Fall Assembly – Eau Claire, WI Area Assembly Minutes September 27, 2014

Meeting was opened at 9:00 AM with a moment of silence followed by the Seventh Step prayer. Housecleaning including voice/vote explanation, vote by substantial unanimity unless otherwise stated, and "order to the mic".

A "willingness to conform" was asked for by voice; none opposed.

Traditions were read by Brian L. Concepts were read by Wanda

Area 74 Past Delegates and Trustees who were present:

Bob M. Panel 50 and Past East Central Regional Trustee

Jeff C. Panel 56

Steve H. Panel 60

Marty L. Panel 62

Dave R. Panel 36

Area 75; Karen Panel 39, Bob G. Panel 33, JoAnn M. Panel 53, Nancy H. Panel 61, Randy Panel 75

Roll Call

Area Officers: Delegate, Area Chair/Alternate Delegate, Secretary/Registrar, Treasurer

Standing Committee Chairs: Archives, Corrections WI, CPC, Finance, Literature, Grapevine, Now & Then, Structures and Guidelines, Treatment

DCM's: 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 13, 18, 20, 22, 23

Area Chair recognized recently deceased servants, Jeff M. and Ed B.

9:30 a.m. Assembly suspended for sharing session; "How we achieved growth and increased activity at the Group, District and Area levels.

Reconvened Assembly at 10:30 a.m.

Area Chair asked for any corrections and motion to accept May 17, 2014 Assembly Minutes, one correction offered, motion made to accept as amended, seconded and passed by "voice" vote, none opposed.

Recessed at Reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

Officer Reports (see attachments)

Secretary / Registrar; no report.

Treasurer; questions offered by Past D and GSR, (see report, attached)

Area Chair/Alternate Delegate; no questions offered, (see report, attached)

Delegate's Report; no questions offered, ended 11:30 a.m. (see report, attached)

Conference and Final Conference Reports; (see attachments)

District 02 Area 74 Spring Conference 2014 Spring – Barry B.

District 01 Area 74 Spring Conference 2015 Report – Tom Y.

District 03 Area 74 Fall Conference 2015 Report – Mike M.

Recessed for lunch at 11:55 a.m.

Reconvened Assembly at 1:00 p.m.

Committee Reports - (moved to the October Assembly)

Unfinished Business 2:45 p.m.

S&G Committee splitting of Secretary/Registrar position Recommendations – Barb K.

History for Recommendations 1through 3:

At the October 19, 2013 Area 74 Assembly, the Assembly body voted in favor of separating the current Secretary/Registrar position into two separate Area officer positions. The Structures and Guidelines Committee submits the following Recommendations for consideration:

1. Recommendation:

That at the 2015 Area 74 election Conference, two separate service positions of Secretary and Registrar be nominated and voted upon by the voting membership of Area 74 for the 2016 service rotation. Discussion, discussion closed, vote; 47 YES, 1 NO, no minority voice offered, MOTION PASSED.

2. Recommendation:

That a one-time expense not to exceed \$750.00 be allowed to purchase a new portable electronic computer for use by either the newly-elected Secretary or the newly-elected Registrar. That the current and alternate Secretary/Registrar recommend which portable electronic computer would be most suitable and contact the Area 74 Finance Committee for the approved funds to purchase the computer. Discussion, discussion closed, vote; 38 YES, 16 NO, minority voice offered, two majority votes wished to change vote, vote to reconsider (simple majority) 25 YES, 26 NO, reconsideration fails, MOTION PASSED.

3. Recommendation:

That the Finance Committee establish separate Secretary and Registrar officer and committee budgets. Discussion, MOTION WITHDRAWN.

4. Recommendation:

That Article III, sections 6.00 and 7.00 of the Area 74 guidelines be revised as follows:

Current:

Section 6.00 The Area Secretary/Registrar. The Area Secretary's duties are: keeps and distributes the minutes of all Area 74 business and Area Committee meetings the month after the business meeting is held. Maintains Area 74 group/contact information, Area Officers, Committee Chairs, DCM, Past Delegate addresses and phone numbers. Compile mailing list for the Now & Then and Area needs.

Revised:

Section 6.00 The Secretary records and distributes minutes of Area meetings; keeps mailing lists up to date and sends out Area mailings; sometimes the Secretary is responsible for preparing lively bulletins that will encourage attendance at committee meetings and assemblies. The Secretary is in a good position to act as liaison between Officers and Committee members.

Section 6.05 The alternate Secretary will assist the Secretary and fill the duties in the Secretary's absence.

Current:

Section 7.00 The Area Co-Secretary/Registrar assists the Secretary/Registrar.

Revised:

Section 7.00 The Registrar develops and maintains records of all the groups in the Area, including group name, meeting location, time and group contact. Registrar will be responsible for the names, addresses and phone numbers of the G.S.R.'s and D.C.M.'s, and Area Officers and Area Committee members. The Registrar provides mailing labels for the Area publications such as a monthly newsletter or a mailing of the minutes.

Section 7.05 The Alternate Registrar will assist the Registrar and fill the duties in the Registrar's absence.

Discussion on Recommendation 4.; SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE.

5. Recommendation:

That Article I, Section 2.03 of the Guidelines be revised as follows:

Current:

2.03 Area 74 Officers, namely the Delegate, the Alternate Delegate, the Secretary/Registrar, and the Treasurer are each afforded one vote. The Co-Treasurer and Co-Secretary/Registrar may vote in the absence of the Treasurer.

Revised:

2.03 Area Officers, namely the Delegate, the Area Chair Alternate Delegate, the Secretary, the Registrar, and the Treasurer are each afforded one vote. The Alternate Secretary shall vote in the absence of the Secretary, the Alternate Registrar shall vote in the absence of the Registrar, and the Co- Treasurer shall vote in the absence of the Treasurer.

<u>Additional Recommendations:</u> Required revisions to Guidelines if previous recommendations are approved.

Discussion, discussion closed, vote; 47 YES, 0 NO, no minority voice offered, MOTION PASSED.

6. Recommendation:

That Article III Sections 6.05 and 7.05 be added to the Guidelines as follows:

Section 6.05 The Alternate Secretary will be selected by the Secretary and approved by the body. The Alternate Secretary will assist the Secretary and fill the duties in the Secretary's absence.

Section 7.05 The Alternate Registrar will be selected by the Registrar and approved by the body. The Alternate Registrar will assist the Registrar and fill the duties in the Registrar's absence.

Discussion, SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE

7. Recommendation:

That Article VI Section 5.01 be revised as follows:

Current:

Section 5.01 The Co-Treasurer & Co-Secretary / Registrar, who are selected by the Treasurer & Secretary/ Registrar respectively, and confirmed by the voting membership

Revised:

Section 5.01 The Co-Treasurer, who is selected by the Treasurer, will be confirmed by the voting membership. This is a rotating position.

Discussion, discussion closed, vote; 47 YES, 1 NO, minority voice offered, no reconsideration, MOTION PASSED.

8. Recommendation:

That Article VI Section 1:00 be revised as follows:

Current:

Section 1.00 All terms of office will begin on January 1st of even years except Secretary/Registrar that will begin in October of odd years.

Revised:

Section 1.00 All terms of office will begin on January 1st of even years.

Discussion, discussion closed, vote; 55 YES, 0 NO, MOTION PASSED.

2:30 P.M.

Corrections/Treatment BTG motion; WITHDRAWN.

New Business 2:35 p.m.

Present 2015 Proposed budget – Finance Committee Jeff D. Was a presentation only, two questions offered; 1 GSR and 1 Committee Chair

2:55 p.m.

Area Officer/Chair reimbursement to attend Forums – Area Committee – Marty I.

Motion to Amend; "Area 74 treasury offer up to \$75.00 travel reimbursement for up to ten (10) current *and/or incoming* Area 74 Officers and/or Area 74 Standing Committee Chairs to attend the East Central Regional Forums when scheduled in our region."

Discussion, discussion closed, vote; 45 YES, 6 NO, minority voice offered by 1 Area Officer and 1 GSR, **MOTION TABLED DUE TO TIME**.

Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Scott K Area 74 Secretary Registrar