

MARYLAND GENERAL SERVICE – AREA 29, PANEL 70

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The Maryland General Service Area Assembly met virtually via Zoom on May 15, 2021. The virtual doors opened at 8:45 a.m. for fellowship. Chairperson Lori M. opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer. 51 members were on the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Area Chair Opening Remarks: Lori M welcomed everyone to the virtual Area 29 Assembly and Delegate Report Back. Following no objections, the audio-only of this meeting was being recorded or the Archives and to ensure accuracy of the minutes. Lori reviewed the procedures for participation in the meeting and the agenda for the meeting.

Introductions for new: GSR and DCM:

Secretary's Report: Craig T. provided a summary of the February 6, 2021, Area Committee Minutes, which were transmitted to the Assembly by email on May 3, 2021. ***The Motion to accept the Minutes was made by Frank M. and seconded by Diane F. The Motion carried unanimously.***

Craig T. provided a summary of the March 20, 2021, Area Committee Minutes, which were transmitted to the Assembly by email on May 3, 2021. ***The Motion to accept the Minutes was made by Mary M. and seconded by Terry P. The Motion carried unanimously.***

Treasurer's Report: Terry P. reported as April 30, 2021, account balances were: Operating Account: \$17,708.35. Special Savings for International Convention: \$3,532.02. Savings Account: \$20,000.44. We have additional assets of: Literature: \$5,728.73 and Grapevine: \$4,024.29.

Revenue:

Group Contributions as of April 30 are \$4,668.04. Individual Contributions as of April 30 are \$622.00. Other income (i.e., 7th Tradition's basket, lunch donations, etc.) total \$508.76. Total Revenue \$5,799.06 which is 14% of our budgeted revenue for 2021.

Expenses:

Through March 30, we have paid out a total of \$5,635.27, which is 15% of our budgeted expenses this year. Terry stated that the approved \$10,000.00 was transferred from the Operating Account to the Prudent Reserve.

Motion to accept the Treasurers Report was made by Brigitte F. and seconded by Jim R. The Motion carried unanimously.

Alternate Delegate's Report: Kurt W. reported his activities since the March.

Mini-Conference 2021- Except for a few minor hiccups it went well. This is the result of a lot of effort put forth by all of those who stepped up to help along the way.

General Service Conference Preparation – All of the CARC's had their pre-conference meetings. They all went very smoothly. Kurt thanked all those who helped along the way, especially the CARC Leaders: Beth O., Craig R., Tyler J., Mary M., and Frank M.; and our Mentors: Don B., Morgan J., Lori M., Bob C., and Peggy R. Kurt also expressed his appreciation to all those who stepped up as reviewers and participated in CARC discussions.

Upcoming Scheduled Activities include:

CARC Re-Convene Meetings – Several of the CARC Leaders have already scheduled their re-convene meetings. Over the next few days, Kurt will be reaching out to the others to make sure we get them scheduled.

District 18 Workshop – "The A.A. Group Treasurer: Role and Responsibilities" will be held on May 23, 2021. This is a virtually workshop that Kurt will be leading.

Mini-Conference 2021 – Kurt thanked everyone that helped prepare, execute, and participate in this year's Mini-Conference. It was a successful event to help prepare our Delegate for the 71st General Service Conference.

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Mary M. made a motion, seconded by Craig T. to suspend regular business to receive the Delegate Report. The motion carried unanimously at 9:28 a.m. with 63 members attending.

Delegate Report-Back: Cynthia T., Area 29, Panel 70 Delegate stated it was an honor and a privilege to attend the historic Virtual 71st Annual General Service Conference, “A.A. in a Time of Change”. She had put together a very detailed PowerPoint presentation as well as sent out information by email on May 13, 2021, to the members prior to the Report Back. Attached is the ***71st General Service Conference Quick Reference***. This document can also be located on Marylandaa.org under Delegates Corner.

Following a question-and-answer session concerning the 71st General Service Conference from the Assembly, a motion to adjourn was made by Kurt W. and seconded by Craig T. The Motion to close carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig T.
Area 29, Panel 70 Secretary