Preview of the Area Committee Meeting March 2016

The Area Committee Meeting (ACM) on February 27 was full of thoughtful consideration. The updates to the Financial Guidelines was voted on and passed with substantial unanimity. The Web Committee made an amendment to their motion to increase members of their committee. It now reads: "That the Web Committee adds two members, increasing from 5 to 7". There were questions and some discussion and it will be an item of Old Business next month at the March ACM. Please discuss this with your groups. There is also an opening on the Interpretation and Translation Committee. If anyone is interested in serving on this committee, please give your name and service information to any Area Officer. We heard a report from BTG, on the status of the Short Term Correspondence Program. BTG Committee had promised to report back to the ACM after 6 months as per their motion. BTG will make that report available to the Area.

Copies of the Agenda Topic Summaries were available to the Area. Final copies of the Spanish version of the Agenda Topics Summaries shall be available shortly. Please be patient.

Our Delegate, Raymundo, gave a report on the Feasibility Study that was requested from the Board of Trustees. That report has been made available to all the DCMCs to make available to all the AA groups. Raymundo has asked us to get feedback and suggestions from our group before the General Service Conference in April.

As I said there is a lot here for thoughtful consideration. I know I will be looking forward to PRAASA in Spokane. I have a lot questions to take to the mike this year and a lot of conversations I hope to have with other trusted servants about the future of Alcoholics Anonymous. For some reason this year I am very appreciative of the General Service Conference and this process we have to participate in it. I feel very blessed. I want these blessings to be felt by others, now and in the future. I look forward to seeing you in Spokane.

In service and gratitude,

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