

Area 74 Area Committee Meeting (ACM) Minutes
Sunday May 22, 2022

Area Chair, Nicholas S., opened the meeting at 8:00 am

Roll call:

Area Officers: Area Chair, Delegate, Secretary, Registrar, Alt. Treasurer

Committee Chairs: Corrections MI, Corrections WI, CPC, Finance,

Grapevine, Now & Then, Literature, PI, Structures & Guidelines

DCM's: 1 2 5 7 8 9 10 12 13 18 20

Meeting minutes from 03/05/2022 approved unanimously.

Reports:

DCM Reports-Appendix I

Delegates Report-**Appendix II** (Bryon also indicated that the OneDrive link he directly sent the report on will never expire)

Unfinished Business:

1. *What should be do about our lack of bids for conferences?*

The Fall 2023 Election Conference is being planned. The Area would like to know if any DCM's & their Districts are contemplating hosting any Conferences? District 09 was contemplating & preliminary work was done before Covid hit. District 02 has a group in the district that expressed interest. Corrections MI said he'd take the possibility back to District 21. Shane, District 05 expressed interest but it's not a centrally located District that we must have for Elections. Some members asked why that is? Char spoke: CAB-Conducting Area Business (dissolved CAB reloaded) looked at shortcomings of the Area. A survey was conducted with plain hard data- Yes or No questions. It was then decided that elections should be at a centrally located destination.

2. *Should we have 2 Conferences per year?*

Why not have Elections in September and a Conference in October? Area Chair, Nicholas suggested we be creative. If a District is interested in hosting a Fall 2023 Election Assembly, but it's not centrally located for an Election, they can still have their Conference in October.

Approval of the September 17, 2022 Assembly Agenda. Then, approval of the September 18, 2022 Area Committee Meeting (ACM). How do we want to proceed with Zoom and/or Hybrid? There were some suggestions:

1. Have the Assembly at a Rhinelander hotel and the next morning have the ACM at the hotel.
2. Do we need a September ACM? Add the DCM reports to the Assembly Agenda.
3. Nicholas will check the Reiter Center in Three Lakes. He asked if we want the ACM to be hybrid or Zoom only? Nicholas will let us know the details.
4. Jeff C., Now and Then co-editor said that if we can plan meetings to have Area participation, we have a 'time crunch' because there's a September deadline for getting Agenda Items to the General Service Conference (GSC). Char reminded all that the deadline date is September 15th.

Update on Hybrid Motion:

There is the Confirmation of Hybrid meeting operators from the Assembly on May 21st. Nicholas will investigate purchasing equipment for \$3-4,000.00. Nicholas asked for feedback. Brent, Alt. Treasurer, suggested to use a "not to exceed" number. It allows you to spend freely up to a certain amount. You can also come back to the ACM and ask for more if needed. Grant wanted to make a motion to buy the equipment with any dollar amount and recommended as a 'Symbolic gesture' to not spend more than \$5,000.00. A DCM believes that the Assembly already gave the Area autonomy to spend the money to purchase equipment. At that, Grant withdrew his motion. Nicholas thanked everyone for the good discussion.

New Business

District 13 Motion REBUILD: (The motion with intent & background can be found on the separate Document in APPENDIX III)

**What will this look like in 2023?* Discussion ensued. The ACM needs to develop a schedule for committees and DCM to schedule Workshops. Some think schedules aren't needed. Let the Committees reach out on their own. The challenge may be for Committee Chairs to go to Districts that are currently not active in the Area. Area Chairpersons expressed an interest and desire to go anywhere to do the workshop. Wants the hand of AA always to be there. DCM's expressed a positive desire to do this and one DCM indicated that he has a national presentation from a California Committee for Literature. This passed Motion needs to be publicized far and wide in the Area.

Approve Agenda for the Area 74 Assembly on Saturday, September 17, 2022.

*Add Structures & Guidelines committee members to be elected.

*'How we spend our Money'

*Be more specific about the GSR/DCM orientation

Meeting ended with the Responsibility Statement at 9:40 am