation on CPC. The students get an assignment from the doctor to attend a 12 step meeting and then they report back on their experience in about 6 weeks. We also attend the report backs.

We meet with a new rotation of students every 6 weeks. This continues throughout the year. Since the last report the beginning of April, we met on Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>, Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>, May 24<sup>th</sup>, and will meet on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Washoe County School District (WCSD), Reno: Joyce and Tom B. met with some counselors at the Washoe County School District to review a rough draft outline for a presentation geared for high school students during a health class. The counselors provided feedback and will continue to help in the development. Joyce, Tom, and Cheryl met Apr. 24<sup>th</sup>, May 11<sup>th</sup>, and May 30<sup>th</sup> to create a rough full presentation. We will then do a couple mock presentations amongst members and schedule an appointment with the school district again to do a mock presentation to them for additional feedback and development. Victim Impact Program: Joyce, Sue, Joanne, Carol, Tom B., and Cheryl went to a Victim Impact Panel on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:00pm at the East Fork Justice Court in Minden. In Douglas County, folks that get a DUI must attend a Victim Impact Panel as part of their requirements. There were four folks on the panel. Linda, representing a victim of a drunk driver; a woman who lost her son due to impaired driving, a fireman representing a first responder to impaired driving, and Sue representing a person in recovery. There were 40-50 folks attending the Victim Impact Panel. On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Joyce, Sue, Joanne and Cheryl met with Linda, the Victim Impact Program Coordinator for Douglas County. The purpose of this meeting was for Linda to get to know Joanne and give the okay for Joanne to be the recovery panel member at the next Victim Impact Panel, which will be June 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the Douglas County Courthouse in Stateline, NV. Orientation to AA Sessions: Joyce and several other members have been working on an overview of the Orientation to AA Sessions for the past couple years. The purpose of these sessions is to help folks new to AA and court ordered folks to understand AA meetings and the language of AA and how and why we do what we do. There will be 6 sessions. These are NOT AA meetings. These sessions are a service to help folks learn about AA. There will be facilitators of these sessions. They will need to be "trained" to facilitate to provide consistency. These orientation sessions will be maintained by CPC to ensure the sessions will continue and that the message will be consistent. These 6 sessions were presented at the Reno Spring Festival on April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Nugget. The committee received invaluable feedback from folks and have been revising the sessions as needed. The committee met 6 times after the Reno Spring Festival to review and revise. Four of the sessions will be presented for more feedback from members at SWACYPAA on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Once this feedback has been reviewed and implemented as needed, the committee will work with Bristlecone Treatment Center to present the sessions and with the court system. District Meetings: We are attending Northern Area district meetings to give a 10 minute overview on CPC/PI. We be going to District 12 (Fallon) business meeting on August 13<sup>th</sup>. CPC Committee Meetings: We had a committee meeting on Apr. 24<sup>th</sup> at the First Congregational Church (Sunnyside) in the annex building in Reno from 2-3:30. We had 8 folks in attendance, including the NNIG CPC liaison. Our next committee meeting will be June 12<sup>th</sup>, same place, same time.

## **Public Information, Lyle C**

At the last District 20 meeting, my district, we were having a discussion about how best to ensure that people can find our meetings. And should we have contacts in all communities on a common contact list available to all. There were differing opinions about anonymity, privacy and availability. The DCM, Larry, brought up that even the Western directory from the General Service Office is out of date by the time it is published. Then he asked for volunteers to join our PI Chair to form a full committee. It warmed my heart to see such enthusiasm from new and old members to actually form a public information committee with the purpose of reaching the still suffering alcoholic. My home group has had complaints that our meetings are incorrect on the internet. We discovered that when people randomly type in "AA Chester CA" the first website that comes up is for simeetings. This webpage is run by a man from Staten Island who has decided to manage a listing of meetings for many

states due to personal reasons. The public information chair for District 20 now updates the webmaster for simeetings.com when she updates Northern Nevada Intergroup. So for districts 6, 8 and 14 that also have meetings in California, please let your PI people know. The NAGSC Public Information Committee is available to come to your districts.

### **Grapevine, Debbie S**

Currently, for a limited time, AA Grapevine is offering book sets at \$15.75 each. That is a 25% savings. The three sets, offering insight into experience, strength, and hope of the fellowship for various stages of sobriety are, "*For Beginners*", "*For Young People*", and "*Doing Service*". Visit [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org) for more information and/or to order. "Grow Your Grapevine"...Grapevine needs support to grow. Growing season has yearlong and seasonal activities that can be completed from March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2017. To help carry the message, groups of groups, districts and/or areas are invited to form teams to work together to complete as many activities and record them on as many arbor cards as you wish. The Area with the greatest number of Arbor Cards will be featured in a magazine section in 2017. All completed Arbor Cards will be entered into a drawing. Five winners will receive a selection of Grapevine books and other items. Visit [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org) for more information and printable Arbor Cards. A new Spanish-language book is now available. It is titled "Un Dia a la Vez". The 2017 wall calendars and pocket planners are now available. I am anticipating on having a few pocket planners available for sale at the Area Assembly in September. Now for some news from your Northern Area Grapevine. I currently have a display table set-up at SWACYPAA. Our Northern Area has a large inventory of books and handout material. With our NAGSC meeting today and NNIG having a retail table set-up, I set-up an informational table with free literature and magazines for sale. I have been invited to represent the Grapevine at a couple of events coming up this year. Winnemucca will be sponsoring an article writing workshop in July. August invitations include; a campout in Dist. 20 during the weekend of 19th through 21st. A campout in Dist. 8 during the weekend of 26th through 28th. September I will set-up at the Oasis Festival in Fallon. November I will be at the Minden/Gardnerville Gratitude Dinner. My calendar still has openings if your district or group has an event that you would like to see the AA Grapevine represented at, hold a writing workshop or have me share at your business meeting.

### **Corrections/Bridging the Gap, Mike L**

Hello everyone my name is my Mike L, I am alcoholic serving as the Corrections Facilities chair. Frankly I haven't heard from any districts lately to be able to bring the message how we can bring the message to the alcoholic in correctional facilities. I know my time is limited but I would love to hear from the districts or individual groups. There are many ways we can bring hope to the incarcerated alcoholic. Through our literature, meetings, and correspondence. I myself have just started a new adventure corresponding with an inmate at Lockwood. One important note Washoe County Parr Boulevard facility hasn't been able to get meetings off the ground for men because of the lack of volunteers. By contacting intergroup corrections chair, Michele M through central office information on how to volunteer can be obtained.

### **Special Needs/ Remote Communities, Roberta B**

No Report

### **Treatment Facilities, Gary S**

Thanks to the 2 districts that invited me to their biz meet, I love to visit districts, please contact me. Thank you to Anne for the BGT requests forwarded to me. Thanks to my home group for funding me, I will be attending forum in Hawaii

### **Intergroup Liaison, Michael M**

Carol – This Tuesday at 6:45p the Sparks Alano Club is holding their annual elections, if you are interested in participating please attend this meeting.

### **GSR Survival Manual/Trainer Pete L**

I attended Area Assembly in the spring and plan on attending Assembly in the fall. I have received GSR manuals from Chris. I have about 30 – 40 copies. I did a GSR training at District 16, this was well attend and a good session. I am available for any trainings for DCMs, districts or Nagsc.

### **DCM Standing Committee Facilitator, Chris S**

In the DCM/Standing Chair meeting prior to this meeting we discussed the upcoming election season. We discussed that if it is possible, it is a good suggestion to elect GSRs & DCMs before assembly so they can come as the new group or district rep. Lyle gave a presentation about a proposal to add Standing Chairs to the Area Committee roster.

### **Delegate's Report**

#### **Stepping Stones:**

Bill and Lois moved into the home in April 1941. Couple years after they moved in, Bill built a small cottage on the property and Lois called it "Wit's End". Wit's End is where Bill did all of his writing. The entire home is has labels throughout the home written by Lois describing photos and gifts they've received over the years. Lois did this knowing the home was going to be a place people would want to see one day. The entire home looks as if they both just went to the store. It's just as Lois left the home when she passed.

#### **GSO:**

Tuesday went to GSO and went straight for the Archive room. Saw Hand written notes from Bill W. The invitation list of people invited to the Rockefeller (2/8/1940) dinner and their receipts for donations. 400 people invited and 75 showed up – from this event the term "outside contributions" was formed. In the NV file, found a letter from the warden at the NV state prison requesting info on AA after hearing about it from the Warden at San Quinton in January 1944.

#### **Conference:**

Conference began in 1951 – April 2016 we had our 66<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference. The Conference is where the business of AA is done. There are 134 people who attend and vote. 21 trustees, 4 Directors, 16 GSO staff members and 93 Delegates. 1195 New groups listed in 2015 – each group received a new GSR packet. AA.org received 12,794,044 visits – increase of 35%. Office welcomed a new General Manager – Greg T. There are around 9 topics that are brought up on panel discussion from 2<sup>nd</sup> year delegates. Seems that every year the topics of Safety, Diversity and Singleness of purpose are brought up. When the panel is complete the entire Conference is open mic.

#### **Finance:**

65,741 listed groups. 26,500 or 40.3% of groups contribute to GSB. 74% of GSB expenses are paid with 7<sup>th</sup> tradition contributions. 26% is funded through literature sales, individual contribution and dip into the reserve fund. Group Contributions \$7,154,146, publishing \$4,203,763. GSB spent \$2,475,310 more than was brought in.

**Nevada Contributions:**

632 Groups \* 211 Groups Sent in Contributions \* 33.4% \*14,165 Members in Area 42.  
\$4,511 Individual Contributions \* \$1,000 memorial \* \$2,030.56 Special \* \$42,298.53.

**Grapevine:**

71,966 Monthly subscriptions, 5,233 online subscriptions 2015. (27% Decline) Nevada is up 68 subscriptions from last year. \$245,204 net income.

**La Vina:**

Has a new text service – sharing daily quotes, it's free. 10,350 subscriptions \$146,348 loss for 2015. Projected short fall for 2016 - \$152,060. 2017 - \$166,100. 2018 - \$175,300.

**International Convention:**

56,900 in attendance in Atlanta. \$5.9M in revenue and \$6.1M in expense for \$210K loss. 2020 Will be in Detroit and 2025 BC Vancouver.

**Agenda Items Discussed at Area**

**Literature Item - A:**

Plain Language Big Book - Didn't leave Committee and took no action.

**Policy and Admissions – Item C:**

Conference Observers from other fellowships sitting in on CSC. Didn't leave committee and took no action. When questioned – felt the conference was a closed business meeting.

**Finance – Item D:**

Discuss material from AAWS on Self Support.  
Committee brought no recommendations

**CPC-Item B:**

Considering Adding text regarding AA and Medication to the pamphlet "If you're a professional". A new section with the following text: **"AA does not provide medical advice, all medical advice and treatment should come from a qualified health care professional. The suggestions provided in the pamphlet "the AA member-Medications and other drugs" may help AA member minimize the rise of relapse."**

**CPC – Item C:**

Pamphlet "is there an Alcoholic in the work place" Bold text added: "AA can help organizations, **corporations and businesses, regardless of size**, contact men and women who have achieved sobriety and are willing to share their experiences freely with anyone who seeks help."

**GV-B:**

Consider the list of suggested GV book topics for 2017

- Stories by Atheist and Agnostic A.A. members (working title)

A collection of stories by A.A. members who are atheist or agnostic, previously published in Grapevine magazine and/or AAGrapevine.org.

- Steps Four and Five (working title)

Members tell helpful, hopeful stories about how they did Step Four and/or Step Five and how it changed their lives—from previously published stories in Grapevine magazine and/or AAGrapevine.org.

### **R&C – Item A6**

Consider request to revise text in concept 11 essay regarding “male/female” distinctions in the 12 concepts. Passed.

### **Trustees – Item F**

Consider option presenting by the trustees committee on Nominating regarding the unexpected vacancy of Regional Trustee.

**Decision – “if a vacancy for a Regional Trustee occurs prior to September 1 in the first year, then an election for a three year term would occur at the following General Service Conference for the effecting region.”**

### **Treatment – Item A**

Treatment/Special Needs-Accessibilities- Remove Special Needs to Accessibilities.

**Passed – The new name of the committee will be “Conference Committee on Treatment and Accessibilities”.**

### **Policy and Admission:**

**Proposal for implementing a Google-for-Non-Profits account to carrying the message be developed & brought back to the 2017 Conference.**

**Implementing a Twitter account for carrying the message be brought back to the 2017 conference.**

### **Questions**

Julie – what is attributed to the 2 million shortfall on budget?

Mike - Contributions down, spending up, renovation of GSO office, lots of discussion on how to reduce spending. Discussed costs of translation of material. But when asked what services to cut, no member wants to cut services.

Joyce – Maybe cut sending literature to past delegates including passed away, is that mailing list ever reviewed?

Paul – 65000 registered groups, 40% contribution. Is this active groups? Are inactive groups considered in the number of registered groups not contributing? This could affect the percentage of contributing groups. Julie – includes active and unknown group. Mike will research and have better info at next assembly.

Pat S- can you get a copy of the letter between wardens seen in GSO archives to our archives.

Pat - feasibility study, can you share any ideas for increasing revenue? One idea he heard was that make the area for online contributions easier to find on website, improve communication to members. Mike did not feel the meeting was not organized very well. It was difficult to hear any actual information due to this fact and the fact that Mike was the meeting facilitator.

Roberta L - You have been to 2 conferences, what can area 42 do to better prepare to delegate for the conference? Mike feels like our preconference assemblies are done well, let's maintain that level of dedication. Mike will pass on his experience to the next delegate, perhaps that past delegates could also do this.

Praasa info - Pete L will be the program chair, will meet in this facility (Nugget), Mike met with facility personal, lots of room, good low rates for rooms. Looking for volunteers.

**NAGSC Old Business** None

### **NAGSC New Business**

Hosts next meeting,

District 20 & 10B offered.

District 20 was voted in

**7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Collected: \$110.00.**

### **Important Dates:**

NAGSC Meeting: Saturday, August 6, 2016

Area Assembly: September 9 - 11, Tonopah, NV

Pacific Region Forum: September 30 - October 2, 2016, Hawaii

**Next NAGSC Meeting:** Saturday, August 6, 2016 1pm

District 20

Lassen Senior Citizen Club

1700 Sunkist Drive

Susanville, CA 96130

**Carol closed the meeting at 3:35pm with the Responsibility Statement.**