



CNCA COMMENTS



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California Northern Coastal Area of Alcoholics Anonymous

Chair's Preview

We had a very robust agenda at our August **Area Committee Meeting** (ACM), and once again we were "alcoholics unanimous." Four housekeeping motions were passed with no objection:

That CNCA spend up to \$130 for 2,000 'Save the Date' bilingual postcards to generate enthusiasm for the 2018 Pacific Regional Forum.

That CNCA fund one member of the Web committee to attend the National AA Technology Workshop September 8-10, 2017 in Sacramento, CA at a cost not to exceed \$500.

That CNCA partially fund up to 4 additional members of the Web committee to attend the National AA Technology Workshop at a cost not to exceed \$700.

That CNCA help defray the costs associated with an exhibitor booth at the annual California Association of Probation Institution Administrators Conference in Shell Beach (near San Luis Obispo), September 26-29, 2017 not to exceed \$325.

We also unanimously passed the old business motion we have been discussing for a few months that will supersede a previous motion on the books and allow for more of our monthly Area committee meetings and sharing sessions at 10 and 11 am to have simultaneous Spanish/English interpretation. If you have any questions, or want to serve as an interpreter, please contact the Interpretation and Translation Committee.

And we had two presentations of new business. The first motion from the Web committee will be new business at the September ACM: "That CNCA purchase a projector and screen at a cost not to exceed \$650." The second motion, which came from a discussion in District 90, we agreed will be a presentation of new business at the Fall Assembly: "That literature be developed sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation."

Amazingly enough, we also had plenty of time to start discussion on the new business motion regarding a 'hot spot' for secure internet access. A friendly amendment to the wording of the motion was accepted. And the question of how do you get a 'hot spot' coupled with some funny noises from the microphone stand gave us all some giggles and was yet another example of finding humor in AA service.

Finally, the DCMCs all went home with copies of the 67th General Service Conference Final Report books, so be sure to pick one up at your district meeting!

In service and gratitude,
Jennifer B, Area Chair

In continuing with the theme of self support, I wanted to draw your attention to the Finance report in the recent AAWS Highlights that have come out after the last board meeting of the General Service Trustees. At this moment (which is just a little bit more than halfway through the fiscal year) "gross sales were \$7,313,388 or 2.17% ahead of budget, contributions were \$3,771,670 or 13.31% ahead of budget and total operating expenses were \$7,821,310 or 1.40% less than budget. Net profit for the six months was \$966,876 compared with a budgeted profit of \$14,988." At this moment, we are looking good for 2017. Let's keep the momentum going. This is what we want to see. Income ahead of budgeted, while expenses are less than budgeted. It means we are on a good track.

I attribute it to our continuing conversations about finances and discussion about the conference theme of Supporting Our Future. "Awareness and Action" is the key here. Awareness of what we need to function and the action required to speak up when needed. I did learn this when I was a GSR for my home group. I found I needed to pay attention to what it cost my home group for a month. How much was rent, literature, refreshments and insurance. I then divided that number by the number of members attending. This is the amount I put in the basket every week, around \$5. We have a financial report in my home group once a month after the steering meeting. I learned to pay attention to if we were on track with all our bills. This is very much the same way that GSO comes up with the cost per member for their services. They take the total cost of services and divide it by the number of people they believe are in AA in the United States and Canada. This year that amount was \$7.27 per person and \$147.93 per group. My home group is well above that amount per group, but I know that not all other groups are able to give that. (The amount received at GSO was \$5.76 per person and per group it was \$97.33.) The fact that my home group can pay more hopefully will offset for a group that can't make that amount as a contribution.

My service sponsor taught me to also pay attention to financial reports of the other services, Intergroup and H&I. If any was hurting for money, it was ok to ask my home group to kick in a bit more of a contribution for that month. I found that by listening to their treasurers' share, that a quarterly contribution was the best to keep the other entities functioning smoothly by providing a steady flow of income throughout the year. Why we keep looking at the money is so when the income falls short we can put the brakes on spending. If the income is over what we expected, then we can be a bit more generous with what we spend it on.

I am forever grateful for being the treasurer of my home group, then treasurer for my District also while serving on the Finance Committee of the Area. It helped me be a responsible GSR, a responsible DCM and DCMC, and a responsible member of the Area, as well as applying these principles to my home budget. Applying the principle of rigorous honesty means you have to look at what is going on financially every month. It does become easier, the more you do it.

Thank you for letting me be of service,
Joann L
Panel 67 CNCA 06 Delegate

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 2017

The monthly committee meeting of CNCA was held August 26, 2017 at the Petaluma Community Center. Jennifer B opened the meeting at 12:30, followed by the Serenity Prayer. The AA Preamble was read by Rose W (District 04). Mark Dean (District 14) read Tradition 8 and Sherrie R (District 13) read Concept 8. There were 4 past delegates present: Diane O (Panel 35), Doug G (Panel 53), Sharon A (Panel 57), and David N (Panel 59). David N currently serves as a General Service Trustee, and Doug G serves as an appointed committee member of the Trustee's Literature committee. There was one new Alternate DCMC and one new DCM present. The July 2017 minutes and financial report were accepted as printed in the *CNCA Comments*. Birthdays: 217/12.

Registered attendance: Voting (66) / Non-voting (38)

Officer Reports

DELEGATE – JOANN L: Only six Delegate's Reports remain; my last one will be on September 27. If you would like a hard copy of the report, please let me know. I have received the Bid Package for the 2030 International Convention, and Teddy and I will be working with Alex S from Santa Clara on a strategy to get this done before the November deadline. Personally, I set up a birthday contribution amount for myself and a quarterly contribution, both which will be reoccurring. I found the website simple and easy to use. Groups can also use online contribution features, like using an e-check feature with online banking. This can save GSO time and money in processing mail and checks.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE – TEDDY B-W: It was my great pleasure to deliver the Delegate's Conference Report to Districts 04 and 40 at their Unity Day. We will circulate an article about the International to Intergroup offices, with a postscript stating that we are planning to put in a bid and asking groups to email their volunteer pledge to AA2030@CNCA06.org.

CHAIR – JENNIFER B: We have a very ambitious agenda

this afternoon. Please give suggestions for Inventory Assembly questions to any Officer before September 23.

TREASURER – CHRIS H: As of today, we have \$32,400 in our checking account (used for operating expenses) and \$10,117 in our savings account (which represents our prudent reserve).

REGISTRAR – LAURA W: Thank you for the wonderful participation and attendance at the Summer Assembly. There were 231 voting and 136 non-voting members in attendance.

RECORDING SECRETARY – ERIC L: We will include summaries from all six workshops at the Summer Assembly in future copies of the *Comments* and *Comentarios*.

ASSEMBLY COORDINATOR – ERICA S: I want to thank District 18 for hosting the Summer Assembly. They came out in full force and with great attitudes at 6 AM to help set up. Preliminary flyers for the Inventory Assembly on November 4 are now available.

LITERATURE/GRAPEVINE/LA VIÑA – MIGUEL H: A new book, *Voice of Women in AA*, is out now, featuring stories from the earliest female AA members up to the present day.

District Reports

DISTRICT 01 (MONTEREY) – SUSAN G: Our monthly meeting was replaced with Dessert with the Delegate this month. We experienced a break in anonymity via social media when a large number of email addresses were shared via a website, and we addressed this in the meeting by reading about anonymity from the Spring 2015 issue of *Box 459*.

DISTRICT 02 (SALINAS/SAN BENITO) – ELIJAH H: We continue discussing reimbursement guidelines, and planning for upcoming events (the Sunshine of the Spirit walk, our Gratitude Dinner and the Pre-Conference Assembly) is underway.

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DISTRICT 03 (SANTA CRUZ) – ERIC H: We passed a motion to create a committee to oversee the *Comentarios* commitment. We also held a productive DCM meeting.

DISTRICT 04 (SANTA CLARA NORTH) – MARIANNE G: There was some confusion after the Summer Assembly workshop topic about a Fifth Edition of the *Big Book*. We witnessed a fraction of the craziness that can happen with discussions regarding the *Big Book*.

DISTRICT 40 (SANTA CLARA SOUTH) – COREE H: We elected a Finance committee. We also had our Unity Day last weekend, and it was a great success.

DISTRICT 05 (SAN MATEO) – GEORGE A: More than 130 people attended our Unity Day, with the majority staying for the whole program. All committees were present, manning tables and giving presentations. Many committees reported that AA members signed up to get involved in service.

DISTRICT 06 (SAN FRANCISCO) – DENNIS H: There is a lot of activity and excitement in District 06. We are also discussing a motion to sponsor one member of our BTG committee to attend the BTG Forum in Monterey.

DISTRICT 07 (ALAMEDA NORTH) – BRENDAN M: We are sending our BTG Chair to the BTG Workshop in Minnesota next month. All of our DCM positions are filled, and we are modernizing our registration process.

DISTRICT 70 (ALAMEDA SOUTH) – NORA H: We have filled all of our Officer positions, including the Access Coordinator and EBYPAA positions. We still have some sub-districts that need DCMs. We will be conducting a District inventory in October and are now selecting the questions we will discuss.

DISTRICT 08 (CONTRA COSTA) – DON L: We are discussing motions to change the lodging reimbursement policy for assemblies and for purchasing a sound system. We passed another motion to send one member of the District to the National AA Archives Workshop.

DISTRICT 09 (SOLANO SOUTH) – CLAUDIA K: We welcomed our first SOLYPAA liaison. We are looking forward to our Delegate's Report/Service Day held on September 16.

DISTRICT 90 (SOLANO NORTH) – TONY W: We are preparing a bid for the 2019 Post-Conference Assembly. We will also be presenting a motion later today.

DISTRICT 10 (MARIN) – CATHY P: We are sending one GSR to the NAATW, and our Archivist is taking digital histories from local members with long-term sobriety.

Our Unity Day will be held on September 10.

DISTRICT 11 (NAPA) – JEFF D: We elected a new Bridging the Gap chair. We are discussing what to do now that our Treasury has accumulated more than enough to get us through the year. We have some upcoming expenses and projects, including developing a plan to share storage space with Intergroup.

DISTRICT 12 (SONOMA) – ROBERT F: We are preparing for Unity Day on September 30 in Sebastopol. Our Bridging the Gap committee recently met with the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department, and there is a good chance that BTG will be able to make presentations in jails again.

DISTRICT 13 (LAKE) – MARY ELLEN R: We passed a motion to make copies of the book *The Archives of the General Service Board* for display, and a motion to turn over our copy of the book to the Area archives is under discussion.

DISTRICT 14 (MENDOCINO) – ROBIN T: We heard a wonderful and heartfelt report from our Delegate.

DISTRICT 15 (HUMBOLDT/DEL NORTE) – DEVIN P: We have begun electing our host committee for the 2018 Summer Assembly. We held a very productive district meeting, and we are bringing back the DCMC's "Unity Newsletter Insert."

DISTRICT 16 (SPANISH CENTRAL) – FRANCISCO R: We celebrated our District's anniversary, heard the Delegate's Report, and received information about the Hispanic Women's Workshop.

DISTRICT 17 (SPANISH SOUTH) – MARIO S: We continue visiting groups in Santa Clara County and San Mateo County. Our PI/CPC committee is organizing workshops and our *La Viña* committee is working with group representatives to encourage attendance at workshops.

DISTRICT 18 (SPANISH NORTH) – HECTOR C: We are grateful for having had the opportunity to host the Summer Assembly. Currently, we are working on the possibility of financially supporting the BTG committee when members attend workshops.

DISTRICT 19 (SPANISH SOUTH SOUTH) – MAGDALENO O: Our PI committee is very active; we had one event in Salinas and will have a second next month. Two new groups are now forming in our district, and our Registrar is working with them.

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

DISTRICT 20 (SPANISH EAST) – TEODOMIRO S: Our Alternate DCMC resigned because he is moving. Our discussion about expanding the meeting space is on hold because the space we had been considering has been rented out.

Area Sub-Committees and Sharing Sessions

ARCHIVES – RICHARD W: We have rearranged the repository AV room to streamline processes, and we continue working on collecting oral histories. We are also hoping that we will receive back more group history forms to add to our currently-small collection.

BRIDGING THE GAP – KELLY H: This month, your BTG committees gave 31 presentations and handled 97 requests for contact. We are excited about the 12th CNCA BTG Forum, to be held on October 21 in Monterey. And we will give a report on the second phase of the Pre-Release Contact Program next month.

FINANCE – CLAUDIA N: We are working on the budget, reviewing our current statement of activity with our current budget to foresee what will be coming next year. We hope to have a draft by the next ACM for review by the Area Officers.

PI/CPC – TEDDY B-W: We heard a presentation today on the role that PI/CPC has played in the growth of AA. We also discussed a template letter for members to hand to their doctor. There were some helpful suggestions we will be incorporating as we review it again next month.

WEBSITE – ROBERT E: We discussed two Housekeeping Motions we will be presenting today, and we reviewed how we conduct our early-morning training before the ACM. If you have something you think should be added to the website, please talk to the Area Chair.

INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION – MICHAEL Q: We again exhausted our supply of FM radios to loan at the last Assembly. We also welcomed a new committee member today, James B, who will serve as an Equipment Tech.

CNCA COMMENTS – JOSÉ A: Eighteen people helped with the 'lick and stick,' and we were able to send the *Comments* out on time.

COMENTARIOS DE CNCA – ERIC H: We sent 170 copies of the July *Comentarios* and finished the process of sanitizing the electronic copy for posting online. We are building up a team. Seven people are now working on translation, and we are hoping to become more self-sufficient.

DCM SHARING SESSION – JACQUELINE P: We heard a presentation on 'Helping GSRs with Controversial Topics.' People shared about cultivating humility (by withholding our personal opinions and supporting GSRs) and cultivating interest in General Service (by demonstrating how, through a group conscience, every member has a voice).

ACCESSIBILITIES – LAURA W: We heard a presentation from an AA member who works for a non-profit that helps companies make their services more accessible to those with disabilities. He also shared his experience as an AA member who is blind. Our sharing today focused on how we can be accessible, welcoming, respectful and inclusive.

LITERATURE/GRAPEVINE/LA VIÑA – CINDI W: At today's sharing session, we wrote stories on how being in service has been a part of our journey. We saw how simple it was to write these stories, and several people shared that they would submit their stories to the *Grapevine* and *La Viña*.

NCCAA – LINDA G: The final NCCAA Conference of 2017 will be held on October 13 to 15 in Lodi.

H&I – DIANE O: Our next Steering Committee meeting is in Sacramento on September 9, and our next General meeting will be held on October 8 in Rockland. We are discussing revisions to our Policy Manual and our 2018 budget. The first National Corrections Conference will be held on November 10 to 12 in St. Louis, Missouri.

ACYPAA – HELEN E: ACYPAA will be hosted in Santa Rosa on February 22 to 25. We are holding business meetings the first and third Sunday of every month, and we hold numerous events to generate enthusiasm. Our host committee is a bunch of young AAs who are passionate about bringing still-suffering alcoholic youth into a sober life. We would like to extend our service to any District that needs help with any events or any other service. You can register online for ACYPAA at www.2018.acypaa.org.

LA VIÑA 21 ANNIVERSARY – RAFAEL R: We celebrated the *La Viña* anniversary in Area 93. Around 900 people registered (and subscribed to *La Viña*) and 450 people attended. A final report will be available soon.

TECHNOLOGY AD-HOC – SHARON A: We are still strategizing on our general strategy, and each of us has been assigned to a standing committee or sharing

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

session to collect information. We have agreed that we will want to invite some of these folks as a group to our meeting for some general sharing and to bounce ideas back and forth.

HISPANIC WOMEN'S WORKSHOP – MARIA LUISA S AND EMMA M: We attended a planning meeting in Pasadena and chose the name of the workshop this year: "One Voice, Many Voices." Our Area's theme will be "The Queen of the Group." Among the things we discussed was a motion that recently passed requesting a pamphlet for the Hispanic alcoholic woman. This has been a spiritual experience for both of us, and we are grateful to the Area for their support. We want to invite our English-speaking sisters to this workshop, to be held on December 3 in Pasadena.

2018 PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM – DOUG G: Thank you to the Delegate for asking me to serve as Welcoming Chair. Though the Forum is more than one year away, now is the time we want to start talking about it and getting it on people's calendars. With that in mind, I will be presenting a Housekeeping Motion for more post-cards.

Housekeeping Motions

That CNCA spend up to \$130 for 2000 'Save the Date' bilingual postcards to generate enthusiasm for the 2018 Pacific Regional Forum. – *presented by Doug G, 2018 Pacific Regional Forum Welcome committee*

Presentation: GSO wants 200, some will be sent to other Areas, and the remainder will be distributed amongst the CNCA Districts and possibly Intergroups. These will only be used up until PRAASA 2018, when they will be replaced with the 'official' cards from GSO.

Questions: Q: None

Seeing no objections / Motion passes.

That CNCA fund one member of the Web committee to attend the National AA Technology Workshop September 8 to 10, 2017, in Sacramento, CA, at a cost not to exceed \$500. – *presented by the Web committee*

Presentation: This is a budgeted item.

Questions: Q: Is this something we normally have a Housekeeping Motion for? A: This is the first time we are making a Housekeeping Motion after the motion last year passed to send someone each year.

Seeing no objections / Motion passes.

That CNCA partially fund up to 4 additional members of

the Web committee to attend the National AA Technology Workshop September 8 to 10, 2017, in Sacramento, CA, at a cost not to exceed \$700. – *presented by the Web committee*

Presentation: This is a unique opportunity for several of us on the committee to attend, learn and network with others. Our budget to attend the NAATW was \$1200. We are sending one person using \$500, and we hope to use the other \$700.

Questions: Q: The budgeted amount was \$1200, but because of the proximity, you want to take advantage of that? A: Yes, we are not going over the budgeted \$1200.

Seeing no objections / Motion passes.

That CNCA help defray the costs associated with an exhibitor booth at the annual California Association of Probation Institution Administrators Conference in Shell Beach (near San Luis Obispo), September 26 to 29, 2017, not to exceed \$325. – *presented by Teddy B-W, Alternate Delegate*

Presentation: Area 93 plans to have a presence. We have supported this conference in the past. The cost of an exhibitor booth at this conference is \$650; I assume it will be less than \$325, but in the event that no other Area contributes, I have budgeted for half of the \$650 cost.

Questions: Q: None

Seeing no objections / Motion passes.

Area Business

PRESENTATION OF NEW BUSINESS:

That CNCA purchase a projector and screen at a cost not to exceed \$650. – *presented by the Web committee*

Presentation: In the past, we used one member's projector, which we found to be an invaluable tool. That member is no longer on the committee, so we no longer have a projector. We realized we may also need a screen.

Questions: Q: Would the Web committee have custody of and be responsible for the deployment of this equipment? A: Yes. Q: Would the screen be large enough to utilize at assemblies? A: The screen size we are looking at is around 100 inches diagonal. Q: Would the projector and screen be available for use by other committees? A: Yes.

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

Motion remains Area Committee Meeting Business (by show of hands). Motion will be New Business.

PRESENTATION OF NEW BUSINESS:

That literature be developed sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation. – *presented by District 90*

Presentation: This motion was made by a GSR who wanted this addressed specifically. We discussed it for several months and voted at our last meeting by substantial unanimity to bring the motion here.

Questions: Q: What kind of literature do you have in mind? A book? A pamphlet? A: Yes.

Motion forwarded to the Area Assembly Business Meeting. Motion will be Presentation of New Business at the 2017 Fall Inventory Assembly.

OLD BUSINESS:

That a portion of CNCA Motion 1008-3 be amended from '...professional quality simultaneous Spanish/English interpretation at all assembly workshops, the Area Meeting (including the DCMC and DCM sharing sessions and 2 standing committees on a rotating basis but so that there shall be no more than 2 being interpreted concurrently)' to read: '... professional quality simultaneous Spanish/English interpretation at all assembly workshops, the Area Meeting (including the DCMC and DCM sharing sessions and all standing committees, subcommittees and sharing sessions which request interpretation). Interpretation shall be subject to availability of interpreters and available equipment.' – *presented by the Interpretation and Translation (I&T) committee*

Discussion: When I served on the Archives committee, we sometimes did not have interpreters available, and I would have to interpret while also taking minutes. I support anything that removes restrictions on access and allows us to provide interpretation for people who want to participate in service. // We do not want technical reasons to disallow people from being of service because of something in a Motions Book from a long time ago. // I am curious as to how requests would work. Would these requests for interpretation be made in advance? Or on the day of the ACM? (Answer: There is no formal procedure. Currently, the Chair of a committee lets me know they would like an interpreter and equipment at their next meeting, and we try to accommodate requests as best we can. There is no form to fill out.) // Today, at the Grapevine sharing session, interpretation

was available and we were able to participate together. // We have five people at the BTG committee that speak Spanish, and we have had some meetings in which interpretation was unavailable. We anticipate an ongoing need for interpretation when we have people who speak Spanish on our committee, and I assume other committees have that same need. // Whenever I come to the Area, I stick my head in to different committees, and if someone needs assistance, I stay, but if no one needs assistance, I will go to another room. It is important that everyone can participate. // It would be nice if we could move the Area to a point where we would not have to request interpretation, and that anyone could come and interpretation would already be available. // There is a cost associated with paying interpreters. Has that financial impact been discussed? (Answer: The actual financial impact is hard to gauge, given variables such as interpreter mileage. After talking it through with the I&T and Finance committees, it seems the absolute maximum possible impact would be about \$3800 per year. The more reasonable high estimate that we will include in the 2018 budget (if the motion passes) would be \$2300. The actual cost is likely to be lower, given the current requests and available interpreters.)

The Area committee was asked if they were ready to vote, and members were ready to vote. Substantial unanimity (2/3) was required for the motion to pass.

Vote: Yes (65) / No (0) / Abstained (1). Motion passes.

NEW BUSINESS:

That CNCA contract with a service provider determined by the Web Committee, to obtain a 'Hot Spot' for secure Internet access. Hot Spot to be available at all CNCA committee meetings, assemblies and other CNCA events. Internet access to be used by Standing Committees and Sub Committees and Area Officers to conduct CNCA business, committee work and presentations requested. Cost of provider not to exceed \$50 per month, plus initial set up fee not to exceed \$100. – *presented by the Web committee*

Questions: What is a Hot Spot and how do you get one? A: A Hot Spot allows you to connect a laptop or other Internet-activated devices to the Internet. You can get one by establishing a contract with a wireless data provider. Q: Would this only be used for the Web committee? A: It would also be used for Area Officers and standing committees.

California Northern Coastal Area Statement of Financial Position

As of July 31, 2017

	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Operating Funds - Checking	31,846.79
Prudent Reserve - Savings	10,117.99
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 41,964.78
Other Current Assets	
Assembly Deposits	3,390.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$ 3,390.00
Total Current Assets	\$ 45,354.78
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 45,354.78
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
Operating Funds ~ Adjusted	24,557.99
Prudent Reserve ~ Savings	10,117.90
Net Revenue	10,678.89
Total Equity	\$ 45,354.78
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 45,354.78

Expense Report July 2017

California Northern Coastal Area

BUDGET VS. ACTUALS: 2017 BUDGET - FY17 P&L

July 2017

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
REVENUE			
002 Group Contributions	12,559.14	9,000.00	139.55 %
003 District Contributions	858.00	625.00	137.28 %
005 Tradition 7, Area Comm.	289.00	280.00	103.21 %
008 Personal/Misc Contributions	117.25	100.00	117.25 %
010 Interest Income	0.43	0.00	
Total Revenue	\$13,823.82	\$10,005.00	138.17 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$13,823.82	\$10,005.00	138.17 %
EXPENDITURES			
012 EXPENSE			
013 Delegate Expense	777.84	524.00	148.44 %
038 Officer Expense	1,136.81	1,971.00	57.68 %
093 Committee Expenses	1,863.80	2,504.00	74.43 %
158 General Expenses	3,013.68	1,234.00	244.22 %
Total 012 EXPENSE	6,792.13	6,233.00	108.97 %
Total Expenditures	\$6,792.13	\$6,233.00	108.97 %
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$7,031.69	\$3,772.00	186.42 %
NET REVENUE	\$7,031.69	\$3,772.00	186.42 %

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. Q: Was it discussed to open up Wi-Fi for all who attend assemblies? A: Yes, but we decided against it because this is also to provide secure connections for financial transactions. Q: How would you use it? A: When the Web committee is here, we could connect to the Internet to do Area work (rather than using our personal data plans). Q: How many users would it support? A: Depending on what you transmit and the data. I have had up to ten or fifteen people using my personal one. Q: How would it work to request access? A: It is something we have not yet determined. Q: What is the need, and how did it occur? A: At the Pre-Conference Assembly, we used my own personal hot spot. I have 40 GB, but we ran out of data. With the Finance committee now accepting electronic contributions, we began discussing the importance of having a secure connection.

Discussion: My initial response to this motion is that this would absolutely help you do your work. While I would love to open up the Hot Spot for personal use, I don't think it is a good idea. // I think this is a great idea. This is forward-looking. In the past, we would have to print out the website pages and put them in a binder to show people the website. It would be awesome to have the website displayed at assemblies and make it interactive. // Internet access is a utility, in the same way that power or water are utilities.

Motion moved to Old Business.

DISCUSSION TOPIC:

Translating the *Comentarios*: Is our process effective? If so, how? If not, why not?

Discussion: District 03 thought we would be better prepared, but we have struggled with this commitment. Most people helping translate have bilingual backgrounds, but it takes a lot of time. We have increased the number of folks to help divide and conquer the documents. There are differences and subtleties in dialects, and it is hard to find the right way to give factual information in a way that serves the language of the heart. The work people are doing is immensely important and non-trivial. // In the past, Districts 04 and 40 worked together on the *Comentarios*. Translation was always a challenge. Currently, as the Recording Secretary, it takes me between six and eight hours to prepare the minutes in English. I can't imagine it takes any less time to translate them while capturing the spirituality in people's words. We were lucky when we printed the *Comentarios* that our Central Office understood the problems with scheduling the printing, because of delays in translation or in approval. But a regular printer

would not have worked with us at a low cost because we could not schedule things in advance. // This is an important question for the Spanish-speaking community. This is something that we should be asking ourselves. Are we doing well? What can we do better? // I am the advisor for the *Comentarios*. It takes me six or seven hours to go through the document, page by page, and then compare them to the *Comments*. It takes me a lot of time, and it takes a lot of time for the people who are translating. I have so much respect for the people who are doing this service. // For half a year, no one bid on the *Comentarios*. It shouldn't necessarily have to be one district (or two districts) but it could be done if several districts cooperated, especially on the translation, which takes at least 20 hours each month. // We have had this discussion at the Area about the necessity of professional translation of the spoken word, but not of the written word, which is surprising since the written word is the official record of what we have done here. We just spent \$1600 today on Housekeeping Motions, and we should be laying out for professional translation. // We are happy to help and collaborate.

The *Comentarios* have been very helpful to me, and I want to thank you for preparing them for me. // In the past, we looked into software to help translate the written word. Perhaps we could be revisiting that conversation in the ad-hoc technology committee. // We have wondered whether this should be compensated work, and on the use of special workers. It seems to me that while we currently have free translation, which may not always be the case. It does sound like an awful lot of time. // I have used professional translators in the past. In my own experience, it costs 10 cents a word. It would cost about \$916 to translate the *Comments*. // In Panel 53, this subject also came up. At that time, the Chair investigated using off-shore translation, and we found a lower rate. If we are going to be hiring services, we can think widely. // We have been talking about this the whole panel in the I&T committee, and major things that keep coming up are language of the heart and the many dialects of Spanish. Using Google Translate comes up faulty, and you need someone to go and correct the errors. If we are going to go to outside services, why not just pay someone that is already doing it. We can figure out a contract with someone, much like we pay our interpreters. // I think the Eighth Tradition really speaks to this need. We often try to get things for free and not pay for them. It is important that we have people who understand the AA language, and that we pay them what they are worth. // I want to thank everyone who is and has been involved in the production of the

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

Comments and Comentaríos. Even magazine companies and newspapers that produce these things on a regular basis have difficulty getting things out on time. We are in a situation in which we rely on the volunteerism of our members, and it is always a grateful miracle that the *Comments* and *Comentaríos* get produced every month. Perhaps we can consider a new commitment called a Production Manager whose responsibility would be in ensuring that all the pieces come together according to a timeline.

Discussion continues next month.

DISCUSSION TOPIC:

Pros and Cons of using both volunteers and professionals (as available) for simultaneous interpretation at our Assemblies

We are restricted by motion to use only professional interpreters at assemblies. The I&T committee would like to know what you think about allowing professional-quality volunteers to interpret at assemblies as well. There are many reasons that we went with professionals in the first place, but things may have changed. We would like to hear what the Area wants before making a motion. // One of the problems NCCAA has had is that professionals may not capture the language of the heart. It may be better to have someone who is in AA because they understand AA lingo. // As a professional-quality interpreter, this motion interests me. I am not a professional, but I do try to do my best. At assemblies, we have professional interpreters who have learned our AA language. But a random interpreter may not have the language of the heart. We might need to test this idea out. // I served as the Interpretation Coordinator a few panels back. It sounds great to try using professional-quality interpretation at our assemblies. The con could be that we would still need to rely on people with some General Service background because of the terminology we use. // I get the language of the heart issue. We use the word "resentment" inaccurately. We don't give people resentments. We talk about 'yets' as a noun. We use the word sponsee, when it should be sponsoree. // I have been an ASL interpreter in the past. I understand the importance of not only getting what is said, but getting across the emotion. The most

important people to hear from on this topic are the Spanish-language Districts. I would suggest our Spanish-language Districts put together a committee on what your needs are and how we can provide that for you. I can't imagine what it is like if you do not have a good interpreter who communicates the feelings. // A good interpreter is not an easy-to-find thing. That kind of judgment call is to be left in the hands of trusted servants. We have an I&T committee, and we should remove restrictions placed on them and trust them to do their job. // We are not looking to fire our professionals. But restrictions like this one should not be in our motions. Our professional interpreters have learned the language of the heart. I just want more flexibility in our ability to provide interpretation. // The decision to provide professional interpretation occurred prior to the formation of the I&T committee. // I really appreciate the interpreters and the fact that the Area supports interpretation so I can hear everyone. I got into General Service so I could hear everybody.

Discussion continues next month.

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

The National AA Technology Workshop is two weeks away. It will be held in Sacramento between September 8 and 10. It will be a good time, with good workshops and panels available. // We have this packet of information from Japan that they give for CPC work. If anyone is interested in seeing a copy, please see me.

The meeting was closed at 3:26 pm with the Responsibility Statement.

Submitted with Love and Gratitude,

Eric L, CNCA Panel 67 Recording Secretary

NOTES FROM CHAIR

Please remember to bring your FM radio to all Area Committee Meetings and Assemblies for Spanish/English interpretation and Assisted Listening for the hearing impaired.

SUMMER ASSEMBLY BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES FOR 2017

The Summer Assembly Business meeting of CNCA was held August 5, 2017 at the Petaluma Community Center in Petaluma, California. Jennifer B opened the meeting at 9:45, followed by the Serenity Prayer. The AA Preamble was read by Laurie H (District 13). Mary M (District 04) read the 12 Traditions in English, and Jose F (District 18) read the 12 Traditions in Spanish. There were 6 past delegates present: Diane O (Panel 35), Woody R (Panel 50, Area 07), Doug G (Panel 53), David N (Panel 59), Jim F (Panel 59, Area 38), and Raymundo L (Panel 65). David N currently serves as a General Service Trustee, and Doug G serves as an appointed committee member of the Trustee's Literature committee. There were also two past trustees present: Greg M and Tom M. The minutes from the 2017 Post-Conference Assembly were accepted as printed in the *CNCA Comments*.

Registered attendance: Voting (230) / Non-voting (133)

Officer Reports

DELEGATE – JOANN L: Doug G has agreed to be the Hospitality Chair for the upcoming Pacific Regional Forum in San Jose in September 2018. I really want every one of us to bring someone to the Forum who does not know anything about General Service. I sent out Spanish and English versions of the digital, anonymity-protected Conference Report. Hard copies will be available mid-August. The translation of the *Big Book* into Croatian has been approved. A revised translation of the Slovakian *Big Book* has been submitted for review. And the Navajo *Big Book* is proceeding with the translation of the final two chapters. Finally, I received a request from a member in Santa Clara County to put in a bid for the 2030 International Convention. After checking with GSO, I was told that I need to find out if there is interest in hosting an International Convention, since we would have to provide 4000 volunteers. If you think your groups would like to volunteer, let me know. (Assembly cheers in response).

ALTERNATE DELEGATE – TEDDY B-W: Your Delegate and I meet monthly to ensure that we continue to work effectively on your behalf. At our July Area Committee Meeting, we decided to fund our Area's participation in the 2nd Annual Hispanic Women's Workshop in Pasadena on December 3. Our liaisons will be Emma M (District 16) and Maria Luisa S (District 20).

CHAIR – JENNIFER B: Thank you to those individuals and districts who submitted workshop ideas for the Summer Assembly. We received more than 60 suggestions, and

the six we have to choose from and enjoy today are the result of your participation. Your input is needed again to prepare inventory questions for our Fall Assembly on November 4, where we will take our Area inventory. Please submit your ideas for inventory questions by September 23.

TREASURER – CHRIS H: We currently have \$32,283 in our checking account (used for operating expenses) and \$10,117 in our savings account (which represents our prudent reserve). Year-to-date, we had budgeted approximately \$75,000 in contributions and received approximately \$84,000. We had budgeted \$78,000 in expenses, and spent \$63,000. We are now about \$24,000 ahead of budget.

REGISTRAR – LAURA W: I continue to process changes as they come in from our District Registrars and have been collecting feedback to make the process more efficient. I am working on reconciling differences and discrepancies, and am on track to complete this project by December.

RECORDING SECRETARY – ERIC L: The next Motions Book will include a brief history of our Accessibilities Sharing Session. It will also highlight our months-long discussion about the Area's technology needs and include information about workshop topics at previous Summer Assemblies.

ASSEMBLY COORDINATOR – ERICA S: I would like to thank District 18 for hosting all of us today. They put lots of time, energy and love into putting this assembly together, and they have done a fantastic job. Our Fall Inventory Assembly will be on November 4 at the Petaluma Veterans Building. There are eight assemblies available for bidding.

LITERATURE/GRAPEVINE/LA VIÑA – MIGUEL H: If anyone wants to sponsor a *Grapevine* or *La Viña* subscription, please purchase one and give me the information so I can make sure it gets to a future member of AA through H&I, BTG or PI/CPC. We will hold a Writing Stories workshop at the Literature/*Grapevine*/*La Viña* Sharing Session.

Area Standing Committees and Sub-Committees

ARCHIVES – RICHARD W: The Archives committee has been working on digitizing our reel-to-reel recordings, created a CNCA Delegates display board, and attended several Unity Days. We have also participated

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in several members' research on various topics. We also continue collecting group and oral histories. All of your information adds to the treasure of experience we have in our archives.

BRIDGING THE GAP – KELLY H: So far this year, your BTG committees gave 158 presentations and handled 703 requests for help. Committee officers continue to visit District and BTG meetings and events, and we have seen interest and enthusiasm for this service growing. Interest in the Pre-Release Contact correspondence program is also growing. We are now preparing for the 12th Annual BTG Forum.

FINANCE – CLAUDIA N: We continue trying to improve the use of Square at the ACM and at assemblies. We are informing contributors about the email option for receipts, and we hope that it will eventually decrease the paperwork and save the Area some of the cost. The motion to send \$10,000 to the General Service Board passed after much discussion, and we hope to commence work on the 2018 budget soon.

PI/CPC – TEDDY B-W: I have been in contact with other PI/CPC Chairs around California to see if they will be spearheading AA's presence at conferences for probation administrators, school psychologists and psychiatrists, and, if so, to see if our help is needed. The Area already approved financial support for an exhibitor booth to be staffed by our siblings in California Northern Interior Area at the CalPsych conference in Yosemite later this year.

WEBSITE – ROBERT E: The Web committee is working on creating a new website using Drupal software. Our spam problem continues, but has diminished. We have corrected some problems with email forwarding, and we recently added an hour-long training session. We are now looking forward to the National AA Technology Workshop in Sacramento in September.

INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION – MICHAEL Q: I want to thank our interpreters. English to Spanish and Spanish to English interpretation is available on FM station 96.9; Assisted Listening is at FM station 92.5. We have FM radios to loan. All workshops today will be interpreted. Please check with workshop presenters for the FM station being broadcast in each workshop room.

2018 PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM – DOUG G: The Regional Forums are intended to be a weekend of sharing and information and to let the Board and staff be in touch with the Fellowship. It is not just for people in General Service but also for the Fellowship at large so that they

can meet those who work at the General Service Office and on the General Service Board on our behalf. The next Pacific Regional Forum will be September 7-9, 2018 in San Jose. I am forming a welcome committee, and I have been in contact with GSO to develop short-term goals and a long-term action plan.

Area Business

OLD BUSINESS:

That language similar to the following be added to the section "How Decisions Affecting A.A. Are Made" in *The A.A. Group* pamphlet at the conclusion of the following sentence: "Annually, groups from the U.S. and Canada elect delegates (serving two-year terms) from their areas to the yearly meeting of the Conference in New York — to hear the reports of the board's committees, G.S.O. and Grapevine staffs, and to recommend future directions, mainly in the form of Advisory Actions."

'Prior to the annual General Service Conference a list of important issues to be discussed during the Conference is published and made available to each and every Group in the U.S. and Canada. Because these issues make up a part of the entire General Service Conference Agenda, they are referred to as Agenda Topics. Every Group in the U.S. and Canada has the opportunity to review, discuss, and develop an informed Group Conscience on these Agenda Topics. The Group's GSR then carries the Group's Conscience on Conference Agenda Topics to the Area's Delegate, usually at an Area Assembly prior to the General Service Conference. The Area Delegate then represents the collective conscience of the Groups in the Area at the General Service Conference on these matters vital to A.A. as a whole.' – *presented by District 11*

Discussion: This passage would help inform people. // This pamphlet should stay focused on the groups and not involve so much information about General Service. // This passage was too specific about how our Area does business, not necessarily how other Areas do business. // This passage informs GSRs about the process at the Conference. // Participating in the General Service Conference process is one of the most important functions of a group (other than helping people stay sober). It is important for individual members to see what happens on an international level. // I spoke with many people from other Areas who don't follow this process because their areas do things in a different manner. They don't want to change how they do business, and they didn't think that doing things the way outlined in this passage would be appropriate for them.

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// This has too much detail that isn't necessary. To educate GSRs, we can have conversations with GSRs. // I find some of the grammar and capitalization in this passage to be wrong. // I have a number of groups in my District that willfully do not want to participate in General Service. They do not think that it accurately represents AA, and they are as much a part of AA as groups with a GSR. This paragraph could be seen as telling groups what they have to do. // The more information is available, the better.

The Assembly was asked if they were ready to vote, and members were ready to vote. Substantial unanimity (2/3) was required for the motion to pass.

Vote: Yes (116) / No (55) / Abstained (3). Motion passes.

Minority Opinion: My concern is that this implies that our Area's way is the only way to gather group consciences, and that we are dictating our procedure. I think every Area has a different way of doing things, and it is up to the Delegate, their DCMs, and their Chairs how they handle business. This smacks too much of Area 06 telling the U.S. and Canada to do things our way. // This passage is far too detailed and too specific to our Area. I don't know how spending time (and money) on this revision helps the still-suffering alcoholic. Members who are curious about this process can find information in the GSR pamphlet and the *Service Manual*. // Other Areas do things differently, and it would be incorrect information in a pamphlet carried all over the country. // I like the idea of having more information about the Agenda Topics process in a pamphlet. But I look back to Concept 3, which gives each Delegate a Right of Decision.

Motion to reconsider; seconded.

Vote: Yes (92) / No (88) // Motion to reconsider passes.

Motion remains Old Business at the 2017 Fall Inventory Assembly.

OLD BUSINESS:

That the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous and the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous approve the development of a new public service announcement in video format that utilizes full-face actors (not members of A.A.). – *presented by the CNCA PI/CPC Committee*

Discussion: We responded positively to videos with full

faces. But there were concerns about the honesty of using actors and concerns that PSAs cannot cover the scope of AA experience. // Could we obtain a licensing agreement with Australia's General Service Board to use already-produced videos here in the United States? // This is too much promotion rather than attraction. // We were concerned about the perception of anonymity breaks. // Some members wanted real alcoholics rather than actors because that is the only way to truthfully convey the message. // Full faces could show more emotion. But bringing up similar motions so closely together (a recent Agenda Topic did not pass) seems to be pushing an agenda. // Actors are often hired for different commercials. It would be troubling to have one of the actors in our PSA featured in a commercial for alcoholic drinks. // Some said using full faces could cheapen our message. Others felt that excluding AA members from participating in this PSA felt mean; we should not prohibit members of AA from participating in their work. // We want people who are hearing-impaired to be able to read the lips of actors in full-face videos. // Videos with full faces would be more engaging and have a more powerful impact. Videos with actors in shadows encourage people to not pay attention. // We wanted a new PSA with actors' faces to reach younger people. // PSAs with darkened faces makes me think that alcoholics are shameful and guilty. Full faces would remove that stigma. // If I want someone to portray a real-life experience, I go to an actor. // Most of my group felt that videos were another tool in our 12th Step toolbox. Movies like *Days of Wine and Roses* had a dramatic effect because they showed full faces. // My personal opinion is that the Australia videos told dramatic stories in a brief time. The disheartening thing for me is to keep hearing that this "breaks our Traditions." Public Information has been around for a long time. We are not a secret society. // Could the video just say "these are paid actors" and not mention they are or aren't AA members? // Using actors highlights our commitment to anonymity. // It is my understanding that promotion would be "I guarantee this." These videos do not guarantee that you will get sober, but they attract you to a way of getting sober. // We are anonymous not because of shame, but because we want to protect AA. We are not hiding in shadows. // Why not hire professional speakers to recite our shares from podiums? I watched the videos on AA's website, and I really liked one video with young people on a beach. They speak from the heart. I am not sure actors could convey that message as well. // Using actors is a good idea because they can

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represent the desperation of those who suffer from alcoholism. // The traditions talks about personal anonymity, and there is no list of credits on a PSA. // I am not a person who gets a lot out of books. I have a hard time retaining information. But when I see something in front of me, I respond well and pursue it. // I would like information about how this video worked in Australia. // The first time I considered going to an AA meeting was after watching a TV show. It resonated with me. The only other times I have had that experience are in AA meetings. Full faces are more powerful. But there is something unique about one alcoholic communicating with another that a PSA won't be able to do. // When I was in jail, guys from H&I came in and they didn't wear ski masks. They sacrificed their anonymity to bring the message to guys trying to get out of work duty by going to AA. They weren't always the most exciting speakers (like an actor could be). // We should not let fear prevent us from doing something. // Someone from the hearing-impaired community came to the ACM and pleaded with us from the microphone to consider this, noting that hearing-impaired people benefit from seeing our full faces and our lips move. We are trying to address a need that was brought to us by people who are hearing-impaired. // I had to attend DUI classes. They showed me the movie *My Name is Bill W.* That helped me see I needed help. // I did not find these rooms through late-night ads. I went to my parents and asked for help. They got me to AA, where I heard other people's stories, and that resonated with me. Had I seen a PSA, I may have gotten here sooner. // Public Information is one way to reach as many people who are suffering as possible. There are a variety of PSAs that AA uses. Some of them have partial faces, some of them have stick people, and there are specific announcements for professionals. This motion fills a gap and reaches a need, and this proposed video will reach the suffering alcoholic that other PSAs are not reaching. // The AA message is profound. When I saw these videos, I was deeply moved.

Motion remains Old Business at the 2017 Fall Inventory Assembly.

PRESENTATION: PARTING WORDS FROM A PAST TRUSTEE

Aloha. I lived in Hawaii 32 years. It was where I got sober. I served Hawaii as Delegate. Aloha means hello, goodbye, I love you, let's have dinner. Having this opportunity say aloha to you is very special to me. I got introduced to the Three Legacies from the very beginning of my sobriety. I was on Twelfth Step calls and I was making coffee, and within a couple weeks we were

forming a General Service structure in Hawaii. This will be my fourth move in sobriety, and every time I have moved, a fellowship has grown up around me. It happened when I moved from Hawaii to New York to serve as the General Manager. It happened when I moved here after I retired from the Office. Thank you to those of you here who pulled me in, hugged me, welcomed me and nurtured me. It has been a wonderful 10 years. I will be here a little longer, but we are now building a home in Las Vegas. I still love my home group in Half Moon Bay, and I am sure I will meet you again traveling the road of happy destiny. I am not concerned and I am not viewing with alarm, but I find it interesting to be in an Area of creativity, of technology and of social media hubs. I do think we maybe have gotten too rigid, too dense, too focused on paper. What really touches my heart is the face-to-face sharing. I will be doing a lot of that because it creates vitality. If you are new to this Third Legacy procedure, hang in there. There is a lot of paperwork going on. Just follow your heart. I have been really blessed with having attended 16 General Service Conferences (about) and in that process, I am always reminded that whenever we gather together, the purpose is to search out and find God's will for us and to share it with others. The thing I really like about our process is that we make decisions today, for today, and that it is always subject to be changed tomorrow. The process is what matters. I have an obligation to drag people out of their chairs and to tell them to share, and that is how together we find the will of God for all of us. Thank you for being such a good host area for me. I am looking forward to having the same experience in Area 42.

— presented by Greg M

The meeting was closed at 12:04 pm with the Responsibility Statement. Minutes from the afternoon session will continue next month.

Submitted with Love and Gratitude,

Eric L, CNCA Panel 67 Recording Secretary

Area Committee:

Assembly Bids:

Housekeeping Motions:

Guidelines:

Presentation of New Business:

Old Business at Area Committee Meeting:

"That CNCA contract with a service provider determined by the Web Committee, to obtain a 'Hot Spot' for secure Internet access. Hot Spot to be available at all CNCA committee meetings, assemblies and other CNCA events. Internet access to be used by Standing Committees and Sub Committees and Area Officers to conduct CNCA business, committee work and presentations requested. Cost of provider not to exceed \$50 per month, plus initial set up fee not to exceed \$100." —*Web Committee*

New Business at Area Committee Meeting:

"That CNCA purchase a projector and screen at a cost not to exceed \$650." —*Web Committee*

Discussion topics:

Translating the *Comentarios*: Is our process effective? If so, how? If not, why not?

Pros and Cons of using both volunteers and professionals (as available) for simultaneous interpretation at our Assemblies

Area Assembly Motions:

Redistricting Requests:

Presentation of New Business at Area Assembly:

"That literature be developed sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation." —

Presented by District 90

Old Business at Area Assembly:

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2. "That the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous and the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous approve the development of a new public service announcement in video format that utilizes full-face actors (not members of A.A.).

New Business at the Area Assembly: None.

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New GSR Orientation & 3rd Legacy Election -
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Lunch: 12:00 - 1:00pm

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2017—Panel 67

September 23—Area Committee Mtg
October 28—Area Committee Mtg
November 4—Fall Inventory Assembly,
 Petaluma Veterans Building,
 hosted by District 12
 25—Area Committee Mtg
December 16—Area Committee Mtg

May

**12—Post Conference As
 sembly**, Solano County Fair
 grounds, hosted by District 09
26—Area Committee Mtg
23—Area Committee Mtg
28—Area Committee Mtg

June
July

August

11—Summer Assembly,
 River Lodge, Fortuna, hosted
 by District 15
25—Area Committee Mtg
September 7-9—**Pacific Regional Forum**,
 Doubletree by Hilton Hotel,
 San Jose, CA
22—Area Committee Mtg
October 27—Area Committee Mtg
November 3—**Election Assembly**, Rob-
 ert Livermore Community Cen-
 ter, Livermore, hosted by Dis-
 trict 70
24—Area Committee Mtg
December 15—Area Committee Mtg

2018—Panel 67

January 20—Area Committee Mtg
 (Note: 3rd Saturday)
February 24—Area Committee Mtg
March 2-4, **PRAASA**, Nugget Casino
 Resort, Sparks, NV, hosted by
 Area 42
April 24—Area Committee Mtg
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 bly**, Santa Clara County Fair-
 grounds, hosted by Districts 40
 and 02
 22-28 **General Service Conf.**, NY
 28—Area Committee Mtg

September

October
November

December

PANEL 69 ASSEMBLY DATES CALENDAR

2019 Pre-Conference Assembly
 April 13-14

2019 Post-Conference Assembly
 May 18

2019 Summer Assembly
 August 10

2019 Fall Inventory Assembly
 November 2

2020 Pre-Conference Assembly
 April 4-5

2020 Post-Conference Assembly
 May 16

2020 Summer Assembly
 August 8

2020 Fall Election Assembly
 November 14

Bids have been accepted for all Panel 67 assem-
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CNCA Standing Committee & Sharing Session Meetings

are the 4th Saturday every month. Sharing Sessions - 10 am

Standing Committee Meetings - 11 am

Area Business Meeting 12:30 - 3:30 pm

Archives Committee meets at 11:00 am. For information contact Richard W by visiting the “contact us” tab on the www.cnca06.org website. The Archives mailing address is 185 Mayhew Way, Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2065.

Bridging the Gap meets at 11:00 am. For Information contact Kelly H by visiting the “contact us” tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

Public Information/ Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC) meets at 11:00 am. For information contact Teddy B-W by visiting the “contact us” tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

Interpretation & Translation Committee meets at 11:00 am. For information contact Michael Q by visiting the “contact us” tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

Web Committee meets at 11:00 am. For information contact Robert E by visiting the “contact us” tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

DCMs & DCMCs Sharing Sessions meet at 10 am

Literature/Grapevine/La Vina Sharing Session meets at 10 am. www.aagrapevine.org

Accessibilities Sharing session meets at 10 am. For information visit the “contact us” tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

