

Minutes of Area 46 Assembly

September 6,7 & 8, 2019 hosted by D3 Belen, NM

SATURDAY September 7, 2018:

Meeting was called to order by Eloy M., Area Chair at 8: 30 a.m. After a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, there was a reminder to sign the Big Book that will be going around. Eloy M. Area Chair made housekeeping announcements and explained where committee meetings would be held. Then passed it over to Teresa J., Area Delegate: Introduced our Guest, Southwest Regional Trustee Jimmy D and thanked him for sharing his recovery story on Friday night; Explained where Committee meetings would be held.

12:40 – 1:45 p.m. Lunch Break

Eloy Thanked D3 for Lunch and announced that Andy F. D4 was celebrating his 2 year Anniversary today, a hand of applause was given.

1:45 p.m. 3:25 p.m.: OLD BUSINESS

Afternoon Session was called to order by Eloy M.... Andy F D4 read the Preamble. Laura W. D2 read the Traditions. There were readings in both English and Spanish from As Bill Sees It. Leslie (D9) read in English and Rigo S.(D17) read in Spanish, followed by introduction of all present, including 6 first time at Area Assembly.

Rosie F.: Presentation of Officers, Committee Chairs and our Guest Jimmy D. Southwest Regional Trustee

Secretary's Report: Presented by Ana G., Area Secretary. Summary of minutes from March 2019 Assembly D9 Grants. Minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: presented Ally T.; thanked all the Groups for their contributions; Summery of year to date report; number of groups contributing up 13% from same time last year. Motion to accept, Jerry R. (D11); seconded by Sherry E. (D16).

Registrar's Report: Presented by Kurt K., asked if GSRs are getting emails. It is important that groups keep their GSR or group contact info updated – including mailing and email address changes – so the group will continue to receive mailings from GSO (like *Box 459*) and from Area 46 (like *El Farolito* and assembly information). New Data Base is going in at GO. No approval of this report needed.

Delegate's Report: Presented by Teresa J...Thanked the 11 Groups that scheduled for the Delegate Report, and will be available for the remaining Groups to schedule. Thanked Bill L. for joining her and all the help given. Mentioned the 2020 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous July 2-5, 2020 Detroit, Michigan; AAWS AA Meeting app has been updated; Convention GSB Contributions; \$806 Challenge.

Alternate Delegate's Report: Presented by Bill L. Has joined Teresa J. on her delegate reports and gave a "Service 101" workshop. Mentioned the Traditions Workshop; Southwest Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly October 9th–11th, 2020 in Amarillo, Texas.

3:50 p.m: General Area 46 Announcements: Announcements were made of upcoming events. Fliers are available on table near registration. Announcements of A.A. Events can be found in *El Farolito* and at nm-aa.org; The Big Book to be presented on Sunday during Sobriety Count down.

410 p.m.: OLD BUSINESS

1. 2019 Area 46 Convention Report: Presented by Lyn K., 2019 Convention Committee Chair. June 7, 8 & 9, Santa Fe D2; Convention was well received with 640 attendees; Thanked all the volunteers that volunteered as needed, also thanked the many people that who donated scholarships. The Final Report was handed out.
2. 2019 Area 46 Convention Report: Presented by June 5,6 &7 1-2, 2018, D7 Roswell. Location: Goddard High School.
3. Convención Hispana de Nuevo México Report: Hiram Del Cid DCM D17 reported; The Convention was very well attended. Had a good amount of Convention overage. Thank you all who attended.
4. Area 46 December Assembly 6, 7 & 8 2019 ABQ D17 Report: Presented by Alejandro V. Assembly Committee Chair; Have location. **Our Lady of the Most Holy - 5415 Fortuna Rd. NW - 87105;** Looking

forward to serving Area 46. Committee meeting and visiting Groups, getting them involved. Contributed \$50.00 to Area 46.

5. Area 46 March Assembly 27. 28 & 29. 2019 Taos D14 Report: Presented by Ellen R. D14: Assembly will be held at Taos Charter School. Planning getting started.
- 6 Area 46 Post 2019 NMAASF Report: Presented by Jeff H. D18; Forum was a success; \$112.00; 2/3 of attendees were from outside hosting District; Mentioned that the March 2019 Assembly, the Area 46 Service Forum Committee introduced a proposed section to be included in the Area Information Pamphlet, and today motion would be submitted by Bill L.; Add Section VIII as submitted to the Area 46 AIP.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Web Chair: Kerri K. D3 will be Interim Web Chair.** Approved.

Presentation of Draft Budget for 2019: By Christoph E., Finance Chair. Christoph reviewed the draft 2020 draft budget. He stressed that the Assembly will vote on the budget at the December Assembly. GSRs should review the budget before December and contact him if they have any questions.

BIDS

- District 16 Bid for Area 46 Assembly, September 12 & 13, 2020. **Passed Unanimously**

MOTIONS

- For the Area 46 Delegate to write a letter expressing that Area 46 stands in support of the efforts of the committee working to bring the Women's International Convention to Santa Fe on February 2022. This motion will require no funding now or in the future.
- The Bilingual Committee requests up to \$700 for 1 or 2 translators to attend the Southwest Regional Forum at Houston, Texas on October 11 - 13, 2019. Funding to come from the contingency fund.
- Add Section VIII as submitted to the Area AIP.
- Approve following four edits to the AIP:
 1. Add a Table of Contents Sections to support the new AIP Section VIII
 2. Add the following words to Section I.B.1 Officers. **Additionally, the Alternate Delegate serves on the Area Service Forum Committee as an advisor. (See Section VIII.B)**
 3. Add the following words to the Section I.C.3 Bidding for Assemblies. **"And bidding for a Service Forum is covered in Section VIII, Area Service Forum)."**
 4. Add Area Service Forum Chairperson(s) to list of Trusted Servants Committee members. No Funding is required.

EVENING SESSION:

7:00 p.m: Fun and Games hosted by D3 and the Young Peoples Committee

7:30 p.m.: Guest, Southwest Regional Trustee Jimmy D.

SUNDAY September 9, 2018:

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Rosie F., Alternate Area Chair. After a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer there were readings in both English and Spanish from As Bill Sees It. Matt S. D3 read in English and Edwin L. (D17) read in Spanish. Eloy talked about the voting procedures and minority opinion used in Area 46. A handout of voting procedures was provided along with a copy of the bids and motions. Eloy announced that there were 114 voting members and 66 non-voting members registered. Turned it over to Teresa; Teresa thanked Jimmy for sharing his experience as Regional Trustee on Saturday night.

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GSR Report: Presented by Daryl M. D3: Spoke about allowing people to share, all news are important; Talked about Safety in AA; Protect the Traditions, sometimes feelings get hurt and move on, time heals all wounds but don't sell out Traditions.

DCM Report: Presented by Richard S.D3: 17 in attendance. Talked about how to get more participation; Visiting all Groups and calling people who are not showing up; Have a Service Workshop, bring sponsee's.

Trusted Servants Report: Presented by Ana G.: 24 in attendance; CPC Chair Sarah F. talked briefly about the Workshop held at the Heights Club, hosted by 5 districts; (18) Medical Professionals were invited (3) responded; Tony G. talked about the Workshop held in Roswell felt it was successful; *El Farolito Editor*, Tim M. announced that in 2020 *El Farolito* will be celebrating it's 50 year Anniversary. More information will be posted; Eloy mentioned that in October planning meeting will need results for the remote communities.

Past Delegate Report: David L., past Delegate; 4 Passed Delegates attended; talked about other Delegates; looking forward to another 2 years of service.

Ask it Basket:

Q: By passing 7th Tradition at District and Area meetings are we asking people to pay for the privilege of been Trusted Servants? Why pass the 7th Tradition twice at Assemblies when Groups are paying for it?

A: Presented by Christoph E.; Being Self Supporting - Groups (at top) support the Area. Is the Area practicing the 7th Tradition by passing basket? Are we self supporting or supported by Groups. Basket is a personal decision, as GSRs, Trusted Servants, and members of AA it's up to you to consider where you put the money in basket and spirituality mix in the basket.

7th Tradition: Saturday \$273.63, Sunday \$350.00 and \$76.00 in AIP contributions.

Sobriety Countdown: Bill L. conducted the countdown. The signed Big Book was presented to Justin with 8 days by Elizabeth E. with 49 years sobriety.

Teresa opened meeting with the Serenity Prayer; Election Procedures read; Third Legacy Electoral Procedure read; Will call all names, say if willing to stand or not.; 2 minutes to come to the mike, to express qualifications; only qualify once; Passed out Ballots; Jim H. will be doing the count Analog and Ralph T. Digital.

Voting Results: 1920 -1921: Presented by Teresa J.

- **Area Delegate:** Bill L.
- **Alternate Delegate:** Eloy M.
- **Area Chair:** Kurt K.
- **Alternate Area Chair:** Ally T.
- **Registrar:** Robyn T.
- **Secretary:** Melissa R.
- **Treasurer:** Christoph E.

Eloy M., Area Chair, announced the next Assembly Planning Meeting will hold on October 20, 2018 in Albuquerque; more information will be announced in *El Farolito*.

Assembly was adjourned; until December 6, 7 & 8 2019 ABQ hosted by D17. We closed with the Responsibility Statement followed by the Third Step Prayer.

For agendas, information and the events calendar visit the Area 46 website: nm-aa.org

Minutes submitted by Ana G., Area Secretary