Preview of the Area Committee Meeting June 2015

Well this was a busy Area Committee Meeting (ACM). Friday morning I woke up and there were only two housekeeping motions on the Agenda. By that afternoon, there were five and one assembly bid. It was a bit overwhelming. I will continue to beg you all to please submit any motion (whether regular or housekeeping) at least a week before the ACM. This would help me so much in preparing for the business meeting. I also am grateful to everyone at the ACM who participated in the discussion. I know I learn a lot that day and will continue to learn at every meeting we have. I hope you will forgive me for the errors I make while I am learning.

The Housekeeping motion "That CNCA Archives committee share its guidelines and related documents upon request" presented by the Archives Committee passed but their other HK motion "That the Archives Committee purchase a desk, not to exceed \$300." was objected to and will be new business next month. The BTG Housekeeping motion "That BTG implement a pilot program offering short term correspondence with certain inmates, similar to the GSO program for long term correction correspondence, using the BTG P.O. Box to facilitate inmate volunteer communication. The pilot program to be evaluated by the Committee after an initial six month trial period." was objected to and we actually talked about it as new business at this meeting. It will continue to be new business next month. An amendment was made to the motion: "That the results of the pilot program be shared with the **ACM** before consideration as a permanent program." The amendment was accepted by the maker of the motion. Finance Committee proposed the Housekeeping motion that "CNCA purchase Quick Books on line plus service at a current cost of approximately \$24 per month." An objection was received and this will be new business next month. And the last HK motion was "CNCA purchase 2 new wireless microphones to replace the defective unity and give us a spare. Not to exceed \$200" This passed with no objections. The old business motion of "That CNCA fund a website committee editor to attend the National AA Technology Workshop to be held October 2-4 in St. Louis, Missouri at a cost not to exceed \$1200" was approved by substantial unanimity.

There was an Assembly bid to host the 2016 Post Conference Assembly in Machinist's Hall in Burlingame at a cost of \$4850.00 by Districts 05 and 04. It was approved. Please remember there are still two slots open in 2016 for assemblies.

I hope you are all making plans to attend the Summer Assembly on August 1 right here is Petaluma. Surprisingly it is not that far down the road. It is a month after the 2015 International Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous in Atlanta, Georgia on the 4th of July weekend. There is never a dull moment in recovery, is there?

In service and gratitude, Joann L. Panel 65 CNC Area Chair

Please bring your FM Radios! To the Area Committee meeting and to all Assemblies!