

Minutes of Area 46 Pre-Conference Assembly March 4 – 5 2017 District 12 Albuquerque NM

Assembly was called to order at 8:00 by Teresa J Area Chairperson with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Jim H Area 46 Delegate outlined how we would be addressing the Conference Agenda items. Each committee will receive no more than 2 items with no duplication between committees. When possible the agenda item assigned will be relevant to the committee. There will be additional opportunity for sharing at the evening sharing session rather than splitting into groups. Committee chairs will report briefly on their assigned agenda item on Sunday morning.

Committee meetings of all standing and ad hoc committees were held from 8:55 – 11:45

Lunch break from 11:45 – 1:00

1:00 – 1:50 GSR, DCM, Area Trusted servants and Past Delegate meetings were held.

Afternoon business session was called to order at 2:15 with readings from AA literature in both English and Spanish followed by introduction of all present.

Secretaries Report was presented by Rosie F for the December 2016 Assembly hosted by D10 Carlsbad. Paul C moved to accept second Larry D9 report accepted

Treasurer's Report was presented by Ruth G Area Finance Chair Motion to accept by Molly C D11 second by Rob H D14. Report accepted

Registrar's report: Bill L shared on the importance of both new groups registering and reporting group changes. The new directory reflecting mid rotation changes is available. Most recipients asked for digital format reducing printing cost to Area. As of noon today there were 135 voting and 72 non voting members in attendance.

Delegates Report: Jim H Special thanks and recognition to Districts 1, 6 and 9 for representation at Assembly. A good example of going to any lengths. He reminded of us of the Southwest Regional AA Forum to be held in San Antonio Oct 20 – 22 2017. This is a great opportunity to interface with GSO staff. He is also excited about the Area Service Forum to be held July 15 2017 in Albuquerque. He will be attending SWARDA next weekend in Oklahoma City which is where the Delegates prepare for the

Conference. He also said if you and/or your group had concerns or questions about Conference Agenda items that he will be available until late April.

Announcements of various upcoming AA events were made. These are available at nm-aa.org and in the El Farolito.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Convencion Hispana de Nuevo Mexico Report: Antonio C reported that there would not be a State Convencion this year but that D17 would do something. More information to come.
2. 2017 Area convention D5 Ruidoso June 2 - 4. Kristy S Please pre register the goal for today was to get 25 folks registered and at noon Saturday had 22. Libby B won the free Swedish massage from the raffle. Fund raising is going well but still need items for raffle. You can email her info of items you will be bringing to the email address on the flier. All speakers are confirmed. The hotel has special rates and is a lovely facility. You cannot make reservations online but need to call and identify yourself as being with AA Area 46.
3. 2018 Convention Report June 1 - 3 2018 Albuquerque. Kristin E reports that things are starting to take shape. The winner of the theme contest was Bill L who will get a registration packet including, tshirt and mag. The theme is "Stepping into the Sunlight" New contest is for logo to reflect the theme. Deadline is Mother's Day. She recognized the members of the committee present. There are 2 venues still under consideration and the decision will boil down to who gives us the best (or free) deal on coffee.
4. Area 46 Assembly Report Sept 9 - 10 2017 D4 Las Cruces Carrie N reported that it will be held at the Columbus Conference Center. There are many hotels and restaurants close by and lunch will not be served. This is an election assembly.
5. Area 46 Assembly Report Dec 2 - 3 2017 hosted by D18 Report by Jeffrey B will be held at Nativity Church 4th and Alameda Albuquerque. Plenty of places to eat.
6. NM AA Service Forum July 15 2017 Jaclyn S reporting 9 - 5:30 at Nativity Church 4th and Alameda Albuquerque. There are fliers available. Briefly outlined the proposed topics and asked that if you are interested in being on a panel or know someone who would be a good fit to contact her. Committee members are offering spare bedrooms to out of towners Next committee meeting 5:30 pm April 11 at Fiesta's Restaurant at the corner of Montgomery and Carlisle.

7. Report on the website meeting database format: Ally t had some technical difficulties but we got a glimpse of the new format. You can contact Ally as webchair@nm-aa.org to get the link for checking it out.

NEW BUSINESS: Teresa J reviewed the procedure for making motions who can make a motion who can vote and the 2 minute rule on discussion.

1. Bid for Pre-conference Area Assembly March 24 - 25 2018 Bid presented by Patsy H DCM D7 for Assembly to held in Roswell at the Roswell Convention Center.

2. Motion: "Motion for the Assembly to place in the hands of the Area Convention Committee the decision of whether or not to invite Al-Anon to participate in the Area 46 Convention. In AIP AREA CONVENTION paragraph III.C.3.c would be moved to Part III.C.4 of the AIP. This motion has no costs.

Motion made by Syd T., GSR of Raymac group, District 3 Second Melissa D 12 Floor discussion followed

After a dinner break there was dessert and a contest put on by the YPAA committee to see who could find the most NM icons in the logo for the NMAA Service Forum. 3 winners received free registration to the event.

Sharing Session for the evening was open mic for further discussion on agenda items.

Sunday March 5 2017

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 with a moment of silence followed by readings from AA literature in both English and Spanish.

Teresa announced that there were 135 voting members and 72 non voting members and reviewed the voting procedure (copies were provided along with copies of the bid and motion.)

7th Tradition for Saturday \$349.41 for Sunday \$352.75 AIP Contributions \$78.00

Bid: for March 24 - 25 2018 Assembly by D7 **bid accepted unanimously**

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82 in favor 11 opposed. Minority opinion was expressed. Motion to revote by Ally T D13 second Kristina F D2 vote to reconsider 50 for 48 against. Revote taken 54 for against 42 **motion passes**

Reports: were made by Committee Chairs, GSR meeting, DCM meeting, Trusted Servants meeting as well as past Delegates. These reports will be available in the April El Farolito as well as on the committee pages at nm-aa.org

Ask it Basket: As the basket is not a part of official business these questions including one that was turned in late will be on the website nm-aa.org and in the El Farolito.

Sobriety Countdown: The signed Big Book was presented to Steve with less than 8 months from D5 by Rebecca S from D14 with 40 years.

GSR sharing: there was sharing from GSRs on agenda items that had been discussed at the Home Groups.

11:00 a.m adjourned until Sept 9 & 10 Las Cruces.