

Al-Anon Family Groups Area Assembly

By-Laws

PURPOSE:

- A. To be the guardian of Al-Anon groups in Indiana and the guardian of the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts of Service.
- B. To be a service body, not a government.
- C. Assemblies convene at least once every year for the purpose of electing assembly officers, Delegate to World Service Conference and Alternates for a term of three years. Elected first year is the Chairman, Delegate, and Alternate/Chairman, the second year the Treasurer and the third year the Secretary.
- D. As Al-Anon Family Groups - Indiana Assembly Corp. registered agent with the state of Indiana the Area Treasurer must live within the boundaries of the state of Indiana.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE TERMS OF OFFICE:

The district representatives are elected the same year as the Delegate for a three year term.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. Area World Service Committee (AWSC)
 1. The AWSC is composed of the assembly officers, the district representatives, the coordinators and all past delegates.
 2. All committee members vote at AWSC meetings. The former delegates may serve as an area coordinator or be seated in an advisory capacity on the AWSC.
 3. AWSC is the chief service arm of the assembly and is also custodial in character. The AWSC has entire freedom to conduct the routine policy and business affairs of Area Assembly. It may appoint suitable committees and select members for these committees.
 4. Except in great emergency, the AWSC ought never take action liable to greatly affect Al-Anon Area Assembly as a whole without consulting the full assembly. However, the AWSC shall reserve the right to decide which decisions may require the approval of the assembly.
- B. Policy Committee.
 1. The Area Chairperson appoints the Area Policy Committee Chairman.
 2. The Area Policy Committee Chairperson chooses no fewer than 3 and no more than 5 persons from the AWSC roster to serve on the committee.
- C. Convention Committee.
 1. The Convention Committee is composed of Al-Anon members in the districts in the hosting rotation.
 2. Each Committee acts autonomously in the selection of venues and Chairpersons.
 3. The Convention Raffle Chairperson is responsible for recruiting no more than 5 volunteers to assist in collecting donations of raffle items and selling raffle tickets.
 4. The Area Convention Coordinator is responsible for filing an exempt or non-exempt raffle event 3 months prior to the convention date.

ASSEMBLY MEETING:

The assembly meets no less than once a year in the Indianapolis area unless otherwise agreed in writing by 2/3 of the AWSC members.

ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

- A. The assembly hears financial and policy reports of the World Service Committee and assembly services.
- B. The Delegate and AWSC take under advisement all matters affecting Area Al-Anon as a whole, engage in debate, appoint necessary committees and pass suitable motions for the direction of the AWSC and Area Assembly.
- C. The assembly may recommend action respecting serious deviation from Al-Anon Traditions.
- D. The assembly may draft by-laws, amendments thereto and elect any needed officers by a method set out therein providing they have a quorum.
- E. A quorum shall consist of 2/3 of the Group Representatives (one vote per group) registered at the assembly.
- F. At the closing of each assembly session, the assembly secretary will send minutes of its proceedings to all AWSC members and group representatives in the assembly area.

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