

Minutes Area 46 Assembly Sept 10 – 11 2016 Santa Fe New Mexico

Assembly was called to order at 8:30 a.m. with prayer and readings from AA literature

Morning breakout meetings were held for all standing committees, GSRs, DCMs, Trusted Servants, Past Delegates.

1:45 Call to order and reading of AA literature in both languages.

Introduction of all present. The book for presentation on Sunday morning to the youngest in sobriety was passed while introductions were made.

Summary of minutes of March 2016 Assembly were presented by Rosie F area secretary Motion to approve Jay M El Farolito editor second Nicole R D4 report accepted

Treasurers Report was presented by Kurt K interim Treasurer. Motion to approve Rob H D14 second Christoph D14 report approved

Registrars report: Explained unknown groups List on table in main area If you see one that you know is active see Bill L to make updates. Forms are available on website for change in group info, new group. 104 voting members registered 62 non-voting as of noon Saturday.

Delegates Report Jim H He passed out conference reports to DCM for each District during introductions. Sharing session tonight will be on Never Ending Conference Process as well as a showing of the Young People's video that has been submitted to GSO. Thanks to the Ad Hoc Assembly Development Committee for their work in preparing the flow chart and narrative for the Conference Process. He has driven 6300 miles in state so far this year delivering Conference Report. The report is also available nm-aa.org if you are unable to attend in person.

Alternate Delegate Report: Teresa F says she's been chasing Jim H for 6 years (but not in a bad way) She and Jim will be attending SWRAASA Oct 21 – 23. The budget this year did not allow us to send other presenters or translators. Please look for ways to save and hopefully reinstate this item. She will be presenting workshop on workshops and with other Alternate Delegates will be presenting on Traditions.

Report on Pre Conference Survey: Jaclyn S, Assembly Development and Fun ad hoc committee chair. Of those responding feedback was very positive. The 4 major areas of concern were 1)

need background info sooner 2) provide more info on how the process works 3) limit duplication of discussion of agenda items between committees 4) March Assembly too soon after getting info.

Announcements of upcoming events were made.

Comite de Pro Convenciones Edwin with Eloy translating Many of our local members attended the National Convention in Dallas along with 4500 other recovering alcoholics. Area 46 hosted this Convention in 2009 and they will bid again in 3 years and would appreciate the same support. Also thanked Teresa J and Ralph T for attending their State Convention over the 4th of July weekend.

2016 Convention Report: Melissa R., DCM D15, thanked everyone who helped and everyone who came. 342 people registered including 128 day trippers. In addition to the seed money the District returned \$4758.52 to the Area (funds in excess of seed money and expenses)

Assembly Report: Dec 3 & 4 Carlsbad. David L (D10). Will be held at NMSU . More hotels built since last Assembly, prices are better, and those on Pierce St are closest to site. The committee will not be coordinating the Christmas on the Pecos. Call Jim H or go online if you want to book this individually.

Assembly report: March 4 & 5 2017 Mark B presented report: Assembly will be held at El Dorado High School in Albuquerque. Also APS is now an option for other AA events. Paul co-chair unable to attend today

NEW BUSINESS

Bid for Area 46 Convention: D5 to be held at Ruidoso Convention Center June 2 – 4 2017

Bid for Area 46 Election Assembly: Sept 9 – 10 2017 Lisa D4 Las Cruces

Presentation of 2017 Draft Budget Ruth G, Finance Chair. Thanks to Teresa and Kurt for their help. It is a conservative budget. This budget will be voted on at the December Assembly please take it to your groups. At the moment \$577 above Prudent Reserve but disbursements will be made for this Assembly

Motions were presented. Teresa J explained that today is the day to ask questions at the mic as on Sunday only discussion will be in the event of a minority opinion.

Motion to allow Al Anon participation at the 2017 State Convention. Rosie F motion, Oskar D2 second.

Motion to change dates of March Assembly beginning in 2018. Melissa S (D12) motion, Michelle B (D2) second.

Discussion on possible service Assembly to be held initially in Albuquerque Summer of 2018. presented by Jaclyn S, Assembly Development & Fun ad hoc committee chair. Background was given on how this came about and possible topics for panels. Not a motion just a sense of the room before the committee proceeds. There was a strong show of support.

Presentation by Ray R, past Delegate, that next year the GSC will be electing a US Trustee at large. He provided us with his service resume and stated that he will be out of the country for the December Assembly but if no other past Delegate has an interest in being nominated, that he would be willing to be placed in nomination.

Motion: Jay M., El Farolito, to Allow 1 or 2-year email subscriptions to the El Farolito. The issue will be a modified version of the mail version with last names and contact info scrubbed from the PDF. Paul D 6 second

Motion: Manuel P, Literature chair, for a one-time \$250 allotment to increase inventory. Funding to come from contingency fund. Second Mark B D12

Motion: Ruth G, Finance chair, Rob H D14 second for change to AIP in 2 places to be consistent with the vote of the December 2014 Assembly regarding the date of the return of Seed money from the Convention Committee to the Area.

Break to Evening Sharing Session

Sunday September 11

8AM call to order with prayer and readings

Bids: D5 to host June 2017 Area 46 Convention (in Ruidoso) accepted

D4 to host Sept 9 & 10 Area 46 election Assembly (in Las Cruces) accepted

Motions:

- 1) To allow Al-Anon participation at 2017 Area Convention. passed no opposition

- 2) Beginning in 2018 that the date of the March Assembly should be changed from the 1st weekend in March to the last weekend. 2 opposed. no minority opinion. motion passes
- 3) To allow El Farolito to sell one or two-year email subscriptions to the El Farolito. 8 opposed. minority opinion expressed. motion to revote passes. revote taken. motion passes.
- 4) For \$250 one-time allotment to Literature committee. one opposed. no minority opinion. motion passes.
- 5) Change to AIP in 2 places to be consistent with the vote of the December 2014 Assembly regarding the date of the return of Seed money from the Convention Committee to the Area. 0 opposed. motion passes

Committee, GSR, DCM, Trusted Servant and Past Delegate reports were presented. Committee reports will be published in the October El Farolito

Drawing for Grapevine door prize was held. Ask it Basket questions were answered (these can be found at nm-aa.org) Sobriety countdown. The signed Big Book was presented to Casey with 11 days to Rebecca S with 40 years.

Election for Area Treasurer: The past delegates organized and ran the election procedure. Kurt K. (D2) was elected by acclamation.

Literature reported sales of \$369.75, AIP contributions of \$69.00, & 7th Tradition Sat \$369.75, Sunday \$368.14. Final count of registered attendees 104 voting and 62 non-voting

Adjourned until Dec3rd Carlsbad.

Respectfully submitted

Rosie F

Area 46 Secretary