

Minutes Nevada Al-Anon Area Assembly September 16 – 18, 2022

Friday 9/16/2022

Area Assembly opened Friday September 16, at 6:05 PM

The Area Chairperson, Tracy B. welcomed attendees, asked who attended the Meet and Greet, opened with Serenity Prayer in Spanish, reading of The Twelve Traditions, reading from ODAT November 18. Welcome to new GRs, introduce idea of having mentors, new GRs try to connect with during the break. Assembly Etiquette Jingle, safety regarding exits, snack table, coffee, tea, water and snacks, first aid, Convention 3558 password, reviewed Guideline #15, and Assembly guidelines. Read Concept 3 regarding making decisions. Reviewed printed packet and virtual (Google Docs) packet. Reminder to fill out feedback form.

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Treasurers Report: Patrick B.

Displayed the printed reports and confirmed available cash status, reviewed the Group Contributions, and Budget Status as of 8/31/2022.

Question on Budget status: Income and the difference to be reviewed by Patrick. Budget status reviewed and approved by consensus.

Proposed Budget: Spoke about reasoning of the budget. Proposed income 12,000.00.

Also presented that AWSC reimbursement, Area Officers, Coordinators and Past Delegates have been paid \$ 245.00 and this budget reflects that they be paid \$ 275.00. (new business on Sunday). Mentioned BOT letter requesting special appeal, that will talk about donation to WSO in new business on Sunday.

Requested the GR's approve proposed budget. Questions: Are GRs being asked to approve budget that would show a deficit? Yes, that is what it looks like. Discussion about income "vs" expenses. Since also mentioned to request changes, determined to NOT approve the budget until after new business on Sunday.

OLD BUSINESS:

Thought Force, Task Force and Work Group:

Spring 2020 to Fall 2022 voted to restructure from Action Committees to the Thought Force, Task Force and Work Group structure. Discussion of history of how this change came about and what positive results we have experienced with this new structure. Tracy suggested motion: End the Trial from Spring 2020 to Fall of 2022 and Adopt Guideline # 7, NV Area restructure of service committees. 1st and 2nd. Discussion: What was it like prior to this Nevada Area Restructure of Its Service Committees. Tracy shared what Task and Thought forces have accomplished. Question: What is the motion for? It is to approve the trial to continue? Answered that it would be to approve this new structure and update that Guideline. This process is also more in alignment with WSO. The following motion was made:

Motion to end the trial Thought and Task Forces from Spring 2020 to Fall of 2022 to adopt Guideline # 7 NV Area Restructure of its Service Committees. Passed 31 yes 0 (zero) no and 0 (zero) abstentions Para terminareal juicio de las Fverzas de pensamiento y travbajo desde la primavera de 2020 al onono de 2022 y para adoptar la directriz # 7 dela Area de Nevada de Restructurar de los Comites de Servicio. Pasado 31 si 0 (cero) no 0 (cero) abstenciones

Electronic Meetings Join NV Area: Robin

Has been hot topic at WSC among the Delegates. At 2021 WSC unanimously accepted a GEA (Global Electronic Area) be part of the Conference. WSO has asked how and if NV would like to accept an electronic meeting into their Area. CWWG prepared a charge to move forward with this discussion. There is a charge to review, timeline to follow, get together if we would accept an electronic group that wants to join NV Area. Just a conversation. That Thought Force would research and offer suggestions. So far 11 Areas have accepted electronic groups and have a guideline for that.

Compensation for Interpreter Services Thought Force Report Back:

CHARGE: Use KBDM to explore the topic of compensating interpreters, to what degree and whether interpreters need to be members. Research practices used by other Areas in our Region to gather information for Interpreter Services compensation at virtual or in-person NV Area Assemblies

June 2023 meeting discussed (history, the charge, and used suggested resources):

NV Area has paid travel, lodging, meals, and registration expenses for members who serve as Spanish Interpreters to attend in-person Area Assy., using the Area translation equipment. Virtual Assy. also included interpretation where no transportation was required. The role of the Spanish Liaison is to arrange interpretation, this process has been challenging.

WHAT IS INTERPRETATION?

Interpretation deals with spoken language in real time while **translation** focuses on written content. In this thought force, we are focusing on interpretation (Interpreters and Translators are completely different professional fields, requiring separate training/certificate programs). Types of Interpretation:

Simultaneous interpreters listen to what the speaker is saying while concurrently saying it in another language.

Consecutive interpreters listen to what the speaker is saying, and convey the message into another language after the speaker has paused. Typically, the speaker will pause after each complete thought to give the interpreter time to deliver the message.

Thought Force members reached out to other Area's via AFG Connect to find out their experience.

Research provided following results:

- For Zoom meetings, had volunteers. For face to face, have paid professionals, up to \$ 800.00 and used part of 7th Tradition to pay for this expense.
- Similar experience as NV where difficult to find volunteers. Have paid up to \$ 50.00 per hour, suggested would be good to have a list of available people to reach out to.
- Used the Zoom translation option, the license cost \$ 100 plus, so purchased for 3 hours only.
- Another Area has paid \$20.00 - \$ 40.00/hour, or \$ 500.00 to \$ 800.00 per Assembly.
- Having an AFG member seems best choice since they understand the AFG Program.
- Provide reports prior so the interpreter can read and translate at the same time.

For this presentation, recommendation is to move to a Task Force, with guidelines for consecutive paid interpretation (as necessary), possibly professional or AI-Anon member who is not a current Group Rep. or Area officer/coordinator.

Alateen Coordinator/AAPP Report: Paul D. reported by Yvonne

I wish I could be there with you to give my report but it's not to be this time due to some health challenges. Serving in this position for the last three years, has been a wonderful growth experience for my recovery.

NV Alateen program has taken some hits over the last three years but we adapt and change to meet the spirit The Al-Anon Declaration.

NV Area currently has 28 certified AMIAS, and (3) three active Alateen groups. Two Alateen groups meet in person in District 1 (Keep It Simple Alateen, Thursdays at 7 pm, ages 5-12 and Alateen En Las Estrellas, Fridays at 8 pm, ages 13-21). One group meets via Zoom in District 2 (Monday Night Changes Alateen, Mondays at 7 pm, ages 9-19). This is temporary, link is on the NV Area Website, and passcode must be requested by sending e-mail to me at nvareaalateen@gmail.com. District 2 supports this meeting from Alateen appeal and provides Alateen daily readers mailed to them members who request them.

NV Area 34 also hosts one of the five WSO sponsored Alateen app/zoom meetings. NV Area meeting is every Wednesday at 4 pm, ages 13-18; and requires the WSO meeting app which can be downloaded from WSO at <https://al-anon.org>. These meetings are open to any teens word wide. NV Area provides Alateen daily readers mailed to them as requested. Thanks to everyone who has supported that program.

October had traditionally been Alateen Awareness month and an appeal will be sent out in October and funds received will be sent to the respective Districts/AIS/Area in November. Literature and postage have increased, please consider donating.

Assembly Committee Coordinator Report: Anne J.

I want to thank all of you for registering using the form I created that was posted on our Nevada area website and sent to the AWSC to distribute. Current Assembly registration had less challenges. I will pass this on to the new Coordinator and hope it will continue with the improvement of registration.

We had a total of 59 people register for this Fall assembly, 32 were group representatives, 19 AWSC members, and 8 guests. No one registered twice this time! Give yourselves a pat on the back.

If you all have any suggestions to pass on to your new Area Assembly Committee Coordinator, let me know about the uploaded documents in Google Docs. I had a lot of fun doing this position and learned from each Assembly.

Final Count from Sunday: 70 Registrations, 66 Banquet, Raffle Income \$ 1,175.00

Literature Coordinator: Jan R.

The newly updated Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual available electronically. Can be downloaded at no cost in Spanish, French and English. Printed version available by end of the year.

Forum Writing Guidelines in English and Spanish are included in your folder, please encourage others to share. Calendar quotations are also in your folder and can be used in Area/District/AIS/Groups. WSO is also working on project to convert all CAL (Conference Approved Literature) in the form of eBooks. As process completed will be announced. Literature prices did recently increase, check the WSO website to be sure you have current version, new list is in your packet.

WSO launched a web page for Newcomers to Al-Anon that does not require entering e-mail and personal information. If you manage a website/newsletter please update this information, to be al-anon.org/welcome on this page you will find:

Experience, Strength, and Hope: How to follow Al-Anon's Social Media pages: How to find a meeting: How to purchase Conference Approved Literature (CAL): Principles of Anonymity and Confidentiality: Explanation of how Al-Anon is a spiritual program: Information about Sponsorship: Membership Survey Please make time to go check it out and pass along the information to all newcomers.

A few parting thoughts about how Al-Anon literature is so vitally important. Check your purse, your bag, your phone or computer. Is there a pamphlet, book, or app that gets you through the day? Is there a Forum that you are carrying around so that you can read it when you have a spare moment? Does your meeting read from our CAL? Do you work with your sponsor or sponsee using one of our workbooks? When you came to Al-Anon, were you given a newcomer packet or the book **How Al-Anon Works**. Does your meeting give these to newcomers? Do members of your meeting read from CAL when they share? Have you written an article for the Forum, or contributed to the online blog. Have you used our public outreach magazine **Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism**? If you are nodding you know that our literature is a lifeline. Our literature is by us and for us, enhancing our recovery, welcoming newcomers, offering help and hope to all who need it. Our literature supports AFG and serves to finance efforts to support recovery. Thank you for allowing me to serve in this position.

Public Outreach Coordinator: Candy L.

Public Outreach is a service tool for members to communicate the message of Al-Anon and Alateen, to the community, professionals, to the media, as well as the intuitions, and the public. We attract newcomers into our fellowship, and to inform professionals who work with families, as well as friends of alcoholics. We use posters, media such as YouTube, apps, QR codes, Billboards, bookmarks, etc. With the pandemic many people have chosen to migrate to online platforms.

Back in March 2020 the WSO developed a URL shared with electronic meetings. This allowed a newcomer to sign up with a one-time email. Now WSO has launched a web page specifically to newcomers. Please add the link to newsletters and others means of communication. It comes in three different languages, English, Spanish, and French.

On September 10th WSO released a YouTube announcement that has the first approved Spanish-speaking member, youtube/-f6T_ggrkEM Spanish dubbed in English September 10th.

Reminder that the new Al-Anon/Alateen service manual is available on the website in English, Spanish and French Version 2. Printed available by end of calendar year. I thank you for allowing me to be your Public Outreach Coordinator, I learned a lot.

Review of Election Process and Schedule for Saturday 9/17/22:

Resumes to Tracy by 9:00, will be posted for members to read and review.

Closed at 8:45 PM with the Al-Anon Declaration

Saturday 9/17/2022

Area Assembly opened Saturday, September 17, at 8:45 AM Welcome, opened with Serenity Prayer in Spanish, reading of Twelve Concepts of Service, April 10th page 101 from Al-Anon Hope for Today.

Reviewed etiquette, mentor selection, be on time, resumes are posted. GRs have voice and vote, 2 minutes at the microphone and only one time at the microphone.

Sue W: Announcement about Archive items, if you would like to take some Archive items put your name and there will be a drawing for this archive item.

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Minutes: Approval of minutes from the last Area Assembly, March,19 – 20, 2022, members had time to review and comment, minutes were approved as submitted.

Triangle Skit:

Members presented Triangle Skit. Skit about service, and possibilities for growth in personal recovery and service as well.

Delegate Report and Questions: Robin P.

Reported on the 62nd Annual World Service Conference, Tarrytown, in NY. First conference held in 1961.

- Reminder Road Trip is October 29, 2022 in Cleveland, OH, can register on line, mail in by October 17 for pre-registration or register when you attend.
- AFG International 2023, June 29 to July 2nd, Albuquerque, NM, registration opens November 1, 2022. New daily reader will be release at the Convention, A Little Time for Myself.
- 2022 Conference Summary available for download and printed available for \$ 5.00.
- AFG Mobil App has over 1,000 new registrations weekly and total over 75,000 registrations
- Finance update approved the budget even with a deficit of over \$ 300,000. WSO continues to need contributions from members. Displayed how WSO supports fellowship. 100% of groups are using services provided by WSO but only 52% of groups contributed in 2021. Nevada 61% of groups contributed average of \$ 176.60 per group, while cost per group is \$283.33
- Motion passed to admit Global Electronic Area (GEA) into to WSC, new GEA Delegate is Ozzy A. Now there are 68 Areas in US and Canada. There are 674 Electronic Groups and 98 of those have joined GEA so far. Question: Group type distinction, Physical Groups are Groups that meet face-to-face, and currently included Hybrid so assigned to the Area that they physically meet in. Electronic Group meets only electronically (phone/virtual/email). There will be further discussion later today as part of a Thought Force.
- Visited Stepping Stones, home of Bill and Lois Wilson
- Panel motto, “Panel 60 Making History”
- WSC for 2023 will be held Thursday, April 20 through Sunday April 23. Delegates would schedule to arrive Wednesday and depart Monday. Conference will be held at The Founders Inn located in Virginia Beach, VA. (In 2021 BOT passed motion to reduce WSC to 4 days as a three year trial)

Closed report with mention of CAL *When I Got Busy I got Better*, page 29.

Archives Give Away: Sue W.

Honored to put archive and history information together. There are District binders available for the DRs to take. Picked numbers from bag so members who are interested can take home some NV Area History and share with their group and other members. Possible formation of Work Group to organize the information for posting on Website and continue to be available for members to access and view.

Alternate Delegate Report: Lisa S.

Robin has filled Delegate position so my service as Alternate Delegate has been minimal. Group Records challenge has been figuring out meeting types, in person and electronic. Total number of groups 139, Active 92, Inactive 38, No Mail 9, Not Meeting 1. WSO keeps the Inactive group ID open, but they are in a holding pattern waiting for updates.

To make group change, start with WSO Members/ Group Resources / Group Records, can find your meeting and update information, best to have your Group ID number. (Showed what Group Records information site looks like.) As a group member you can edit and submit changes. Record of a change is then sent to me, where I can view, edit, approve and submit back to WSO. Most importantly keeping the CMA (Current Mailing Address) up-to-date will keep a group linked to information and correspondence from WSO. Also, having a group e-mail allows for In The Loop notices as well. Group Records accuracy is a bonus for the members and I am here to help keep that information current. This has been a great experience.

Tonopah Talks Task Force Report Back: Kathy

Task Force generated Tonopah Talks and has been handed out. Recommend the Literature Coordinator assign task force to generate once a year. Be printed and posted on Website once a year. AWSC encourage everyone to share. Include in Spring Assy folders to encourage shares. Have a writing workshop at Assembly or District meeting. Possibly re-name, Assembly Reflections, Assembly Chats or Assembly Matters.

Liability Insurance for Groups Thought Force Report Back: Ira W.

CHARGE: Use KBDM about what is known and what are the needs of the groups. Reach out to groups who already have insurance and ask details. Identify sources (companies) that provide insurance. Recognize that NV Area includes groups in Nevada and California.

History, started with D5 groups who changed location due to insurance being required. Then the new location required insurance. These groups represent 25% of the active groups in D5. Research and action taken revealed following details:

- D5 Groups were able to get a policy for all 4 meetings that are at the same location, quote was for \$ 400.00/year but did increase to \$ 600.00/year. Groups pass special collection if their treasury / 7th tradition cannot cover the expense. This also required a member provide their personal information.
- D2 has two groups who pay insurance, one group reported they pay \$ 275.00/year and one pays \$350.00/year.

This Thought Force concluded that the need for insurance is not going to go away and that groups keeping Area informed is a way to keep open communication active. Also revealed that when a group focuses on dilemma with insurance it takes away from focus on recovery, which is AFG purpose.

Conclusion: 1. Do nothing and declare not Area responsibility. 2. The Area could become a clearinghouse for insurance information for the groups. 3. Perhaps a fund could be generated to help groups with insurance expense. 4. Could Area purchase a blanket policy that covers all groups in the NV Area (which includes CA locations) and add group meeting locations as needed.

If this does not become a Task Force, since at this moment in time groups have found a solution on an individual basis, please keep information / communication about this topic.

Southern NV AIS Liaison Report: (District 1,3 and 5) Barbara M.

Southern Nevada continues to do well. Most meetings are face to face now, and attendance has picked up overall. We have 49 meetings listed as face to face, including two Alateen meetings.

AIS hosted Super Saturday, where the Delegate gave her report, in a hybrid format. We provided breakfast prior to report and the fellowship and enthusiasm were great.

Changed from Zoom to in person for past 3 AIS meetings at a new location and time, so far so good. Public Outreach reported AIS will be participating in the Clark County Employee Health and Wellness Fair October 19th and 20th and has reached out to members to participate.

The treasury continues to be healthy, even with recent expenses for events. All the AIS service roles are filled at this time. At the last meeting, committee members gave brief job descriptions. Our elections to turn over commitments for the 2023-2025 term will be held at our next meeting in October.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the Southern Nevada AIS Liaison.

Northern NV AIS Liaison Report: (District 2, 4 and 6) Ramona L.

Northern Nevada AIS - covering Districts 2, 4 and 6 with a total of 56 meetings - meets the first Wednesday of even numbered months via Zoom from 6:30 PM – 8 PM. There are typically 8 – 14 attendees at our meeting. We are financially stable with a \$3,200.00 balance which includes an ample reserve. We sent \$2,000 to WSO in June. Every two months we provide \$400 for crafts and literature for Step2 - recovery within a treatment center. We continue to have individual groups print schedules as needed. Jill J. will continue to be our Facebook / Social Media Coordinator. We have reached over 6,000 individuals through 6 Facebook posts which includes an Al-Anon.org link. Boosts reach folks in other states. Over 1,200 individuals are reached through our Facebook Reno area targets. Our Answering Service is taking up to 35 calls per month. We will be having AIS elections at our October and December meetings and have created job descriptions for all positions. The following service seats are open: Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Literature and Answering Service.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as the Northern Nevada AIS Liaison Chair.

Spanish Liaison Report: Irma S.:

So. NV Report: Spanish AIS LV meet first Sunday of the month, business every other month. Current officers term ends Dec. 2022, new officers start January 2023 with elections being held Nov. and Dec. 2022. Participated in the 23rd AA Convention, some Reno members also participated (AFG) and was an AA event with Al-Anon participation. Of the 9 (nine) active groups, 6 (six) are active in AIS, all meetings are on the schedule. Had two events June meeting focus on Al-Anon literature and July meeting focus on archives. Trying hard to have Spanish members participate in service and communicate.

No. NV Report: Reno location has 4 active Spanish meetings. Illusion de vivir celebrated 20-year anniversary, Abramos el corazon celebrated 5th anniversary, Serenidad group meets at Triangle Club and does not have a GR, Flor de Sabiduria is new group, doing well so far. August 30 Al-Anon convention committee voted to send their excess of registration to WSO, NV Area, No. NV AIS, and District 2 each \$ 100.00 as a donation.

Al-Anon Times Editor/Coordinator Report: Christine B.

Has been Newsletter Coordinator since the Fall of 2021 September, submitted resume and appointed by AWSC member. Service at this level has enhanced her personal recovery as well. Has been an informative position, reading and publishing Newsletter. Submitted to Area Chair for review, then uploaded to Website and e-mailed to AWSC members for distribution. This has been a great service experience.

NV Area Webmaster/Coordinator Report: Jennifer D.

The majority of visitors to our Website this year viewed our Website from Apple devices and the most visits are to our find a meeting page. Second most views are for the group goodies section of our Website which contains lots of helpful information for groups in the area such as the service manual and addresses for donations to AIS and the districts. Remember to visit www.nevadaal-anon.org.

When Covid hit, all of the meetings either got put on hold or transitioned to Zoom. Now, the majority of our meetings are mostly either hybrid or back strictly face to face. This was such an unprecedented time and we all learned as we went along.

Thank you so much for letting me be of service in this capacity and I hope to see your faces again at the next area assembly!

AWSC Fashion Show Skit:

Current AWSC members participated in Skit to show their service role in a fashionable manner

Break Out Thought Force, Task Force and Work Group:

Thought Force Liability Insurance for Groups – possibly become a Task Force

Thought force Compensation for Interpreter Services at Area Assemblies

Thought Force Permanent Electronic Groups: to be or not to be part of the Nevada Area structure

Task Force Nevada Area Al-Anon Newsletter Content Guideline

Thought Force Future Assemblies: In-Person, Electronic (Virtual) and Hybrid

Thought Force Updating Guideline # 15 Area Assembly Procedures

Thought Force Nevada Area Al-Anon Assembly – Should we have 3 Assemblies Annually

Steady Game:

Everyone learned something new about AFG Steps, Traditions, Concepts and Alphabet. Had 3 contestants, Final Steady winner was Rita.

Area Elections: Tina B.

Reviewed who is qualified for specific positions, asked those who qualify to stand and those who are willing to continue to stand. (If willing a resume needed to be submitted prior to this process). Each member who is willing to stand will speak about their desire to serve. Then GRs submit a written vote and will be counted by Past Delegates Janice and Judy. Requires 2/3 majority for the Area Officers

AREA OFFICERS:

Delegate: Lisa S.

Alternate Delegate / Group Records Coordinator: Tracy B.

Treasurer: Ira W.

Area Chairperson: Rita L.

Secretary: Michele S.

AWSC Appointed Positions:

Alateen: Yvonne G.

Public Outreach: Julie S.

Literature Coordinator: Cindy W.

Spanish Liaison: vacant – no resumes submitted at this time

Area Assembly Committee Coordinator: Jan R.

Al-Anon Times Editor: Mimi J.

Area Web Coordinator: Anne J.

Public Outreach: No candidate, asked the candidates who put in resumes for other positions if interested.

Spanish Liaison: Read Service Role and announce to Area Assembly this position still open.

GR Activity with Trustee Cindy M.

While AWSC reviewing appointed positions Cindy M. did a GR Activity.

Introduce new AWSC members for 2023-2026 (Panel 63): Robin P.

Banquet and then sharing by Cindy M. our current Southwest Regional Trustee

Closed 8:15 PM meeting with Al-Anon Declaration

Sunday 9/18/2022

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NEW BUSINESS:

CONTINUATION OF ANY OLD BUSINESS:

Treasury Update/Report: Patrick B.

Patrick read/referenced the WSO Special Appeal letter sent to Groups. After review of the current 2022 Budget and current cash total balance as of 8/31/2022 of \$ 38,788.49 the following motion was made.

Motion to send a one-time donation for 2022 of \$ 3,000 to WSO (from the 2022 Budget). Passed 27 yes 0 (zero) no 2 abstentions.

Mocion para enviar una donacion unica para 2022de \$ 3,000.00 a la WSO (del presupuesto de 2022). Pasado 27 si 0 (cero) 2 abstenciones.

Patrick read/referenced Financial History from the NV Area Handbook, and Finance Committee recommendation. Stated that Handbook indicated in the Reimbursement\Assembly Expenses section, that the last time AWSC reimbursement was increased from \$200.00 to \$ 245.00 was in 2011. Suggested to increase to \$ 275.00 and then was open for discussion. After discussion, the GR’s felt reimbursement should be increased to \$ 300.00 for qualified AWSC members to be reimbursed for Assembly attendance, the following motion was made:

Motion to increase the reimbursement amount for AWSC Area Officers, Coordinators and Past Delegates to \$ 300.00. Passed 33 yes 0 (zero) no 0 (zero) abstentions.

Mocion para aumentar elm onto de reembolso para oficiales de area, coordinadores y delegados anteriores de AWSC a \$ 300.00. Pasado 33 si 0 (cero) no 0 (cero) abstenciones.

Prior to approval of budget as adjusted, a GR opened discussion in regards to the suggestion by the Spanish Translator Thought Force (now a Task Force) to budget an amount to pay for a translator for future Area Assemblies. Discussion that while there is not a specific determination of this expense being needed, would be good idea to have in the budget just in case, the following motion was made:

Motion to add to the proposed 2023 Budget a line item for special interpreter services not to exceed \$ 1,800.00. Passed 33 yes 0 (zero) no 0 (zero) abstentions.

Mocion para agregar al presupuesto para 2023 una partida para servicios especiales de interpretacion que no exceda los \$ 1,800.00 Pasado 33 si, 0 (cero) no 0 (cero) abstencions

Budget Approval: Original budget presented was for a total expense of \$ 21,810.00. After motions for AWSC (including Translators) to \$ 300.00 per assembly and the \$ 1,800.00 for Translator services, the new budget amount would be \$ 24,510.00. Discussion that income is estimate and no change, just 2023 total from \$ 21,810.00 to \$24,510.00 new proposed total. Following motion was made:

Motion that we accept the proposed 2023 at the amended budget amount of \$ 24,510.00. Passed 33 yes 0 (zero) no 0 (zero) abstentions.

Mocion de que aceptamos la propuesta de 2023 al monto del presupuesto modificada de \$ 24,510.00 Pasado 33 si 0 (cero) no 0 (cero) abstencions.

Tonopah Talks: Recommendation from the Task Force to continue with publication on a permanent basis and would be under the Literature Coordinators discretion to be published and distributed at the Fall Assembly. The following motion was made:

Motion to recommend that the Tonopah Talks publication continue on a permanent basis under the Literature Coordinator's direction and to be published and distributed at the Fall Assembly. Passed 24 yes 7 no 0 (zero) abstentions. Mocion para recomendar que la publicacion Tonopah Talks continue de forma permanente bajo la direction del Coordinador a de Litreratura y que se publique y distribuya en la Asambela de Otono. Pasado 24 si 7 no 0 (cero) abstencions.

District 1 Representative Report: Karen S.

Election meeting held Sunday 9/11/22, 8 in attendance, 5 of whom were GR's. Treasury balance of \$ 2,152.19 which includes \$ 500.00 prudent reserve. Voted to distribute \$ 100.00 to So. NV AIS, \$100.00 to NV Area and \$ 250.00 to WSO. Of the Groups attending Area Assembly, their funds were prudent and did not request scholarship from District 1 treasury.

So. NV AIS will have elections in October, open positions are: AIS Liaison for the AWSC, Group Records, Secretary, Treasurer, Meeting List, Public Outreach and the Alateen Liaison to the Area, Chair and Alternate Chair.

District 1 election results: Barbara M., District 1 Rep., Finita W., Alternate District 1 Rep., Lora F., Treasurer, Susie M., Public Outreach Liaison to AIS and the Secretary position is still open. Will try at November meeting to elect someone willing to be of service.

It was voted that District 1 provided funds and book for gift basket for Area Assembly.

Public Outreach event coming up October 19 – 22 from 9AM – 4PM at Clark County Employee Health Fair. Volunteers are needed, contact Cindy W. (702) 550-9739. Upcoming Las Vegas Roundup, an AA convention with Al-Anon Participation will be held Thanksgiving weekend at the Tropicana Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

An announcement was made about the new welcome links for newcomers that are now in English, Spanish and French.

Groups health seem to be good, one meeting still being held via Zoom, Thursday First Things First, plan to begin face-to-face meetings January 2023.

It has been my pleasure to have served as the District 1 representative for the past three years. It has been a fun, interesting and learning experience.

District 2 Representative Report: Mark M. presented by Ramona

It has been a very busy and eventful period in District 2:

We have a new book study group starting. They will be reading *How Al-Anon Works*. The meeting will be on Fridays at Saint Catherine's Episcopal Church on Double R at 1:30 pm.

I have been trying to visit as many groups as possible in the past few weeks and have been able to attend most of them. It is my aim to make to them all, even went to Truckee meeting with other members.

District 2 meeting include engaging in discussions with GR's about group concerns involving the Traditions and Concepts.

The August District 2 meeting was in person, first time in my service rotation. Elections were held but no positions were filled at this meeting. We did, however, have two members who expressed desire for DR and Treasurer. I sent out e-mail with qualifications and desire to GR's and they voted in these two members. Ramona L. will be District 2 DR and Linda D. will be District 2 Treasurer.

Was a challenge having meetings via Zoom, yet overcame that obstacle. My priority in this position has been to keep the Traditions and Concepts first and foremost in focus with special emphasis on Concept One: *"The ultimate responsibility and authority for Al-Anon world services belongs to the Al-Anon groups."* In that spirit, the GR's voted to meet live once again for our penultimate business meeting on October 12th. Yours in gratitude and service, Mark M. (nvareadistrictrep2@gmail.com)

District 3 Representative Report: Rita L.

District 3 boundaries start from California State line East of I-15 to East Sahara Avenue in Las Vegas to Arizona State Line. (Towns include Las Vegas, Henderson, Boulder City, Paradise Valley, Laughlin and Green Valley). This is my last assembly as your District 3 representative, and it has been such a rich and rewarding experience. I'm grateful to all the hard-working GR's in my district and their support.

What has the District been up to since the last assembly?

- 1) Most recent District meeting was held in August. Meetings are going well, with most groups in the District meeting face-to-face.
- 2) Elections were held in August, New District Rep is Karen S., Lani W. is Alternate District Rep., Juana A. is Treasurer.
- 3) We are busy planning our annual Al-Anon workshop. Tentative date is in November. Please keep a look out for more information.

Our next District meeting will be held in October, hope to see you all there. I'm looking forward to the last three months of my service term.

District 4 Representative Report: Janice B. (Past Delegate Panel 54 temp. DR for District 4)

District 4 boundaries include towns in NV and a little bit of CA. These towns are Carson City, Minden, Gardnerville, Dayton, all the Towns around Lake Tahoe, Truckee, Smith Valley, Silver Springs, Yerington, Bishop, and Mammoth. The furthest boarder to boarder distance is Truckee to Bishop, which is 210 miles, a 4-hour drive.

December 2021 D4 Rep. moved back east, we did not have an alternate DR, meetings did not happen. In April 2022, I reached out to GR's and asked if I could step in as their DR through the rest of the year and they were agreeable. Currently, we have 14 active groups, 1 no mail group, 7 of these groups have active GR's and 5 of these GR's have been at our last 3 district meetings. D4 is financially sound, and this year donated \$ 1,700.00 to WSO, \$ 400.00 to NV Area and \$ 400.00 to No. NV AIS.

Most of D4 groups are back to meeting in person, a few are having success with hybrid meeting. In person groups reported meeting size getting back to normal with new members attending as well. The Hybrid meetings are making it work, even with challenges.

Elections held at D4 August meeting. Incoming DR is Sue W. from Bishop, Alternate DR is Janie from Carson City and Treasurer is Janice B. from South Lake Tahoe. Still open is District Secretary and Book Depot position. We will again have elections at October meeting to be held Saturday October 8th.

GR thoughts on what D4 can accomplish over the next 3 years:

- My personal hopes and dreams would be to grow our district by reaching out to groups and inspiring members to step up in service as their groups GR. Create a Public outreach project, make district meetings fun as we do the business of Al-Anon.
- My hope is that we return to full participation of all groups, all having GR's and Alternate GR's. That we get back to fun workshops for growth in recovery and activities like making love gifts, or packets for Alateen.
- Perhaps having unity/fellowship day with a beach gathering or picnic in a part or ski/snowboard day with topic during event.
- Having Service sponsorship as a tool, or workshop

It has been my pleasure to step into the DR position for District 4 over the last 6 months. My experience is that self-recovery, the health of my group, district and Area all begins with me and my willingness to be of service. Thank you

District 5 Representative Report: Ira W.

I want to be the first to welcome you to District Five, yes Tonopah is part of District 5. District meeting was held last week, elections were held, and Jennifer D. was elected as our new D5 Rep.

Groups generally doing very well, some with challenges with possible change in format, Pahrump groups even have had new members. GR's always engaged and voice their needs and concerns as indicated in the Service Manual. Thank you to all who supported me as Alt. DR, Dayna, Treasurer, Gay Lynne and Kathi for doing Alateen and Michele as secretary. You never have to do anything alone.

Our final district meeting for the year, will be on Saturday, November 19, at 11:30 am and will be an in-person luncheon at BJ's I believe on Charleston in Las Vegas. It's an open meeting so all are welcome.

District 6 Representative Report: Position Vacant

Open Microphone Reflections and Closing Remarks: Tracy, Area Chair opened the mic up for sharing and thanked everyone for their participation at this Fall Assembly.

Members shared about the NV Area Assembly, closed 11:00 AM with the Al-Anon Declaration

Reminder: Next NV Area Assembly scheduled for March 18 – 19, 2023
Mark your calendar

Respectfully submitted, Denise S. NV Area Secretary