

MINUTES OF AREA 17 ASSEMBLY 11/12/2022

Hybrid meeting, please mute yourself when you log in.

OPENING: Brenda K (8), Chair, opened the assembly at 10:15am Hybrid meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Asked those in attendance via Zoom to rename themselves and their position. First-time attendees were welcomed.

Concepts of Service and the Warranties were read by _____. _____ won the drawing for 1 year of the Forum.

SECRETARY REPORT: Cathy K (8). Several changes were made to the July minutes. Motion to accept minutes as changed _____. Seconded by _____. Motion approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Denise S (1). Motion to accept treasurers report as presented. _____ (D) first, _____ (D) seconded. Motion approved.

Income \$5,166.00

Expenses \$7,686.50

Net Income -\$2,520.5

Balance Sheet \$47,979.63

Denise sent a copy of the group contributions to the GR's so they can see what groups contributions. Thanked everyone for writing the group number on check and providing email address and be sure to send area contributions to Denise at Denise's address. Overbudget because of spending post COVID. Could not budget appropriately secondary to less spending in 2021 than 2022.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE/CHAIR REPORT: Konie H (5). 2023 Meetings: AWSC at Carvel Club: June 3; AWSC via zoom: January 21, September 23; Area Assembly at Crowne Plaza: March 4, July 15, November 11 (all in-person). 2023 Crowne Plaza Contract: have a draft contract for all three meetings in 2023. Will sign after Assembly. Need to correct an error made about the price increase next year for the Symposium: The price increased from \$400 to \$450, not \$400 to \$600 (\$650 the regular rate for 2023). Meeting Rooms: Symposium \$450, Boardrooms (meetings rooms) for Alateen and AMAIS training: \$150 each, No charge for the meeting room for GR Orientation, AV Equipment (2 hand-held mics, audio mixer, sound projector package (cables, projector): \$100. Summary of our costs for each Assembly Regular rate: Symposium \$ 450 \$ 650, 2 Boardrooms \$ 300 \$ 650 (\$325 LaGuardia A), AV Equipment \$ 350 \$ 450 just for projector pkg, Total \$1,100 \$1,750. Hotel overnight rooms: \$120 (no suites or adjoining rooms, only 1 King or 2 Queen beds), March - Two rooms, 2-Queen beds in each, for Alateen overnight stay just in March; March - 6 remaining rooms; July - 8 rooms; November - 8 rooms. Lunch options (prices not guaranteed; will know January 2023): 1) Full Buffet \$15.95 + 9% tax + 20% service charge - need min. 50 people "If the restaurant is opened." (Same prices listed on 2022 contract; 2020 - \$14.95 before tax - charged \$15). 2) Limited menu w/5 options, approx.. \$12 - \$15 (2022 prices \$10-15)

January/February 2023 Audits of Area Accounts: Reminder that audits of Area accounts (Treasury, Literature, Conventions 1 & 2, Alateen/KOMIAC) will need to be completed at the beginning of next year. I will send out the audit documents. Please plan on asking a volunteer.

DELEGATE REPORT - Maureen H (17) Panel 61. Enjoyed having Tom C here from the WSO last Assembly. He did a great job explaining the important role literature has on our recovery.

Finance updates: Literature sales and contributions are the lead revenue, and the concern is people are going outside for literature sales. It is important to purchase from IIS/area literature store. Literature sales and contributions are down and WSO and are behind budget. Contributions are still needed, 100% of the groups utilize WSO, 52% of groups contribute. It cost \$283 at WSO for each group, there are 13,811 groups making the cost \$3.9 million.

Road trip 2022 was held in Cleveland last month. It was an opportunity for members of the fellowship to meet the board.

Registration opened November 1, 2022, for 2023 Al-Anon international convention. It will be from June 30 – July 2, 2023. Watch AFG Connects for information.

OLD BUSINESS

2023 AFG Convention: Lori E (7) Planning is going well for the 2023 AFG convention. We have our flier ready for registrations, so if you want to register early, we will welcome it!!! We have all our chairs for committees set, and we are working hard to get a great convention.

2024 AFG Convention: Lynda F (4), having trouble finding a venue and a good date. Looking like closer to August for the convention.

NEW BUSINESS

Area Secretary: Suzette R was nominated for Area Secretary. Brenda K also nominated Christine C, but she declined due to other obligations. Assembly approved Suzette as the Area Secretary.

2023 Proposed budget: Denise S presented the proposed 2023 budget. Motion to approve budget: Karen L (11). Seconded: Mark (12). Motion passed.

Delegate Assessment for 2023: We have paid the full assessment in recent years, but as we are over budget, there was discussion about paying the full or equalized assessment. The full assessment is \$2,687.20 and the equalized assessment is \$1,881.00. We have it in our budget the full assessment, and project the remaining funds will be available before the Delegate Assessment is due. Motion to pay the full assessment: Karen L (11). Seconded: Mark (12). Motion passed.

Fee for Assembly: On hold for now. Brenda will form a committee to discuss further.

On-Line Registrations, for Convention and Assembly: on hold for now. Brenda will form a committee.

Hybrid Meetings for next year: Discussion on keeping a hybrid option for 2023 was met with a lot of positive comments. Assembly agreed to have at least a hybrid option, that way people could come in person if they want, but they can still participate via zoom if they are sick. GR orientation will not have a zoom option. Today we had 29 on zoom and 31 present in person.

Motion to the Assembly: Admit Electronic Meetings into the Area: Motion to have the Policy Committee work on a policy admitting electronic meetings into our Area: Karen L (11). Seconded: Audrey (11). Motion passed.

COORDINATOR REPORTS

Alateen: Candi B, KOMIAC was an enormous success. Kentucky can host next year, so everyone is excited to have them back.

Archives: Cathy R: not present.

Group Records: Beth B: no report.

Literature: Peggy D: Hope to have the new service manual soon.

Orientation: Janice G: enjoy having the opportunity to teach new GR's.

Public Outreach Linda S: Encourage everyone to get involved with outreach.

Website: Kimberly H: Keep updates coming and let her know if there are any corrections that need to be made.

DR REPORTS

D1: Darlene, Excited to be serving as the new DR for District 1. Had the anniversary dinner: enormous success. Brenda K was the speaker.

D2: Laura E, Happy to have hosted the 2022 AFG Convention.

D3: Nobody present.

D4: Lynda F, working on the 2024 convention.

D5: Nobody present.

D6: New DR, Tery D, recently moved from Oregon, excited to be part of the Fellowship in Indiana

D7: Lori E, reporting for the district, still no DR. Working on the 2023 AFG convention, so the district is busy with that.

D8: Barb T, have a white elephant fund-raiser for IIS; working on the WCIMC in April, working on the 2023 AFG Convention, the district is busy right now.

D9: Karen H, fall dinner on 11/5 at Orchard Park was a success, worked with IIS to do the workshop on Control in October.

D10: Karen R, _____

D11: Jennifer, _____

D12: Mark reported for Christine as she was at the Alateen Assembly. Working with districts 7, 8, and 14 on the 2023 AFG convention.

D13: Nobody present.

D14: Pat-In person meetings are up 2. Al-Anon picnic in August was a lot of fun. Busy working on the 2023 AFG convention.

CLOSING: closed with the declaration and Brenda thanked everybody for attending.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Cathy K (8) Area Secretary

AWSC Meeting Dates: 1/21/2023, 6/3/2023, 9/23/2023
4627 Carvel Club, Indianapolis, IN 46205 317-255-0037

Area Assembly Dates: 3/4/2023, 7/15/2023, 11/11/2023
Crowne Plaza, 2501 South High School Rd, Indianapolis