

Alt DCM Report

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This past month I attended the Area 20 committee meeting which took place on May 13, 2017. Based on motions that were brought up at the committee meeting and were discussed, the following motions will be brought to the Summer Assembly on June 10, 2017:

- Motion to fund district participation at the 2017 East Central Regional Forum
 - It is recommended that \$5200 (26 districts at \$200 per district) be used to provide limited funding to offset costs for districts to participate in the 2017 ECR Forum. The requestor moves that the following entry be added to the Primary Purpose Register and the NIA Treasurer be authorized to reimburse expenses in accordance with the terms of that entry
- Motion for GSC to publish biographies of our Past Chairmen of the General Service Board
 - This motion was passed in Area 34 and they are looking for support from other areas in the East Central Region. At the committee meeting some questions were brought up for further clarification such as who would read this publication and is it meant to be a service piece or archival in nature. Kelly, our delegate, was going to reach out for further clarification.
- The Corrections Committee moves to have NIA 20 fund the standing corrections chair and the incoming corrections chair to attend the National Correction Conference November 10-12, 2017 in St. Louis, Mo.
 - Projected cost is \$1200.00
- Motion to fund committee chairs and alternates in order for them to attend the ECR Forum in November 2017

GSRs – Please take these motions back to your groups and then come to the Summer Assembly and vote on them.

The Area Treasurer reported that we are currently \$28,371.00 over our prudent reserve. After considering money being taken out for upcoming conferences it will be about \$22,871.00. The Finance committee is recommending that \$15,000 be forwarded on to GSO.

Another discussion that was brought up at the committee meeting was how the Spring Conference and Assembly have been combined and if they should be separated again. This was a sharing session in order to generate conversation. There were not any motions made. It was discussed how they were combined in the past in hopes of getting more attendance for the assembly. Some individuals shared how it is the first assembly for new GSRs and committee chairs rotating in, and that breakout rooms are not always available which results in individuals not having an opportunity to learn more about their positions. Numerous ideas were discussed such as having an all weekend assembly and having a summer conference instead of a spring conference. As this is just a topic of discussion, please bring it up to your groups to see if they have any strong opinions on this matter.

Out of this sharing session an ad hoc committee was formed in order to create questions for an Area inventory. I was asked to be a part of this committee and agreed to be involved.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly B.