

SAGSC
Southern Area General Service Committee
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WELCOME NEW GSRs & DCMs

REPORTS

SECRETARY REPORT: LIBBY

Hi, my name is Libby, and I am your alcoholic SAGSC Secretary. In my role as SAGSC Secretary I get the joy of taking the Minutes for our SAGSC meeting. I coordinate with our Chair, Caroline regarding the agenda and overall how the SAGSC meeting will run. Request from all the officers, DCMs and Standing Chairs in the South to send me reports so I can get them translated. It makes it much easier for our translators to read a report than to try to translate while someone is speaking. I send out the various email blasts to be distributed to the SAGSC DCMs and Standing Chairs for distribution. After the meeting it is all about getting the minutes put together so they can be sent out to everyone. Very exciting business. I also get to keep our rosters updated. So if you are a SAGSC officer, SAGSC DCM or SAGSC Standing Chair and you are not getting emails from me it probably means I have a typo in your email address. Please reach out to me. Since our last meeting I've represented SAGSC by taking the notes from the Conference Agenda Items Roundtables. It was a great day and I think everyone who showed up learned a lot and got to express their voice on a lot of interesting topics relevant to AA. I went to the Spring Assembly where we continued discussions on the Conference Agenda Items and I got to do the SAGSC report backs. It was a little daunting but I got through without screwing up noticeably. As always the Assembly is a powerful and spiritual experience. As Alternate Secretary in Area 42, I am assigned, I mean I volunteered, to be in charge of the Area Literature. So I was sitting at the Literature table during the Assembly and got a completely different experience than sitting in the front. It was a lot of fun talking to people about the various pieces of literature, although I did get shushed a lot. What can I say, I get excited. As the Area Literature person, I'm going to put on a Literature Festival on June 24th, here at the Central Office from 2 to 4. There will be all kinds of literature, including Grapevine, La Vina and the Archives. It will be more about having fun and getting a chance to look over all the literature available; Conference approved, Grapevine and La Vina. All of the Southern Area is invited. District 1 is my partner for the event. It should be a good time for all. This year Mike L. is the chair of the Agenda Items Conference Literature committee. Next year I get to chair. I know I'm a little broken because I really enjoy learning about different aspects of AA by reading the agenda items and their background. It always gives me new perspectives about what's going on with AA. I love it. It is an honor to serve SAGSC and if anyone has any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to me. Thank you for letting me be of service,

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2023 MINUTES _X_ Approved _____ Not approved

GSR TRAINER: DANO

Hello! I'm an alcoholic and my name is Dano B. I am the Southern Area GSR Trainer. Here is my report. I attended my first PRASSA in LA, it was a shmorgasborg of information. I attended two roundtables. One for GSR's and one for Accesabilities. In my opinion the GSR roundtable was too big to get a good feel for new GSRs. Tonopah was a great experience, as there was less tension and more discussion than the previous sessions. I took this commitment not to appease or impress anyone. And my suggestions would be to focus more on the new GSRs on Friday afternoon before we start the assembly. And to maybe set up a coaching table with the North and South GSR trainers for Q&A and encouragement during the assembly. I've recently been contacted from a PRASSA connection on information for new GSRs from Area 23 in Santa Barbara California. As for the rest of my time, I would hope to start with Pat S. from the North. Creating the process of writing guidelines for the GSR trainers' role and scope. Thanks,

DCM COORDINATOR: FOXX – No Report

AREA 42 TREASURER: JASON

Hello, my name is Jason, and I am an alcoholic. The following reports are available: ▪ Income & Expense as of 04/30/2023 and Balance Sheet as of 04/30/2023.

Cash Position (As of 5/15/2023)

Savings	\$ 30,000.00
Checking	\$ 80,164.37
Total Cash	\$ 110,164.37

At the previous meeting, the Finance Committee made the decision to raise the savings account to \$30,000.00 in alignment with the Area Finance Guidelines, which emphasize the importance of maintaining a prudent reserve. During the next finance committee meeting, I will present the completed tax return and propose adjustments to the savings account in accordance with section 4.0 of the Area 42 General Service Assembly Finance Guidelines, which recommends setting the reserve at one-third of the previous year's expenses. PRAASA travel expenses as of 4/30/2023 are \$17,840.73, the total amount budgeted was \$19,150.00. Assembly travel expenses as of 4/30/2023 are \$ 15,164.76, total amount budgeted \$ 28,900.00 or \$14,450.00 per assembly. Now for some general housekeeping items: Voluntary Group contributions can be made payable to "Area 42" and mailed to; Area 42, PO Box 70171, Las Vegas, NV 89170-0171. To request a reimbursement, kindly send an email to treasurer@nevadaarea42.org containing the following details: your Service Position/Committee, a brief description of the expense, a breakdown of the receipts, your mailing address, and the name of the payee for the check. If you're hesitant to provide your mailing address, please inform me, and we'll figure out an alternative. I'll ensure that any group contributions with incorrect payee information are returned via mail. As a reminder, we now have a single treasury for the Area, with no SAGSC or NAGSC treasury. Therefore, all voluntary group contributions should be made payable to "Area 42". It's my pleasure to serve in this capacity and thank you for your cooperation!

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR: ROBERT – No Report

AREA OFFICER REPORTS:

DELEGATE: JAKE

Jake S. alcoholic, Area 42 Panel 73. Serving on the Public Information committee. That is how I introduce myself at the General Service Conference and I cannot tell you how grateful I am to have the honor and absolute privilege to be able to serve as our Area delegate to the 73rd General Service Conference. The General Service Conference was held from Saturday April 22nd to Sunday April 30th, 2023. I arrived at New York City at 2:30 in the morning on Saturday, so this report, the report I am giving today is just the facts, there's no slideshow. There's no pictures, no charts, no drafts, no fun stuff. You are going to have to come to the Fall Area Assembly for the fun stuff. The first event we had was a meet and greet at the hospitality room for all the conference members and their guests. This is where you are going to meet the rest of the delegates, trustees and staff members. All of the delegates and trustee had met three times before virtually before the conference. So I felt the meet and greet went very smoothly and the familiarity we had with each was very helpful. Also at this meeting is where you pass out your toys and trinkets, chatkis. So you saw our trinket and that was the poker chip. I was really great to meet everybody in person and not to mention all the cool things we received. The next thing we had was on Saturday was a 1728 meeting. So 1728 meeting stands for 12 x 12 x 12, go get out your calculator put in twelve times twelve times twelve you'll get 1728. This represents our twelve steps, twelve traditions and our twelve Concepts. The meeting was awesome and we learned that every Friday there is a 1728 meeting at the General Service Office. Also we learned that most of the employees at the General Service Office are non-alcoholic and these meetings are a way to bring our 36 principles into the workplace at GSO. So I thought that was beautiful. The next thing was a Remote Communities meeting. Our Area has a bunch of rural and remote communities. This meeting was very informative to me. I was happy to be able to report our SAGS, NAGS and Area assemblies are all being held hybrid which is a very useful tool for our remote communities. But what about when members have bad or no internet service at all? There are a lot of challenges with rural and remote communities and I hope that our area can keep working on solutions to keep the rural and remote communities involved and connected with Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. The last thing on our schedule for Saturday night was our Delegates Only meeting. In this meeting our delegate chair put together an arts and crafts project for us. We broke the room into twelve random groups. When we got our group we got a bunch of foam balls, pipe cleaners, sticks, putty and a glue gun. Our assignment was to put all these things together and make a presentation on what the service structure means to us. When I first heard this plan I have to admit I thought to myself, what are we doing here? Of course, I have not lost all my contempt prior to investigation. But I must admit I think the whole project was very helpful. In the end when we were all done, we worked as a group, to explain what we made and what the service structure means to us. I think that it was very helpful. And helped us remember what we are doing there. That in AA we have to stay unified from the top of the triangle to the bottom of the triangle or most of us will surely die alone. I thought that all the presentations were great and me and the delegate from Area 51 had a game of basketball with the fuzzy balls. That was fun. So Sunday we had the official opening of the 73rd General Service Conference. As we know, we are without a chair for this conference. This year we used four co-chairs to run the conference. We had Jimmy, our interim chair Trustee on the General Service Board, Francis our first vice-chairperson and trustee on the General Service Board, Bob our General Service Office Manager, and Tammy our delegate chair. We had a welcome to the conference by co-chair Jimmy D. And we had an opening reading by the delegate from Area 87 and it was time to do the roll call for the 73rd General Service Conference. This started with Bob, our General Service Office Manager asking for admission of our observers from Mexico, Peru, and Poland. Then we started the roll call. I had heard a lot of about the roll call. I don't think that there is anything that anyone would have been able to say to me that would have prepared me for the gravity of the roll call. They read the names. They ask you to respond by standing up and saying here "here" or "present". I decided to go with "here". And when I sat

back down the love and responsibility of our Area washed over me. I honestly could not believe that I was really going to have the honor and privilege of representing Area 42, the greatest Area in the history of the universe at the General Service Conference. Next we had our keynote address by Trustee Francis G. The keynote address made me cry for the second time of the morning. Francis's topic was the conference theme "AA Three Legacies, Our Common Solution". In it he quoted our co-founders. He talked about the service manual as well as the Concepts and the traditions checklist. He asked what principles guide our conference? He asked questions from the Concepts checklist on Concept three and nine. When he got to the traditions checklist he looked out at the audience and he read from Tradition One. Am I in my group a healing, mending integrating person or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventory? Since I had become delegate and with everything we had been through in the last four months, I learned a lot about our members using social media on non-conference approved methods. Are we using these things with love and tolerance being our code? Are we healing and mending or are we divisive? The way I see it being divisive may be a dubious luxury of normal people but for us alcoholics these things are poison. He explained that he did not make himself available for Regional Trustee so he could lead, he made himself available so he could serve. It was absolutely beautiful. The next thing we did was break out into round tables for round table discussions. And our breakout room the topic was "Practicing our 12 Traditions Across All Group Settings". We talked about what are some of the ways groups and districts in our Areas foster awareness of practicing our twelve traditions across all group settings and how mis-information has been an obstacle for Public Information and CPC service. On mis-information it was brought up on how some members in AA say "Oh, you don't need to be involved in General Service. Our group doesn't need to participate in that because that's all about politics." The thought brought up with me was that Service Festival. The Service Festival was an event that was put on in coordination with the Southern Area, the Intergroup and the Hospitals and Institutions committee. We would have a big workshop where everyone had a service position would come and give a five minute talk about what they do in that service position. New people could come and learn how they could get involved in these services. So let's go, yes new service festival, write that down. The next thing we did was lunch and delegate orientation by region. Our region is the Pacific Region. I would say our orientation was done in virtual meetings. The Pacific Region meets every month virtually. The main topic we had in our lunch was International Conventions and Regional Forums – How to Get Members Involved. So we really need to work on this topic because the next Pacific Region Forum will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada, July 12th through 14th at the Westgate. Spread the word and do not miss it. The next order of business was deciding where the 2026 Regional Forum will be held. Area 8, San Diego brought a bid and a bunch of information. It looks like the 2026 Pacific Region Forum will be in San Diego but we will have to wait and see what happens. The next presentation we had was called Location Plus. Location Plus is a committee that has the objective to consider physical space needs required to effectively carry out the services requested by the fellowship through GSO and the Grapevine offices. Location service studies have been done approximately every ten years. All the studies have been done using different methods. In some cases they use a consultant. Other times we use an ad hoc committee or a management. Basically, we are trying to figure out should the General Service Office stay in New York or should it move to a different location. The committee is reviewing information and gave us a timeline with a decision to be made in 2025. So when I first heard about this I thought, this is ridiculous, the General Service Office is in Manhattan. That has got to be one of the most expensive places in all of America. So, of course, I thought, we can do better. Then I remembered a long time ago I had heard that we get a special deal. They give us a good price at our 475 Riverside Drive location. So, I asked the question of the Location Plus committee, I was told that at the 475 Riverside Drive location we do get a very good rate. I was also assured that the special rate is not given to us just because we are Alcoholics Anonymous. The building is used for many non-profits and the rate is the rate for non-profit organizations. We learned we are paying about \$23 to \$24 per square foot. I'm not a real estate agent but I've been assured it is a very good rate for anywhere in the country. Now it was time for us to go into our breakout rooms and start our committee work for the conference. I'm on the Public Information committee and our first committee is what is called a joint trustees and conference committee meeting. In the Public Information committee we also have what are called appointed committee members or ACN. An ACN is an AA member who serves on a specific trustee committee because of his or hers specific specialized knowledge in a particular field. On the PI committee we have a him and a her. Our first ACN is a member named Morgan who was a huge help to me through her work done in a workshop called Demystifying the Comprehensive Media Plan. The next ACN, was a big pain in the ass but I'm still not sure about him. Ok seriously though, our other ACN is Kirk H. hopefully some of you know Kirk H. He's from our Area and when I found out that Kirk was the PI committee appointed committee member, I had total faith in the way in which ACNs are chosen. I could not think of a better member in all of Alcoholics Anonymous to service in this position. These trustee committees appointed committee members are the ones doing the work for us all year long. The trustees committee are how the work actually gets done. And the appointed committee members deserve a lot of love and respect from our fellowship in my opinion. We had productive joint meeting, with not very many questions because these members are doing a very good job in making our work as easy as possible. This was our second joint meeting being as we had a virtual joint meeting before the conference. We still had a few hours left before dinner so we decided to start our committee work early. The Public Information committee had a huge agenda for the 73rd Service Conference. The next thing on our schedule was an opening dinner and AA meeting. I made it a point to always try to sit with people I did not know. At this dinner I ended up sitting with a few Canadian delegates as well as the hosts for the conference members guests. The Canadian delegates spoke French. The guest spoke hosts spoke Spanish and we had a wonderful night all night. All of the dinners and lunches for the week were buffet style except for the Sunday night dinner. It was a sit-down dinner and all the conference members and guests were invited as well as the past trustees and the employee committee members. The main part of the night was five AA speakers. Two delegates, a Grapevine non-trustee director, a trustee and a retired GSO staff

member. It was absolutely one of the best AA meetings I've ever been to in my life. Two of the speakers spoke only in Spanish and were translated. Me and my table had an amazing time laughing all night. The next day was Monday and we started the day with more PI committee work. The committee work was scheduled from 9am to noon Monday and Tuesday with lunch from noon to 1:30. We knew our committee was going to be very busy so we agreed to meet an hour early every day and get our lunch and bring it back to the committee room and work through lunch as well. Next thing on our agenda was our summary reports from the General Service Board, AAWS Board and the AA Grapevine Board and the World Service Meeting Report. The first report was given by Jimmy D, Southwest Regional trustee and interim board chairman. He reported an Article 4 of the charter saying the conference will replace the founders of AA who formally functioned as the guides and advisors to the General Board and related corporations. All week long Jimmy referred to the delegates as the guides and advisors. Article 10 of the charter states that the General Service board is the chief service arm of the conference and is essentially custodial in its character except for its decisions on matters of policy, finances or AA tradition liable to seriously affect AA as a whole. The General Service Board has entire freedom of actions in routine conduct of the policy and business affairs of AA service corporations. In order for the General Service Board to fulfill its responsibilities and direct the execution of actions of the Conference, the General Service Board receives all seventh tradition contributions from the fellowship. We will be talking about that more later in the report. The General Service Board bylaws describe the board as an agency created and now designated by the fellowship of AA to maintain services for those seeking through AA the means for arresting of the disease of alcoholism through the application of their own lives and the twelve steps which constitute the recovery program which the fellowship of AA is founded. Right? That is a mouthful. This is also our legally stated reason for existence and the board is a legal entity. In the closing of his report he said it is with deep gratitude that as members of the General Service Board each trustee has been given a role in providing whatever is necessary to fulfill AA's primary purpose. In my conference experiences I have seen that we can discuss difficult subjects without being disagreeable. How we can listen as if we have no opinion. How each and everyone of us who suffers from alcoholism certainly came to AA so we could get better. And then learn in short order that what AA needs is each of us to come to AA so AA gets better. Next was our AAWS board report. AAWS is one of two affiliate corporations along with the AA Grapevine charged with the maintenance of active world services for the fellowship of AA. It was reported that the services of AAWS in a general way fall into four functions. We have archives responsible for keeping records. Our finance function assures that 7th tradition contributions from the fellowship to the General Service board are utilized with the utmost prudence. Publishing which works to support the creation, distribution and editing of our conference approved literature and works to create solutions so we can keep our message in print. And our service function which includes an array of activities designed to service groups, members, professionals, international structure and the public. So, I'm to talk briefly about the treasury and our finances. In 2022 7th tradition contributions were \$10,548,525. Which was 96% of the re-forecasted budget and more than the original budget. Out of all the contributions made only 23% were received on line, as our friend Caroline says, we get more bang for our buck with on-line contributions. Gross literature sales were \$11,999, 441 which was 109% of the re-forecasted budget and the highest gross literature sales since 2019 in our little buddy CoVid19. However, the gross margin which is how much cash we actually get was \$4,894,113, 91% of the re-forecasted budget was \$1,400,323 left in 2021. So now I think this is a very important point when we are talking about this money. There have been other considerations due to the rising costs of goods and services and especially for us a big increase in price and availability of paper. So in 2021 gross publishing profits were \$6.2 million dollars. In 2022 even though we sold more our gross profit was \$4.8 million dollars. Having a prudent reserve of \$10 million dollars might have been 10, or 11 or 12 months a few years ago, where in 2023 it might only be 7 or 8 months of operating costs. Now as far as money goes at the fall assembly we are going to have another presentation. We'll have a slideshow and go into more details on the finances. In the meantime if you have any questions we can work together to get the answers you are looking for. I understand in our fellowship money is a big deal and questions and problems about money can lead to disunity. You can ask Jason our treasurer that I might not be the best person in the world to talk to about money. But I do know that we can not afford to be in disunity. So, let's go from something I don't know anything about, money, to something I do know about. That is the AA Grapevine. The AA Grapevine is our other affiliate corporation. The Grapevine is now a multi-media publisher of Grapevine and La Vina content. In addition to the magazines, they also produce books in English and Spanish and specialty items. Our selections include e-books and audio books in both languages. We have our AA Grapevine.org website with an integrated bookstore. We have a YouTube channel with videos in English, French and Spanish. We have two Instagram accounts for both Grapevine and LaVina. We also have produced a podcast that had over 350 downloads since September of 2021 and is currently in the top 5% of all podcasts in the world. The Grapevine has been working for the past two years to place Grapevine and LaVina content onto tablets inside corrections facilities. We have two new books in the works for 2023. The spring release will be an updated version of the Home Group The Heartbeat of AA with new stories including the stories of virtual groups that formed during the pandemic. The fall release will be a Spanish translation of the book Prayer and Meditation. Grapevine and LaVina have not be able to avoid the industry trend of declining subscriptions of periodicals. We have gone from 107,000 subscriptions in 2007 to 63,000 in 2020. Which was a decrease of 41%. A little better than industry average but still not great. LaVina also had a 41% decrease from 10,900 in 2007 to 6,400 in 2020. It was reported we know the tremendous value of our print version of our magazine have on carrying our message and carrying out our primary purpose. We also realize that a print production alone has become unsustainable. We had to make the move to digital platform to offset the magazine decline. With this in mind the Grapevine board initiated the process of developing a Smartphone app for both Grapevine and LaVina. This app development is coming at a considerable cost. To help defray the cost the Grapevine board has moved their schedule planning meetings in March, June and December to virtual meetings which will save an estimated \$50,000. 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Board approved a \$500,000 drawdown of the reserve fund and we are adjusting the percentage of our subscription liability fund from 69% to 34% which will allow us to free up \$670,488. The budget for 2023 with the cost associated with the app development gave the Grapevine a deficit of \$1,102,474 with the offset of the \$500,000 from the reserve fund \$670,000 from the subscription liability fund brings the offset to \$1,170,488. Now there's a budget surplus of \$68,414 for 2023. So what does the Grapevine need from the fellowship? The Grapevine needs help spreading the word. We need everybody's help getting information out about AA Grapevine and LaVina to your groups and districts. The next report we heard was given to us by the US Trustee at large, Area 42's very own Marita. This of course was my favorite report of all week long. But of course I am admittedly totally biased. But it was still the best report. Her report was on the 27th World Service meeting. The world service meeting or WSM is a meeting held every two years rotating between New York and other international structure. In October 2021 the Trustees international committee made the difficult decision that due to our economic challenges and covid restrictions we could not fund the meeting. The WSM delegates voted to have the meeting on a virtual platform. The theme ironically was "Carrying the Message of AA In the Digital Age". They attended workshops and committee meetings and heard highlights from first year delegates. One of their first orders of business was to see a Mongolian delegate for the first time ever. She went on to tell a bunch of beautiful stories and if you want to hear these stories you need to attend the fall assembly. The one thing I will steal from her was something she heard in the meeting. A delegate said sometimes we spend too much time polishing the lifeboat and not enough time in putting the boat to work at sea. This statement hit me very hard and I hope to always remember it. To me it meant let's not forget why we are here. Let's not forget why General Service committees exist. We're here to keep one drink out of one drunk for one more day. We're here for the work. As Linda C. says, "We are here to save lives. And the work is what made me fall in love with AA and General Service. I love you Marita. Thank you so much for all of your service to AA and all the help you have given me personally. The next day was Tuesday and we started with our PI committee work. We started an hour early and worked through lunch again. We were able to finish all of our committee work and get our report together to share with the full conference. Next on the agenda was a field trip to the World Service Office. This was the first time I was out of the hotel for more than five minutes. And it was also the first time in my life that I ever rode a subway. The conference was in Brooklyn and the General Service office was in Manhattan. So we were given a Metrocard to get on the subway and off we went. Thank God we had three GSO Staff members with us to help us navigate the subway and actually make it to the office. So all the delegates to the conference were able to take a tour of the General Service Office on Tuesday from 1 to 5 pm but my lucky committee assignment on the public information committee put me into a special group. Yes, we had a Grapevine podcast and we are also developing an AAWS podcast. So the Public Information committee's tour of the General Service Office was followed around and will be a featured episode on the AAWS podcast when it comes out. Riding the subway and walking up to the 475 Riverside Drive was an absolutely spiritual experience for me. I was so excited to ride the elevator and actually see the AA Headquarters. As soon as you get off the elevator, the first thing you see is a Serenity Prayer translated into 27 different languages including braille. You walk through the doors and see pictures of all the different General Service Offices throughout history. You see a map that Bill had with pins in it showing groups of that time. We walked in and saw the conference room and the legal department. Then we went into Bob's, the General Service Office manager's office. In his office and all throughout the building there are beautiful views of the city and the river. Bob had the picture of the 1965 International Convention signed by a bunch of the members who attended. He shared with us what's it like to be the manager of the General Service office and I thought it was quite remarkable. We moved through the offices meeting the publisher and the offices of a bunch of our services such as International conventions, regional forums, corrections, CPC, Public Information and Treatment and Accessibilities. It was really amazing to get to meet all these people and have them share with us what it is like to do this work every day. For example in the corrections office we saw a picture of a group that meets on Death Row. The staff member shared a poem with us that was written by a member on the inside. This was a very powerful experience for me. Next we went to members' services where our registrars work to keep our groups listed. Then we went to the Grapevine and I met Janet Bryan, that's an inside joke if you have been a Grapevine chair. I talked to Janet Bryan about a hundred times or emailed. It was really cool to meet her and get to put names to the faces. We got to see them putting together the June issue of the Grapevine. Which is going to be a special issue for the 70th anniversary of the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. This was definitely one of my favorite parts of the tour. Next we got to go to the Archives which was absolutely amazing for me. To see all of the amazing history of our fellowship and to think about all of the amazing people who have come before us. And to think of all the lives this program has saved and to think we, Area 42, is a small but very important part of this great whole worldwide fellowship. It was amazing. The next thing we had was a delegate only meeting and dinner. At this meeting we elected the new delegate chair. Every region puts the panel 73 delegates into a hat and picks one. Then those names go into another hat to pick the delegate chair. The next delegate chair is a member of the PI committee, Mary from Florida. At this dinner another beautiful thing happened. Every region was sitting together and every region was asked to work together to come up with two words to describe the conference. We talked for awhile then the delegate from Area 17 Hawaii said Ho'oponopono. He told us that Ho'oponopono is an Hawaiian word that means to come together and heal. That was the end of the discussion for us. We loved the word and we loved the answer and so did the rest of the delegates. When we were leaving the dinner, I told Tommy there's not going to be one Pacific Region delegate giving a delegate's report without the word Ho'oponopono in it. So after our first two sessions of Roberts Rules of Order classes, what I didn't tell you is that right at the beginning of the conference there was a motion to not do the Area highlights and instead discuss three other topics. We discussed it for one full session. We recommitted it back to the agenda committee. They brought it back as a committee recommendation. We voted on it and ultimately it failed. So after spending two full sessions discussing whether or not to get rid of the delegates'

highlights, we had a different discussion and it failed. So now on Tuesday night we have to hear all of the Areas highlights from every region. But it all went very smoothly and we were able to hear all the highlights from all the panel 73 delegates. So Wednesday all the committee work was done and it was time for the conference to come together to get used to using our voting clickers for the first time. The committee reports are given in random order chosen by the chair for each conference. All of the information I will be giving out here and all the results from every item that was voted on will be on our website after June 3rd. Again, if you have any questions before then or any thing you wanted to know about, please let me know. The first committee to give their report was the Cooperation with the Professional Communities committee or CPC committee. So how it works is the committee chair will read the full report then we go back to vote on the committee recommendations. So after getting the full CPC report the committee only had one recommendation for us to vote on. The committee recommended that the pamphlet AA and Your Community be approved. The vote was 125 Yes, 3 No with no minority opinion. And we voted yes. So my first vote at the General Service Conference was done and it was absolutely was one of the most exciting and amazing things for me the whole conference. After I voted, I wrote down on paper, we vote yes. Area 42 votes yes. I started to tear up again. I could not believe how grateful and honored I was to be put in the position for our area to attend the General Service Conference. For the whole conference I felt it in my heart, we vote yes or we vote no and it was absolutely a beautiful experience for me. For our Area the only item we discussed for the CPC committee was Item D, consider retiring the pamphlet "A Member's Eye View of AA". So like we talked about at our Area Assembly we never know what items will come out of the committee. We never know exactly what we will be voting on. So the committee considered the request to retire the pamphlet and took no action. This means that we did not vote on this item and it also means that the pamphlet will not be retired. The committee believed that it is a useful tool for carrying the message however they expressed support for removing the pamphlet from the designated CPC pamphlet. In our Area we took a sense of everyone attending the assembly and we got 55% to not retire it and 45% to retire it. So it was definitely not substantial unanimity and much closer to being split right down the middle. So that is where we are at now. The next committee was Grapevine. The Grapevine committee also only had one recommendation as a result of the equitable distribution of workload or EDW the Grapevine committee had Grapevine Item D. Consider a request to provide all Area Alternate Delegates the same conference materials as sitting delegates. We did into discuss this as an Area. I saw this item and I didn't give it too much thought. Our alternate delegate and every member of Area 42 has access to all of the conference's materials. Mostly this means all of background information for all of the agenda items. Most of the other stuff on the delegates dashboards is things like hotel information, how many final reports do we want to order, things that nothing would want or need to see. The committee recommended that alternate delegates should have the access. I saw absolutely no problem with that. The vote came and we voted yes. The motion passed 97 yes 33 no. Then the chair asked for any minority opinions. Some delegates got up and shred about tough relationships with alternate delegates. A delegate shared that they think could take away an Area's right to be autonomous. Then someone said they believe could lead to two-headed leadership. If you have a problem with your delegate then only talk to the alternate delegate. After hearing the minority opinion a delegate wanted to change their vote so they made a motion to reconsider the first vote. The motion was seconded and voted on. The motion to reconsider passed so we are going to vote again. The second vote 80n Yes 49 no. it would have taken 86 Yes votes to make 2/3's so the motion failed the second time. After a motion to reconsider happens there is no minority opinion heard and the motion is dead. So how did we vote the second time? We changed our vote to no. The delegate that talked about two-headed leadership made me reconsider the vote. And the last thing I wanted to say just to be clear, our alternate delegate has access to everything on the delegate dashboard. When I was alternate delegate I had to everything and in Area 42 every member has access to everything. In our Area we talked about Grapevine Item B about the Grapevine and LaVina Instagram accounts. We had a good discussion and in the Public Information committee there's a question about making an AAWS Instagram account. So the discussion was very helpful for that as well. The next committee was treatment and Accessibilities. This committee also had two committee considerations. The first one was item A and the committee recommended that a revised pamphlet for the Older Alcoholic be approved in a format that does not require folding. The vote was 120 Yes and 9 No and we voted Yes. The next was Item B the committee recommended that 22 interviews recorded to date as part of the Military audio project be approved and to give GSO the latitude to distribute the interviews in various formats and platforms and that an updated report be brought back to the 2024 conference committee. The vote was 118 Yes 0 No. In our Area we discussed Item F Carrying the Message to Alcoholics with Intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities. There was a lot of discussion on this topic in the committee. They suggested that the trustee's committee review accessibility related service material and consider updating it with new shared experiences on this topic. That the AA Grapevine consider publishing an issue dedicated to the issues as well as to those who sponsor them. And requested the trustees literature committee consider revising the pamphlet Questions and Answers on Sponsorship. To add language on working with alcoholics with these issues. The next committee to report was Report and Charter. The committee had three recommendations. The first was the committee recommended the AA Service Manual not be printed in 2023 and that a new edition to be published every two years beginning in 2024. The vote was 125 Yes and 5 No. We voted Yes. The committee next recommended that a full rewrite be conducted of Chapters 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 to correct inaccuracies and to better clarify the roles, responsibilities and relationships between the General Service Office, AA Grapevine and AAWS Incorporated. In the Service Manual and at the trustees literature committee for these draft sections forward a progress report to the 2024 conference committee. The vote was 118 Yes and 10 No. We voted Yes. The last was agenda item B. The committee recommended that an anonymity protected conference final report be posted annually on AA.org beginning with the 2023 conference. The vote was 114 Yes 16 No. Again we voted yes. As an Area we discussed Agenda Item A-2 Consider a request to rescind the 2018 Advisory Action

concerning a footnote in the resolution concerning register and groups. On this item they took no action stating that the footnote sufficiently clarifies the current terminology for groups that list with the US-Canada service structure. However, the committee did suggest adding the following text to footnote 4 in the resolution. "AAWS neither monitors or oversees the activities or practices of any AA group. Groups are listed solely for the purpose of accurate communications and that GSO provides clear and consistent language disclaimers on GSO digital platforms and informational materials to clarify that the purpose of listing groups at GSO is distinct from listing meetings on the meeting guide app." The next committee was finance. Finance had three recommendations. First was item A. The committee recommended that materials produced and maintained by AAWS, the Grapevine, the LaVina, GSO clarify that the GSO board is the entity which receives all the voluntary AA contributions. The vote was 121 Yes and 3 No. We voted Yes. This was a very informative topic for me and for our Area. In the past, our Area produced the document with all the contribution addresses on it. On that document it says make checks payable to GSO. So I was assured that those checks were able to be processed but contributions in AA are made to the General Service Board or GSB. The General Service Office, GSO performs the contribution processing. So please let your treasurers know this, That if you have one of these old documents please get rid of it or fix it. The next one was item B, the committee recommended the suggested Area contribution for delegate expense for the conference be increased from \$1800 to \$2200. The vote was 126 Yes 4 No. And we voted Yes. For as long as I have been in service I believe our Area has always given more than the suggested contribution. So once again I do not think this will affect our Area personally. The last recommendation was not an item on the agenda of Finance committee. The committee recommended that the trustee finance and budgetary committee develop additional ways to report quarterly the fiscal performance of AAWS, GSB and Grapevine boards throughout the year to members of the General Service conference for the purpose of transparency and assisting in reporting to the fellowship. The vote was 126 Yes 4 No and we voted yes. I think this sounds like a very good idea because as we know money can lead to disunity and we cannot afford this in our fellowship. In our Area we talked about finance item F. Again this item is on the finance committee due to the EDW. It was to discuss new proposed agenda items regarding the book The 12 Steps and 12 Traditions. We had a great discussion on this item at our assembly and on it goes. We are looking for feedback from the fellowship. What does your group want to see when it comes to the founders' words. So ask them. We will continue to discuss this item. The next committee was policy and admission. Policy and Admissions had two recommendations. The first turned into another class on Roberts Rules of Order and Procedures. The other was Policy and Admissions Item C. The committee recommended that the process for polling the General Service Conference between meetings using virtual technology be approved. There is a lot wording in this item but it discussed video conferencing, meeting times and dates, quorum, abstentions and notifications. There were two amendments put forward that both failed then there was a motion to recommit the item back to the committee and that failed as well. More discussion and then a vote to call the question. The motion to call the question passed. We voted on the original proposal. The vote was 92 Yes 36 No. So it passed and we voted yes. Once again all the information I have will be on the website June 3rd. If there's anything you want to know please contact me. The next committee recommended that to foster unity, trust, and transparency in the fellowship the members of the General Service conference meet outside of the annual meeting for general sharing sessions at least two times per year using virtual meeting technology. The General Service Board chair and the delegate chair will set the date and time as well as determine what issues currently face the fellowship to be chosen as topics. Once again there were two motions for amendments. Both if the motions failed. We voted on the motions. 118 Yes 12 No. We voted yes. The conference used virtual technology to meet three times already this year. And I think it is a very good thing for the fellowship and for the conference. In our Area we talked about policy and admission item E, which was review report of the General Service board Ad Hoc committee on participation of on-line groups in the US and Canada service structure. The committee expressed appreciation for the report. The committee thinks an important next step is for delegates to find out more about the on-line groups in their areas. They requested the Ad Hoc committee provide a sample questions that could be used for this inquiry. The next committee report was corrections. Corrections had two committee recommendations. The first was in their committee composition scope and procedure or CSP, they changed the word correspondence to communication. The vote was 130 Yes 1 No. We voted yes. The next item was Corrections Item A. It was one of the two items we talked about in our Area. The committee recommended adding to the pamphlet "AA in Correctional Facilities", the sentence "Like all AA members persons in custody can benefit from sponsorship. For more information please refer to the Corrections kit and workbook or contact your local committee." The other Corrections item we talked about in our Area was Corrections Item C, discuss service piece Safety and AA our Common Welfare and its revisions. The committee concluded that the service piece is a necessary and useful tool. The committee suggested revisions for the next print so of course the first question that was asked was what kind of revision? The revisions they talked about were respecting rules of facilities, keeping out politics and religion and trolls. They all sounded good to me. The next committee report was trustees. As I reported at our assembly and hopefully you've all seen the emails. January 29th, 2023 the General Service Board chair was asked to resign at the request of the board. Like I said at the assembly, this was an unrepresented action taken by the board and led to some hurt feelings and disunity in our fellowship. As I told you all the committees read their full report and we go back and vote on the recommendations. So before I read the recommendation I am going to read you part of the report from the trustees committee. The General Service Board actions at the January 29, 2023 planning and sharing session led to the resignation of the Board chair. The committee agreed that the board's failure to utilize the spiritual principles of Alcoholics Anonymous to address leadership problems were deeply concerning. The committee also agreed that failure to expedite communications to the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous about the Board's chair resignation and lack of transparency regarding the board's decision resulted in widespread mistrust and disunity. After lengthy and prayerful discussion the committee took a vote to censure the General Service Board. Failing

to receive substantial unanimity. The committee met individually with each current General Service Board trustee to hear their vision for the future of Alcoholics Anonymous. Assessment of the current state of the board and what actions can be taken to improve communications. The committee agreed the board must improve communications with the fellowship including listening to the fellowship. The committee suggested the board utilize the an external facilitated process to make organizational improvements. The committee requested that the General Service Board find time and space to continue to develop spiritual practices and harmony with the AA principles of reflection, accountability and healing. The committee encourages the board to continue their work on reviewing and clarifying the boards code of conduct, whistle blowers policies and confidentiality policies to provide clear path to remedy any possible problems within the General Service board. Now at this time in the conference, we already know there is a floor action that is coming up to censure the board as well. So we come to the first recommendation of the trustee's committee. The committee recommended the slate of trustees of the General Service board be elected. The slate is just all of the names that are going to be elected for trustees. The slate is supposed to be seven non-alcoholic class A trustees and fourteen class B or boozer trustees. The slate put forward is six class A trustees leaving the board chair open until a new chair can be found making Mike L. the interim board chair. So the discussion starts. Then the discussion goes on for two more hours. Delegates are sharing how the decisions of January 29th have affected them and their area. Then the question is asked, what happens if we vote to not approve this slate? We were informed if we vote to not approve the slate then instead of voting for the slate we would go through each name and vote yes or no for each name on the slate. So, two hours later it's time for dinner. The chair asked everyone to remember their place in line because it is time to go eat. We go eat dinner and we come back and the discussion goes on for another hour and forty-five minutes. Until every single person has had their chance to say what they want to say and there was not one person left standing at the microphone. The discussion is over. The discussion is all over the place from the board did absolutely nothing wrong to how many of the board members do we have to keep to be legal in the state of New York. So now it is time to vote. The vote is 107 Yes to approve the slate and 25 No. and it passes. The next vote is the slate from AAWS board and is 107 Yes and 23 No. It took about five minutes. Next was the slate for the Grapevine Board 114 Yes 19 No and again the whole thing took about five minutes. The next committee report out was Literature but if you think we are done with the Trustees and slates and board actions, we are not. So the literature committee brought forth three recommendations. The first was the committee recommended revising the existing version of the pamphlet Twelve Traditions Illustrated be approved. The vote was 122 Yes 6 No. We voted Yes. The next item the committee brought forth was literature Item O. Which is one of the items we talked about in our Area. The committee recommended that the print version of the pamphlet Too Young be retired and that the content be repurposed as an animation video at an estimated cost no higher than \$70,000. The committee requested a progress report or rough cut of the video be brought back to the 2024 conference committee. There was a lot of discussion on this. There was talk of AA needing a working group of young people. Questions that the pamphlet would still be available as a PDF on our website. There was an amendment to change no higher than \$70,000 to approximate cost of \$70,000. That was voted on and failed. In the end we voted on the original recommendation. It passed 104 Yes 26 No. We voted yes. The last recommendation was work on the draft pamphlet based on AA Three Legacies the committee noted that the material gathered would be more useful as service material rather than a pamphlet. The vote was 109 Yes 14 No. We voted yes. In our Area we talked about Literature Item F. Review progress report update of the pamphlet AA for the Native North American. The first person I met the conference that I did not already know was an appointed committee members on the trustees Literature committee working on this pamphlet. The conference committee reviewed a progress report regarding the update. The committee discussed efforts to distribute a call for stories to the widest possible Native North American population in the US and Canada. The committee noted with appreciation the efforts made by the trustees' Literature committee to ensure the members of the working group that participated on the pamphlet represented the community reflected in the pamphlet. The committee requested a draft of the pamphlet's progress to be brought back to the 2024 conference committee. The next committee was Agenda. This committee was very fun. The first committee recommendation was to approve a theme for the 2024 General Service Conference. The vote was 128 Yes 1 No. So if you are like me this is when you are looking around trying to figure out who is the one person who votes no every time. But seriously it was approved and the 74th General Service Conference in 2024 the theme will be Connecting with Love, Unity and Service. Next was the presentation topic. The vote was 126 Yes 3 No. The presentation topics will be Responsibility in Service, Safety Throughout the Structure , 1728 Sponsorship, and Overcoming Barriers to Participation. This is 100% the one I am most interested in. Participation in the Service Structure or non-participation is one of the most important topics in AA in my opinion. Next was workshop topics. The vote was 125 Yes 2 No. The workshop topic will be Connecting Home Groups to the Conference Throughout the year To Better Inform the Group Conscious. I love the theme. I love the presentation. I love the workshop topic. I hope our area will embrace and run with them. The last item of the agenda committee was recommending that General Service Conference conduct a thorough inventory of itself during the 2025 conference. The vote was 99 Yes 32 Nos. The motion passed and we voted yes. The next committee was the best committee ever, of course, my committee, Public Information. The Public Information committee had a huge agenda. I want to say thank you to the committee chair, committee secretary and all the members of the committee. It was a great experience for me working on the committee system on the conference. All the items on the PI agenda we only put forward two recommendations to vote on. The first one the committee recommended that the AA Membership pamphlet be updated to reflect the findings of the 2022 Membership survey with small editorial changes. The vote was 120 Yes 9 No. And I want to thank all the groups in Area 42 that participated in the 2022 membership survey. Along with this there will also be a dynamic webpage to go with the survey pamphlet. The webpage will have a bunch of other information and cool features and you'll be able to print anything out you like on it. Compare it to other surveys.

Really cool. Next the committee recommended the AAWS board prepare sufficient periodic analytics reporting on our current communications platforms. So this is to replace the 2004 Advisory Action which is outdated and no longer serves for the basis of our communication channel of reporting. Basically the 2004 Advisory Action said we have to provide analytics on just the website. Now there is much more to be reported on. We are trying to figure it all out. In our Area we talked about Item A the comprehensive media plan. This is what smart people call a living document to be updated every year. It is very important to the PI committee. I have a four hour long workshop called De-mystifying the Comprehensive Media Plan. Which is very helpful to me and if anyone would like to hear it please let me know. We also talked about Item M. Discuss the feasibility of placements of PSAs on streaming platforms. The committee noted that any placements is important addition for our PSAs. The committee requested the trustees committee consider several vendors and develop a plan detailing target audiences, analytics and costs. And also that a report be brought back to the 2024 conference committee. The next item we talked about in our Area was Item N, review progress report to create a new form of communication to address anonymity on social media. The committee requested the trustees committee develop a survey to administer to all age demographics particularly young people with the goal of obtaining results to inform decisions on any future forms of communications. The last item we discussed for Public Information was M-3, progress report on revision to the flyer A Message to Teenagers. So I thought that when I got to the conference , I was going to get a bunch of new information and a bunch of new material. I thought the committee was going to see all the new pamphlets and the videos and a bunch of new information. I was wrong. So I'm very sad to report to this body that there is no new update on the flyer A Message To Teenagers, but there is still a flyer a Message to Teenagers and a lot of other literature targeted for young people. Our committee appreciates all the digital work that is going on right now. We believe it is very important to also have pamphlets and flyers like a Message to Teenagers that can be taken to schools or workshops or facilities. We also noted that we would like the Message to Teenagers flyer update to have a QR code on it that would link to a social media channel or a YouTube channel. So the work continues. The next committee was Archives. The Archives committee had no recommendations to vote on but they noted in their report the sharing on the digital Archives section, archives workbook has outdated information and should be refreshed with new stories from local archivists. And our last committee report was International Conventions and Regional Forums. This committee had two recommendations. The first one sucked. That's right. This one sucked. The committee recommended that Phoenix, Indianapolis and New Orleans be the considered as possible sites for the 2035 International Convention and not Las Vegas. So as Lyle had reported at our Spring Assembly, our past delegate Julie C., submitted everything to have Las Vegas be considered for the 2035 Convention. The Las Vegas convention visitors authority was contacted by the General Service Office and they said they could not guarantee a stadium for us that far out and that was the end of our bid. So anyway the vote was 130 Yes and our friend with 1 No, of course. So the 100 Year anniversary of AA will be in one of those three cities. Next was the 21 non-AA speakers we invited to attend the 2025 International Convention at AA's expense. The vote was 121 Yes 4 No. We voted Yes. That was the end of the committee work. But we were not done. Because there were ten floor actions that were made during the week. The first-floor action was starting in 2024 voting for trustee elections may utilize paper or electronic ballots. So the problem was the voting machine only has 10 options. Some regions have more than 10 candidates. So you cannot use the voting machines, but this motion is trying to give the option of paper or electronic voting when possible. So, as soon as the floor motion was made there was more learning and more process for me. As soon as the motion was read, somebody went straight to the microphone and made a motion to decline to hear. So if there is a motion to decline to here and it is seconded, then we have a vote to decline to here are the motion at all. So the motion to decline to hear is made and seconded. We take a vote and the vote is 98 yes 32 no so the motion to decline to hear passes, and the motion is dead with no minority opinion. We voted no, so we voted to hear the floor action and we lost. The second floor action was the 2016 conference advisory action stating General Service conference delegates be provided a copy of the final approved annual General Service Office and AA Grapevine budgets with the pre-conference material for all future conferences be reconfirmed. The second the floor motion is done being read in comes the motion to decline to hear and the seconded. We voted and the vote is 91 yes 39 no once again, we voted no and we lost, the motion was dead. The third-floor action was that the 73rd General Service conference censure the General Service board due to poor communication to the Fellowship regarding the resignation of the former chair of the General Service board, and for the process that was followed regarding the acceptance of her resignation. Motion to decline, second, the vote is 76 yes 55 no, we vote no the motion to decline to hear fails so we will hear the floor action. The discussion starts out very similar to the conversation we had during the approval of the slate. Then an amendment is proposed to change the word censure to reprimand in private. We voted on the amendment 28 yes 102 no we voted no and continued with the original censure motion. One of the things that came up in the slate discussion where the trustees committee considered censure, it was said they discussed the definition of censure as meaning a vote of no confidence in the board. The maker of this floor action asked the committee if they considered any other definition of censure, because he believed censure does not mean a vote of no confidence. So for this one I am going to read you the exact floor action we heard, that the 73rd General Service conference censure the General Service board due to poor communication to the Fellowship regarding the resignation of the former chair of the General Service board and for the process that was followed regarding the acceptance of her resignation. From the dictionary, a motion to censure is a motion expressing a strong opinion of disapproval that could be debated by the assembly and adopted by a majority vote. It is a reprimand aimed at Reformation of the person and prevention of further offending acts. It serves only as a condemnation and has no direct effect on the validity of the work done. From Roberts rules of order chapter 15, members can be censured for misconduct at meetings, violating confidentiality, moral misconduct outside the meeting, absenteeism, bribery, fraud, lying, disloyalty, working against the organization, conspiracy, or violating other values that an organization holds dear. So this

is one of the hardest reports I have ever had to give in Alcoholics Anonymous. A lot of people have a lot of different views and opinions on this and I feel no matter what the vote was or what happened at the General Service conference someone is going to be upset. I first heard about the board Chair's resignation by a member in our area. He called me and said what is going on with the board? So I said what? He said he heard the board fired the chair because there was \$2 million missing from the general fund and she found out about it, when she confronted the treasurer they fired her. So I said are you high? That's ridiculous. It is impossible that any of those things are true. We operate in the state of New York and money cannot just disappear. I happened to be going to a lunch with our US trustee at large the same week. I asked her what the hell is going on with the General Service board. And she said Jake I suggest you stand firmly in the middle until you have more information. Next was PRAASA. The delegates had two 2 hour round tables and a one hour lunch and this is the only thing we talked about the whole weekend. Here I need to make an amends to anyone I talk to about this situation personally. At the January 29 board weekend when this all happened I thought the Delegate Chair's were in the room. They were not in the room. So the only person that was in the room that day said there was a lot of confusion. She said that the General Service board resembled a seventh grade school yard. Soon after PRAASA the delegates requested to have a meeting with the board at the conference. Instead of that happening a virtual meeting was scheduled with the General Service board and all of the delegates. The first virtual meeting with the board was cut short because the French interpreter fell ill. So we scheduled another virtual meeting. In the end I attended three virtual meetings with the General Service board and one virtual meeting with the former board chair about this situation before the General Service conference. During these four meetings, I did receive a lot more information. So back to our floor, action and the vote to censure the General Service board. The discussion went on for one hour and 15 minutes. Then the vote happened and it was 25 yes to censure the board 104 no, and we voted yes that we should censure the General Service board and we lost. I believe that the floor motion was very well written. I believe that the motion to censure was saying we believe that the process used in excepting the board chairs resignation was not in keeping with AA principles, and I believed that that was true. In AA General Service, one of the most important principles that I live by is how we do some thing is always more important than what we do. At the meeting with the former board chair she said that she was doing well. She said she was not coming back and that she did not want to come back. She said she wanted AA to get back to doing what it does best, saving lives! At the General Service conference during the trustees report and approval of the General Service board slate the Conference talked for 3 hours and 45 minutes. During this floor action to censure the board we talked for another hour and 15 minutes. There was a motion to call the question that the chair denied and let every single person say everything they wanted to say and waited till there was not one more person at the microphones before we voted. I thought a censure of the board was in order. Mostly because of the process that was followed in excepting the board chair's resignation on January 29. From the information I received on the agenda that night the conversation was supposed to be about board oversight. Then the conversation started about problems people were having with the board chair. From what I understand a few trustees knew this was going to happen but only a few trustees knew that this conversation was going to happen while most others did not. I think this probably put those trustees in an uncomfortable position. When the conversation about the board chair started, apparently, she had made the comment more than once if you don't like me, if you don't want me here I will quit. As the conversation went on, she said her heart was beating fast and she needed to get out of the room. It was also reported she was asked to leave the room by another trustee while the board continued their discussed about her. She left and went to her room. The board went to dinner and came back to discuss the board chair. The decision was made to accept her resignation based on her saying, if you don't like me, I will quit. A resignation letter was typed up and brought to her room, and she said I am not signing this. The trustee who brought the letter says he thought that meant she was coming back down to to continue the discussion. Instead, she took the paper from him, and added the words at the request of the board she is resigning. She says that she thought the board voted to remove her when actually they had not. Because of this situation, another board member, Josh E. resigned his position. He says because of what he experienced January 29 and the board's lack of willingness to pause, reflect, and inventory before continuing to act that he was no longer able to serve the board. He said he was unable to resolve within his heart, the lack of notification, process or due diligence, and the lack of willingness to apply a slower more deliberate process to deeply impactful decisions. Based on what I told you I felt censure was in order. I also feel that at the 73rd General Service conference during the five hours we spent discussing this we needed every second of that discussion. I absolutely feel that the group conscience was heard on this issue and I fully except the group conscience of the conference. I pray that we can do what Linda said, and that is get back to doing what we do best saving lives. I also pray that we all learned a big lesson through this process and always remember that what we do is never going to be as important as how we do it. The next floor action was in regards to the boards confidentiality policy. Over the process of the resignation of the board chair there was a lot of talk about the boards code of conduct and code of confidentiality policies. We were informed the board already has a committee looking at these documents. There was a motion to decline to here and it passed 94 yes 38 no we voted no however the motion to decline to hear did pass. The next floor action was asking the General Service board to do an inventory. I thought this was a wonderful idea. There of course was the motion to decline to hear. The motion was voted on and the vote was 79 yes 52 no we voted no and the motion to decline failed, so we will hear the floor action, but the majority of the conference voted not to hear it. Mind you at this time it is getting very late at night and I'm sure that some people are thinking about getting done for the night. There was a lot of discussion on this floor action with two board members getting up and speaking against the motion. The vote came down and it was 74 yes 51 no we voted yes, so now a majority of the conference says the board should do an inventory, but not 2/3 so the motion fails. Now we hear the minority opinions. A delegate from the pacific region shared with tears in his eyes worried about going back to his area and telling them we cannot get the board to do an inventory. I shared in the minority opinion also, but then a board

member that was on the stage at the time came down off the stage to the floor and made a beautiful plea for the board to do an inventory. Another board member did the same. There was a motion to reconsider the vote that passed. We voted again and this time the motion passed 118 yes 14 no, we have course voted yes and I was very happy to see this pass after being reconsidered. The next floor action was to create an ad hoc committee on communication. The maker of the floor action found out this process has already begun. So, she yielded her time for us to hear about that, and then the motion to decline to hear past 110 yes 19 no. The ninth-floor action of the night was about the process of how we elect the Delegate Chair. Basically, the same thing happened with this floor action being withdrawn by the motion maker. It was decided we still needed to do the motion to decline and it passed 119 yes 10 no. The next floor action was made by a GSO staff member. It was recommended that the delegates and all conference members be asked to sign a code of conduct which guides how we work together. When I first heard this motion I thought it was ridiculous. I thought we have a code of conduct and it is called love and tolerance. I thought that love and tolerance should be our code of conduct from the top of the triangle to the bottom of the service structure. When I showed up at the conference I was thinking we need to get rid of the boards code of conduct not make more. So there was a motion to decline to here and it was 84 yes 48 no so the motion to decline to hear failed and we are going to discuss it. As we discussed it, my opinion changed a little. We are going to have at least two meetings online with the board. I thought having guidelines of communication, transparency, and mutual respect, and especially guidelines on social media might be a good thing and could not hurt. But at the same time I thought love and tolerance also covered those things. In the end, I thought our 36 principles of AA is our code of conduct. We voted and the vote was 28 yes 102 no we voted no, and the motion failed. The next floor action was the general service board develop supplemental reporting focused on the actual cost of various services we provide. The motion to decline to here comes 102 yes 29 now we voted no the motion to decline to hear passes and the motion is dead. The last floor action for the 73rd General Service conference was that the options for closing the big meetings at the international conventions be the serenity prayer or the responsibility statement. Motion to the Klein to hear ATS 50 no so the motion to decline to here fails. I voted against this because this item was dealt with in the international conventions and Regional Forums committee. They reported they discussed an updated report on the methods of closing the big meetings at the international convention which summarized the survey data, indicating that there was not a overwhelming desire by the fellowship to change the current practice. The committee believed that we should keep with the current practice of closing the big meetings wh Where the Chair has the choice of closing the meeting with either the lords, prayer, the serenity prayer, or the responsibility statement. After more discussion, there was a motion to recommit this motion back to the International conventions and Regional Forums committee. The vote was 88 yes 40 no, so the motion passed and this will be talked about again at the 2024 General Service conference in the international conventions in regional Forums committee again.

ALT DELEGATE: PAUL

Hi, I'm Paul your Area 42 Alternate Delegate / NAGSC Chair and it's nice to see all of you. Thanks Jake for all that you do and I look forward to seeing you at the NAGSC meeting in Battle Mountain on June 3rd. After that meeting, I will be contacting all of the ACC chairs and alternate chairs for them to send me an update of the members on their committees. I know the list that all of you started with at the beginning of the year may have changed, some may have dropped off and some didn't start. So, I will be asking for a list of those that actually participated. I do have a list of a few more members that signed up at the assembly to join and if anyone here is not on an ACC already and would like to be added please send me an email at alternatedelegate@nevadaarea42.org Thanks for allowing me to serve.

REGISTRAR: LISA

My name is Lisa and I am your Area 42 Registrar. The registration for Area Assembly went smoothly and we learned a few things along the way! It was so much fun to meet and greet you all as you came in and I am absolutely LOVING this position. My co-registration Jodie has been Amazing and we have become a great team. If you need forms or Meeting ID numbers, or need to change GSR or other information, we are both able to access this so we can get you information right away. I continue to update the Fellowship Connect System with the information that you share with me so that your group's information is current. Please reach out to me via text or email. If you need to reach me, Text is the best way to reach me quickly. you can find my contact information on the rosters. I am so grateful to serve our Area and to know all of you lovelies. Thank you,

ARCHIVIST: RONNIE D.

Hello everyone, my name is Ronnie D. and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10th, 1999. I am currently serving as your Area 42/SAGSC Archivist in the third year of a four year term. I would first like to apologize for missing the last SAGSC as I was not feeling well. The archives committee meets almost every Saturday here at Central Office at 9:15 to 11AM. I send a mass text every Friday afternoon to the active committee members and we proceed from there. April 22nd at 10AM here at Central Office I was asked to give a talk and provide a display in the two showcases concerning the Grapevine and its' history. April 30th, I was asked to be a speaker at District 1 Archives workshop. Lou P. recorded the speakers and gave me the flash drive. May 19th to the 21st I will be in Laughlin at the Tri State Round up with a small archives display and will return in time for SAGSC. Archives is a reflection of the AA

fellowship and the service structure that serves the member. Should you wish us to attend your districts workshops or events we would be happy to be a part of. This concludes my report, thank you for listening.

TRANSLATION: TONY

Hello everyone, my name is Tony, a very grateful alcoholic. I am honored and privileged to serve as your area 42 Translation and Interpretation Chair. Welcome to all the new GSR's, DCM's. We just had our monthly meeting and we really had nothing going on. Please send all your reports to the secretary, Libby, who will then send them to Dina and myself from translation. You can use the Translation email on the Area 42 site to access myself and Dina. We translate your reports to read them to the Hispanic members because it is easier to read your report then to simultaneously translate. Please speak slowly when you get to the microphone because Spanish translation is longer than your report in English. If you wish to join our committee please feel free to see Dina or myself in the back of the room. Thank you for letting me be of service.

AREA SECRETARY: JENNIFER – No Report

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:

ACCESSIBILITIES: JOAN

Hello everyone, my name is Joan and I am an alcoholic and the Accessibilities Chair for Southern Area 42. A Deaf AA member reached out for help in obtaining an ASL interpreter for the in-person meeting he attends. I have contacted a couple of Interpreting Services to find out pricing, and I have contacted officials in Nevada's Department of Health and Human Services as well as local ASL faculty to find an interpreter. The Interpreter must be on the Nevada State Registry according to state law, but we hope to find a registered interpreter who might be willing to donate their time or work at a reduced rate for us. If you know anyone in the fellowship who is a registered interpreter please let me or another member of our committee know. Meetings To Go is up and running. Our phone list is updated, and we are always looking for more volunteers willing to call and/or visit homebound AA members in need of a meeting or fellowship. Our service is specifically for those who already identify as alcoholic, but are homebound or currently staying in a hospital or rehab facility. If you know of anyone who needs help, please call Central Office at 702-598-1888 or you can email me at xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx. If you are interested in what we are doing and would like to attend our monthly meeting, we meet on Zoom on the fourth Monday of every month. Our next meeting is on May 22, 2023, at 7 pm PDT. Thank you for your time.

CPC (COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY): CHRIS

My name is Chris, I am an Alcoholic and I am the CPC Committee Chair. As most of you are aware, CPC tried to conduct a workshop last year & canceled it due to lack of interest - no one registered. This year, we gave ourselves more time to get the word out. Although we had only a meager registration, we went ahead anyway. 20 people attend, 17 from the fellowship & 3 professionals - 2 from the Specialty Courts & 1 from the National Guard. The event was conducted informally. I opened with an introduction to AA & CPC. I introduced PI, as well as Grapevine & LVYPAA as resources available. Each of these representatives gave a presentation on their area. It's amazing the positive reaction the professionals gave to knowing these resources are available to them! The majority of the remaining 3 hours was dedicated to hearing the stories the professionals have, working with active alcoholics & the struggles & frustrations they experience. Each said they want a continued & stronger relationship with AA. They also encouraged us to conduct a round table event like this a couple of times each year as it gives the professionals the opportunity not to only hear about AA but also to interact with other professionals & hear about how they deal with alcoholics! It was a great success & we will do it again later this year! We continue to welcome more volunteers. Service commitments range from occasional ministerial tasks, or single couple hour events, to continued support – it's all up to you how much time and effort you want to give – all is welcome! Please come to our meetings and see what we are all about and share any ideas you may have. We meet on the 2nd Monday of every month at 4:30 both in person at Central Office and on Zoom. Respectfully, yours in service,

PI (PUBLIC INFORMATION): ROBIN

Hi, my name is Robin and I am an alcoholic and the PI Chair. In the past month we were able to provide early morning meetings at the Mirage Hotel, requested by the United Food & Commercial Workers International Union. A huge thank you to Judy for taking over the volunteers, and thank you to Maureen, Aileen, Nelson, Leslie, Larissa & Tracy for chairing the meetings at the early hour of 6:30 AM. Although we didn't have a great turnout, we were there for a few people. Deb and I put up a literature table at a Homeless Alliance Event this past Thursday, we had a number of people stop by for literature & candy. There is an event coming up on Friday June 9. from 1:00 – 3:00. LMIA (Law Enforcement Intervention for mental health and addiction) in partnership with the 8th District Court & LVPD. Are joining resources as a pathway to recovery for those individuals suffering from mental health, drug and/or substance abuse. The event is being held at UNR Extension, 2280 N. McDaniel St. North Las Vegas 89030. For more

information, please contact me at xxx-xxx-xxxx or email: xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxx. I do need 1 or 2 volunteers to help man a table and answer questions. Our committee meets the second Monday of each month at 4:30 here at Central Office just before Intergroup or on Zoom. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact me. In service and gratitude

GRAPEVINE: HEATHER

We had a nice workshop on April 22nd at the Central Office. There was not a huge attendance, but it was nice to see the support and enthusiasm of the 25 or so that did come out for it.

Calendar Items

- July 21-23 (District 19) - CampNic in Ely - workshop @ 1:30 on Saturday (volunteers - great way to get out of the heat in the summer!)
- 6/24 - Literature Festival - Grapevine Literature will be available.

All DCMs have been contacted about upcoming events and I have made myself available for their business meetings. The "Carry The Message" Project continues. The new Grapevine App will be available on September 2023. Great podcasts (75) can be found by going to aagrapevine.org/podcast. Look for grapevine magazine on Instagram too! The Grapevine Committee meets via zoom the last Tuesday of each month. Anybody who is a Grapevine Rep or interested in participating/volunteering at an upcoming Grapevine table should attend.

LA VIÑA: LEO - No Report

COMMITTEE LIAISONS

H&I (HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS): ANDREW

My name is Andrew and I am an alcoholic. I will be brief. H&I is doing well. We are continuing to add facilities and panels. Contributions to the pink can have been doing well. Thank you all the that contribute to the pink can. It allows us to carry the message to those who cannot get out to a regular AA meeting. We are in the process of getting our website fully functional. We have a monthly meeting every third Tuesday of the month at Las Vegas Central Office at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in joining us we have Orientation at 5:00 pm before the meeting. Thank you for me letting me be of service.

LAS VEGAS INTERGROUP LIAISON: AMANDA

Central Office

- Please help keep the meeting schedule up to date. Contact Judy at Central Office for any changes to your meeting time/place or if you have a new meeting that needs to be added to the schedule. www.lvcentraloffice.org.
- Currently, there are open hotline shifts available in the office. Please contact Judy P. for specific days/time slots.
- Literature at Central Office: Central Office is now fully stocked with all literature that had been ordered. It is also fully stocked with all Hispanic literature.
- If you are planning to have an AA-related event, workshop or need a new home for your AA meeting, please contact Central Office. The rent for the meeting room is 40% of the 7th Tradition collected.
- Continue to send your upcoming event fliers to Central Office. Email: judyap@LVCentralOffice.org or the office number 702-780-4293.
- **Silver Streak:** The Silver Streak is on the hunt for a new editor! The requirements are as follows:
 - Ability to commit 8-12 hours per month
 - Interest in writing
 - Ability to draft, revise, edit, and proofread your writing and the writing of others
 - Familiarity with the conventions of written English or the ability to learn them. (suggestion is to procure a *Strunk and White Elements of Style* either way)
 - A computer with either Microsoft Publisher (Windows only) or Apple Pages (Dave has templates for both)
 - A good AA network of people to contribute articles and help you find writers
 - An understanding of the Steps and Traditions
- **Hotline:** The Hotline is actively looking for volunteers. Please reach out to centralofficehotline@gmail.com or call the hotline at 702-598-1888 if you'd like to be of service.
- **Founders Day:** Founders Day will be help at 6th and St. Lous (580 E. St. Louis) on Saturday, June 10, beginning at 1 pm. Tickets are \$10 and are available for purchase now! Contact John H, Amanda V, Judy P in Central Office or your Intergroup rep. Tickets are only required for the cookout. Proceeds go to Central Office.
 - The schedule is as follows:
 - 1-4 pm: AA History Presentations: Led by John H, Amanda V, Nicole HK, and more!
 - 4 pm: Cookout: Burgers, hot dogs, chips, coleslaw, etc. 50/50 raffle and other fundraising items. Bring a shared dessert if you wish!

- 7-8:30 pm: Saturday Night Speaker Meeting with Ruth J
 - **Gratitude Ball:** The 48th Annual Gratitude Ball will be held October 7th at Palace Station from 4-11 pm. Tickets are available now at www.gratitudeball.com for \$65.
- Board of Directors:** The open position on the Board has been filled by Lupe.

LVYPAA LIAISON: SAMANTHA

Hello, my name is Samantha and I am alcoholic, and the current General Service Liaison for LVYPAA . LVYPAA meets the first Sunday of every month at 1:30 at Central office 1515 E Tropicana ave. in April we had our “Day at the park, egg hunt and dessert auction” which was well attended and had a lot of out of town attendance. Coming up in June LVYPAA will be hosting a speed fellowshipping event, more details will be emailed out later. We have had our Friday night meeting going for about a month now, with great attendance, and have now registered it with GSO, so we will be voting in a GSR at the next business meeting. The meeting is Friday nights at 7pm at the meeting space, it is a tradition-based meeting to bring awareness of LVYPAA but also encourage others to deep dive into traditions and what they mean in AA. I have flier available for anyone who may want one. LVYPAA will be placing a token bid for NACYPAA 3 in July, meaning that we will be bidding on the conference in 2024. If you have any additional questions please feel free to reach out to me or at LVYPAAchair@nevadaarea42.org . Thank you for letting me be of service

DCM REPORTS:

DISTRICT 1: LOU (Presented by DaNella)

Good afternoon, my name is Lou and I am an alcoholic. I am privileged to be serving as the DCM for District One. District One is comprised of Groups in Henderson, Las Vegas, Boulder City and Search Light. We are doing great with more and more GSR's taking part in our Business Meetings that typically have 25 – 30 members participating in person and on Zoom. We conducted our first Workshop a few weeks ago about the history of AA nationally and locally. I want to thank our speakers, Caroline, Ralph, Craig and Ronnie. I learned so much and was impressed by their passion (even some tears) and knowledge of Alcoholics Anonymous History. You know something is good when 40 alcoholics sit for 2 hours with almost no one leaving their seats! They reminded me how special those pioneers were and how important it is to keep AA History alive. Our archives are a priceless resource we should appreciate and nurture. There will be a Literature Festival here at Central Office on June 24th put on by Area 42. District One will be assisting. Flyers are available up front. It will be an informative event with food, fellowship and fun. My enthusiasm has nothing to do with the fact it is being planned by Libby, my amazing service sponsor. Lastly, our annual fellowship picnic being held on October 14th at Broadbent Park in Boulder City is moving along in the planning stages. Flyers are available up front. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service!

DISTRICT 3: SHANE

Hey everybody, Shane Alcoholic. I am the DCM for District 3. As I've said before we are working on getting more involvement from GSRs and groups in our district. So far we are getting more involvement. We just got a new GSR from the Graduates, Billy, and then we also had someone at our meeting last week from Overton. That's encouraging. We are continuing to promote the district meeting to various groups in our district. Other than that, that's all I got. Thank you very much.

DISTRICT 5B: SAMANTHA

Good Afternoon, my name is Samantha, I am the DCM for district 5B and I am an Alcoholic!! We had our Service workshop on April 15th, I want to say thank you to Bryce for putting it together and to everyone who showed up and supported. It was a great turn out, with a lot of great information. 5B is currently working on identifying any meetings within the district that do not have GSR's and visiting them to bring more awareness about general service and the district. Our monthly district meeting is held the 2nd Saturday of the month, and has recently moved to KCB 5717 W Alexander Rd at 1:15pm. If you have any questions, or need any information please reach out to me, my number is xxx-xxx-xxxx. Thank you so much for letting me be of service.

DISTRICT 7: TAYTAY

Hi I'm TayTay alcoholic. I am the District 7 DCM. We are now meeting the 4th Sunday of the month at 2:30 pm. Hopefully this will now be our permanent time. Jake, thanks for your report today. It was amazing. I appreciate all you do in service. We just had a great workshop which Heather talked about a little bit. It was a Grapevine workshop that we had over 20 people in attendance at. There was a lot of food, fun, giveaways and information. One of our GSRs, Marie, who is also our District 7 Grapevine Rep, put it on and did a fabulous job. We have a couple more workshops coming up. But also our annual picnic is Sunday August 20th from 10 am to 3 pm. The theme is Rain or Shine – We are not a Glum Lot and if you know from last year it was. Our tickets are on-line this year, we will not be having printed tickets this year. So look out for the flyer and QR code. Thank you for letting me be of service.

DISTRICT 9: JOANNE (Reported by Christian)

My name is Joanne C., and I am a grateful recovered alcoholic. My pronouns are She/her/hers. I have not found it necessary to take a drink since September 08, 2007, I am the DCM for District 9. District 9 has had three to five active groups; our secretary has resigned so we are in the process of finding a new secretary. District 9 is also actively trying to start a meeting on the strip. We are in a good financial situation. Once we have more groups participating we will start thinking about having more events including meet and greets, and workshops. District 9 meets on the First Saturday of the month at 1:30 pm at Central Office. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

DISTRICT 11: - NO REPORT**DISTRICT 13: MATT – No Report****DISTRICT 15: LORA**

Hi everyone, district 15 is growing with service GSR's. Business meeting attendance is up and positions are being filled as empty before. I want to welcome "Living in Today" a new group to our district. Thank you to Heather M. DCM Alt. For attending Tonopah and reading report in my absence. My mother has been in hospice, very poor health. She passed away April 6th and I was grateful to be by her side in her passing. This has been difficult she had 40 yrs. Plus of sobriety. She would of been 84 yrs old today May 21st. So I'm out of town with family to celebrate in her memory and my son graduating culinary school. I feel in order for me to be the best DCM, I need to change our business meetings to a weekday. I'll keep you posted if there is a change. District 15 is hosting an event "Beat The Heat" ice cream social. The date is July 16th 12:30 to 3:30. Sending flyers out with the details. Planning 3 speakers, so stay out of the heat for the afternoon with us all. Place will be T.I.E. Club. Please show Unity, Love and Support with attending. Our district struggles still financially, hoping with events and more of our district meeting contributions we can become even stronger with this issue, to help district members with their travels to assemblies etc. I have much gratitude to the district and area. Love being in service and my sobriety enhances by helping others. Thank you to H.P. AND Alcoholics Anonymous from my heart, "I" have a life today!

DISTRICT 17: LINN

Hello everyone, almost half a year has blown by. The trip to Tonopah was exciting, just to see everyone and then some. I'm in a different position this time. The newest business at hand is our Area 42 Group Inventory. Getting information to bring back to Tonopah is a lot of work. We're up for it. There's lots of talk about our social media. What a big change for all of us. So important to reach younger people as Jake has just updated. Locally in Pahrump. We are having a softball game on June 17th on Baseball Diamond 'B'. Please contact me if you want to be a part of it. First come first accepted. Fun, fellowship, and fun! Feel free to bring something, if nothing else your appetite. Hope to see you there. Thank you for letting me serve.

DISTRICT 19: ANNE

Hello and happy 24 hours from District 19. My name is Anne and I am your District 19 DCM. For those of you who might not be familiar with District 19, we are White Pine County. We cover about 8,876 square miles or about .08 percent of the state of Nevada. The towns that are included in our district include Ely, McGill, Ruth, Eureka and Baker, Nevada. We are four hours from Las Vegas, six hours from Reno/Carson City and roughly three hours from Elko. We have three active groups with roughly 20 members who attend on a regular basis. We are currently planning for our annual CampNic weekend which will take place July 21-23 at the Ward Mountain CampGround. This year we are thrilled to welcome Heather and her Grapevine team up for a writing workshop on Saturday afternoon. We'll have speakers, horseshoes, lots of food and fellowship. The campground is seven minutes from Ely so you don't have to camp if you don't want to. Please register for free so we can plan for food. The information is on the flyer and on our website. I can also email and text to you if you would like. Please see the flyer in Spanish and English. Our District is currently budgeting for the rest of 2023 and 2024. If you have any experience with smaller district budgeting, please let me know. We delivered another pamphlet rack to a local health clinic in Ely. Thank you to H&I for your support in that effort. Finally, we are still waiting to hear back from anyone with Las Vegas Intergroup regarding the possibility of our intergroup rep attending the intergroup meetings online. It is cost and time prohibitive for our intergroup rep to attend a Monday meeting at 6pm. We have many, many sufferers in our District so being able to share experience, strength and hope with the area committees who meet monthly would be an incredible resource for us. Our next business meeting is tomorrow at 6pm. We meet at the Shoshone Education Center. If you would like to learn more about District 19, please visit our website elyaa.org. Yours in love and continued service.

DISTRICT 21: ROY – No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

GUIDELINE CHANGE - PROPOSAL FOR SAGSC TECH CHAIR – SECOND READING

Objective: To create the SAGSC Technology Chair position.

Background: During the shutdown from the pandemic starting in 2020, Area 42 replaced in-person meetings with virtual meetings. As Nevada began opening up, the assemblies, SAGSC, and NAGSC meetings changed to a hybrid format (in-person and virtual, combined). At the September 2022 Area Assembly, a Technology committee was formed to assist the trusted servants of Area 42 with any questions or situations that might arise concerning technological equipment owned by and services subscribed to by Area 42. The technological equipment will include, but is not to be limited to, translation equipment, computing devices and accessories, including audio and visual accessories (where possible) necessary to provide virtual access to Area assemblies and meetings. Additionally, the Area Technology Committee will address technological issues that might arise or be brought forward in the future by members of Area 42.

Per the Area 42 Guidelines, the Technology Committee consists of the:

- Area Technology Chair,
- Alternate Technology Chair,
- NAGSC Technology Chair (appointed by NAGSC Chair), and
- SAGSC Technology Chair (appointed by SAGSC Chair).

Proposed Changes to the SAGSC Guidelines: **Additions** vs **Deletions**. The only text being changed is listed below. The remaining Guidelines stay intact.

IV VOTING MEMBERS AND PROCEDURES

B. If residing in or elected from the South, the following, or their alternates, shall be full voting members of SAGSC:

3. Newsletter Editor, ~~and~~ Web Servant, **and Technology Chair.**
4. Southern Area Officers:
 - a. Chairperson:
 - v. Appoints the:
 - (3) Technology Chair;**
 - (4) Ad Hoc Committees as needed, and**
 - (5) When a SAGSC Standing Committee is unable to fill a Chair position, appoints the appropriate Chair.**
5. Appointed Positions:
 - c. **Technology Chair:**
 - i. **Provide technical support in planning and facilitating SAGSC meetings, including use of virtual communication platforms and technical assistance with venue equipment.**
 - ii. **Assist SAGSC officers with technical support on SAGSC or Area-provided computer devices and translation equipment.**
 - iii. **Be responsible for storing and overseeing the transportation of equipment to events.**

This is the second reading. Motion & seconded to accept Guideline Change: PASSED

NEW BUSINESS:

Area Inventory Report – Libby

Hi I'm Libby Alcoholic. I am the chairperson of the Area Inventory Ad Hoc committee. We are planning on doing an Area Inventory at the Fall Assembly. We're looking to make it probably about five questions. We are asking any members in Area 42 if they have a question they think we should be addressing at the inventory, to please send their questions to me, Alternate Area secretary, via the email address on the Area website. That's it. I will send out a reminder to all the DCMs, hopefully they will pass it along to the GSRs within the next week or so. Then we will send out another request towards the middle of June. We need any questions you might have by June 30th. Thank you.

SAGSC Inventory – Caroline – Tabled for future discussion

It was talked about briefly about NAGS and SAGS doing inventories. I wanted to get a feel within the body if we want to do this and if we want to get started on it now or wait until the Area inventory?

Motion to table - Passed

SAGSC Guideline Review Ad Hoc Committee – Caroline

I'm going to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to look over our Guidelines. We have some things that don't line up, like the fact that our Roundtables are not even listed in our Guidelines. We have that. We also have the North and the South do things differently. In the North the Northern Chair appoints the committee chairs, like CPC and PI and all of those. In the South the people within the committees elect their chairs. They show up in January and tell us who the new chair is. But for some reason the Grapevine is treated differently and the chair of the Grapevine is appointed by the Alternate chair of the Area. La Vina does their own thing within their committee. It is just inconsistencies. There are some things to look at to see what are we missing in our guidelines. I'm going to put in a couple of people from the North and the South that are familiar with the North and how they do things and just to help us with our inventory and just get us going on that. If you have any input into that talk to me after the meeting

New Business from the Floor

11 people celebrating 159 years of sobriety

THANK YOU DISTRICT 9 FOR HOSTING... The next host will be DISTRICT 1.

CLOSE WITH RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

SAGSC DATES:

In person at Las Vegas Central Office, 1515 E. Tropicana, Suite 710, Las Vegas, NV 89119

July 9 – SAGSC

September 8 ~ 10 – Area 42 Assembly

November 12 – SAGSC