# Area Committee Meeting May 20, 2018 Minutes Radisson Hotel, Green Bay WI

The meeting opened at 8:00 am.

Welcome to first-time attendees.

Area Chair, Jeff Davis opened the meeting by reading the housekeeping guidelines and the voice/vote explanation, vote by substantial unanimity unless otherwise stated, and 4 minutes for DCM reports & 2 minutes for comments.

# **Serenity Prayer**

12 Steps ready by Char 12Traditions read by Ed Timer: Counter:

## **Roll Call: Area Officers**

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

## **Committee Chairs**

Archives, Corrections WI, Corrections MI, CPC, Finance, Grapevine Chair, Now & Then, Literature, Treatment, Structures & Guidelines.

## DCMs:

01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 07, 08, 10, 13, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23.

DCM Reports: Please see page 5

Delegate's Report: Please see page 12

## Minutes from the 03/10/18 Area Committee Meeting were approved without changes.

#### Unfinished Business:

A. Discuss and determine Area 74 Service meetings for 2019. This will be discussed in September. Area Chair had draft flyer available today. (attached)

#### New Business:

- A. ACM to approve whether or not Bob D (Ad-hoc Chair) can be given a voice to present a report and recommendation from the Ad-Hoc Committee on WICYPAA donations. anyone opposes to Bob reporting today? No one opposed.
- B. Ad-hoc Report Bob . Bob started out report by asking the new DCM's present today, if they had any questions about the process that took place. No questions.
- C. Bob explained that he is here today because over the last 6-8 months, after being asked by Sara, our Delegate, who at that time was our Area Chair, and her responsibility was given to her by the Area Committee, to form an Ad Hoc Committee to look at this YPAA affiliation which has been in discussion for many years in Area 74. The Committee was formed and is presented or stated in the YPAA report. (See attached YPAA Report)
- D. In our findings they were charged with taking a look at a Motion that came out of the Area Committee from October 2017. (See attached YPAA Report.)

The YPAA report was read as follows:

#### Area 74 Committee,

We were asked to be on the YPAA Ad Hoc Committee and are all AA members in Area 74. Over the past few months we have been asked as a committee, to put together a recommendation to the body to accept or decline YPAA donations.

# The actual motion is: "Motion sent by ACM: The Finance Committee moves that the Assembly establish determination on accepting contributions from any YPAA entities recognized by GSO."

This has been an ongoing discussion in Area 74 for some time now. The Ad Hoc Committee was formed and the scope we were charged with was to find information regarding this. Hence, we as unified AA members can move forward without this as a constant issue. We've researched, had numerous phone conferences and then we met in person at the Assembly to go over our findings. We have compiled information from the General Service Office and General Service Board, also from YPAA and the Finance committee; for they had a lot of information already compiled.

"Autonomy as long as it doesn't affect AA as a whole" was something that we made sure we implemented in our discussions. As a committee we have researched the "entity" that YPAA has with G.S.O and we have found that they have been recognized by GSO since the late 40's to the early 50's.

WICYPAA has been granted a voice at our Assemblies and that is to be understood as a privilege granted to them by the AA members of Area 74, to give a report about their conference. WICYPAA conferences are put on by AA members for AA members. The monies donated to Area 74 from WICYPAA conferences are funded by registrations paid by AA members.

The information our Ad Hoc Committee has gathered supports YPAA being identified as a legitimate AA entity, therefore it is our recommendation that the Area Committee moves forward in support of accepting donations from WICYPAA conferences. If you like, we are willing to put together a packet of our findings.

We as a committee, have put a lot of time and research into this and would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you as your YPAA Ad Hoc Committee.

Bob D (AD Hoc Chair), Mary Jo R (Past Delegate), Shannon R (DCM District 18), Kurt O (GSR, Past DCM District 10), and Kathy P (GSR, Alt DCM, District 20, Alt Registrar)

- AREA COMMITTEE QUESTIONS and comments presented today:
- Was there a limit of money that YPAA could contribute? Yes, it was part of the Ad Hoc Discussion. Do we limit the amount of money that the group within area 74 can contribute to Area 74 treasury or an inundating member within area 74 and there is no cap on that, so we are not presenting any cap of donation if it would move forward that we would accept checks from WICYPAA.
- At the start of our research, there was not complete agreement, but the committee's final decision was unanimous.
- YPAA entities as a whole; or only WICYPAA? Spring Area Committee meeting, there was a request on the motion which came from Finance, could be amended to include any entity recognized by GSO. There was a finance committee caucus. And the main issue was whether we accepted the check from WICYPAA or not, and it would be lost if we changed that motion or amended it. So WICYPAA is a subsidiary of YPAA out of GSO. So the recognized YPAA in this motion is going to grow itself into WICYPAA.
- Area 74 Contribution Guidelines, in the spirit of self support. Were the Guidelines considered? Yes, also the they looked at Article 1, Membership Guidelines, section 3.03 and Self Support Guidelines from GSO, page 10, Special Contributions.
- There was opposition based on Conferences not able to contribute because conference fell short or conference was incredibly profitable.
- There was a packet that could be available if someone wanted to view the Ad-Hoc research and back up to their decision.
- Is the Assembly ready to vote on the Motion? Yes.
- I think there was a recommendation where they are in favor that it be presented to Assembly in favor of it. Do we have a 2<sup>nd</sup>?
- All in favor of calling the question for voting on this, please raise your hand:
- Yes = 18 No = 4
- Bob D was asked by Area Chair to read the recommendation.
- Area Chair said it was his understanding that this Committee bring this to the Assembly.
- Our Ad Hoc Committee recommendation is: The Area Committee moves forward in support of accepting donations from WICYPAA Conferences.
- Those in favor please raise your hands.
- Put your hands down, Bob can you read it again please:
- Bob read again: we were asked to research whether YPAA was a legitimate entity of GSO okay. In my description earlier is that the entity YPAA is with WICYPAA. We have been receiving checks from WICYPAA. We have YPAA a world entity, but yet recognized by GSO okay. Do you see the affiliation in the line that this created here? YPAA at GSO, WICYPAA falls under YPAA. So our recommendation is that the Area Committee moves forward in support of accepting donations from WICYPAA Conferences.

Finally, All in favor of recommendation of Committee's decision: Yes = 19 No = 7. Substantial Unanimity. Motion passes.

Minority Speaks:

- This vote was made just to put on the Assembly Agenda? Yes
- Jeff explained that he voted against this because of previous conferences lost money. And the person who actually was running the thing just didn't even give his report and it took 3 years to give his report. And we tried to go forward and say were cutting the loses and we gotten the profit from other conferences. And will be interesting to see what happens with this one. WICYPAA told us they would never

come to us and ask for the money. But do we have the responsibility, we've gotten their funds, we've gotten funds from groups in Area 75, members in Area 75, Southern WI and do we have a responsibility to cover those obligations?

- Sara, Area Delegate, I voted against it. Thanked the Committee for all the work they did on it. Unfortunately I don't think that this is easy. They have been going around and around with this. Ive been involved in Area 74, Feels this is not a solution, haven't fully looked at everything nor heard all sides of it and thinks it needs continued discussion which obviously will happen at the Assembly. Thank you.

Anyone change their vote? None. Motion stays to bring motion forward for vote.

- E. Discuss and set agenda for Upcoming September Assembly: Add to agenda the following:
  - Sharing session
  - Unfinished Business:
    - 3 tabled motions

**Treatment & Accessibilities Motion** 

-New Business:

New Archivist WICYPAA motion – accept contributions

Vote to accept September Agenda; All in agreement. \*Need to add Dates to Remember for 2019 as well.

- F. Determine if next Area Committee Meeting is: August 11, 2018;
  - Discussion: Further discuss Now & Then Electronic Issue vs. hard copy Read Concept 4 – in regards to issues being extensively debated. Need info discussed until majority of body agrees. WICYPAA contribution issue needs more discussion. Treatment & Accessibility Motion still tabled. Needs more discussion on the ASL.
  - Vote in favor of holding ACM Aug 11, 2018 = 16.
  - Vote to oppose holding meeting = 9
  - Simple Majority.
  - ~Passed to hold ACM Aug 11, 2018~

Meeting Concluded at 10:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Vickie R Ackley Area 74 Secretary 2018-2019

Minutes passed and approved on:

Date

## District 01 - Matt B.

Hello,

I am Matt DCM District 01

We service the greater Green By area, with nearly 100 meetings per week listed on our schedule.

Our corrections co-chair has recently implemented a sponsorship program within the jail system, which allows for one on one contact inside the county jail between incarcerated individuals and volunteer sponsors from the fellowship.

Our webmaster is currently re-designing our website to make it easier to maintain its security and simplify its format.

Our district meetings are well attended, and all of our chair positions are filled.

We are currently hosting the 2018 Spring Conference and Area Committee Meeting. At this point we have 314 registered guests with 250 as our goal for break-even on budgeting. Our banquet had an attendance of 200 guests, and we sold out our block of 70 rooms. The conference committee will provide a final report at our next district meeting, which I will forward to the area once I receive it.

Yours in service, Matt B DCM D-01

## District 02 - Brent H.

District 02 extends from Oshkosh in the south to Clintonville and Bonduel in the north and west from Weyauwega to Brillion in the east. There are approximately 130 meetings held in the district weekly. Our District meetings are held on the second Sunday each month at rotating venues within the district. We continue to average between 20-40 attendees. All A.A. members are invited to attend. The monthly Newsletter has a circulation of 140 hard copies and 474 electronic copies. We are still in need of 1 Local Committee Members (LCM) and a Grapevine Chair. Our committees continue to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous. We have feet on the ground.

Our 2019 Area Spring Conference Committee continues to meet on a regular basis. As you heard Saturday, our committee has been able to make progress on controlling costs.

We have filled all of our service positions except Local Committee Member C (LCM -C) and Grapevine Chair. We continue to have feet on the ground serving our District.

Upcoming events include a June Intergroup hosted by the Thursday Night Group In Seymour. The AA speaker will be Dave H. of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Respectfully Submitted, Brent Henslin District 02 DCM

## District 03 – Danielle M.

District 03 has 11 registered meetings in Wisconsin Rapids, along with Port Edwards and Nekoosa. We currently have two GSR's and one of those GSR's is the acting Archives chair. The district has a treasurer as well who has been doing an excellent job making sure the bills are being paid and checks are being cashed as they come in from other groups.

As the DCM I continue to work with new women in the program who needs sponsorship, along with answering the phone service. I also have a homegroup and attend business meetings each month and help with setting up the speaker meeting that is held the second Saturday of each month at Saint Luke's Church in Wisconsin Rapids.

I was recently approached by a woman who attends meetings in Wisconsin Rapids and in Stevens Point, who wanted to start a woman's group. Her and I have talked in the past about starting one, and the time seemed perfect to begin one now. Her and I worked together along with a group from Stevens Point and we began the new woman's meeting on April 29<sup>th</sup>. The attendance was huge for the first meeting, the next one was still a large turnout, the following last Sunday was small due to it being Mother's Day. We hope this meeting will continue to grow as time goes on and will request a group service number after it becomes established.

The new womans meeting is held in Wisconsin Rapids at the Alano club every Sunday at 1:00 pm.

The Tuesday Night Working with Others group has their speaker meetings at Saint Lukes church the second Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm.

District 03 has their business meetings the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Alano club in Wisconsin Rapids.

# District 04- Barry M

- We have a full contingent of Chair's for our various committees after electing a new CPC/PI Chair.
- Our fall 2019 Conference Committee continues to meet on a regular basis and continues to make progress on planning for the conference.
- The CPC/PI committee has completed our most recent version of both our 8 ½ x11 and tri-fold meeting lists. One meeting was added. The CPC/PI committee is also completing assembling our District newcomer packets. These packets contain information about AA and are provided to new people coming into AA.
- Our picnic chair has found a speaker for our August 11<sup>th</sup> picnic and planning continues to obtain necessary supplies and get volunteers to assist with set up and take down.
- Our Corrections chair is soliciting volunteers for AA meetings in both the Waupaca and Portage County jails.
- Our Treatment Chair continues to have a close working relationship with the inpatient facility located in Stevens Point.
- Our budget is sufficient to meet current service needs.
- We currently have 29 groups and 30 meetings in our District including open and closed meetings and women's only groups. There is normally at least a quorum of GSR's at our monthly District meeting.

## **District 05 – Marybeth S**

Verbal report was given by Marybeth on the day of meeting.

## District 07 – Phil D.

Phil Dallman, DCM of District 07 – Grateful to be of service!

District 07 encompasses parts of Wood, Clark, Marathon and Taylor counties. We have 28 meetings with 11 GSR's currently listed, with 4 or 5 of those actually attending District meetings (down 50% from the beginning of the year – but these members are consistently on board.)

We are in the process of building a PI/CPC committee and an Archive committee.

We will be holding a Sharing Session (as per page S40 in Service Manual) open to all A.A. members of the District in the next several months, in hopes of address declining meeting attendance, locked out meetings we list on our District Meeting List, and need for Clark County Jail meetings.

The District is sponsoring a Summer Picnic at Schneider Park in Neilsville on July 21st.

Several weeks ago, one of our Hispanic group members expressed concern over the local law enforcement and legal system not recommending or suggesting A.A. to those arrested for DUI. I contacted our Corrections committee chairs for advice and am grateful for the help I received. This is potentially an open door to connecting with police, judges and lawyers to present the benefits of such referrals.

We are still considering the inclusion of an A.A. Hot Line for the District. Some of our members have volunteered as bridges to those people calling our neighbor District 10's Hot Line who reside in OUR district. Thanks Michelle of District 10 for the invite – cool idea!

## District 8 – Randy O.

Randy was present and gave verbal report on District 8 service activities.

#### District 10 – Michelle Z.

Hello everyone. I'm an alcoholic, my name is Michelle Zanoni and I am the DCM for District 10. We are the largest District geographically, in Area 74. Our District stretches from Mercer, south to Tomahawk, west to Lac du Flambeau and east to Crandon, and includes the cities of Rhinelander, Eagle River, Minocqua, and Antigo.

We meet every second Saturday of the month. We had approximately 15 people at our last meeting. We held a workshop on May 5<sup>th</sup> in Rhinelander. The theme was "Gratitude in Action." Area 74 Chair Jeff D was our main speaker, and Area 74 alternate secretary, Sheryl D, was a panel speaker. I heard a lot of good feedback about the workshop.

District 10 will host a picnic in Conover on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. Speakers are yet to be determined. A main dish is provided and people are asked to bring a dish to share.

We have contacts now for all but 2 of our approximately 30 groups. Unfortunately, the Wednesday Night Coffee Slammers group that meets in Antigo is being disbanded.

I attend the monthly DCM calls on the last Tuesday of every month.

All our committee positions, except for Website Chair have been filled. We'll be holding elections for Website Chair at the June meeting.

I appreciate being of service,

Michelle Zanoni

## District 13 – Sonny L.

District 13 is located in Ashland and Bayfield Counties of North Wisconsin. The committee meeting is usually held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month.

**Meeting Schedule**: There are 32 Monday thru Sunday meetings. 1 seasonal meeting that meets in the warm season.

Red Cliff Indian Reservation Friday 7:00 pm meeting is now an inactive meeting.

Financial: Financial situation is that the district is maintaining a positive financial balance.

**Phone "Hot Line"** (715) 682-4460: There was an average of 3 calls per week in March and 1 call a day for April.

#### Corrections:

<u>Bayfield County Jail:</u> The woman's meeting is held on Thursdays. Has been doing okay, but is in need of additional woman to help with going to the jail and chairing the weekly meeting.

The men's meeting is held on Thursdays. Has not been doing okay and is need of additional men to help with going to the jail and chairing the weekly meeting.

<u>Ashland County Jail</u>: The women's meetings has not begun yet. Is in need of women to go to the jail and help get meetings started on an ongoing basis.

Efforts are continuing to get the word out that more service workers are needed to help with the jail meetings.

**Elections**: The District held elections October 2017 and mentions each month about open committee positions. Current filled positions are: District Committee Member, Alternate Committee Member, Treasurer, Secretary, Corrections and Grapevine.

Tom M. has been elected to serve as Treasurer and take over from Alison G. who was the Treasurer for years.

**Area 74**: In preparations for the Conference in May, committee shared and discussed some of the 68<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference Agenda items and await the Delegate's reportings.

Conference Bid for May 2018: Marty L. did background research and phone calls to gather needed money amounts to be able to put together an itemized budget for a Bid. The committee discussed these budget items for around 30 minutes. The motion was made to Bid for the May 2020 Conference at the May 18-20 2018 Conference at Oneida WI.

**Concern**: An A.A. member spoke to Alternate DCM Marty L. about a meeting at the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indian's Governmental website that displays it as AA / NA. The member also had concerns as to how that meeting was held and had objections when the meeting was a no one showed for opening the meeting.

"The Committee Member's had some discussions about that members concern about that meeting. Here is some of what was said: A) Bad River's AA Group is not a registered group with AA nor is that meeting listed in our meeting list. B) The info the committee has is that its just a meeting.

Further I used this reference from the AA Group phamplet as a guide from my portion of the discussion about a Group or a Meeting issue: C) Is there a difference between a

meeting and a group? Most A.A. members meeting in A.A. groups as defined by the long form of our Third Tradition (see page 44). However, some A.A. members hold A.A. meetings that differ from the common understanding of a group. These members simply gather at a set time and place for a meeting, perhaps for convenience or other special situations.

The main difference between meetings and groups is that A.A. groups generally continue to exist outside the prescribed meeting hours, ready to provide Twelfth Step help when needed. " (Source: A.A. Group pp. 12-13)

It was determined that this is not an issue to be presented at District meetings and that this issue not be tabled or presented again.

End of report

# District 17 – Cindy

Hello, my name is Cindy and I am an alcoholic. I am the current DCM for district 17, which is in the Iron Mountain MI area. There are 37 AA meetings in our district, with about 11 GSR's. We recently added a public information committee to our district, with four volunteers to be on it. They are just starting up.

We had our Intergroup scheduled for April 14, but it was cancelled due to the April snowstorm. It will not be rescheduled.

Corrections continues to be strong in our district, we have about ten to eleven volunteers that go into the surrounding jails.

I am currently attending various AA meetings asking about GSR's and service work. I have not been able to get new GSR's, but I will continue asking.

## District 18 – Shannon R

Greetings from District 18,

We are still holding our monthly district meetings on a regular basis, however we did cancel our last district meeting, which was scheduled for May 5th, due to not having a quorum. We also cancelled the Trusted Servant Workshop due to lack of participation. I am in hopes that we will have a better turn out at our next monthly district meeting which will be held on June 2nd.

At our April district meeting we talked about putting on a GSR workshop and I am happy to report that District 18 will be holding a GSR workshop on August 18, 2018. We have formed a workshop ad hoc committee. I will be meeting with the ad hoc committee this coming Sunday to get a flyer put together to get printed out so we can get the word out to our groups. Our focus will be on why GSR's are so important to the groups and AA as a whole.

The meetings that I have been able to attend appeared to be doing well and had at least 10-15 people in the meeting. I plan to make it to more meetings and introduce myself as the new DCM and keep the people in our district updated on what is happening in our district as well as the area.

In Loving Service Shannon R

## District 20 – Cheryl A

District 20 is located in the east central Upper Peninsula of Michigan. We cover about 3000 square miles over 4 counties.

We have 21 meetings covering every day of the week with lots of travel involved for many people. Some are traveling forty miles to attend a meeting.

Our District meetings have increased in size since the start of my term. We now have almost all of our positions filled.

District 20 meetings are held on fluctuating Saturday's of each month in Germfask, MI. We have decided to keep our meetings at 11:00 a.m. all year long. We keep our District 20 Website updated on a regular basis for everyone to know when our meetings will be held for the month.

District 20 has a very nice website at <u>www.district20area74aa.org</u>. Meeting lists, flyers, minutes and a calendar of activities are all posted on the website. Our minutes are now put on a secure area of our website.

Our last District Meeting was held on April 28'th at 11 a.m. We have decided on a date for a workshop. The workshop will be held on October 13'th in Germfask. We will start with the workshop and move into our district meeting. We are still working out the details.

I have an email in to District 18 on cooperating with District 20 on holding a workshop in District 19 to try and get them back up and running. District 19 is looking for some help.

I have been attending the DCM calls on a monthly basis.

I have started attending a weekly Sunday night call that is a book study. We are currently studying Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age.

I am continuing with my Service Sponsor on a weekly call. We are going over the service manual together.

We do have several people attending from District 20 this weekend.

Upcoming activities:

- The next Intergroup is being held in Manistique on June 9'th. Our Alternate DCM will be speaking.
- The next District Meeting will be held on June 16'th in Germfask at 11 a.m.

## District 21 – Ron S

District 21 covers northern Houghton and all of Keweenaw counties in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. The area includes two universities, year round tourism is our major industry, thus our recovery population is very transient. We strive to be available to all who visit or study here, be it the alcoholic in recovery, the alcoholic who still suffers, or their families and friends. Because of this we recognize and actively support two allied programs, Al-anon and ACOA. We currently have 25 active AA meetings, with 6 seasonal meetings restarting in mid June. We cooperate with Houghton County's drug court, as well as local residential treatment facilities and shelters, and although not in our district, continue to support A.A. meetings at Michigan Department of Corrections, Baraga Max.

Our 24 hour A.A. hotline is answered *live* by Dial Help personnel in Houghton, meetings are listed in our local newspaper, and radio stations are running our PSA's, all at no cost. Our *abridged meeting schedule, A.A. pure,* can also be found on the Area 74 website.

Our May District meetings was very well attended with GSR's reporting for almost 80% of our meetings. All committee chair positions are filled, however one of the CPC co-chairs resigned

due to personal scheduling conflicts. Two people expressed interest in stepping into the position.

We started two new meetings earlier this year. Monday night is doing quite well, however the Friday 5:15 pm 11<sup>th</sup> Step Grapevine Meditation meeting is struggling. It seemed like a good idea at the time, but traffic problems in the area and a new NA meeting have diminished attendance to on average less than two. The chair person is willing to hang in there, hoping that tourism might help, but may have to change the time to make it work. Stay tuned...

The April Woman's Retreat and the May Copper Country Intergroup were very successful and well attended. We are currently polling groups on topics and interest in another possible November workshop. The 2019 Intergroup committee has been formed and plans are under way for next year.

## District 23 - Steven S

The following areas represent where District 23 has been directing its energy to be of optimum service to our A.A. Groups, and to Area 74 in general:

1: One primary focus of the last agenda was improving location of the District 23 Meetings to increase engagement across the District. Current Status (as of 1/07/18): District 23 GSR Committee Meeting is held at Lake View Methodist Church in the Town of Hertel, WI. The information has been passed on to all active groups in the district, as well as to the *"Now & Then"* editors for future publication.

Attendance is consistent at 10-14 participants.

We are still hopeful attendance will increase with the change of the season.

2: Topical Commentary: District 23 hopes that by making this decision, its primary purpose for doing so will be well served – that is, a more geographically central meeting place within the district benefiting all in promoting unity, equanimity of participation and in travel-time. Secondarily, we would hope that any unintended inconvenience created for outlying groups from adjoining districts, who individually "signed-on" to District 23 in the past, will reconsider and dedicate devoting their energies into revitalizing their own respectively designated districts. In doing so, these groups might be brought back into active participation in the General Service Structure of Area 74. To those who don't mind the additional travel, we continue to welcome you.

3: District 23 continues to respectfully suggest Area 74 forego having these "District Reports" being given at the ACMs and instead be shared at the Area 74 Assemblies, as suggested in "The A.A. Service Manual".

4: Currently has 42 meetings per week.

5: District 23 groups provide meetings at two of the County jails in the District.

6: The Shell Lake Mid-day group had a sponsorship workshop May 12, 2018.

7: The Group Change Form and New Group Forms are being sent out with the monthly agenda as a convenience and friendly reminder of the existence/importance.

## Delegate's Report – Sara Plansky-Pecor, 68th Delegate

Hello, my name is Sara Plansky-Pecor and I am an alcoholic. I am currently serving Area 74 as your panel 68 Delegate. Thank you for this honor and privilege to be able to serve Area 74 in this capacity. Please know that I will do everything I can to be able to best serve Area 74 and our beloved program of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Since we last met on March 10, 2018, I have attended or participated in the following:

- The Area 74 Assembly on April 7, 2018
- The General Service Conference in Manhattan, New York from April 22-28
- I shared my story at the Area 74 Spring Conference on Friday, May 18, 2018
- I reported back on my experience at the General Service Conference at the Area 74 Assembly yesterday, Saturday, May 19, 2018. I'll be sending the written report out to all members of the Area Committee. DCM's please share this report with your GSRs and committee members. Remember that this document does contain full names of members so should not be posted on websites or placed anywhere it might be accessed by the public.
- I have written an article for the Now and Then for April and May and still am hoping to get one completed for June
- I have participated in teleconference calls for the Finance and Structures & Guidelines Committees

I am looking forward to participating in several upcoming events. Please know that I am available to come to your district or workshop to present on this year's General Service Conference (or any other topic you desire).

I have been invited to participate on a panel at the East Central Regional Conference August 24-26, 2018 in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The flyers for this upcoming event are available at the table. If you are interested in attending this East Central Regional Conference get in touch with me and if there are enough people wanting to go together, we may be able to rent a van.

I continue to send out email correspondence to the Area 74 Committee and the Past Delegates and am hoping this information is being passed on to the Fellowship in Area 74. I did receive a request from the General Service Office Treatment Chair, Patrick C., looking for any AA member who speaks Farsi and would be willing to communicate with a member in Connecticut.

To date, I have been reimbursed \$800 of my total \$2600 budget.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve Area 74 and A.A. as whole. I am definitely looking forward to getting some good sleep this week that I haven't had in some time. Thank you to everyone in this room and to all of those who continue to follow our real purpose which is to fit ourselves to be of maximum service to God and the people about us.

In Love & Service, Sara Plansky-Pecor Panel 68 Area 74 Delegate Northern Wisconsin/Upper Peninsula of Michigan