



November 18, 2019

2019 NIA-20 Winter Assembly Cover Letter

Welcome to the 2019 Winter Assembly!!

The agenda for the 2019 Winter Assembly is attached. It's a full agenda and will likely be a long day.

First off, thanks to the D11 for hosting today's assembly. We all appreciate the hard work your district's done to procure today's venue and prepare to host today's assembly.

We will begin the assembly as normal however today I thought we would read ALL 12 concepts instead of reading and discussing just one. Then, after the role call and a motion to approve the minutes from the last (summer) Assembly we'll hear from the Treasurer, Alt-Treasurer and Finance committee. As part of their report they'll be presenting the 2020 Primary Purpose Register for our approval.

The Delegate's report would normally follow however as previously indicated by Robert at the Fall Committee meeting, he will not be here today and is on a well-deserved vacation. He did tell me that his report would be posted on the website at the time of the assembly. Instead we will move directly to Old Business and will begin to address as much New Business as we can before 10:30, when the Standing Committee breakouts will begin.

All the standing committees will have a breakout meeting as will the DCM's and GSR's. Remember, anybody at the assembly can attend any breakout meeting, so if (for instance) you're a GSR and you're interested in Corrections then you are welcome to go that meeting (for all or part) and listen in. As a GSR, you don't have to stay in the GSR meeting, although that meeting will help acquaint GSR's with items that are on the agenda later in the day, and will also serve as a general Q&A session on common GSR issues...

Lunch will follow the service breakouts and then we'll resume with New Business.

The major items under new business for this assembly will be-

- Presentation (and approval) of the proposed 2020 Area calendar. For the second year in a row we have (district) venues for 3 of the 4 assemblies next year. The Winter Assembly is still able to be hosted by a district and contains a date change from the committee meeting, moving the date from Dec. 5, 2020 to Dec. 12, 2020 due to a typo on my part. ALSO, we can have a discussion on the merits of MOVING the FALL ASSEMBLY to SEPT. 19 to avoid conflicting with the National BTGWW held in Rock Island, IL that same weekend.
- Bids for the 2021 Spring Assembly Conference
- Acceptance and/or nominations (and possible voting) for open Area positions.

After that, we'll open discussion and vote on the three motions shown below-

- **(M1) - Motion to require GSR's and Area committee members to register prior to voting at assemblies and adopt use of colored cards to be given out to eligible voters at the registration table at assemblies.**
- **(M2) - Motion for the Area to request an agenda item be added to 2020 GSC (via a letter from our Delegate) to begin work on a 5th edition of the Big Book**
- **(M3) - Motion from the CPC & PI committee to "Remove from the Table" a previously tabled motion to ask for Area support for billboard purchases.**

The voting members of the assembly are shown below.

Assembly Voting Members	
All current GSRs or Alternate, when GSR is absent	The Area Secretary and Alternate Secretary
All current DCMs or Alternate, when DCM is absent	The Area Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer
The Area Delegate and Alternate Delegate	All Past Area Delegates
The Area Chairperson and Alternate Chairperson	The Area Archivist
The Area Registrar or Alternate, when Registrar is absent	The Concepts Editor or co-Editor, when Editor is absent
All Area Standing Committee Chairpersons or Alternate, when Chairperson is absent	The Web Administrator or Alternate Web Administrator when Web Administrator is absent

After the motions, we'll hear reports from the Service Committee Chairs as well as reports from the GSR's and DCM's from their morning breakout sessions.

The assembly will conclude with Officer Reports and then open microphone.

Respectfully submitted-

Chris D. - Area Chair – NIA 20 Panel 68

2019 NIA-20 Prelim Winter Assembly Agenda

This anonymity protected agenda will be posted on the NIA website. We do however encourage the use of full names when speaking at the microphone.

8:00 am Registration

9:00 Call to Order
 *Quiet Time - Serenity Prayer
 *New Attendees
 Anniversaries since last Assembly
 Role Call
 Twelve Concepts for World Service
 Announcements for today (D11 – Kelly B.)
 Approval of minutes from Fall Assembly

9:25 Treasurer's / Alternate Treasurers Report (Carol H. / Sue V.)
 Finance Committee Report - (Carol H.)
 Finance Committee - Presentation of proposed 2020 PPR

Delegate's (Robert S.) Report is posted on NIA website.

9:50 Old Business

- 2019 Big Book Conference Final Report (D23 & D40) Rob M.
- 2020 Big Book Conference Report (D10 & D12) Kevin A & Karen F. [October 24, 2020]
- 2020 Spring Assembly Conference Report (D28 & D21) Tom G. & Kevin K. [March 20-22, 2020]
- Final Area Ad-Hoc Cmte Report (NIA History Book Cheryl V.)

NEW BUSINESS AS TIME ALLOWS BEFORE BREAKOUTS AT 10:30

10:30 Service Committee Breakout Meetings

11:45 Lunch

12:30 New Business – (Resumed)

- **Presentation of Area Calendar (Dec. Assembly hosting opportunity)**
- Hear bids for the 2021 NIA Spring Assembly Conference (March 2021)
- Open Area positions (Nominations & Elections) - Alt Sec., BTG & Alt., PI & Alt
- Additional open Area Positions (Nom. & Elec.) -Alt AS., Alt. Arch., Alt GV., Alt Lit.,
- **Assembly Motions-**
 - **Motion I** – Motion to require GSR's and Area committee members to register prior to voting at assemblies and adopt use of colored cards to be given out to

eligible voters at registration table at assemblies.

- **Motion 2** - Motion for the Area to request agenda item be added to GSC to begin work on 5th edition of the Big Book (Currently under consideration by the Trustee's Literature Committee)
- **Motion 3** - Motion from the PI committee to "Remove from the Table" a previously tabled motion to have Area 20 support billboard purchases. Bringing back a tabled motion requires a second, has no discussion and requires a majority to be "un-tabled".

2:00

Service/Administrative Committee Reports: (3 minutes)

➤ Accessibilities	Dwayne G	Rachel B.
➤ Answering Service	Rob. M.	Kyle B.
➤ Archivist / Archives	Ray M.	Ed. M.
➤ Bridging the Gap	Weezie S.	Darcy S.
➤ Conf. Advisory Cmte.	Carmela R.	
➤ Concepts	Jessica R.	Vacant
➤ CPC	Susah H.	Tanzie. B
➤ Corrections	Dawn B.	Frank M.
➤ Electronic Equipment	Dan S.	Joey B.
➤ Grapevine	Urbano S.	Tracy F.
➤ Literature	Allen J.	Dave F.
➤ Public Information	Steve M.	Eric B.
➤ Treatment Facilities	John R.	Steve L.
➤ Technical Committee	Michael L.	
➤ Web Administrator	Earl N.	

Committee Chairs:

Please bring your
Alternate Chair to the
microphone with
you!! Please report on
active committee activities,
PPR spending and morning
breakout sessions.

2:30

Officer Reports

➤ Alternate Delegate	Marilyn F.
➤ Chair	Chris D.
➤ Alternate Chair	Carmela R.
➤ Registrar	Jeff L.
➤ Alternate Registrar	Phil C.
➤ Secretary	Bonnie P.
➤ Alternate Secretary	Christy B.

2:45

Open Microphone

Adjournment

The principal function of Northern Illinois service area 20 is to be a forum for effective communication between the Groups and the General Service Conference through its Delegate. NIA assists its Districts, Groups and members to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers by conducting workshops, sharing sessions and seminars in all fields of general service along with other service activities.

Proposed 2020 Northern IL Area 20 (NIA) Primary Purpose Registry (PPR)

Primary Purpose Basic

+	Service activity	Expectations per guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 9/30/2019	2019 Expected Amount	2019 Remaining Expected Expense	2020 Expected Expense
B01	General Service Conference	The Area Committee is expected to participate in and report on the General Service Conference per the AA Service Manual, NIA Guidelines, and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Facility rental for pre-GSC workshop 	Delegate and Alternate Delegate	\$ 1,118.39	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 881.61	\$ 2,000.00
B02	General Service Conference Contribution	The Area Committee is expected to make a contribution for the General Service Conference per the AA Service Manual, NIA Guidelines, and historical practice.	Year-end contribution to GSB for NIA participation in GSC	Delegate reports to the Treasurer the current expenses per the General Service Board	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,300.00
B03	Area Assemblies	The Area Committee is expected to support hosting districts to host four assembly meetings each year per the AA Service Manual, area guidelines, and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Spanish Interpreter • Facility rental 	• Groups I, II and III	\$ 4,419.62	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (419.62)	\$ 4,000.00
B04	Area Committee Meetings	The Area Committee is expected to host four committee meetings each year per the AA Service Manual, area guidelines, and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Facility rental 	• Groups I, II and III	\$ 1,465.67	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 734.33	\$ 2,200.00
B05	Service Orientation Workshops	The Area Committee is encouraged to host roughly eight Service Orientation workshops around NIA per year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Facility rental 	• Alternate Delegate	\$ 23.20	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,576.80	\$ 1,600.00
B06	Administrative Committee Meetings	Committees are encouraged to hold roughly ten meetings each year to perform their respective functions per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Conference calls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance committee • Operating Committee • Report and Charter Committee • Conference Advisory Committee • Electronic Equipment Committee 	\$ 20.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 230.00	\$ 250.00
B07	Concepts Newsletter	The Concepts Editor is expected to produce the NIA Concepts Newsletter per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mailing services 		\$ 8,254.19	\$15,000.00	\$ 6,745.81	\$13,000.00

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B08	Area Committee participation in District Committee functions	When invited, Area trusted servants are expected to attend and participate in District service functions including District meetings, workshops, service events, etc., per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Spanish Interpreter • Facility rental 	• This relates to expenses incurred when the District is hosting.	\$ 361.75	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,638.25	\$ 2,000.00
B09	ECR Conference of Delegates Past and Present	Attend the East Central Regional Conference of Delegates Past and Present	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delegate • Alternate Delegate • NIA Chairperson • Immediate Past Delegate 	\$ 786.80	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,713.20	\$ 2,500.00
B10	Area Operations	Area trusted servants are expected to operate NIA basic services per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mileage, postage, mailing services, NIA contribution envelopes, office supplies, post office and postage, printing or copying, insurance, Quick Books Online, coffee pots, annual reports, bank fees, Archives repository, GSR Handbooks, canceled check charges, website expenses, electronic equipment maintenance and upgrades 	• Groups I, II and III	\$ 9,733.61	\$12,000.00	\$ 2,266.39	\$12,000.00
B11	Illinois State Conference, Area Committee participation	In years in which the IL State Conference is hosted by NIA, thirty-six trusted servants, as detailed in the Duties and Responsibilities document, are expected to attend and participate. In non-hosting years, the Delegate, Area Chairperson, and Archivist are expected to attend and participate. In non-hosting years service committee chairpersons who are requested by the NIA Delegate and the Conference planning committee are also expected to attend and participate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delegate every year. • Group I, II and III when it is held in N.I.A. and in other years when Delegate requests participation for Area 19 or 21 State Conference Host Committees. 	\$ 2,529.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 6,471.00	\$ 3,000.00

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+	Service activity	Expectations per guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 9/30/2019	2019 Expected Amount	2019 Remaining Expected Expense	2020 Expected Expense
B12	Spring Conference, Area Committee participation	Thirty-six Area trusted servants, as detailed in the Duties and Responsibilities document, are expected to attend and participate in the NIA Spring Conference.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	• Groups I, II and III	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$11,000.00
B13	Big Book Conference, hosting	The Area Committee is expected to support the hosting district to host the Big Book Conference per the NIA Big Book Conference guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mileage • Literature • Printing or copying • Name tags • Facility • Seed money 	Host Planning Committee	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (2,000.00)	\$ 2,800.00
B14	Spring Conference, hosting	The Area Committee is expected to support the Spring Conference Committee to host the NIA Spring Conference per the NIA Spring Conference Guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mileage • Literature • Printing or copying • Name tags • Facility • Seed money • Hotel deposit 	Host Planning Committee	\$ 3,010.92	\$ 750.00	\$ (2,260.92)	\$ 3,750.00
B15	East Central Regional Forum	The Area Delegate and Alternate Delegate are expected to attend the East Central Regional Forum (held every two years.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area Delegate • Alternate Delegate 	\$ 1,016.24	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 183.76	\$ -
B16	East Central Regional Conference	The Area Delegate and Alt. Delegate are expected to attend the East Central Regional Conference every year (held every year except those with International Conferences.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area Delegate • Alternate Delegate 	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
B17	Service Committee Workshops	Area service committee chairpersons are expected to host workshops focused on carrying the A.A. message within the scope of one or more service committees. The workshops should be geographically distributed throughout NIA.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying • Mileage • Spanish Interpreter (If needed) • Facility rental 	• This relates to expenses incurred when the Area is hosting.	\$ 1,196.92	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,303.08	\$ 4,500.00

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Primary Purpose Basic

+	Service activity	Expectations per guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 9/30/2019	2019 Expected Amount	2019 Remaining Expected Expense	2020 Expected Expense
B18	Annual Bridge the Gap Weekend Workshop	The Bridging the Gap (BTG) Committee Chairperson and Alternate Chairperson or their replacements, as appointed by the BTG Chairperson, shall attend the Annual BTG Weekend Workshop.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet • Mailing and supplies • Printing or copying 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BTG Chair • BTG Alternate Chair 	\$ 1,120.11	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 879.89	\$ 2,000.00
B19	IL State Conference, hosting	The Area Committee is expected to support the State Conference Committee to host the IL State Conference per our guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mileage • Literature • Printing or copying • Name tags • Facility • Seed money • Hotel deposit 	Host Planning Committee	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 750.00
B20	National AA Technology Workshop	Either the Website Administrator or the Alternate is expected to attend the annual National AA Technology Workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website Administrator or • Alternate Website Administrator 	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,000.00
B21	National AA Corrections Conference	The Corrections Chairperson and Alternate Corrections Chairperson shall attend the Annual Corrections Conference.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodging • Meals • Mileage • Registration • Banquet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corrections Chair • Alternate Corrections Chair 	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
Primary Purpose Basic Totals:					\$44,556.42	\$70,250.00	\$31,693.58	\$78,650.00

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Primary Purpose Motion

Activity number	Motion	Notes relating to Open (O) or Closed (C)	Amount through 8/31/2019	2019 Expected Amount	2019 Remaining Expected Expense	2020 Expected Expense
M073	2018 Laptop and Software for Registrar - Motion 12/08/18	Expected to close	\$ 959.97	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 240.03	\$0.00
M074	2019 Literature for Treatment Committees in the Districts	TBD	\$ 3,063.00	\$ 3,020.00	\$ (43.00)	\$4,000.00
M075	2019 Laptop & software for secretary and alternate	Expected to close	\$ 1,884.93	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 915.07	\$0.00
M076	2019 Translation of the NIA Service Manual	Expected to close	\$ 2,729.87	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,770.13	TBD
M077	2019 Reimbursement of expenses for DISTRICTS to attend 7/12/19 ECR Forum	Six reimbursements completed to date at \$333 maximum. We would expect all requests for reimbursements to be completed prior to January 1, 2020.	\$ 1,575.82	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,424.18	\$0.00
M078	2019 Reimbursement of expenses for NIA TRUSTED SERVANTS to attend 7/12/19 ECR Forum	Nine reimbursements completed to date at \$150 maximum. We would expect all requests for reimbursements to be completed prior to January 1, 2020.	\$ 1,335.66	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 4,064.34	\$0.00
M079	2019 Advertising on Pace buses in District 10	Expected to close	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$0.00
M080	2019 Fully funded our NIA delegate at the General Service Conference	Expected to close	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Primary Purpose Motion Totals:			\$15,849.25	\$26,220.00	\$10,370.75	\$ 4,000.00
Primary Purpose Registry and Motions Total:			\$60,405.67	\$96,470.00	\$42,064.33	\$82,650.00

The information in this document and below should be used to determine what expenses are covered and for whom based on the Duties and Responsibilities in the NIA Service Manual. Please use the appropriate Service Activity Number when submitting a request for reimbursement.

Group I: Officers and Alternates

- Delegate
- Chairperson
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Registrar

Group III: Administrative Committees

- Operating
- Finance
- Report and Charter
- Electronic Equipment
- Conference Advisory

Group II: Service Committee Chairs and Alternates

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|---------------------------|----------------------|---|
| • Answering Services | • Grapevine | • Cooperation With The Professional Community |
| • Archives | • Literature | • Corrections |
| • Bridging the Gap | • Public Information | |
| • Concepts Service Letter | • Webmaster | |
| • Treatment Facilities | • Accessibilities | |

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Allowable Expenses:

- **Literature:** Conference approved literature, Grapevine literature, and service pieces produced by G.S.O.
- **Mailing and supplies:** Supplies such as paper, labels, envelopes, and postage, etc.
- **Printing or copying:** Materials for distribution at Committee meetings and Assemblies, conferences, workshops, and other service-related activities.
- **Mileage:** Area activities mileage is reimbursed at \$0.40 per mile.
- **Conferences and Forums:** Lodging, meals, mileage, registration and banquet per Duties and Responsibilities.
- **Assemblies and Committee Meeting:** Mileage, tolls, parking and lunch

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Proposed NIA-20 2020 Calendar (r3 11-20-19)

Event	2020	Host / Location	Notes
Winter Committee Meeting – Service Orientation Workshop	Jan 11	District 43 Lord of Life	2 nd Sat. in Jan. “We Are Not Saints is Jan.17.
Conference of Delegates Past & Present	Feb 14-16	Novi, MI (Detroit)	Area 33 Hosting
Spring Assembly	March 21	District 21& 28 D10 hosting Assy.	Conference dates March 20-22 Schaumburg Marriott
Pre-General Service Conference Workshop	April 4	District 41 Lord of Life	1 ST Sat. in April 2 weeks prior to the GSC
Area 87 (Montreal) BBC	April 18	Montreal, Canada	2 nd annual event NIA 20 speaker(s)
69 th General Service Conference	April 19-25	Rye Brook, New York	
Spring Committee Meeting	May 16	Area Officers Lord of Life	3 rd Sat. in May Weekend after Mother's Day
Summer Assembly	June 13	District 52 Kankakee, IL.	2 nd Sat. in June
AA International Convention	July 2-5	Detroit MI.	
Summer Committee Meeting	Aug. 8th	District 23 Lord of Life	2 nd Sat. in Aug
47th Annual Illinois State Conference Area 19	Aug. 14-16	AREA 19 Chicago, IL.	Schaumburg Marriott 3 rd weekend in Aug.
Bridge the Gap Weekend Workshop	Sept. 11 -13		2 nd Sat. in Sept.
Fall Assembly	Sept. 12	District 22 Elgin, IL.	Labor day - Mon. Sept. 7 2 nd Sat. in Sept.?? Move to avoid conflict with BTGWW above?
Fall Committee Meeting	Oct. 10	District 40 Lord of Life	2 nd Sat. in Oct.
Big Book Conference	Oct. 24	District 10 & 12 Grayslake, IL.	
National Correction Conference	Nov. 13-15	Schaumburg, IL.	Schaumburg Hyatt 2 nd weekend in Nov.
Winter Assembly	Dec. 12	District TBD	2 nd Sat. in Dec.



(1) Motion to require GSR and committee member registration at assemblies and adopt use of colored cards for voting.

Motion

It is moved by the Area registrar and Area Corrections chair that the italicized text underneath the bulleted committee positions be ADDED to the NIA service manual.

Our manual currently has this text on page 17-

The Area Assembly

Voting members

- All current G.S.R.s or Alternate, when G.S.R. is absent
- All current D.C.M.s or Alternate, when D.C.M. is absent
- The Area Chairperson and Alternate Chairperson
- The Area Delegate and Alternate Delegate
- The Area Registrar or Alternate, when Registrar is absent
- All Past Area Delegates
- The Area Secretary and Alternate Secretary
- All Area Standing Committee Chairpersons or Alternate, when Chairperson is absent
- The Area Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer
- The Area Archivist
- The Concepts Editor or co-Editor, when Editor is absent
- The Web Administrator or Alternate Web Administrator when Web Administrator is absent

Motion to add this text-

All the above members must be registered in the GSO records database with the Area Registrar, and need to check in with the Area Register prior to the assembly at which time they will receive a colored voting card which will enable them to cast a vote at the Assembly.

PPM	Activity	Description, expected outcome and execution guidelines	Example expenses	Reimbursement Guidelines	Projected cost
# TBD	Assembly registration	Maintain voting integrity at Area Assembly's	Purchase voting cards	NIA reimbursement authority: NIA treasurer.	<\$100

Background

The purpose of this motion is

- (1) To ensure all votes cast at Assemblies are from those who are eligible to vote and
- (2) To advise the Area Chairperson of the number of eligible voting members at the Assembly

After check-in on the morning of the Assembly every voting member would be given a colored card indicating they are registered with the Area Registrar and have checked-in for the Assembly. New GSR's or recently elected Area committee members who are not already registered with the Area Registrar will be given an opportunity to register on site with the Area Registrar or Alternate Area Registrar. This will ensure that ALL members voting at the Assembly are voting members and will provide an accurate count of eligible voting members.

Respectfully submitted,
 Jeff Lambert / Dawn Brandeis
 NIA 20 Area Registrar & Area Corrections Chair

After discussion at the Fall Committee meeting in October, the following language was REMOVED from this motion and is no longer part of the motion.

~~There will be no check-it's allowed after 90 minutes from the start of the assembly without the approval of the Area Chairperson. Unregistered GSR's or other Area Committee members will be given an opportunity to register at the assembly prior to the registration expiration time (90 minutes after start of assembly).~~

The check in period for eligible voters will extend for 90 minutes past the beginning of the assembly, which would normally mean that check-in would expire at 10:30AM.

Motion: District 52 moves the Area support a motion on the General Service Agenda to develop a Fifth edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous.

Background:

The following motion was passed by the Assembly at the Fall Assembly 2018.

The Bourbonnais Terrace Group asks for the Area's support that the Delegate write a letter to the conference coordinator for consideration of the item below as an agenda item at the 2019 GSC. That a Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous be developed.

The Editions of the book Alcoholics Anonymous have been published in somewhat regular intervals.

The First Edition was published in 1939

16 years later came the Second Edition was published in 1955

21 years later came the Third Edition was published in 1976

25 years later came the Fourth Edition was published in 2001

Proposed Items for the Agenda of the 2020 General Service Conference*

As of 11/12/2019
29 Items

Below is a list of items that have been submitted for the Conference Agenda. These proposed items are not the final agenda items for the Conference committee agendas. These proposed items will be reviewed by trustees' committees, who may forward them to a Conference committee, keep them at the Board level for additional background and consideration, or route them to the A.A.W.S. or Grapevine Boards. The final list of Conference committee agenda items will be available in early February following the General Service Board meeting.

Item	Date Received	Proposed Item	Forwarded to	Status
5	6/3/19	Consider a proposed addendum to a Fifth Edition forward, of the book Alcoholics Anonymous, at the time it is published. The addendum of gender terms is written with the intent that all who are seeking answers (help) for a drinking problem are encouraged to give Alcoholics Anonymous a try.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee: The committee reviewed requests for proposed Conference agenda items related to the possible development of a Fifth Edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous. The committee recognized the priority of addressing whether or not a Fifth Edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, might be developed before addressing items related to content and format changes. The committee will continue discussions at the February 2020 meeting.

*May include items submitted for a previous year, but still under consideration by a trustees' committee.

Item	Date Received	Proposed Item	Forwarded to	Status
9	8/30/19	That the General Service Conference consider creating a 5th Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous with the removal of the Chapters 'To Wives', 'The Family Afterward', and 'To Employers'.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee: The committee reviewed requests for proposed Conference agenda items related to the possible development of a Fifth Edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous. The committee recognized the priority of addressing whether or not a Fifth Edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, might be developed before addressing items related to content and format changes. The committee will continue discussions at the February 2020 meeting.
10	8/26/19	Consider a motion to develop a 5th edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee: The committee reviewed requests for proposed Conference agenda items related to the possible development of a Fifth Edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous. The committee recognized the priority of addressing whether or not a Fifth Edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, might be developed before addressing items related to content and format changes. The committee will continue discussions at the February 2020 meeting.

Motion by CPC and PI Committee's for use of Billboards

Motion

CPC and PI committees move that a PPM be passed to allow funds to be made available for Billboards throughout Northern Illinois Area.

PPM	Activity	Description, expected outcome and execution guidelines	Example expenses	Reimbursement Guidelines	Projected cost
# TBD	-	Area PI & CPC committees which to purchase billboard space to carry the message.	Billboard rental space	NIA reimbursement authority: NIA treasurer.	\$5000

Rationale-

At one of our Assemblies our Delegate talked about our General Service Office survey on Public Information. Result was that most of the general public doesn't have an understanding of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Background-

Billboards were used in 2007 in our Area. We gave Districts an amount of \$300 to help supplement the cost. At our PI Workshop in Oakbrook this year we learned that our District Answering Service calls increased after the Billboards were used compared to prior months. When we contacted GSO about what billboards have been used by other Areas, they sent back four different wordings that have been used on Billboards in other Areas. We also talked with a member that said that Milwaukee, Wis. also use's Billboards.

Additional Information:

We will be working with The Outdoor Advertising Association of Illinois. Location of the Billboards will be in 13 Counties in our Area: Kane, Winnebago, Boone, Stephenson, McHenry, Will, LaSalle, Kankakee, Knox, Grundy, Rock Island, Lee and Whiteside.

We have contacted GSO for a list of "Content for Billboards" used by other Areas. We also have the content that was used in 2007 in our Area. At our Summer Assembly the CPC & PI Committees determined which one we should use. I will attach the Content that we decided on in this email. For contact information, our NIA web site will be used and the District Answering Service Phone that will correspond with each County. One Question that was asked was, Which Answering Service phone number will be used if there is more than one District in a County. Hopefully the Districts can work together on this problem.

Possible PI Billboard Content



Is Alcohol a Problem?

**Call Alcoholics Anonymous
WE CAN HELP**

Find us in the White Pages



WWW.AREA15AA.ORG

OR CALL 411

Live area: 10' x 30'

Finished area: 11' x 31'

Possible PI Billboard Content



A billboard advertisement for Alcoholics Anonymous. The background is a gradient of blue. The text is in large, bold, yellow letters with a black outline. The main headline is 'Is Drinking A Problem?'. Below it, in all caps, is 'ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CAN HELP'. To the left of the phone number is a black rotary telephone with a glass of amber liquid and ice next to it. The phone number '410-543-2266' is in large white digits. Below the phone number is the website 'WWW.LSIAA.ORG' in white. At the bottom of the billboard is a 'CLEAR CHANNEL' logo.

Is Drinking A Problem?
**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
CAN HELP**

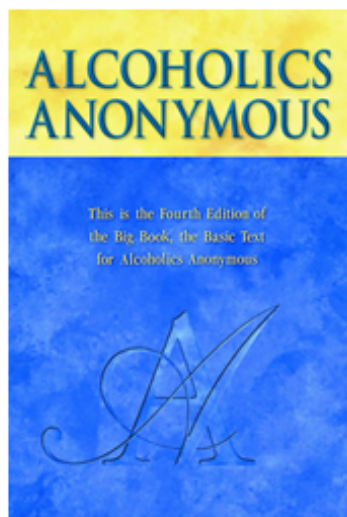
410-543-2266
WWW.LSIAA.ORG

CLEAR CHANNEL

Possible PI Billboard Content

If you want to drink, that is your business.
If you want to quit, we can help.

Alcoholics Anonymous



Northern Illinois District 70

815-963-0333

www.aa-nia.org



Possible PI Billboard Content

IS DRINKING A PROBLEM ?
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
CAN HELP!

1-877-961-2134

YOU ARE NO LONGER ALONE!

www.quinteeastaa.org

