

Alt DCM Report

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This past month I attended the Area Assembly on June 10, 2017. Kelly L., our current delegate, gave her report about the 2017 General Service Conference which took place in April in New York. If you would like any of the information about the advisory actions and committee considerations which came out of the 67th General Service Conference, you can go on the Area 20 website which is www.aa-nia.org. I also have this information, if you are interested in the outcome of some of the items on the agenda.

The Area Treasurer reported that we currently have \$26,582.16 over our prudent reserve. After paying some of the Area's upcoming bills by 12/31/2017 it was calculated that we would stand at \$17,880.13 over prudent reserve.

There were a number of motions brought to the assembly and the following occurred:

1. Motion to support Area 34's motion to send a request to the General Service Board to create and publish a book with the biographies of our Past Chairman of the General Service Board.
 - a. At the last committee meeting, there were some questions that were asked in regard to this motion, which our delegate did not receive answers for. As a result, this was **tabled** to the August committee meeting.
2. Motion that \$5200.00 (26 districts at \$200.00 per district) be allocated to provide limited funding to offset costs to participate in the 2017 East Central Regional Forum – **passed**
3. Motion to fund NIA officers, service committee chairs and appointed chairs, current and incoming, to attend the ECR Forum in November 2017. Allowable expenses include food, lodging, and mileage. Projected cost from finance committee was \$6,000 – **passed**
4. Motion that NIA fund the Correction Chair and 2018 Corrections Chair Elect to attend the National Corrections Conference November 10 -12, 2017 in St. Louis, MO. Projected cost \$800.00 – **passed**

After the above motions were passed the finance committee recommended that \$8,300 would be forwarded to GSO.

I attended the DCM breakout session where one of the main topics discussed was how DCMs can help to encourage groups and GSRs to participate not only at the district level, but also at the area level. This seems to be a constant point of discussion. I would love to hear back from our groups and GSRs as to what would help to encourage this participation. Please feel free to talk to me directly or email dcm@aa-nia-dist11.org.

I also met with the ad hoc committee which has been charged with developing the questions and implementing an inventory for the area. It was decided that the three main areas of focus for this inventory would be questions relating to participation, education, and communication.

I will be attending the Summer Area Committee Meeting on August 5th. The next Area Assembly will be held on September 16th at the Lord of Life Church in La Fox. This assembly will consist of the election of our area officers which occurs every two years. Also, last year it was decided that our district would host the Winter Assembly which takes place on December 9th. Please put this on your calendars as we will need volunteers to help with this.

Yours in service,
Kelly B.