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Open

Serenity Prayer Twelve Traditions Twelve Concepts of Service Service Prayer

Welcome new participants

Freedom Area Mary M

Rio Grande Valley Area Kristina C

Esperanza Area

Christina R

Roll Call

Servants

Position	Present	Position	Present
Facilitator	Yes	Co-Facilitator	No
Treasurer	Yes	Co-Treasurer	Open
Regional Delegate	Yes	Regional Delegate Alternate	Yes
Recorder	Yes	Policy	Yes
Hospitals & Institutions	Yes	Adopt An Inmate	Yes
Public Relations	Yes	Literature Review	Open
Internet Technologies	Open	Convention Advisory Committee	Yes
TBRCNA 17	Yes	TBRCNA 18	Open
Insurance Ad-hoc	Yes		

Representatives (Regional Committee Members (RCM))

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Area	Present	Area	Present
Brazos Valley	No	Central Texas	Yes
Coastal Bend	Yes	Esperanza	Yes
Hill Country	Yes	Houston	Yes
Northside	No	Rio Grande Valley	Yes
Southeast Texas	No	Texas Tri-County	Yes

Seat New Area

The Freedom Area

Mary gave report

First, off, we are very happy to be here.

The Freedom Area currently consists of 4 groups: Basic Recovery Group, Familia Unida, Living Clean Group and the New Heights Group.

Freedom Area was created for two reasons: **change and choice.** We endeavor to do things different in our service structure and to be inclusive of **ALL** addicts in enabling them to have a voice and input in the decisions of their Area. We continue to work in cooperation with HASCONA in subcommittee work and supporting recovery meetings/functions.

Our process has been one of many challenges. We decided to develop our own policy using TWIGS and The Guide to Local Service. Next, we decided that we would have a "floating" Facilitator with the Co-Facilitator(s) being the more experienced, to engage those groups in the experience of serving on an Area level. We are

currently developing our own website and have sought to continue to work in cooperation with HASCONA for schedules and subcommittee work. This has been a slow process, but one that has already proven to be productive. Next, we continue to support Adopt an Inmate Program ("AAI") with literature and our groups are very passionate about this effort.

Our goal as an ASC is to cultivate the belief that service can be a fulfilling and joyful experience. Not one of dissension, personalities over principles and controversy. We believe that the ASC would not exist without our groups and individual members. Our intent is to empower our groups and offer

guidance/experience/strength/hope to our future service members. Our groups have not lost sight of our *primary purpose*.

Our first ASC took place August 27, 2016. We elected a recorder, Armicia C. Ken C. and I are serving as Co-Facilitators. We have registered our Area with NAWS. **Basic Recovery Group**, 1245 Heights Blvd., Houston, TX 77008 holds meetings every Friday. Currently, Basic Recovery has removed the former Treasurer and elected new officers. After several attempts of requesting the former treasurer, Jessi C., to turn in 7th Tradition funds, Basic Recovery has yet to receive their funds, accounting book and receipts for the group. As of this report, there is no resolution to this issue. I bring this issue here because this same individual is seeking a trusted servant position on the Area level and has also sought a position on a Regional level in the past. It is our understanding that if a person(s) misappropriates 7th Tradition funds, they are ineligible to serve until amends is made.

Familia Unida, 7301 Ave. F, Houston, TX 77011 holds meetings Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays @ 7p. Familia will have their annual Gratitude Meeting on 11/25/16.

Living Clean Group, 11140 Green Bay, Houston, TX 77024 holds meetings on Saturdays @ 7p.

<u>New Heights Group</u>, 1245 Heights Blvd., Houston, TX 77008 holds meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays @ 8p.

My contact information is: Mary M; cell: 281.650.1566. My report reflects the conscience of the Freedom Area groups.

Elaborates some

Working with Hascona on services

Elections

No nominations

Open positions

- Co-Treasurer
- Literature Review Subcommittee Facilitator
- Internet Technologies Facilitator
- One more Convention Advisory Board Member

- Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Convention Facilitator 2018
 - Co-Facilitator
 - o Treasurer

Administration Reports

Facilitator

Bryan is working on an agenda for the Regional Assembly

Recorder

No comments on the Record

Treasurers Report

Cyndi gave an accounting before Open Discussion

TBRNA	
10,726.73	October 1 st balance
1758.75	Checks written today
4347	Donations
(4500)	Prudent reserves
13,314.98	Ending balance
869,40	20% NAWS donation
7,945.58	Operating

Discussion

Cyndi said that she had not filed 3rd Quarter sales tax yet. Waiting on the Convention Committee's sales numbers. The liability should be about \$100. Leaving us about 7,845 to work with.

Policy Facilitator

Layna Policy is up to date and published on the web site. <u>https://tbrna.org/document/policy-august-2016</u>

Regional Delegate (RD)

Heidi

I attended the Multi-Zonal Service Symposium (MZSS) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, September 23-25th. This is the 2nd such symposium that the Southern Zonal Forum (SZF) has participated in, and it was well-attended by a diverse group of NA members, from newcomers with no service experience, to old timers with decades of service experience at all levels, including several World Board members. The event was kicked off with a 3-hour presentation to professionals from a variety of fields who were invited to attend. Multiple workshops were offered simultaneously

in different rooms, following several "tracks" or topics, including Technology, Public Relations, and Fellowship Development. There were also recovery meetings in the mornings and "Pajama Roundtables" late nights to make full use of every moment at the event. Visit <u>www.mzssna.org</u> for audio recordings, PowerPoints, and handouts from the workshops there.

Events XD was the smart phone app used to help attendees navigate the symposium. Not only did it provide a complete schedule of all sessions and the rooms each was to be held in, but it also provided a map and floor plan of the facility to make it easy to locate each meeting. It allowed viewing of sessions by topic or track, and sessions could be saved into a personalized agenda for the weekend for easy reference. I highly recommend trying this at an upcoming convention to see if others find it useful.

Here are a few highlights from the NAWS update meeting at the symposium:

- If there's a question about a meeting, e-mail <u>info@na.org</u> and NAWS will investigate (time, location, whether it is still active, etc.).
- Provide feedback to the World Board on the new book, Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions, via e-mail at worldboard@na.org
- Publications that you can subscribe to electronically: Reaching Out, NAWS News, NA Way
- Suggested using the BMLT to see where there is no NA so we can do fellowship development.
- Suggested starting a meeting called "Our Guiding Principles" to study/promote the new book
- Budget allocations: 37% Fellowship Development, %36 Literature Production and Distribution, 21% Conference Support, and 6% Events

At the close of the event, zones were allowed use of a conference room to hold their business meetings, and the SZF met for about 30 minutes to plan for upcoming forums. Our next forum will be January 27-29, 2017 at the Best Western Airport, 257 S. Pearson Rd., Pearl, MS 39208. Topics will include: PR & Unity; The Importance, Role, & Future of Zones; and Atmosphere of Recovery in Service. Though I would love to attend this, it makes more sense for Garv to attend. since (assuming he's elected to RD) he will be the one responsible for leading these workshops at the May 2017 Regional Learning Day. The forum in October 2017 will be held here in TBRNA, and Gary will be securing a venue for that. Mary B. was at the MZSS, and she explained that the Texas Shared Services Committee (TSSC), formerly known as The Texas Unified Services Project (TUSP) changed names because of a misperception of the intent that "unified services" seemed to imply. She also stated that now that her term on the World Board is up, she will be recommitting to head up this project and get it moving forward again. I hope to remain involved in this process somehow, even after my term as RD is up because I believe it is a good thing for Texas NA and those who are looking for us.

Our World Board has a new chair: Arne H. from Canada. Also, the World Board has assigned board members to be primary contacts for each region, and our contact is Tali M. from Hawaii.

I'm glad I got an early start on planning for the March Regional Assembly, because it's getting more and more challenging to find an affordable venue that can accommodate us. I've been trying to find a venue in Victoria, since that is about as close to the center of our region as we can get, and we want as many GSRs and RCMs from all over our region to be able to attend. The VFW hall where we held it in 2015 is now asking for at least \$750 for a 7-hour rental. The Episcopal Church where we held it this year is now asking for \$350 plus a certificate of liability or waiver of insurance. At the suggestion of an NA member in Victoria, I have contacted Grace Presbyterian Church and am still waiting for their response as to how much they will charge. Our policy states that Regional Assembly expenses are not to exceed \$250.00. Though I am going to do my best to find a venue that can accommodate us within that amount, I would ask this body to amend policy to increase that amount to \$350, because prices are just going to keep going up AND one can only hope that our fellowship will only continue to grow in size and participation, requiring even larger venues for our Regional Assembly.

Please remember that the primary purpose of the Regional Assembly is to elect the RD team for the next conference cycle, and it's hard to hold an election if there are no candidates (as almost happened in 2015). PLEASE announce at each ASC and every meeting that you attend that Gary and I will be happy to share our experience with anyone who might be interested in running for RDA to ensure that they are well informed and prepared in advance of the election so that they know what they're getting into and will be able to hit the ground running. It's also good to know who our candidates are in advance and have them send out service resumes so that we can get to know the people whom we will be choosing from. I've already had 2 members express an interest in the position and am excited about the prospects; but the more candidates we have to choose from, the better the likelihood that we can select an RDA who will serve our region well. So, get out there and start recruiting!

I'm sure you all know that we will hold our Regional Learning Day here tomorrow noon to 6pm, and Gary and I hope to see you all there. Yours in service,

Heidi M. 512-536-0863 Expenses for which I'm requesting reimbursement:

Event	Amount	*NOTE: This was \$432.38 (hotels), \$100.63
May RSC Hotel	124.95	(gas), \$4 (tolls), &
MZSSNA	552.01*	\$15 (registration). The cheapest round-trip
November RSC Hotel	112.40	 flight I could find to MZSSNA was \$553. So, it was actually cheaper for me to drive there and back and stay 2 extra nights in hotels (on the v
TOTAL:	789.36	up and back) than it would have been to fly. In case anyone wondered, I always try to save NA \$\$.

Discussion

Paul asked about displays and app for sessions. Wants to know if he can get copies for the PR display.

Heidi will help him get them through her contact.

Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA)

Gary

The only thing I have to report is that we are hosting the October 2017 Southern Zonal Forum and need to choose a location. Last time we hosted it was in Houston. In the spirit of rotation, I am looking for some suggestions by next quarter. The only requirements are that it is close to a large airport being that it will be the CAR/CAT session.

Discussion

Take it back to Areas to see if anyone is willing to host. We do not have to wait for the next RSC, an Area can choose to host and announce it before February.

Follow up – Esperanza will host

[Esperanza Area has shown interest to host the Southern Zonal Forum and has also appointed an AD HOC Committee to help out with the organizing. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 210-919-8521 or via email. We have also created an Ad Hoc Committee that is prepared to start coordinating and planning the Southern Zonal Forum, if the Region so chooses to have Esperanza Area Host.

Sincerely, Christina Rucker RCM II of the Esperanza Area]

Area Reports

Central Texas

Chris

Hello from the Central Texas Area.

News and Info:

- Our area currently has 44 groups holding 83 meetings.
- H&I is carrying a message of hope into 13 Facilities.
- No issues

Upcoming Events:

• Holiday Party, Dec. 3rd, 200 W. Anderson Ln.

Coastal Bend

Celine

CBANA is doing well. We currently have 26 groups with 49 meetings a week. We have 7 H&I facilities

We have had several activities including speaker events and have recently started having Tiki Torch Beach events: of which one will be held tonight and all are welcome.

Esperanza

Judy 107 meetings per week Lists filled positions H&I in 14 facilities Had an event in October **Esperanza Area Convention III (EACNA)** Fri-Sun Jan 13-15 2017 **Registration**: Melissa T. 210-780-8303 www.eacnasa.org

Frolic in the Woods (FITW): is celebrating its 26th Year More will be revealed

Thanks to lots of people for past events

In Loving Service Judy M.

Christina Am the new RCM and am committed and willing to perform my duties

Hill Country

Julie

Serving New Braunfels, San Marcos, Lockhart, Seguin, Schertz, Universal City, Canyon Lake and Wimberley RCM & RCMII Report for RSC 11-12-16 Corpus Christi, Texas

Hello everyone and greetings from Hill Country (God's Country)

Meetings come and meeting go.

Currently we have 9 groups and 15 meetings

Prior New Meetings Full Circle new Monday night

and Friday Womens meeting "Outside the box" doing well.

New Meeting added Saturday 3:00PM in Canyon Lake TX 78133

at Hill Country Bible Church 20885 FM306 Just started 10-29-16

Currently we have 4 H&I Panels and Panels seem to be going ok

We currently have 4 position not filled, but elections coming up this December

Looking for some new blood in the area service.

We have no donation at this time. We Will Mail donations

The area is looking into some new ideas for R.O.A.R. Recovery on a River for the upcoming year and looking for a site for February 11 &12. We will will send out the location as soon as it is locked in.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next ASC November 20 1:00 pm at Full Circle3460 Roy Richards Dr. (FM3009), Schertz, TX (Schertz United Methodist Church)

Thanks for letting us be of service

Dickie B. RCM

Julie B. RCMII

(714) 673-2085 HCANA Help Line Toll Free 855 864-2262

(830) 730-8779

Houston

John

Houston Area Meetings:

According to the most recent count there are 48 Houston Area Narcotics Anonymous

Groups providing 192 meeting a week. Four of these groups are in the new Freedom Area of NA. The Houston area meetings have been updated on the Regional BMLT spreadsheet. Houston Area Proposals: GSR Orientation Update Area Website Annual Audit Liaison Schedule changes procedures Houston Area Nominations & Elections Nominations have begun for all of the Houston Area Service positions. The elections will be held in December and terms begin in January 2017. Activities New Year's Eve Masquerade Ball will be held in La Porte, Texas at the Just For Tuesday Group. There will be a dinner, speakers and dancing. The flyer is forthcoming.

HACNA was a great success and had an overage of \$6k+

In Loving Service, John E RCM 1

Discussion

Mary asked about the Liaison position It is just in the discussion phase

Rio Grande Valley

Kristina Hello from the RGV

We currently have 5 home groups representing 9 meetings. One home group that was carrying several noon meetings has folded, but a new home group has started with meetings on campus at the university in Edinburg. Meeting attendance is holding steady at all of our meetings and we see a lot of new faces and referrals from the courts as well as probation/parole.

We are in the process of re-writing Area policy and have recently restructured the service bodies in our Area. We have collapsed the old subcommittees into a Local Service Board. We have found this to be very efficient since it was typically the same handful of people carrying out services for the phone line, website, H&I, PR, and activities. Our new LSB has met twice so far and we are off to a great start. We invite any inquiries about how this is working and encourage anyone to visit the service meetings.

We recently elected a new RCM and are working on a budget for the Area/LSB as well. Recently, several members attended an informational session at Lopez State Prison to hopefully begin carrying a message inside the walls. Only one of our members has been

approved to go in. We will hopefully have more members approved in the future so we can begin H&I efforts there. We have been very focused on PR efforts and will hopefully have a budget approved by the area soon so that we can carry out some of our plans.

We have an Area Thanksgiving Dinner scheduled for Saturday, November 19th at 11:30am that will be followed by the ASC at 2pm. Please feel free to join us! We are working on planning some more activities in the future and will be sure to post them on the internet.

Grateful to be of service

Discussion

Rumor that there is a new area forming and we may know more after the Area meeting

Texas Tri-County

Dennis

- Area Groups and Meetings
 - o 14 groups
 - 88 meetings per week
- Area Business
 - PR and H&I Regularly schedule subcommittee meeting
 - The first Wednesday of every month at Kellys
 - Currently going into 3 prisons, 1 jail, and 4 treatment facilities.
 - Positions are filled
- Area Events
 - Listed some events

Freedom Area

Mary said the Area was formed for change and choice ...

Subcommittee Reports

Convention Advisory Committee

John read report

Our Committee met via GoTo Meetings on October 30, 2016 to discuss the progress of securing a hotel contract for TBRCNA for 2019.

John C. has been working on securing a proposal for S. Padre Island area and I have been looking in Corpus Christi.

At this point it appears that the Omni in Corpus is our best proposal although some on the Committee feel that price of rooms is a negative. The Thanksgiving

November 28-December 1, 2019 weekend rates (\$119.00) are better than February 21-24, 2019 (\$142.00) although I may be able to get the room rate down some. The Committee, at this point would like your direction as to which dates you want so I can hammer out a final contract for your signature at the next RSC.

Discussion

There was much discussion about the pros and cons of moving the convention to Thanksgiving weekend.

Proposal to move the Regional Convention to Thanksgiving Day weekend, starting in 2019.

Not ready to make the decision so it will go back to the Areas.

More discussion

Pros

- Lower room rates
- More comps available

Cons

• Holiday weekend

After lunch, John talked to Randie and she was in negotiations with Omni so she needs the go ahead to sign for February 2019.

Proposal to have the CAC sign the contract for February 2019.

Consensus is reached but the Areas are still going to discuss moving the weekend for 2020.

Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Convention Narcotics Anonymous 17 (TBRCNA 17) Shelby

- New merchandise chair Steve P., please contact to volunteer merchandising1@tbrcna dot org
- Want to volunteer for registration, contact Celine H. registration1@tbrcna dot org
- Total registrations so far: 51
 - Please remind people to register, we are almost out of banquet tickets
 - Book your hotel!!!
- Treasurer report: doing good on money, after all the +/- we have \$9004
- Speakers:
 - Friday night: Jojo from Houston, TX
 - Saturday night: Tom C. from Hawaii
 - Sunday morning: Abdul from Austin, TX
- Saturday night Talent Show, signup contact Dennis W. (see flyer)

• Friday Early Evening Cruise, contact Perry H. programming1@tbrcna dot org

Public Relations

Paul See attached report, Appendix A

Passed stuff around for possible rebuilding of information booth and other display materials.

Much discussion and moved a possible proposal to New Business

Hospitals & Institutions Michelle Number of Facilitators in attendance: 3

Houston Area Number of Facilities Served: 9 Chairperson: Steve H.

Has co-chair but no recorder

Accomplishments: Learning Day at HACNA and it went really well. Got in a couple new facilities in the last couple months. Have a meeting in a facility for people coming out of prison and treatment, co-ed. Also in a treatment center that had a regular meeting but it wasn't going well so they came to us for H&I but the coordinator already wants to step down because of issues. Keeping a database of people who have gone through orientation.

Specific Problems: Getting people to come consistently

Upcoming Events: Elections are coming up and Steve will not be seeking re-election.

CBANA Chairperson: Richard T. Number of Facilities Served: 7

No co-chair or recorder

Accomplishments: They have a learning every 3 months, got a lot of new people orientated. They sell a lot of t-shirts to help pay for literature, they're a really big thing. Each facility gets no more than 10 Basic Texts per month in long term facilities. Have a facility that used to be a regular meeting but is now H&I and its going really well. Talking about having incentives for panel members (t-shirts).

Specific Problems: None that he can think of

Forthcoming Plans: He's stepping down as H&I chair soon but he's still going to be involved in the subcommittee. Next Learning Day in January, are looking for speakers.

HCANA Facilitator: Dickie B. Number of Facilities Served: 4 No co-chair or recorder

Accomplishments: All 4 are jails and 1 used to belong to Austin. Only really 4 people who really do anything, have trouble keeping volunteers. Got a new volunteer from Austin who is really experienced

Specific Problems: Lost a facility because of new guards were using it as an education program for their kids.

Forthcoming Plans: Elections coming up next month.

Adds that she is available for learning days

Adopt an Inmate

Ed

Good afternoon everyone!!! It is an absolute honor and privilege to be of service to our region and to NA as a whole. My goal as AAI Facilitator is to work within the Tejas Bluebonnet Region to provide literature to the still suffering addict behind the walls through generating funds and also using the allotted budget.

This last quarter I was able to send out 33 copies of the Basic Text to 13 different facilities, 1 BT were sent to Garza East, 12 BTs were sent to BCADC, 1 BT was sent to Hobby Unit, 1 BT was sent to Briscoe, 2 BT were sent to Marlin Unit, 4 BT were sent to Plane State Unit, 1 BT was sent to Lopez unit, 1 BT was sent to Unity in Action Inc., 1 BT was sent to Harvin unit, 2 BT were sent to Domineguez Unit, 2 BT were sent to Stiles Unit.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the region and the still suffering addict in this capacity.

Added that we would like to push for donations Looking for ideas for expansion

Discussion

Need to get the new flyer on the website. Tom will do that <u>https://tbrna.org/article/adopt-inmate</u>

Collect donations on the website Would like a web presence so when folks search for Adopt an Inmate, they find us

Confusion on method to support AAI so Bryan cleared up that the Region makes up the difference to make sure that there is at least \$400 in the budget.

Do you want to collect funds online? Everyone agreed. Tom to set it up

Regional Insurance Ad Hoc

James

The good news I have for everyone is that the insurance company is even easier to work with than I hoped for. There was no rigidity or legalistic attitude concerning changes in location or time of meetings. If the group made the Regional meeting list that was supplied to the insurance carrier, that group is covered for the full year even if changes of venue, time or day change during the year. This includes if a group is covered and then adds an extra night it meets, that night would also be covered.

The Insurance carrier does not differentiate between recovery and business meetings meaning your group conscience is covered as well as birthday night with eating meeting or some such thing. If you have game night once a month or once a week it would be covered also. It would appear something like a mini-speaker jam if held at your group might not need an event ryder. Think of the event ryders as something like a picnic or anniversary in a park or different venue than the group location.

My biggest question was how we were going to add a description of how some of our ASCs and the RSC rotate into the Regional meeting list. I am grateful to share her response:

"As long as the rotating meetings are a part of Tejas Bluebonnet Region of NA they are considered part of the insurance. If they are holding more than meetings, ie: dinners, dance, etc., then we will need to obtain approval from the insurance company prior to the event.

> If a meeting group moves its location they are covered during the policy term."

I'll try to be more specific. If the meeting schedule says birthday night starts one hour earlier for pot luck or game night every Friday after the candlelight meeting, then nothing more is required. If you are having a small group dance, dinner or activity it will likely not require extra money but may require the insurance to be notified for approval to consider it covered. If it is big enough of an event that you are making a flyer and posting it on the web that would be a good sign that it is big enough to take out an extra ryder and that would be a group expense. Once this insurance is in effect please do not hesitate to write them for a certificate for your group, whether the facility you are in has asked for it or you just want to have the information in your secretary's folder. They will not automatically print and mail one to each group. I asked her if a group could opt out and she said they could not request a certificate. Not sure she understood

what I was asking as I am also not sure what the question means. Maybe once this went from asking the groups to pony up to it being a Regional budget expense...maybe this became less important? Here are the payment options: This policy is eligible to be Direct Billed. Note: a \$5.00 installment fee will apply to each installment after the first if bound with an effective date of 10/1/2016 or later please select one of the following: Direct Bill both this New Business and future Renewals (If checked - Select a Payment Plan): SINGLE PAYMENT TWO PAYMENTS - Premium must be over \$400 THREE PAYMENTS - Premium must be over \$675 FOUR PAYMENTS - Premium must be over \$1,000 SIX PAYMENTS - Premium must be over \$2,500 TEN PAYMENTS - Premium must be over \$5,000

I would suggest either the 2 payment or 4 payment option. Quarterly might be easiest to keep up with. I am attaching a copy of the policy. It still shows questions 13, 14 and 15 with checkmarks. I will make sure those are blank or n/a before we sign.

If we go forward with this today I would like to stay in this position one or two more RSC's to make sure the transition is smooth and everyone is comfortable dealing directly with the company.

GratitudeInAction, JamesMc 713-203-4469 Insurance AdHoc Facilitator

Discussion

How are groups added? As long as they are on the list the day of the claim, they are covered.

How about opting out? No clear method so there was more discussion with different experience

Moved to old business for the proposal

Open Discussion

Requirements for hosting a Southern Zonal Forum in October 2017 At least 10-15 rooms between 2 nights

One large meeting room for 50+ folks Access to an airport The Area that commits first will host (get with Gary) Need commitment by January 1st Area members would provide shuttle from airport

Proposal to have RD team will take submissions by January 1, 2017 and they will decide the best location.

Have the Learning Days been productive?

Heidi: Currently plan forces Areas to have a workshop when it is not really convenient. This has not been productive. May be a better way to do this without forcing learning days with policy.

Much good ideas floated around

Still have to deal with apathy

Proposals (Old Business)

Proposal to move forward with the Liability Insurance for the Region Consensus

Proposal to create a Regional Service Pool

Heidi: Basically in line with the World Pool, so we can know what servants are available and their qualifications. And a panel to match members to positions that they qualify for.

This would be a great place to find qualified personnel for ad hoc committees also.

Should we put a place on the site for members to submit résumés? Have a way to search the submissions and the panel to comment. Members should be able to update their information. Comments will not be viewable by submitter

Sending this back to the Areas to discuss while Tom puts together a plan for the database.

Proposals (New Business)

Proposal to increase the money for Regional Assembly from \$250 to \$400 Consensus

Proposal to make a one-time increase of [\$1500] to the Public Relations budget to get the committee materials for display at events

This is to get the subcommittee up and running again

Some discussion about if the \$1700 package or the \$2700 package and what the items cost. \$1200 for the tent only

No consensus. Modified from \$2700 to \$1500. Consensus

Proposal to upgrade the website security certificate to assure the AAI donation and service pool data

Could be \$300 but do not need money today.

Consensus

Proposal to move the February RSC to the 18th so as to not conflict with the Regional Convention

Consensus

Proposal to make the insurance premium payment of \$5185 to cover the full year

Consensus

Announcements

Open positions

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- Literature Review Subcommittee Facilitator
- Internet Technologies Facilitator
- One more Convention Advisory Board Member
- Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Convention Facilitator 2018
 - Co-Facilitator
 - \circ Treasurer

Regional Service Conference Winter 2016 Saturday, February 18, 2017, 9am - 5pm

Schertz United Methodist 3460 Roy Richards Dr Room 214

Schertz, TX https://tbrna.org/event/winter-2017-regional-service-conference