

### District 11 Alt-DCM Report for 10/05/2023

Good evening, everyone. I apologize for my absence and will be back next month. I hope you all had a wonderful month.

On September 16<sup>th</sup> I attended the Fall assembly and Election virtually. It was exciting to witness the elections and our third legacy procedure. After the election, a motion was made to suspend the breakout sessions and the committee reports (committee reports to be submitted and distributed electronically). This passed unanimously.

#### **Conference Reports:**

- **2023 Big Book Conference** Will be held 11/4/2023 at the Lord of Life Church in Elburn. Doors at 8AM, Conference to start at 9AM and it will run until 3:15PM. General admission is \$15 with the option of a chicken kabob or vegetarian lunch for an additional \$15.
- **Spring Assembly** is looking for people or groups to volunteer with hospitality
- **2024 Big Book Conference:** District 70 submitted a bid and was approved. Committee elections will be in November.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Open Positions**
  - Treatment Chair elect Kevin wanted to step into his position now as the position is currently vacant. His nomination was declined as he is currently the GSR for his group and does not have prior acceptance to relieve himself. He was advised that he could start the duties and responsibilities now, though, and if his group approves step down from his role as GSR and stand at the next Assembly.
- **New Business**
  - **Motion to amend the NIA Ltd. Bylaws to include the Area Registrar as an officer of the Corporation and to update the list of voting members.**
    - Discussion was limited and Chris E. clarified that this does not give new voting power to anyone.
    - Motion passes 61:7 with no minority opinion.
  - **Motion to provide for Spanish translation of all Area documents and to provide a Spanish interpreter at all Area functions**
    - Discussions centered around cost (\$2200 for translation at 4 more events per year and \$26 per page translated) and updating this motion's language for conciseness. There was also lengthy discussion on the proper procedure that should follow a motion being brought to the floor.
      - Motion: Past delegate Kelly motions we table to recommit this back to committee to clarify the needed changes. Seconded.

- Motion passes 41:34
  - A floor motion was made and seconded that we provide Spanish Translation at the next committee meeting (Allen J clarifies 2023 Fall Committee Meeting.)
  - Motion Passes unanimously
- **Motion to amend the NIA Service Manual to include Green Can duties to the Treatment Chair Responsibilities**
  - Discussion centered around the traditions, how the funds are distributed currently (Currently at the Area Chair's discretion), and who gave the Area Chair that authority. The area chair retorted that the fund requests should not go unanswered because we cannot find anyone to take the chair position.
  - Motion Passes 50:13
    - Minority opinion:
      - What is to keep every committee from creating a can?
        - This does not change anyone's vote. Motion passes
- **Request from Finance Committee:**
  - The Finance Committee has met and proposes sending \$10,000 to GSB because we are beyond prudent reserve. (amended down from \$15,000)
    - Background information: Allen asked earlier in the Assembly who would be asking for money for the ECRF. The new projected cost of our ECRF motions is around \$12,000 instead of the possible \$50,000.
    - Discussion on this motion centered around upcoming expenses such as Spanish translation and the ECRF motions. The committee responded to these mentioning the above information and that currently the only stated extra expense for the Spanish translation is the next committee meetings translation cost of \$550. At one point a motion was made to table until we knew the final cost of the ECRF motions.
      - Motion to table until we know future expenses
        - Motion fails 15:54
      - Motion to send \$10,000 to the GSB called for vote
        - Motion passes 58:10

On September 21<sup>st</sup> I attended the NIA 20 Legacies of Service Concepts Study. We had a new attendee, Betty G. from Tennessee. We read a page or so and discussed AA's finances. It was really nice to hear from Betty's experience.

As always, thank you for allowing me to be of service,

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