Preview of the Area Committee Meeting February 2016

Our Area Committee meeting on January 23 again had a light agenda. There was a presentation of new business by the Web Committee Chair. That motion, "That the committee expand add two members increasing from 5 members to 7. The added people to administer our servers, greatly increasing security, for this panel only." will be new business at the next Area Committee meeting in February.

There was some discussion on the old business:" Updates to the Financial Guidelines". It will remain as old business on the agenda next month. As a result of the discussion topic last month, "How we do handle business at assemblies", the Area officers made some decision about the business meeting for the up-coming Pre-Conference Assembly. First the Assembly will start at 9 a.m., and the orientation will be limited to 10 minutes with no break afterwards. Also reports at the business meeting will be limited to 1 ¹/₂ minutes. This will be an experiment to see if we can get to the motions part of the business meeting quicker and perhaps handle more of the business. The group at the ACM did not feel we needed to continue the discussion on "how we handle business at the assemblies". Next month there will be a presentation and discussion by our delegate on "The General Service Office Feasibility Study".

We are all anxiously awaiting the arrival the Agenda topic with the background material, hopefully by February 15. Our delegate did distribute the preliminary agenda topics to the Districts. The officers have their plan in place to start work on the Agenda Topics Summaries as soon as the full agenda topics arrive.

Plans for the pre-conference assembly in Marin are shaping up nicely and I know we are all looking forward to participating in our Area's group conscience in April.

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

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