

**SAGSC**  
**Southern Area 42 General Service Committee**  
**November 10, 2019**  
**TIE CLUB - 329 N. 11th ST - LAS VEGAS, NV**  
**Minutes/Reports**

**OPEN WITH MOMENT OF SILENCE FOLLOWED BY SERENITY PRAYER**

**JAKE: CHAIR/ALT AREA CHAIR**

Read GSR preamble.

Diana came up and read in Spanish.

Any new DCM or GSRs.. 1 new DCM and 8 new GSRs. Welcome!

**APPROVAL OF JULY 2019 MINUTES**  
**LISA SECRETARY**

**SECRETARY REPORT: Lisa**

Hi my name is Lisa and i am an alcoholic. Has everyone had a chance to look over the minutes from July? I sent out a copy of the minutes in English and Spanish. Can i get a motion to approve? Thank you!

Following our last committee meeting I was added to the ad hoc committee by Jake to meet regarding the possible changes to the guidelines regarding the standing committees that the Central Office is handing over. We met and that will be discussed in the near future here. We ultimately decided that is important to remember that Central Office serves a vital role in the community of Alcoholics Anonymous here in Las Vegas and we need to do what we can to support each other.

Please, if you are giving a report today and have not yet sent it to me, you can email it to me right now so that I can add it to the minutes. Please don't include any last names, phone numbers, or personal email addresses in the actual reports. Thank you!

**GSR TRAINER: Jonelle report and meeting conducted by**

There were 13 GSR's and alternates attending the survival training. WE had Phil and Paul from the north to join us. We went over a lot of SAGSC and area and what to expect today and at assembly, group change forms. General questions were answered. The meeting was adjourned with the Responsibility Declaration. Please use us! I hope that I present my service position in AA enthusiastically, like i having a ton of fun. This is not an easy position to take on and anything that i can do to help please allow me. I am available if you would like me to come to your districts. and any groups that do not have GSRs but are interested in learning more.

**DCM COORDINATOR:** This position is open. Justin had to leave town, (just when he got his “JUSTIN ALCOHOLIC” joke down:)) and we are looking for someone to fill this position. If you are available to serve in this position please let Jake know.

## **PHIL FROM MAMMOTH CHAIR OF AA FORUM**

We are the host for the next Pacific Regional Forum in 2020. You can download this paper from [aa.org](http://aa.org). What Are Regional and Local Forums?

Regional Forums originated in 1975 at the suggestion of Dr. Jack Norris, then Chair of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous. They were to be weekend sharing and informational sessions designed to help the General Service Board, A.A. World Services, Inc., the Grapevine Corporate Board, the Grapevine Staff, and the General Service Office Staff stay in touch with A.A. members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the A.A. service structure.

### **Regional Forums**

Originally, at the invitation of a region, four Regional Forums were held each year. Since the U.S./Canada service structure is composed of eight regions, a Regional Forum was held in alternate years in each region on a rotating basis. In October 2006, the General Service Board approved the concept of an Additional Regional Forum to be held upon request in each region every eight years also on a rotating basis, bringing the possible number of Regional Forums held each year to five. In 2012 the General Service Board agreed to discontinue Additional Regional Forums after completion of the eight region cycle in 2016.

The location and agenda for Regional Forums are decided jointly by the Regional Trustee, Area Delegates and G.S.O. The responsibility for initiating contact with the hotel is assumed by a local A.A. Host Contact working with the Forums Coordinator and Regional Trustee. The Forums Coordinator at G.S.O. distributes registration forms to groups and service workers throughout the region and, working with the Host Contact and Regional Trustee, coordinates the details of the Forum. There is no registration fee for Regional Forums or Additional Regional Forums. The General Service Board covers the expenses of meeting rooms. In many places, area committees, districts and groups cover or defray the transportation and lodging expenses of the trusted servants representing them at a Forum.

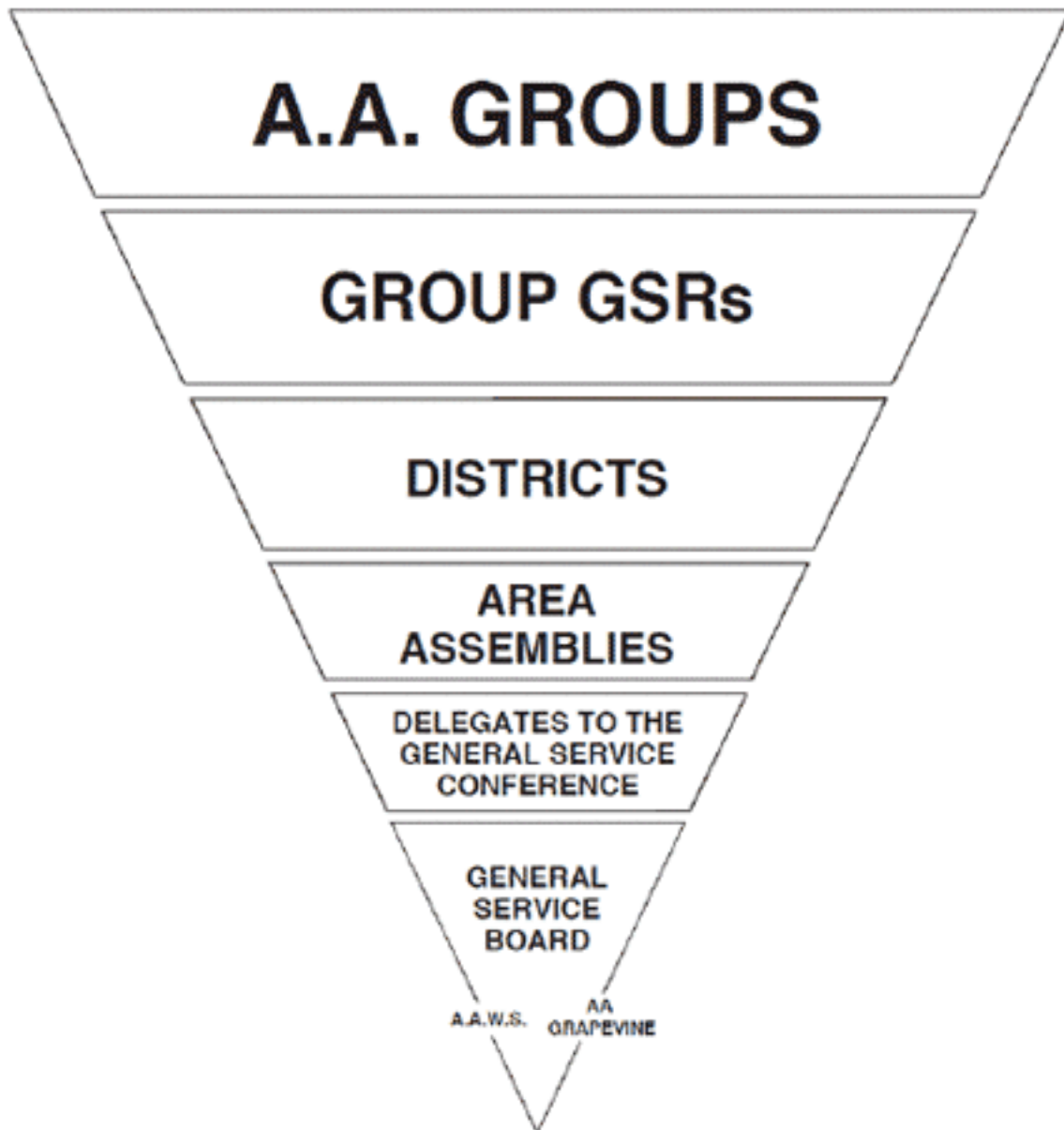
### **Local Forums**

In October 2006, the concept of Local Forums was approved by the General Service Board. The purpose of Local Forums is to bring Forum information to A.A. members in remote, sparsely populated areas, urban neighborhoods or underserved A.A.

communities. Any A.A. community or service entity may request a one-and-a-half or two day Local Forum. Unlike Regional Forums, the responsibility for Forum expenses such as meeting room rental and miscellaneous expenses are assumed by the Local Forum Committee. The General Service Board will send two participants, one from the Board and one from the General Service Office or Grapevine office and display literature at Board expense. Like Regional and Additional Forums, Board participation in Local Forums requires the approval of the trustees' Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums. The Regional Forums Coordinator works closely with the Local Forum organizing committee to create an agenda that is responsive to local needs.

As all Forums are intended to be sharing sessions, no formal actions result. Sharing at Forums is captured in Forum Final Reports which are distributed to all attendees. Regional Forums Final Reports are available on G.S.O.'s A.A. Website. Forums provide unique opportunities to share and exchange valuable experience, ask questions and spark new ideas. Regional Forums and Local Forums carry A.A.'s message of love and service by improving communication at all levels of our Fellowship.

## STRUCTURE OF THE CONFERENCE (U.S. and Canada)



General Service Office puts together a group of people to bring us the information and give reports about what is going on all around the world in AA. They will let us know what is going on with the different Committees in AA. We really want to be informed about what it is. It's a place where GSO can inform us about what they are doing for us and where we can ask them questions about what need them to do to help us. We will have a trustee there, either from Canada or from the us to share with us what AA is doing all around the world. They will let us know what is going on with our Agenda items and what we can look forward to. Excellent opportunity to have home groups to participate. Registration is free. No reason for anyone not to attend. Forum will take place August 21-23 of 2020 at the Westgate. Will register through [aa.org](http://aa.org).

**SAGSC TREASURER: SEAN will report later at the end of the meeting**

**AREA OFFICER REPORTS:**

**DELEGATE: RHONDA: present / no report**

**AREA CHAIR: PAUL from NAGSC**

Great to be here in LV. With the end of the year coming, the focus starts turning to our next General Service Conference Agenda Items. We will continue with our Area conference committees that mirror those in New York to do something very similar to what we did last year. Those committees choose the items that we discuss at NAGS and SAGSC at the agenda topic meetings/roundtables. Those committees are voluntary, and if you aren't on one of them and wish to participate in the process, or have no clue right now what i am talking about, come and see me, and I can sign you up. Thank you.

**REGISTRAR: ANNE**

Area 42 Registrar Report  
Anne D.  
SAGSC Nov. 10

Hello and happy November Southern Area General Service Committee.

I am sending apologies all the way around for missing this meeting. Please know I am with you in spirit. And I am always available via email, phone or text.

Last week, I received word from the General Service Office team in New York that the FNV system is being migrated. At this time, I am not able to access the online system to make changes. Have no fear. As your Area 42 registrar it is still my honor make sure your paperwork is delivered to the right spot until New York has the shiny new database system up and running this Spring 2020. GSO believes the new system is going to be fantastic once the migration is completed. I will keep you posted on the progress.

Spring Assembly Registration will be open on January 1. Please keep an eye out for information on that in the form of an email from your DCM or Area Secretary. You can also find helpful info in your Area 42 newsletter.

Thank you all for trusting me to be your registrar. It is an honor to serve you. I wish you all a peaceful and fulfilling holiday season and I hope to see you soon as we trudge the road of happy destiny.

Yours in love and service,  
Area 42 Registrar  
Anne D.

**ALT-ARCHIVIST: GABRIEL**

REPORT FROM ARCHIVES SAGSC.

Nov. 10, 2019

Hi, my name is Gabriel, I'm an alcoholic. I am an alternate archivist for Area 42 ( SAGSC). We took archives to District 5 and District 1 picnic. Over the years the Fellowship has accumulated a remarkable collection of materials, providing an unmatched historical resource and a resonating emotional touchstone for the Fellowship.

We meet every Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00 A.M.-11:00A.M., everyone is welcomed.

Thank you for letting me be of service

**STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:**

**H&I (HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS): ROBERT**

**SAGSC Meeting - Fall 2019**

**Las Vegas Hospitals & Institution**

**Committee Report**

**H&I Committee Procedures and Guideline**

Updated Procedures and Guideline were approved by committee members at the October 2019 business meeting.

**H&I Committee Fall Workshop**

H&I workshop was held on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 'The Meeting Space'. Topics:

- H&I panel procedures, panel member requirements and conduct
- Review and discussed update H&I procedures and guidelines

**53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Roundup**

H&I members will conduct outreach and have information table at the roundup.

## **H&I Panels**

Current H&I panel status:

- Committee conducts 246 panel meetings at 19 treatment, detox and short/long term sober living facilities.
- Committee conducts 64 panel meetings at 13 City, County and State detention facilities.

## **Volunteers Needed**

The H&I Committee needs volunteers for:

- Women and men for detention and correction facilities
- Bridging The Gap
- Spanish for Southern Desert CC

## **BRIDGE THE GAP:**

**not present**

## **GRAPEVINE: APRIL**

My name is April I'm in alcoholic.

I am the Southern Area Grapevine chair and super excited to be here. Since we last met in July I got fired! So I had a lot of free time to spend on Grapevine events. I invited myself to SWACYPA at the Plaza hotel downtown for the three day event and I set up a table there. I had some volunteers with me and sales went really well so thank you to Becca and the whole LVYPAA team for having me.

In September, I got to drive to the beautiful amazing town of Tonopah (that's not haunted at all) and set up a table there. I have a lot of backing as far as Grapevine goes, which is really cool. Our delegate is on the Grapevine committee, or at least was, and the guest speaker for that weekend in Tonopah also did something with Grapevine. so there were a lot of people coming back to the table for the weekend.

September was the writing workshop at central office. Two ladies shared their stories that were published and some people shared stories they wrote during the break. It was a small amount of people and I thought it went well for what it was and I had a good time.

In October, Grapevine had a table at Women's Day, the District 5B picnic, the District 7 event and the District 1 picnic. Our presence was made at a lot of different places this year and I'm really happy about it. I hope that in future Grapevine is everywhere that you go.

The last event Grapevine will be attending is the workshop in Mesquite on the 16th of November. The last event for the year is going to be the Round-up Thanksgiving weekend. Thankfully I have a lot of volunteers already but if you find yourself that weekend with nothing to do and do you want to come hang out for a couple hours, I'm definitely taking more volunteers .

The Grapevine committee meeting is every last Friday of the month at central office at 6 PM. November there will be no Grapevine committee meeting since we will be at the round up all weekend. Thank you for letting me be of service.

**CPC (COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY): LAURA  
PIC (PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE):GEORGE**

Cooperation with the Professional Community  
Public Information Committee  
Report to the SAGSC  
November 2019

Hello SAGSC! I am Laura and I am an alcoholic. I will be reporting on behalf of our area CPC/PI Committee. As many of you may be aware Cooperation with Professional Community and Public Information Committee work closely together alongside of the Accessibility Committee. Our new PI Chair George D is also here today, and we have elected a new PI Co Chair Robin R. and Joel P has been voted in as Treasurer. We are still in need of a new secretary for our Committees.

We have been very busy carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to professionals who work with alcoholics in the raw to the general public. Fall is one of our busy seasons for community sponsored events.

We are fortunate to have a close working relationship with District 21, and continue to keep Diana M busy translating, meeting minutes, flyers display materials . Enrique is the new CPC/PI representative for District 21. We continue to do our best to stock literature racks at events , hospitals and institutions with English and Spanish literature.

During the last 3 months we have participated in a variety of community service events, including Hope Christian Health Fair, International overdose Awareness events , 3 National Night Out events, Veterans Service Fair, VA Global Peer support workshop, Clark County Employee Health Fair and Cannon Middle School event.

While sometimes we are the least popular table, there is always someone that seeks the hand of AA. In addition to these community events, we attended Recovery sponsored events including the SWACYPAA Conference, Women in Recovery Day event, Rally for Recovery Event, and coordinated a presentation with LVYPAA for the October APG Speaker Jam. We also continue to participate in monthly Pop-Up Homeless Connect Projects, PACT Coalition, the Mayors Faith Initiative, The Giving Project and Nevada Homeless Alliance.

While local AA meetings schedules are always available at our event tables, we have encouraged those with cell phones to pick up the Meeting Guide App cards. We have found many people responsive to the idea of this new technology and availability of the app. These events are all staffed with volunteers from our committees.

We continue to need volunteers to assist with staffing our events. So please encourage those looking for service opportunities to reach out to CPC/PI for opportunities.

To help education our fellowship about what we do, we submit information to the Area 42 Newsletter and the LV Silver Streak publication regularly .

The Public information and Cooperation with the Professional Community Committees receive many requests for AA literature, information, and presentations each year. In order to fulfill all the requests, the committees need your support. We would like to encourage DCMs and GSRs to consider having CPC/PI Reps (Similar to H&I Reps) for their groups and encourage them to attend our monthly meetings which occur on the second Monday each month beginning at 430pm at Central Office immediately before InterGroup Meetings. We will be revamping our campaign for committee contributions via the “ Green Cans” over the next several months.



We would like you to promote contributions for committee work via the Green Cans. A big thank you to all of the groups who do support and help us purchase literature to reach the still suffering alcoholics.

For more information regarding our committees feel free to reach out to:

Laura Russ CPC chair\*\*\*\*\*

George Diaz PI Chair\*\*\*\*\*

Thank you for allowing me to be in service,

Laura R

### Las Vegas Meetings-to-Go Committee

Report to SAGSC

November 10, 2019

Hello SAGSC !

My name is Gette, and I am alcoholic and the Co-chair for Las Vegas Meetings-to-Go Committee. As most of you know ,and for those who don't, our committee provides AA meetings to those members who are home-bound, in the hospital, or reside in a health care facility, or nursing home. We continue to promote this valuable service in our community at meetings and recovery sponsored events. We have attended some district functions, and meetings and strive to get the word out about our committee. Also, i wanted to add that if your family member is in hospice and you aren't able to get out to a meeting or don't want to leave, we can bring one to you. Daryl M, has stepped down as chair, but he continues as an active member of our committee and attends many events and sets up a display to recruit volunteers and educate others on our services. We were at SWACYPAA, District 1 Picnic, Women in Recovery event, and Service workshops. We continue to be surprised that many in the valley don't know about our committee. We would like the DCMs and GSRs to invite us to their meetings, events and workshops. We continue to provide ongoing weekly or biweekly meetings to Lenny, Maggie, and Don and we also provided meetings to two other members both in long term care facilities. These meetings have proved to be vital for these members. We have had a few referrals from Central office, and always call them as soon as we get the referral. However, the referrals are low at this time. We can be found on the Central Office website under Accessibilities and Meetings2Go, or you can reach out to central office via phone. You can also call Laura R ( chair) \*\*\*\*\* or myself Gette at \*\*\*\*\*

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Gette B

### **TRANSLATION : TONY AND DIANA**

### **GIVEN BY DIANA**

TRANSLATION/INTERPRETATION – SAGSC, NOV. 10, 2019

My name is Diana and I'm an alcoholic. Tony S. and I are the translators for the Area. Unfortunately, Tony could not make this SAGSC meeting and I, for one, am missing his very colorful presence! We will present the second reading of the Translation/Interpretation Committee Proposal at the next Area meeting in the Spring.

I wanted to briefly share a few of my thoughts about what our committee is all about and what we're trying to achieve. Right now, our focus is on our Area 42 Hispanic AA community. To give our Latino brothers and sisters the potential to engage their whole self, including their language.

Tony & I would appreciate help from volunteers and were thinking of getting together an English-speaking editing team to go over the Area and District Officer reports. This English-speaking editing team could read these and correct the grammar, spelling and punctuation. As Tony always says, when we receive your reports, the first thing we do is translate your English INTO English so we can translate that into Spanish!

That would save us hours of work and Tony & I would be able to focus exclusively on translation which is already substantial and time consuming. We translate reports from all the DCMs, NAGSC & SAGSC Officers, Area 42 Officers. We also translate guideline changes and updates, Area Conference Committee reports. And the minutes which include spontaneous comments and questions. The pre-conference preparations: Agenda Item Summaries, Roundtable Presentations, Feedback. And anything else that's needed.

Another idea we had would be to have a Spanish-speaking editing/consulting team to suggest phraseology more conducive to its culture. I learned Spanish in Spain and although it's understandable and correct, some of the translation/interpretation I make for American colloquialisms/informal language can use improvement. I want the Spanish speaking community that lives here to warm up to the message.

Our belief is when we show an interest in communicating with another culture, we present opportunities for both sides to integrate and participate within a community. We all benefit as we learn more ways of thinking and problem solving.

Language grants a culture its value and its dignity and what a translator/interpreter does is breathe life into language.

If you are interested in helping, you can contact me at 914-364-1326.

Thank you for listening.

Diana M.

TRANSLATION INTERPRETATION AD HOC COMMITTEE (SAGSC) Nov 10 2019

**Reminder to please send your reports for tonopah 2 weeks before the assembly.**

**INTERGROUP LIAISON: Kristen**

PRAASA  
March 6-8 2020  
Tucson AZ  
[PRAASA.org](http://PRAASA.org)

LV Roundup  
Westgate  
Nov 28-Dec 1

Intergroup meets second Monday of every month 6 pm at Central Office

**LVYPAA: ANNA**

**SAGSC LVYPAA REPORT**

Hi I'm Anna and I am an alcoholic. I'm representing LVYPAA. We have two events coming up.

Our first event is the Dessert Contest & Gratitude Panel on 11/24 from 3-6pm at the Triangle Club. Bring your favorite baked goods and enjoy Beth B and Hillary H + a secret speaker at the panel. There's a \$5 suggested donation.

The second event is LVYPAA Roaring 20's NYE Ball from 8pm until 2020 at the TRIANGLE CLUB (originally said the TIE Club). There'll be a speaker meeting and a \$15 suggested donation.

LVYPAA is also starting to work on the bid for WACYPAA 2020.

Thank you!

**ACCESSIBILITIES: MATTIE**

Hi, my name is Mattie and I'm an alcoholic and the SAGSC Accessibilities chair. It is an honor to be here and to be of service.

Accessibilities holds its monthly meeting with PI and CPC on the second Monday of each month at 4:30PM at Central Office right before the Intergroup meeting.

The Accessibilities committee focuses on making A.A. available for all who may have difficulties getting to a meeting or receiving the message. This includes helping those with disabilities, those who speak different languages including American Sign Language, those who are home bound, homeless or even veterans.

We are currently looking for a Co-chair for Accessibilities at the southern area level. We would also like to encourage districts to send District Accessibilities chairs to the Accessibilities monthly meeting so you can help carry the message back to your districts. This is a great opportunity for GSRs to get involved in another way at their district level. If you are interested in getting involved in Accessibilities please see me today or feel free to call me anytime. My number is (\*\*\*\*\*).

Thank you for letting me be of service.

**DAVID: ROUND UP INTERIM CHAIR**

David J, alcoholic. My main task this year has to do with Bill and Bob's coffee shop. Bill and Bob's coffee shop is party central of the Las Vegas Round Up. It is a place where i have found over the past three years that a new person in Alcoholics Anonymous comes in and finds there is a happy life to be had. Listening to all that laughter i have had many people say, i didn't have any idea that AA as going to be like this. So, while we are

giggling and laughing and all this we are sending a message to newcomers that there is a life to be had. One of the first things you will find in the coffee shop is that there are chairs for chatting, and a raised dias that is Bill and Bob's, living room that you can sit and enjoy. There is Grapevine and Alanon, but what we did not have in the past is something for area 42. We have a lot of activity going on around this state and in particular here in the south. Area 42 now has a table there and I invite each and every one of you GSRs and DCMs to get your stuff out there and let us know what you are doing. And you can have people man the table if you want or just have your literature out. Today is the last day that you can register online at the discounted price.

### **DCM REPORTS:**

#### **DISTRICT 1: LIBBY**

District 1 DCM Report

Nov 2019

Hello, my name is Libby and I have the honor and privilege of being the DCM for District 1, the best district ever. For those that don't know District 1 is primarily Henderson, Searchlight, Boulder City and reaches down to Laughlin.

District One had its Fall Carnival on October 12<sup>th</sup> and it was outstanding. We had the best turnout we've had in years. There were all kinds of activities, including a contraption that dumped water over people's heads. Many kudos to Rhonda for being a good sport and getting soaked. We had so many people show up we ended up having the speaker portion of the event outside. The band let us use their sound system so everyone could hear. We had the Young People involved helping with the kid games and the sobriety countdown. If you want to have enthusiasm just ask them to join your event. People were flagging them down because they wanted the high five for their sobriety. We also had Archives, Grapevine and CPC/PI representation. I've heard nothing but good things and I want to thank Rick and Christine for their efforts to make this year's picnic the best in years!

District One is doing a combined district workshop with District 3 on Saturday, November 16 in Mesquite. The workshop name is "Going to any lengths", get it? Going to any lengths by going to Mesquite. District 1 is renting a van and we're going on a good old-fashioned road trip. We also have a member with a mini-van and she volunteered to drive as well. We are going to meet under the big Fiesta Casino sign at the 95 and 215 interchange at 2pm. The event starts at 4pm with a panel, then a potluck followed by a speaker. District 1 is looking forward to sharing some unity, fellowship and service with District 3.

The district meetings are going strong. Our district is going to review a proposed finance guideline so we can pass along information to future panels about how we do finances in District 1.

We are looking to build on our relationship with the young people and are considering co-hosting a New Years dance. Details to follow.

And as a reminder District 1 will meet in the side room after this meeting is done.

Thank you all for allowing me to serve.

#### **DISTRICT 3: JASON**

District 3

SAGSC November 10, 2019

DCM Report

Jason M.

Hello My Name is Jason and I am an alcoholic. District 3 is financially solvent. District 3 is co-hosting a workshop/panel with District 1 "Willing to go to any lengths" in Mesquite November 16, that's next Saturday. The workshop/panel is from 4-5:30 pm, potluck at 6 pm, and I will be speaking at 6:30 pm. The location is 51 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street Mesquite, NV 89027. There are some flyers on the table. The district will be having a business meeting following the SAGSC meeting.

Thank you for allowing me to serve!

Jason M.

### **DISTRICT 5B: RONNIE**

Hello everyone my name is Ronnie D. and I am an Alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10, 1999. In an effort to be self supporting, District 5B, funds permitting has raised the funding for GSRs needing support from the district from 75 dollars to 150 dollars for the service assembly in Tonopah in March and September. Only 2 GSRs from 5B asked for funds from SAGSC or Area 42 the last assembly in Tonopah.

On October 6th we had our annual Picnic at Children's Memorial Park. We sold over 200 tickets and the event was well attended. We had a good time and raised over a thousand dollars for the district.

Yesterday we had our Workshop on the early history of AA and the general service structure. Greg, our delegate Rhonda and Ruth J were our presenters and they all did a fantastic job. I would like to express our thanks for your time and effort from the district members. The workshop had almost 80 in attendance.

Our district meetings have had a downturn in attendance but the usual suspects, the die hard service junkies keep on keeping on and we have had a very successful year.

District 5B is doing everything we can to fulfill our primary purpose of bringing AA to those trying to get AND stay sober.

Thank you for listening.

### **DISTRICT 7: JEN**

My name is Jen and I am the DCM for District 7. We have had many exciting things happen since our last meeting. The held Mt. Charleston picnic on August 18th that was so amazing. Sold 550 tickets, lunch, games, perfect weather and two incredible speakers. We raised 478.00 in our 50/50 and that went to central office.

Also on October 19 we held our last yearly service event. Practicing the principles in all my affairs. Thank you everyone for supporting district 7 this year and for being of service. I look forward to next year and all to come.

Jen

### **DISTRICT 9: PAM**

Aloha my Ohana

I say that to you as I just returned this morning from the lovely Hawaiian islands. Our District is a alive and well. We are still actively getting the word out to other groups within our district to have them participate in the

voting process and assigning GSR's. As a result. I'm happy to announce that we have two new GSR's. There is Ben G from Alcoholics Together, and Keith W from Free Thinkers in SNV.

We are also discussing with groups the importance contributing monies to the pie chart, particularly District, Area and SAGSC.

The partnership with two women from meetings in District 1 (Steps to Freedom and We Stood at the Turning Point) to bring AA Meetings back to the women incarcerated in the Clark County Detention Center) is continuing to increase in popularity. Our last meeting included 15 women, 1 of which is has been released and already hooking up with some of us to meet at AA meetings.

Following SAGSC, we will have our GSR meeting and will be discussing the workshop we are planning in January. "Do you Care What Happens in AA."

Yours in Service

Pam

DCM, District 9

### **DISTRICT 11:**

not present-no report

### **DISTRICT 13: MATT**

I'd like to thank you for welcoming me in as DCM for district 13. It is an honor and a privilege to be able to stand for our groups and our club. There is only one club in our district, that is the Triangle Club on Nellis Blvd and we have been dark for close to a year. In that course of time, most of the well established groups have been functioning, but also, in that time, some established groups have gone dark. there was a lot of concern, a lot of people voicing concern, over not being connected to the larger AA service structure. There was another group i was involved in that was willing to become involved, and that is the Sunday Night Dinner Meeting. Our Sunday night , most of them , are here today, and I want to thank then for their willingness a guidance of Glenn W, and because of his experience we were able to hold elections and get involved. Elections were last Sunday, November 3rd, and we filled positions Of DCM, Alt DCM. We now have a Secretary, Treasurer, Intergroup rep, H&I rep, and Service event coordinator. So now it is all about trying to build up our district again, and trying to get the GSRs from other groups. We have some GSRs from our district. Looking forward to the rebuilding. Thank you!

### **DISTRICT 15: DAVE L.**

Dave, Alcoholic. DCM for district 15. Just like to start by saying welcome to Matt from District 13. WE were in dire straights ourselves, and we were about to go dark there for a while. In the past year we have started to get some stuff together. We got together with LVYPAA and co-hosted a scavenger hunt with them. We hosted a traditions workshop at the end of last month, that went over really well. We do also have coming up Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve here at the TIE Club, and we will be doing the 24 hour alca-thons, 12 pm Christmas Eve through 12 pm Christmas Day, and also on New years. So anyone who would like to come and participate in that and fill a slot, get in there and get on the sign up sheets. We will also be doing Thanksgiving dinner here.

### **DISTRICT 17: BUD**

Hello everyone my name is Bud and I am your alcoholic district 17 DCM. I first want thank you for all your thoughts and prayers for us this year. It is good to be back.

We have had a very busy last 1/4 of this year. Our annual campout went very well with about 40 in attendance for the speaker "RIP your face off Katie".

Next we had a workshop on Bill's story. The over the hump players were in action with a skit to kick things off. Had a panel after that and a free lunch. Was very well attended. On Dec 8th will be our next workshop on the 4th step. Flyers are on the back table. Then ending December we will have our Alca-thons for Christmas and New Year's. That will take us into 2020. We are also rejuvenating our website.

I want thank John M. for filling in for me as we were dealing with a health issue. Also, like to thank our district alcoholics for their support in our workshops and events. It is a privilege to serve and I appreciate the opportunity to do so.

## **DISTRICT 19:**

**Ely**

**No Report**

## **DISTRICT 21: SAMUEL**

### **DISTRICIT 21 AREA 42**

(District 21 Area 42 November report 2019)

District 21 is located at 3111 S. Valley View Blvd. Bldg. "A" suite #208. Meetings are every Thursday from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. We have active our P.I., H&I, FORUM, and La Viña committees and we have reports every first Thursday from the Round Up and Nevada State Hispanic Convention committees.

The FORUM committee is working on its next event which is going to be on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>. at the Elegant Banquet Hall located at 3020 E. Bonanza Rd suite #110. As soon as we have the flyers and invitations ready, we will let you know.

The PI committee ran an ad on the newspaper and when they paid for it the lady from the office told them that if they had a non-profit letter it would reduce the cost up to 50%.

The H&I committee is still visiting the ABC and jails in Henderson and Indian Springs as well as the groups.

La Viña committee is visiting the groups and selling subscription. Also they are going to have a redaction workshop in the group "Trabajando Con Los Demas" (Working With Others) on Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

We were invited to the Arizona State Convention celebrated in Laughlin, Nevada on September 13, 14 and 15. Also the California Area 05 Hispanic FORUM committee came to our District to invite us to their event celebrated in Cudahy, Ca. on Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> and we attended both events.

Our Area 42 Delegate Rhonda Wicker was invited to our GSR's meeting on October 24<sup>th</sup> to share her experience with her report and she did. Also she encouraged the GSRs to the service and let them know that if some of them want to be the next Delegate they may do so. GSRs were happy and grateful for our Delegate's act of presence.

We are visiting the groups every Wednesday and we still have our "Traditions Work Shop" with the groups.

We have 16 groups including the one in Mesquite.

DCM Samuel Medina

DCM ALT.

TREASURER Andres S.

TREASURER Angel L.  
ALT.

SECRETARY Genobeba Gonzalez

SECRETARY Enrique S.  
ALT.

Thank you all for let us be at service:

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Jake gave some background for those who are new or who haven't attended SAGSC for the past two meetings. At the May SAGSC meeting we had a big change in our area. Lisa and I were sitting up here and about 30 seconds before the meeting started we had someone ask to speak with us. and it was someone I did know. He introduced himself as The President of AA Las Vegas Intergroup and he informed us that the Intergroup would no longer participate in funding for the SAGSC standing committees. So this is a big change in our Southern Area because in our guidelines and in our practice we have always worked together to fund the committees. so now we have a problem with the guidelines and with the treasury. So in the past, how it always worked, was that the budgets would be approved by the finance committee, and then SAGSC would send a check to the Central Office to share the funding for standing committees. So now all of that has changed. We had a committee work on our guidelines, and that was Chuck and Rhonda and Lisa, and the Finance Committee has been working on what is the best and most unifying way possible to move forward from here. So now a lot of the practices of what we are going to do are obviously still up in the air, we don't know how some things are going to happen of course. So we aren't going to solve all of the worlds problems in this meeting today. But we do want to find the way to move forward that is the most loving and tolerant way possible. The way that keeps our Area unified, not divided. The first step in our process is going to be Chuck. He is going to read the SAGSC guidelines. Now this is going to be the first reading. We are going to read and take questions on clarification, there is not going to be a vote today. It will be read again at the next meeting January.



**SAGSC GUIDELINES ADHOC:  
CHUCK, RHONDA, LISA I  
Proposal presented by CHUCK S.**

**Current Section VI Funding Sub Section B part 2**

Provide 50 percent of the approved budgeted expenses, as presented by the SAGSC Finance committee in November, for CPC, PIC, SNC, Grapevine and other special committees as approved by this body. Provided 100 percent approved budgeted expenses for the appointed SAGSC DCM Coordinator and GSR Trainer.

**Proposed Change to :**

Disburse funds to meet expenses, as presented by the SAGSC Finance Committee in November, for SAGSC Committee Chairs, listed in section IV, Sub Group B, Part 3, and approved by this body.

Reference Section IV, Sub Group B, Part 3 states

3. SAGSC Committee Chairs

- a) H&I
- b) CPC
- c) PI
- d) Accessibilities (Special Needs)
- e) Grapevine
- f) GSR Survival Trainer
- g) Intergroup Liaison
- h) DCM Coordinator

Submitted by Ad Hoc Committee for Guideline changes due to SAGSC Committee Chair funding change.

So really the only change is that we are going from 50% funding to 100% funding. That is the verbiage we needed to state in there.

Questions for Clarity,

Jonelle: You have H&I listed as (a), but isn't H&I self funding?

Chuck: My understanding is that H&I funding is for H&I literature. So they need funding to attend PRAASA, Assembly, and anything that is a separate item that they do not have funding for that. So they need to be able to come request funding for anything that does not include literature.

Robert: What is the definition of expenses, is that like operating expenses or office supplies and travel or are those separate things?

Chuck: great question, that is something you would ask when they come up to present the budget. I believe you would submit our funds and finance committee would say yay or nay. So there is no specific thing designated through the guidelines.

Mattie: What does it mean for dispersed funds? Like is that throughout the year? or is it in the beginning of the year the fund would be given?

Chuck: Yes, Before we would give half of the funds to central office and then central office would disperse the funds. That no longer will be. SAGSC will be dispersing the funds. For instance, whatever the budget approves, then throughout the year you would see the treasurer for disbursement.

Kirk: so the way that this is worded, it allows enough ambiguity that if, down the road, Central Office decides to provide any funding for these groups, we won't have to go through the process for these groups.

Chuck: correct.

January we will have second reading. there will be second. There will be questions answered, and we will call a vote. Please take this back to your group. If you need help explaining it to your group you can reach out to Sean, Jake, Chuck, Rhonda, or Lisa and we would be happy to help.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR: EMMIE**

Finance Committee Report 11/10/19

The Finance Committee has been meeting to go over the current and proposed budget.

We received budget requests for the Intergroup Liaison, Accessibilities, Grapevine and PI/CPC. We did not receive a budget request for H&I.

The requests received were:

- Intergroup Liaison - \$400 Expenses, \$650 Assemblies, \$675 PRAASA
- Accessibilities - \$400 Expenses, \$1325 Combined Travel
- Grapevine - \$450 Expenses, \$600 Assemblies, \$500 PRAASA
- PC / CPC - \$0 Expenses, \$925 Assemblies, \$1635 PRAASA
- H&I - \$0

Travel is proposed at \$250 for SAGSC standing committee chairs to Assemblies and \$735 to PRAASA. This will be straight across the board. This will be separate from expense requests.

Currently the proposed budget is tentative on receiving the accounts from Central Office, which we are anticipating being received at the end of 2019.

Your in Service,

Emmie M.

SAGSC Finance Committee Chair

**TREASURER: SEAN**

### **SAGSC Treasurer's Report**

November 10, 2019

Hi Everyone and Welcome!

Sean D., Alcoholic.

As of today, the current checking balance is \$10,011.34, and savings balance is \$7,514.53. In case your group is looking for contribution receipts; I am a little behind. Three months to be exact with emailing out the group contribution receipts. I have been overseas for work twice, totaling 5 weeks' time and attended the fall assembly and conducted budget meetings so it has put me a little behind. I had to prioritize contribution deposits, budgets and monthly accounting reconciliations first. It won't take too long to catch up however and I will finish sending out receipts to groups by next Sunday. So be on the lookout.

On Budget health, we will be approximately 98% completed with expected budget expense pay outs for this year. We just have expenses for this meeting to record. To date I have received 99% of the estimated contributions collected in group contributions and 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition. With 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition for this meeting we will be almost spot on with our estimated budget. Finally, I cannot speak yet to the prudent reserve being healthy until the body confirms the budget and the guideline changes are in effect from the recent standing committee changes that we were faced with this year. Once the confirmed items clear and things return to normal, we will need to analyze the prudent reserve again for 2020 with the finance committee.

I had several budgetary meetings and email communications with the Finance Committee, Delegate and SAGSC chairs. I wish to thank everyone in these positions that helped produce the budget for this year. It's not easy folks! Things get confusing really quick. I appreciate everyone's patience as this is the first budget for our new finance committee and myself. I am glad, we are able to correct and edit it through 2 readings.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Respectfully,

Sean D.

SAGSC Treasurer

Overview of preliminary Budget, presented in two columns, one according to what the guidelines say as of now, and the second column if we accept the proposal to change the guidelines.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SAMANTHA G.: YPAA ADHOC**

Samantha Alcoholic,

i am requesting an ad hoc be created to research the need for a YPAA standing committee at Area. Can we get an ad hoc committee to discuss if we needier would like a YPAA standing committee at the Area level? So NAGS is doing this as well. NAGS is going to create an ad hoc and SAGSC is going to create an ad hoc and this ad hoc will just research whether or not the need is there. I can tell you that there are already about 9 YPAA Standing committees at area levels or Liaisons at area levels. I have reached out to delegates all over the US, i have letters of support, so i have already done a lot of research on this. I just need to create an ad hoc to see if this area has any need. That is what i am asking for, to allow me to create an ad hoc to determine if there is a need. This ad hoc would also put a proposal together to bring it to the Area.

Jonelle: Since this is an Area thing, can we get the north and the south to work together on the same ad hoc? Instead of being a north and south thing?

Samantha: It was suggested that i do it at SAGS and NAGS and we are both collaborating, so the two would collaborate as one and the present it to Area.

Jake took a sense of the room, and all but one in the room were in favor.  
Substantial unanimity.

Do we have any more new business?

My name is Mattie and i am an alcoholic. I am also a member of the intergroup board. When we had all of this going on with the accounts and separating and funding, the board discussed concerns that were brought up regarding transfer of area committee chairs funds to SAGSC. As was mentioned, there's \$5700 in the committee funds, that is for Accessibilities, Grapevine, Intergroup Liaison, and that is the \$5700 that Sean mentioned. There are two other accounts. There was concern about the transfer of Area Committee funds to SAGSC and how that would affect the literature purchasing and pink and green can group contributions. Currently groups drop in to Central Office (CO) and make their Intergroup and H&I and PI/CPC cash contributions. Literature for PI and CPC is ordered and paid for by CO from those literature accounts, at the direction of the committee chairs. It is shipped to and stored at the Intergroup. Committee chairs pick up literature as needed for the commitments from CO. Intergroup has offered to continue to store and manage all of the literature orders from PI/CPC. Most of the contributions that is in there is from the can contributions and it is being used for literature. PI/CPC does not currently receive sufficient funds to cover both their literature purchases and their travel expenses and they were concerned about having to choose between the two. Do we need literature or do we get to go to the Area Assemblies? The board has not received any feedback from H&I Southern area treatment committee chair and Southern Area Corrections chair regarding their funding so i am not sure if they have concerns about their funding. I know previously H&I didn't go to Tonopah, but H&I is going there now. So the Area's feedback about what should be done regarding the management of what should be done with group contributions is requested. The board is willing to continue to have the Intergroup office manage the contributions where people drop off the money, and manage the purchases, but we want feedback from the area if anyone has any issues with that.

Questions?

Have the committee chairs been approached and asked what they would like to have done?

MATTIE: So the PI/CPC committee did express concerns, so then how are we going to get literature, how are people going to make contributions?

Caroline: Every other Area in the country in the General Service Standing committees handle their own literature. They do their own literature purchases. That is how i got to know the staff at GSO was when i was a standing committee chair.

Mattie: Yes, that is what i have seen elsewhere in other areas too, so...

Laura: The literature has been ordered by committee chairs with a credit card and we have been reimbursed by the fund in CO because they collect the contributions via the cans.

Kristy: Just for myself, i think it needs to be all or nothing. Either the standing committees should manage all of their own stuff, or they should let it be done by SAGS or CO. And so i think it needs to be put to the standing committees to manage their own funds so there is not the mixing of the money.

Lisa: As a member of a group who weekly passes a green can to support cpc/pi there has never been a conversation that the green can is only for literature or specifically for travel, and we give to CPC/PI because they reached out to our homegroup. We give to CPC/PI so that they have the finances to do what they need to do, not just for literature. Where is the piece that it is only for literature come from?

Mattie: That actually comes from the corrections workbook.

Many members in the body say that it is not a corrections committee, it is an H&I committee, it has nothing to do with corrections workbook.

Mattie: I am just here as a messenger framer board.

The body discussed whether or not H&I falls under the umbrella of Corrections, but it is not, it is separate.

Clarification that Robert is the Liaison from the H&I committee not Corrections chair.

Jake reminded us that we could probably talk about this for the rest of the night, and there are still a lot of questions. Once the accounts are turned over, and then it will be a discussion with our finance committee, of how it is going to go.

Lisa: One more question, Mattie. As the messenger I know that you are not responsible for all of this confusion, but because you are the messenger you get to be on the firing line. The question would be, how do we as the SAGSC entity collaborate with the board of CO? How do we all sit down and talk together about this conversation without us being on this side, and them being over there, and them sending one person to talk? Are we invited to the board meeting? How does it work, so that we can actually have a conversation so that you are not getting the brunt of our questions? Can you ask that to the board and maybe we can find a way to coordinate completely so that it isn't just one person being blasted with questions? It's not fair, you don't have all the answers, but we have none else to ask.

Mattie: After this meeting lets talk about who we want to have to come to that and I can come to the board next week. We have a board meeting every third Wednesday. Please lets get CPC/PI and H&I involved bc this involves them.

Mattie: The meeting is open once a year.

Body discussion that it is a non-profit board meeting so it should be open to anyone. It is not.

Mattie will coordinate with the Board and SAGSC to create a meeting where we can gather and finish this discussion. Laura has one suggestion. Can the finance committee get together with the standing committee chairs to see what we want to do? CPC would love to control their own money, they get a false number reported every month, so they never know what is there.

Any other new business? NO GOOD :)

## **GOOD & WELFARE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Birthday announcements = \_227\_ years of sobriety. Congratulations to you all!!**

**THANK YOU PAST DELEGATES FOR HOSTING... \_District 13\_ WILL HOST January 12th.**

**SAGSC – JANUARY 12TH @ TIE CLUB 1:15PM , GSR TRAINING 12:15PM, DCM TRAINING 12:45**

**PRAASA 2020 March 6-8 TUSCON, AZ**

**SPRING ASSEMBLY MARCH 27, 28 & 29 2020 IN TONOPAH**

**REGIONAL FORUM AUGUST 21, 22, 23 of 2020**

**CLOSE WITH I AM RESPONSIBLE**

**minutes prepared by:**

**Lisa I.**

**11/10/2019**

**Approved January 2020**

**Thank you for letting me be of service!**