

SAGSC
SOUTHERN AREA GENERAL SERVICE COMMITTEE
MAY 31, 2020

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OPEN WITH SERENITY PRAYER & GSR PREAMBLE

CHAIR: JAKE

The GSR Preamble

We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A.

We realize the ultimate authority is a loving God as he may express Himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that they can reach an informed group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship.

Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our group and A.A. as a whole.

Introduced Lisa I. as Host for the meeting and Julie C as co-host, Lisa will be running the meeting and Julie will be answering chats questions. Please put any questions into the chat and Julie will do her best to get you the answers.

Before the world blew up, I attended PRAASA, where 15 Areas in the Pacific Region get together. I was able to attend most of the panels, and I attended the Chair roundtables and the Archive roundtables. So if you were lucky enough to be at PRAASA, then you saw me for the first time ever, in a suit and tie, and if you are lucky enough to be here today you get to see me host a SAGSC meeting in my pajamas. If you are new, or haven't heard, one year ago at the May SAGSC meeting, Lisa and I were sitting in the front of the TIE club, talking about how this was going to be the shortest, easiest meeting in the history of SAGSC. And then thirty seconds before we started the meeting, someone came up to us and said that they were the President of Intergroup (IG), that they were no longer going to be participated in the funding of the standing committees, which did not make it for the easiest meeting ever. But we got through it, it was good.

Before, the funding was split up between SAGSC and IG, each doing 50%. IG was responsible for that money, they would hold that money for those specific committees. The decision was made that the money would be transferred to SAGSC by the end of March 2020, and I am happy to report that that has happened. So the committee was kind of in limbo until that happened.

So now SAGSC may be separate from the Central Office, from the IG, from H&I, according to the taxman, or according to your treasurers report, but to the people sitting in this room right now, the people who are responsible for the work of AA, the people who have been saved from the pitiful and incomprehensible demoralization of being an alcoholic and living an alcoholic life, we are not separate, we are one team. We cooperate. We cooperate every single chance that we get. And we only have one job to do. And that is to keep one drink out of one drunk for one more day.

You will see in your agenda, in light of these changes, in the New Business, I am going to be asking a committee to look over our guidelines as well as to conduct a SAGSC inventory. So if you are new, and have no idea what I am talking about, then welcome. You are in exactly the right place. And we are glad you are here.

Unity, Kindness, Love and Tolerance. No business, and no work, that we are ever going to get done here is ever going to be as important as how we treat each other while we are doing this work. We are not always going to agree on every single thing we should do, but we agree that we can trust in the group conscience and in our trusted servants.

SECRETARY REPORT: LISA

Lisa, Alcoholic.

Grateful to be here and back in General Service action. I attended PRAASA the beginning of March and it was really the last time that I participated in any kind of live AA function. Shelter-in-place was ordered shortly after we got home. And even while we were there, participation was considerably lower due to COVID-19 warnings. PRAASA was, as always, a great learning experience and I am grateful that I was able to attend and be of service there. It was great to see my other Area 42 fellows being of service and I thank you for teaching me by leading by example.

Normally I would have spent time after that ordering Literature for the Assembly in Tonopah and preparing the Literature table, so it has been a bit unsettling to be out of routine. I am hoping that we will be together again soon. I attended the online Assembly and we got a lot done in 6 hours, things that would normally take us three days to do. Our Area is continuing to forge forward and keep us engaged during this unknown time, and I am grateful to be a part of that.

While preparing for this meeting I became aware of the need to get reports translated before we meet, so thank you for everyone who has already sent me your reports!! They have all been translated. And if we could all try to remember to be ready for report writing a week or two prior to the next meeting that would be fabulous!

Has everyone had a chance to look over the minutes from January? Looking for a motion to approve. Thank you!

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 12, 2020 MINUTES

GSR TRAINER: JONELLE

Hi everyone, my name is Jonelle and I am an alcoholic. In conversation with our Southern Area Chair, it was decided not to hold a GSR Training prior to this Assembly. We figured that we may need to get the word out there, so at our next SAGSC meeting on July 12th, at 12:15pm, I will be rearing and ready to go! I am asking that all who would have attended today, please show up then. We will send a reminder to your DCM's prior, so please make sure you have given them your contact info. If you are not sure who your DCM is or what that is – please contact me! My email is jservice042@gmail.com. I just want to put this out there, if you have not received your packet from GSO after registering yourself, please check out aa.org and you will have access to pretty much all of the materials from the pack. Under Search Our Site, type GSR Kit. The materials come up highlighted in blue and walla! You can begin your knowledge of your position immediately! I also suggest reading up on your position in the Service Manual... if you don't have one, again, use aa.org, type in Service Manual and on page

S. 25 – you will be enlightened! I am not only saying this for newer GSR's, but to all GSRs. It helps tremendously to know your position and what is expected of you, so that when you experience it - which is the important part, you will be armed with the facts! I know times are not easy – in any position right now, but I am asking to please continue to use me. My biggest hope is that each GSR is getting what they need. My 45 minute crash course breakdown before each SAGSC meeting is but a beginning. The real work starts when you go into the “big” room... and beyond!

DCM COORDINATOR: BRYCE

No report today

SAGSC TREASURER: SEAN

SAGSC - Treasurer's Report

Hi Everyone and Welcome!

Sean D., Alcoholic.

I am your SAGSC Treasurer. I hope everyone is Staying Safe and Doing Well.

As of today, the checking balance is \$17,689.59 and savings balance is \$7,514.89, a combined bank total of \$25,204.48.

On Budget health, 25% of budgeted expense pay out for this year. To date I have received 80% of the estimated contributions collected in group contributions, 7th Tradition and intergroup standing committee residual funds sent to SAGSCs. We are within budget and the prudent reserve is healthy.

For note, due to the COVID-19 pandemic we did not use approximately \$8900 earmarked for Spring Assembly and PRAASA travel expenses.

Please make any group contributions payable to:

S.A.G.S.C.

PO BOX 71804

Las Vegas, NV 89170-1804

Reference in envelope or on check, Group Name, Group Number and District. If you would like an email copy for your group, please include an email address. We do not provide postage or mail receipts to groups via US Mail. Please reach out to me via email if you need a receipt for your group's contribution.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Respectfully,

Sean D.

SAGSC Treasurer

SAGSC
Preliminary Budget 2020

Budget to Actual 05/17/20			
Item	Description	Budget	Actual
Income:			
Checking Account			
	Contributions Income	\$12,320	\$5,319.66
	7th Tradition	\$650	\$258.00
	Savings Transfer	\$0	\$0.00
	Other Income	\$0	\$4,884.92
	Checking Account Subtotal	\$12,970	\$10,462.58
Savings Account			
	Interest Income Savings	\$1	\$0.18
	Savings Account Subtotal	\$1	\$0.18
	Total Income	\$12,971	\$10,462.76

Expenses:				
Delegate Expense				
		\$1,500	\$1,500.00	
SAGSC Meeting Expense				
	SAGSC Meeting supplies	\$300	\$178.77	
	SAGSC Meeting Rent	\$625	\$209.00	
	SAGSC Meeting Expense Subtotal	\$925	\$387.77	
Standing Committee Expense				
	Grapevine	\$450	\$0.00	
	PI	\$0	\$0.00	
	CPC	\$0	\$0.00	
	IGR Liason	\$100	\$0.00	
	Accessibilities	\$400	\$0.00	
	Standing Committee Expense Subtotal	\$950	\$0.00	
Tax Preparation				
		\$150	\$150.00	
Bank Charges				
		\$50	\$4.00	
Office Expense				
	Secretary	\$400	\$39.19	
	Treasurer	\$300	\$17.89	
	Po Box Expense	\$118	\$0.00	
	Other Office Expense			
>	Chair Expense	\$50	\$0.00	
>	DCM Training Expense	\$50	\$0.00	
>	GSR Training Expense	\$50	\$0.00	
	Office Expense Subtotal	\$968	\$57.08	
Travel				
	Officers to Assemblies	\$1,500	\$0.00	Travel Funds not spent
	Standing Committee Chairs to Assemblies	\$2,500	\$0.00	\$ 750.00
	DCMs to Assemblies	\$300	\$0.00	\$ 1,250.00
	GSRs to Assemblies	\$3,000	\$0.00	\$ 150.00
	Officers to PRAASA	\$4,410	\$1,974.96	\$ 1,500.00
	Standing Committee Chairs to PRAASA	\$3,675	\$780.39	\$ 2,435.04
				\$ 2,894.61

Travel Subtotal \$15,385 \$2,755.35

Total Expenses \$19,928 \$4,854.20

Income vs Expense

	Budget	Budget
Total Income	\$12,971	\$10,462.76
Total Expense	\$19,928	\$4,854.20
Difference	(\$6,957)	\$5,608.56

Travel Expenses not used Spring Assembly and Praasa
\$ 8,979.65

AREA OFFICER REPORTS:

DELEGATE: RHONDA

Hi everybody, I'm Rhonda, alcoholic. Your pandemic Panel 69 delegate. That is what we were calling ourselves, the pandemic panel. I'm not going to share a lot today because I will be doing a whole delegates report on a separate Zoom meeting June 14th. I hope all of you got the email from Debbie. If not email Debbie or Julie or me or Lisa to send that and we will get you the Zoom meeting information. I am also going to have her send it out again before the actual meeting. I just wanted to jump on as say that we did the General Service Conference online, over 4 days, and I had so much fun. We didn't get a lot of work done, as you can probably guess, because, there just wasn't the time to do it. So my report is interesting, and a bit controversial, and full of hope for next year. I miss you guys and I will see you all in a couple of weeks.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE: JULIE

My name is Julie and I am an alcoholic. I have the privilege of serving as your Panel 69 Alternate Delegate. Today I would like to talk to you about completing the circle for these conference committees. We have one more request for the Area Conference Committees. After next weekend's NAGSC meeting, Rhonda will be providing reports from the General Service Conference to all 13 committees (the committees which mirror the 13 committees at the GSC). The members of these committees were the ones who read through the background, made recommendations to our Delegate, Rhonda, about what topics for the body to become more informed about. Prepared thoughtful presentations and lead discussions here or at the northern roundtables. Wrote reports for our Delegate on your committee's specific Agenda Items. And now, we are asking that you review what happened at the General Service Conference and let us know your feelings and responses to how the GSC handled your committee's agenda topics. We would like to have you review the conference and trustee (when applicable) reports and answer a few questions.

- What do you feel about how the Conference handled the agenda topics?
- Was new information revealed to you, that you hadn't thought of during your committee discussions?
- Was there anything specific that touched you? How did it touch you?
- Was your experience on the Area Conference Committee helpful?
- Do you feel you learned more about the General Service Conference process?
- What would you like changed for next panel?

I will be reaching out to the Area Committee Chairs in the next few weeks. We hope you are able to schedule your final Area Conference Committee meeting in the next month or so. Maybe you could even use Zoom. If there is anyone who wants to join the Area Conference Committee, please let me know via the Chat.

AREA CHAIR: PAUL

Hi, I'm Paul your alcoholic Area Chair person. I hope everyone is doing well and staying safe. At our Area 42 pre-conference assembly on March 28th I was tasked with forming two Ad-Hoc committees. 1) to look into the feasibility of combining the three treasuries (Area 42, NAGSC, & SAGSC) in to one and

2) to create an Area YPAA committee. So far I have only received 3 responses to serve for each of these committees. I would like to have at least 2 more for each of these committees. Anyone interested in volunteering please contact me at xxxxxxxxxx.

Also, at the Area assembly it was approved that the Area have a Translation committee and I need volunteers to step up for this much needed work for the Area. So far I have only had 2 (Diana M. & Tony S.) volunteer. They are willing to work with anyone that wants to be a part of this committee the more the better. Anyone interested in volunteering please contact me at xxxxxxxxxx.

I'm asking for help for our Area so please step up for any of these committees and be part of the solution to help make our Area better. Thanks for allowing me to serve, Paul

REGISTRAR: ANNE

Hello, Area 42.

Thank you to all the groups and individuals who have reached out for help with for group numbers, submitted group changes or asked any other registrar question during the past few months. I've even liked hearing from you on the pending Brown Paper Tickets Spring Assembly refund. Tasking for you has kept me busy and feeling a part of during this Coronavirus pandemic.

I have been in contact with Brown Paper Tickets about every 10-14 days regarding the refund. If you were one of the 111 Area 42 members who registered online, I have been emailing you updates directly through the BPT system. My contact has assured me that staff is getting refunds out as quickly as they can.

If you have sent a group change, please know that all of your forms have been submitted. The General Service Office is about four months behind when it comes to getting things in the new system. If you are a new General Service Representative who has not received your packet in the mail, you can find the kit online at aa.org. Search for 'GSR kit' and the search results will take you to the page with the hotlinks to all the assets in the kit.

My Portal, the new database system that was slated to debut in the Fall of 2019, is still a work in progress according to a May 29, email from Greg T., the General Manager of GSO. They are working with two area registrars to work out the bugs. They are hopeful it will be up and running soon so individual area registrars can make the necessary changes online. They are still asking for patience.

In the meantime, it is always my honor to help you with anything Area 42 registration.

Online registration for the Fall Assembly (Oct 16-18) in Tonopah will be open when I get the go-ahead from the Area 42 Chair. We will probably use Brown Paper Tickets again. They have been forthright with the returns. There is another company we can use but they charge more and money is a consideration. We can talk about that.

Please reach me with any questions. Thank you for my life.

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

Marita has 2 questions and they have to do with the election assembly. Do you have a plan in place when we hit the 51st person who registers since we can only have 50 people at a place? And it is an election assembly so do you have a back up plan? or has the chair talked to you about a back up plan? For maybe a Zoom assembly or allowing people who maybe have a pre-existing condition or are older, to be able to sign up through Zoom and either stand or vote during the election? I think we need to get a back up plan in order.

Anne: I have not been officially told that there is a 50 person limit in Tonopah so this was kind of news to me. Thank you for letting me know. I am ready and able and willing to do whatever it is the committee would like to do. I can tell you by the numbers that we have had at the past three assemblies that we are well over 50 people. The last election assembly in 2018 we had 228 people total. 109 of those registers online. We were ticking up with the online registration. In September of 2019 we had 122 online registrants, and we had 219 total attendees. Last March 2019, was actually a big assembly for us, we had 267 total. And this March we had 111 whitewash two weeks before, and would have been more and record breaking before we had to cancel the assembly. Im willing to do whatever it is you guys want to do. Each year we have about 110+ people register at the door, no matter how hard we try to push the online registration, so its going to take a lot of communication if we are limited to 50 people.

Lisa: reading chats: can we just transfer our Spring registration to the fall?

Paul has hand up. My hopes are that the limits will be raised by October. Assembly is pushed back until October. If the gathering is limited to 50 people it wouldn't be affordable for us to go to Tonopah, we have to pay the same about to rent the space. There is a way to vote online through Zoom. some areas have already had voting online through Zoom. If you go to YouTube through AA with the YPAA they have a video that they first tested the online voting with the third legacy procedure, and it is possible for usto do that on Zoom. So it is possible we could do that on a Zoom. Hoping we will be meeting live in October. We might be able to meet in person and those that can't can meet on Zoom.

Laura asked that instead of getting a refund from assembly can we donate it to area. No, too complicated.

ALT-ARCHIVIST: GABRIEL

Report given by Jake: If you have been to Central Office (CO) you have seen the work that he has done. He has done a huge job. Installing the molding on the door frames, and next week he will be painting.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:

H&I (HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS): ROBERT

SAGSC Meeting - Spring 2020

Committee Report

Las Vegas Hospitals & Institution

H&I Panel Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several facilities are reopening for panels, but the majority of panels remain on hold, including all correctional facilities.
H&I Committee Information Workshops	On hold
H&I Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All funds from the Intergroup H&I account were transferred to the H&I Committee in April 2020. All transferred funds were deposited into the H&I committee new bank account at Nevada State Bank.
H&I Committee Donation Information	<p>Central Office will no longer accept donations for the H&I committee. Contributions to the H&I Committee can be made to:</p> <p>Las Vegas Hospitals and Institutions Committee 3870 E Flamingo RD. P O BOX A2- #405 Las Vegas, NV 89121</p> <p>The following information should be listed on donation checks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Name • Group Number (GSO 6 digits) • Amount of donation • Signature and, • email address to receive a receipt. <p>Cash donations can only be made at the H&I Business Meeting which is held at 6:00 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Central Office.</p>

Anne asked if H&I is able to take payment on Venmo or anything electronics anyone working on it? Robert said it has been under discussion, but they just got the bank account and everything set up last month, so haven't been able to meet in person. They want to make sure they have a handle on everything and then make the next move as to how they want to do that. It will be important to set something up like that.

Ronnie D: Floating BB group is taking a meeting into Crossroads. They have agreed to have certain groups come in. you can call me or Linda S for the particulars.

Alan V: For the people who have been accustomed to stop by Central office to drop off contributions, there are stamped, pre-addressed envelopes at central office.

BRIDGE THE GAP: TOM

Not present

GRAPEVINE: APRIL

My name is April and I'm an alcoholic

I am your southern area 42 grapevine chair.

The grapevine committee meets every last Friday of the month at central office at 6pm.

At the committee meetings, I let the reps know of any news going on at GSO regarding grapevine, any new literature that is coming up and I always discuss which topics The Grapevine is looking to publish in their upcoming issues. I also discuss and coordinate volunteers for upcoming events in the southern area that have asked for a grapevine table to be set up. Grapevine reps are not salesmen or saleswomen - this commitment is simply about having the literature available for anyone who wants it, needs it, or who is interested in learning more about it.

Since the stay at home order, central office has closed its doors to any groups or committees from holding their meetings so I have postponed any and all grapevine committee meetings until further notice. In the meantime, the grapevine committee is now a southern area 42 committee and no longer belongs to central office. However, grapevine and central office still work closely together in terms of ordering literature and making literature available.

I am hoping to have the next committee meeting this up coming June 26th at central office and plan to let the committee members know around that time whether that will be possible or not.

CPC (COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY): LAURA PI (PUBLIC INFORMATION): GEORGE

CPC/PI REPORT TO SAGSC
MAY 31, 2020

Hello all, I am Laura and I am an alcoholic. As CPC Chair I will be giving the report of the CPC/PI Committees. We like everyone have been significantly impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic and restrictions implemented by the State to control the spread of the virus. All public events, which we are highly visible in the community, have been cancelled or postponed since mid-March. As you may be aware, we typically participate in 5-10 events per month. In addition our interaction with the professional community events have also been postponed or have become virtual events. In late March we met via Zoom for our strategic planning session and welcomed some district participants. We scratched our original agenda for this meeting and instead focused on what our committees could do to get the word out during the pandemic that AA is alive and well in the Las Vegas Valley area. We did a press release to all local media outlets, and on April 18th our committee member John H was interviewed by channel 3 on how recovering alcoholics are doing during the pandemic. This was aired on the 11pm news, and again on Sunday evening news. The link is [news3lv.com](https://www.news3lv.com). The title: [As alcohol sales spike nationwide how are recovering alcoholics doing.](#) We have continued to participate with our community partners providers via Zoom meetings, and are ready and able to be upfront safely when public events begin again. In addition we have joined a nationwide AA CPC group, which meets quarterly via Zoom. We share ideas, and best practices on CPC activities across the US and Canada. With that participation we have learned most CPC/PI committees are fully supported financially by their Areas and District contributions for committee functions.

With the transition of Intergroup managing our funds to SAGSC. The committees did vote and approve to set up our own bank account and self-manage the contribution funds for our committees. We now have a PO Box, but still have not opened a bank account. Once we have a bank account we will reintroduce our Green Can campaign for committee activities and literature. Once we have our bank account set up, we will request funds transferred from Intergroup to SAGSC in April be transferred to our Committees account.

Our new address is :

Southern Area CPC/PI
4952 S Rainbow Blvd #247
Las Vegas, NV 89118

We continue to have needs for new volunteers, and those in search of general service commitments. We have CPC leadership positions coming to 2 year commitment terms in December. So please consider volunteering for our committees.

Laura R. CPC Chair 562-233-4491

George D. PI Chair 516-662-3314

Las Vegas AA Meetings-to-Go Committee
Report to SAGSC
May 31, 2020

Hi I am Laura and I am an alcoholic. Las Vegas AA Meetings-to-Go has been forced to suspend face to face meetings due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Our long standing members who reside in assisted living facilities, or nursing homes have been receiving phone calls and virtual contact with those committee members who know them well. All hospitals and other facilities have been closed to visitors, and because of safety measures we have opted not to provide meetings in members' homes at this time. As restricts lift we will reconsider our position. We have notified the hotline and central office our volunteers are available for phone meetings, or assistance with getting someone access to Zoom meetings. Currently our monthly business meetings are on hold, we will notify committee members, and others when our business meetings resume, hopefully by July. Our regular scheduled meetings are 4th Monday 6pm at Central Office.

Thank you for allowing me to be in service.

Laura R

Any questions call

Laura R Nancy R

INTERGROUP LIAISON: KRISTEN-not present

Reports for IG and Central Office Given by Vickie M.(Chair of Board) and Leslie D (CO Manager)

LESLIE:

May data available at next Intergroup meeting June 8th 6pm -ZOOM mtg. ID 740 683 911

April data - website hits

Home page hits 6,154 Meeting listing 1,648

Printable Schedule 653 Telephone/Zoom page 343

In March Central Office was closed due to the pandemic. Therefore so members and Groups could still contact the office for business matters a second telephone line is offered. 702-274-7172

We still have the 24 / 7 hotline number working 702-598-1888 , all the hotline volunteers are being of service from their homes until further notice. Billy and Claudia the Hotline Chairpersons, the Captains , Transfer phone people and volunteers have been doing a FABULOUS job keeping the lines going thru this very difficult time.....Thank You !!

In Phase 1 the Central Office reopened to the Fellowship for literature purchases and contributions. Like other businesses, social distancing is practiced and the maximum amount of people in the office is 5 at a time, which is still in effect with phase 2. There is a slight change with office hours Monday thru Thursday 8 AM to 4 PM ; Friday 8AM to 12 noon - closed weekends and holidays

Since March our newsletter, the Silver Streak has been distributed weekly, thanks to our Editor-Dave B. and the numerous articles submitted by the members. Starting June the newsletter will reduce its issues to bi-weekly until further notice.

Now that we are in phase 2 the Central Office meeting room has reopened following the guidelines set forth by the State of Nevada. For more information, contact the office at 702-274-7172 during business hours.

Central Office is having a literature sale of 10 % off until June 15th books, pamphlets and grapevines

Founders day here in Las Vegas has been cancelled , but Akron will host a Zoom Founders Day program

June 13th -14 more information at <https://foundersday.org>

Finally , Central Office realizes these are difficult times financially for the fellowship, and we want to thank those that are able to contribute to Central Office so we can continue to be of service to the fellowship and the community. To make it easier for members and Groups to contribute we have placed a link on the website for online contributions. It's easy, and secure. Just go to the website

Lvcentraloffice.org click on the CONTRIBUTION link and complete the form

Again the next Intergroup Committee meeting will be June 8th

@ 6 PM on ZOOM mtg. ID 740 683 911

VICKIE:

I don't have too much to add, thank you Leslie for a great report. I'm super excited about the contribution link on the website, especially right now. Seems like really good timing, Leslie has been working on that for a long time. The other thing I would like to add is that Central Office has been looking for a new location, someplace a little bigger with more space for meetings, and maybe a little more parking might be nice. And maybe a little safer. We may have found a place, we will be meeting on that maybe next week to decide if that is something that we will be able to do. It will be nice to have some meetings in CO to directly support Central Office. We will see how that goes. Thank you Jake for asking us to come.

LVYPAA (LAS VEGAS YOUNG PEOPLE IN AA) LIAISON: ANNA

SAGSC LVYPAA Report 5/31/2020

LVYPAA has been keeping pretty busy during the past few months during this quarantine. The last in-person event that LVYPAA hosted was our *Young at Hearts Valentine's Dance, Date Auction,*

and Speaker Meeting at the Triangle Club on February 15th. We had to cancel our 3on3 Basketball Tournament at Mission High School on March 14th due to the Coronavirus.

Since then, we've co-hosted and hosted multiple virtual events with fellow YPAA's around the country. We were supposed to have our annual Scavenger Hunt on May 2nd in downtown Vegas, but we decided to make it a virtual scavenger hunt. The event took place with SWACY PAA VII's Mid-year event on May 2nd. The following are other virtual events we've been a part of to help carry the message:

- We co-hosted SOCY PAA's 1920's Speakeasy Murder Mystery Event on May 9th
- Co-hosted NSDY PAA's *Camp-in* event and hosted a marathon meeting on May 23rd
- We will be co-hosting District 5B's *Zoom On Into Our AA Workshop* on "How your group can reach out to the Alcoholic who still suffers" on June 13th from 2 – 4PM

We're eager to stay in service and continue to carry the message during this time. You can reach out to me if your group would like to collaborate with LVYPAA. My number is xxx.xxx.xxxx and email is XXXXXXXXX

Thank you!

ACCESSIBILITIES: MATTIE

Hi, my name is Mattie and it's my privilege to serve as the Southern Nevada Area 42 Accessibilities Chair.

The Accessibilities Committee meets the second Monday of each month at 4:30 on Zoom along with the Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community Committees. The Accessibilities committee helps to carry the A.A. message to those who are not able to get the message as easily as most of us here today.

Due to the COVID-19 quarantine we have not been present at our normal events. I plan to reach out to locations that may serve the homeless and veteran communities to see if we could leave literature around the city to potentially reach the still suffering alcoholic. If you have any suggestions for organizations that we could reach out to or other ways we could reach some of these remote communities, please contact me.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Mattie M.

TRANSLATOR: TONY - DIANA

TRANSLATION/INTERPRETATION COMMITTEE – TONY S. AND DIANA M.

My name is Diana and I'm an alcoholic. I work alongside Tony S. and we are the translators/interpreters for Area 42.

A little insight into what's involved: Translators/Interpreters are both readers and writers and when we work, we are looking for expressions, interpretations, vocabulary and insight from a reserve of

language as well as personal experience. We look beneath your words and continually make choices to respect nuance and preserve intention.

What we do: Starting sometime in January, our committee begins to work closely with our Area 42 Alternate Delegate who helps our Area Delegate to prepare for the General Service Conference by providing us with all the pre-conference preparations and information to be translated and distributed simultaneously in two languages for Districts 21 and 22.

Twice yearly, before the Assembly weekend in the Spring and Fall, our Area Secretary supplies us with all the reports, presentations, and proposals received from the Area 42 Officers, NAGSC & SAGSC Officers, and DCMs so that we can prepare them for reading to those present at the Assembly from our linguistic districts – after the Assembly, the Area Secretary sends us a report of whatever else remains - of the entire Area 42 body. All this work is included in the minutes which are emailed to you and posted in the Area 42 website simultaneously for both our English and Spanish-speaking communities. We also translate the reports received from the SAGSC Secretary for the minutes and all the submitted articles for publication in the Area 42 Newsletter.

A word about the importance of having the minutes for those who believe them unnecessary. The minutes serve as a tool of reference, a reminder, and an historic memory where one is able to chronicle the evolution of our Area by what was said, what was done, when and by whom. It serves as a convenience for those who cannot be present at our meetings as well providing access about what the area is up to for those with hearing difficulties. Two years ago, when I started on this Committee I was inspired to be of service since I saw there was a need and had the knowledge of two languages. Then found that the minutes and their translation presented me with an even greater awareness of what goes on in our Area, a deeper love for service, respect for our different cultures as well as furthering my understanding of the guiding principles in AA.

The trusted servants of our Area are responsible for furnishing our “committee of two” with all the information and, like them, we work with a target date. Tony and I wish to thank all those who sent in their reports within the specified time frame. By doing so, you showed support for this vitally unifying purpose which is to give our amazing Latino community the potential to become entirely involved. We are looking to increase the size of our committee with volunteers serving as English language editors to correct punctuation, spelling and grammar. And for those of you who are bilingual – it does not matter your level of proficiency in either language - Tony and I are here to help with our experience and resources. In the end, this fulfills a common goal which is to help one another. Please let us or Paul, who is our Area 42 Chair, know if you are interested.

During these challenging times all communication efforts were of profound importance to everyone. The preparation for the Virtual Spring Assembly was a very special time for Tony and I. We would never have been able to get the work done if it weren't for you and the miracle of this program. My sincerest gratitude. Diana

DCM REPORTS:

DISTRICT 1: LIBBY

District 1 DCM Report

May 2020

Hello, my name is Libby and I am the DCM for District 1. For those that don't know District 1's area covers Henderson, Searchlight, Boulder City and reaches down to Laughlin.

District 1 is alive and well and many of our meetings are functioning via Zoom for the time being. I expect we will start to see non-virtual meetings in June.

District 1 has had two district meetings since March via Zoom and both were well attended. I've been invited to attend District 5B's meetings and their DCM has attended District 1 meetings. It's been great to share experience, strength and hope with others districts during this challenging time.

As there really isn't much else going on for now, I will keep this short.

And as a reminder District 1 will meet via Zoom on the 2nd Sunday in June at 10:30 well before the Delegate's conference report.

The decision if the District 1 will have their picnic will be made in August. So stay tuned for that.

Thank you all for allowing me to serve.

DISTRICT 3: JASON

District 3 is doing well, nothing to report

DISTRICT 5B: RONNIE

SAGSC Report for District 5B. May 30, 2020.

Hello my name is Ronnie Dillion and I am an Alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10, 1999. I am currently serving as DCM for District 5B.

District 5B is the eastern border that begins at the northwest corner of Lincoln County where it borders Nye County. The Northern border is a line running from western point of north Lincoln County. The west border is a line following the eastern Nye and Lincoln county line, South to Clark County. The Southern border is Charleston Avenue in Las Vegas back to the I-15 interstate.

District 5B attended PRAASA with myself and the Alt. DCM and 6 GSR's that the district was able to partially fund. We participated in the round tables and it was largely a great experience for all of us.

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic we have had 2 district meetings via zoom meetings hosting by Lisa I. and we thank her for her assistance. We also attended the 6 and a half hour long zoom meeting for the area 42 spring assembly.

District 5B members asked about the refund of monies spent for online registration for the cancelled area 42 spring assembly which I directed to the area 42 registrar and was sent a forwarded email stating that Brown Paper Tickets would eventually get the refunded funds to all who used this service. District members also asked about GSO laying off workers as a cost cutting decision in the face of losing group contributions and justifying GSO asking for donations from financially burdened members of AA in this crisis. I directed this to our delegate and was told that she asked GSO and was referred to the GSO human resource office and have not heard anything back on this matter. GSO has workers working from home and the Grapevine / La Vina staff is working I was told by Rhonda.

District 5B and LVPAA will be having a zoom workshop on June 13th titled how your group can reach out to the Alcoholic who still suffers. Lena and Matt are the workshop chairs and we have had some successful workshops this past year and this should be well attended.

District 5B has tried to be a resource for the GSR to take information to their groups through the GSO and Area 42 newsletters, Box 459, weekly Silver Streak emails and excel spreadsheets of zoom meetings and live meetings. Group email and phone lists were suggested to get out to group members also.

We as a district had a group conscience and we will not be having a live district meeting in June, another group conscience will be done as a survey concerning a live meeting in July.

Financially the district is solvent but hardly any monies are being received by our groups. When and if we ever have another live Area 42 assembly we will be able to support all the GSR's needing funding to Tonopah.

I have reached out to a few area communications committees and have taken almost all of their suggestions to fulfill our primary purpose, to make sure the hand of AA will always be there. Members of District 5B have done a fantastic job through all this and I am humbled to be in such dedicated hardworking company. Thank you for listening.

DISTRICT 7: JEN

This is Jen from district 7. Hope all is well with everyone. Just a few announcements we will be postponing our service events to later in the year. Dates to come. The Mt. Charleston picnic will be cancelled this year. We usually have 500 people and the parks service says no way. Our district has discussed contributing to entities of AA since our big event is not going to happen. We will discuss at our next meeting who and how much we will disperse. Finally I would like to close with our condolences to Bud L. We are all here for you during this time.

Jen

DISTRICT 9: PAM

Nothing to report. A lot of us are going to Zoom meetings, probably more zoom meetings that we have ever gone to in our lives. We are able to go to meetings internationally. Great to see everyone. Camel Club Thursday night will be opening at 7 pm. We are starting to open up in the district.

Founders day event in June is getting organized but not sure of details, such as how many can attend and suggested donation, etc. John will send flyer when available.

DISTRICT 11: TONOPAH not present

DISTRICT 13: MATT not present

DISTRICT 15: DAVE not present

DISTRICT 17: BUD not present

DISTRICT 19: ANNE reporting but not DCM

I have been spending quite a bit of time in District 19 which as you guys know is in White Pine County, which is gigantic. Its 4,000 sq. miles of wide open spaces. And so there are 7 meetings a week in White Pine County, while everything got shut down during the virus everything got moved

over to Zoom. And now they are back to their regular meeting spots. We actually piggy backed on the CPCPI press release that was sent out. There was an article in the Ely times that talked about AA being alive and well in White Pine county. We also submitted it to the radio station up there, and its the hub of information for that area. So just want to let you know, thank you for sharing that information with us. We missed the Breakfast with the Delegate due to the virus, but I'm sure that will be rescheduled.

Its not a dark district!

DISTRICT 21: SAMUEL nothing new to report. Alive and well. Look forward to everything that everyone else looks forward to.

Rhonda asked if they were going to do the Hispanic Forum that they usually do in May virtually? Samuel, no i don't think so. Most of the people didn't know how to do this. We tried to but no plans to do it right now.

NEW BUSINESS:

SAGSC INVENTORY

Poll: Are you in favor of having a Southern Area 42 inventory conducted at our next SAGSC meeting in July? Discussion.

Laura: What is an inventory? What is entailed?

Jake: if this is approved, i'm going to reach out to GSO, they have lots of resources for us to use, that ask us all kinds of questions for us to see how we are doing and what we can do better. Hopefully we can tailor those questions to our area as much as possible. Like a group inventory.

Scott: Are we suggesting that the inventory would take place of the actual business meeting in July because my experience is that it is a lengthy process? Or would we do this in a separate meeting? how much time are we talking?

Jake: This would take place during the meeting. We would have past trustee help us. But we aren't going to make a 7 hour SAGSC meeting.

Lisa: Is there a way for someone, to help us create another survey, like we did for the delegate for the agenda items, so that when we meet we already have the questions asked and answered and we can get straight into the examination process?

Julie: Happy to help. Google Forms.

Jake: I love that idea! Lets do it!

Relaunched poll.

Renee: Inventories really take a whole separate meeting. I can't see being thorough in 5 or 6 questions.

Michael, GSR: Idea of inventory is fantastic, if we had the questions before the meeting that would be fantastic.

Bryce: When the area did this they put together an ad hoc committee. Wasn't something we could do just overnight. to really do a thorough inventory it is pretty involved.

Poll results: Passed with substantial unanimity. Asked for minority opinion, none.

We will go ahead with the SAGSC inventory.

GUIDELINES AD HOC

Poll: Are you in favor of the Chair's proposal to have a committee look at all of the guidelines?

Since we had the change with the IG funds, Area is changing a little bit, how are we going to handle these committees? I would like to put together a committee to look at everything we do. To try to find out what we can do better. What are we doing right? Look at guidelines in conjunction with Inventory.

More discussion from the body, wait to see what the inventory says. Do we realize how long this will take?

Jonelle: Did we want it to coincide with the inventory? Guidelines are extremely vague in terms as to what our positions are, so not opposed to reviewing and having some changes, all for that. Maybe look at that as being one of the inventory questions. Do we need to do this. And my suggestion would be for everyone to look at the guidelines before the next meeting.

Jake, to clarify, two separate committees, working at the same time.

Can't have an ad hoc committee do inventory because we need everyone involved in SAGSC to have a voice.

Poll Results: 100% YES

FINANCE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL

Poll: Are you in favor of the Finance Committee's and the Treasurer's recommendation of sending \$4,500 to GSO?

Jake: Treasurer and the Finance Committee got together and, as you heard in Sean's report today, that they are over, because we didn't spend money traveling to Tonopah Assembly and for people who didn't go to PRAASA. So with that being the case they would like to send \$4,500 to GSO as a one time disbursement.

Discussion open.

April: Feel very uncomfortable sending this amount of money to GSO. I'm not against sending a large donation to GSO, I just remember at our last SAGSC there was a lot of anxiety in the room in regards to how SAGS was going to take on all of these committees and how are we going afford it. What is the budget going to look like. As far as projected numbers it didn't look very good. I think we want to make sure that we can continue to help fund PRAASA participation and other traveling expenses like we normally do. I would like to see that continue to happen. I am not opposed to sending a large amount to GSO, just not this large. And then later on in the year, if we are still doing as well, there is no reason we can't send another contribution to GSO.

Ronnie: I'm not against sending money to GSO, but \$4,500 I think is excessive. Anything over \$1,000 is a lot. It's going to take a long time for America to recover, and I think we need to focus on helping the newcomer here in our area.

Explanation requested from Sean. Sean shared screen and went over the budget. Explained that we were on target to exceed the estimated income. Like by a lot. So since we will probably exceed our estimated contributions given, and we are a non-profit, there is a problem with keeping too much money. The next thing is, that we earmarked for the Spring assembly a lot of funds. even if we sent off a \$4500 disbursement to GSO, we would still have about \$4500 above the resource we were projected to spend. Additionally, GSO and to dip into their reserves and that was one of the reasons why it came to the finance committee.

Marita: Thank you for the clear explanation. Does this take into consideration that next year we will have to take over 100% of those certain committees and isn't the point of a prudent reserve so that you draw down in an emergency? I think it is important for them to let us know that they are into the prudent reserve but i also think that it is important that we keep here what we need here. I think it is premature to send that much money to GSO. Let sit out the year. Sean answered yes that is correct to those questions.

Laura: clarified that the CPCPI fund is still allocated to that committee, Sean says that is not included in this accounting. Separate funds.

Bryce: Don't we have an ad hoc committee looking over this? Isn't the NAGSC having money problems? Should we help them first?

Much discussion, what GSO does, who they help, will they survive, can we lower the amount to send?

Proposal can only be amended by the Finance Committee since they are the one who created it. They are not present.

Poll results: 51% yes(19) , 49%no (18)

Too close to call, no substantial unanimity. Returned to Finance committee. They can revise and we can review next time.

THANK DISTRICT 21 FOR HOSTING

Will host when we are once again able to meet in person.

Next SAGSC meeting is 1:15pm, July 12th on Zoom.

CLOSE WITH RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

Minutes taken by Lisa I

Not yet approved by body.