Preview of the Area Committee Meeting January 2016

Is this really the last business meeting of 2015? Are we really half way through Panel 65? I have to tell you, I feel amazed. And yet I am still excited about what is yet to come with the next year's General Service Conference.

Our December Area Committee meeting met early on December 19 instead of our usual fourth Saturday. A lighter agenda was very much welcomed. The 2016 Budget that was presented last month by the finance committee passed without an objection. We continued to discuss the updates for the financial guidelines. That will be old business next month. The Web committee withdrew their motion: "That the website committee replace the current, static event list on the CNCA website with an event calendar that has been tested on the committee test site."

There was a save the date announcement from the Chair of the 2018 Pacific Regional Forum. The date is September 7-9, 2018 and the place will be the Double Tree Hotel in San Jose. This is a great opportunity to encourage the local fellowship to attend and discover for themselves what General Service is all about.

Lots of us are already making our plans for PRAASA 2016 in Spokane, Washington on March 4, 5 and 6th. Agenda topics are expected as usual to arrive the week of February 15 and the Area Officers already have plans to create the Agenda Topics Summaries as soon as the information is available.

We had a lot of time to discuss the topic "How do we do business at the assemblies?" This seemed to be a subject of great concern to all who were at the Area Committee meeting. Lots of great suggestions came out of the discussion. We will continue this discussion topic next month.

Thanks to all of you for serving Alcoholics Anonymous is 2015. I am looking forward to the New Year with excitement and joy. Can't wait to see what is next!

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

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