Mini PRASSA DCM Report

Matt Delegate Report:

Discussed when he attended his first general service meeting and how it made an impact in his service work for his homegroup and fellowship. That first experience had a lasting impact on his sobriety and service work. Since the General Post Conference in May he has spoken at 21 district events across the area. He also recently spoke at the NCAA Nor Cal Conference. He distributed boxes of the post conference assembly reports from AA World Services. He asked that we do not share information in the handbooks to anyone outside of AA. There is also a digital copy online at CNIA.org Delegate Page.

Matt mentioned that the Grapevine subscriptions have increased recently and asked if groups and AA members can continue to purchase subscriptions, so it becomes self-supporting.

He asked that all AA members, GSRs, and DCMs to read the Post Conference reports from the recent General Conference.

The website in the CNIA.org has a new page call "What's New" please look and see information about area events. The AA Worl Conference Registration is open and under the What's New section you can click on the registration link and get more information if interested in attending. To get more block rooms for members to stay. AA World Conference registration is closing soon please consider registering as soon as possible it is \$160 per person, and you should register before getting a room.

Internation Convention Update: There are over 22,000 registrations so far of members attending and the room blocks have all been sold out already. Staff in AAWS is reaching out to other hotels

PRASSA 2025 registration will open at end of November. It will be in Alaska next year.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding the plain and simple language big book is now on AA.org

There is new literature being released for people to purchase and read. The new piece is called "Black in AA' will be coming out soon.

AAgrapevine.org Complete subscription has over 22,000n archived stories online. There are also audio clips that are great for listening while driving. In the past year there has been over 13,00 new subscriptions.

Don H Treasurer Report:

We need to be prudent in our funds; what services are essential and what services are not.

Where is there redundancy? We voted to keep the mileage rate reimbursement rate at .67 cents per mile.

Last year Area voted and approved to increase funds for Archives for rent and new location. In June it was approved and July Area initiated the Area Spending Plan for 2024 vs 2025 and found that we were 15-20k over revenues.

In August and September, we held group conscience to be held at group/district meetings to ask the fellowships what are the best ways we can close the gap?

Step A: Move translation fees to Area Assembly registration and add \$5 per person to cover costs

Step B: Reduce PRASSSA to just allow the delegate to attend. Also, we discussed sending Delegate to International Conference.

We also considered the special conferences- BTG, Technology, Grapevine/La Vina, and Archives. Many of the chairs stated that they get a lot out of attending the special conferences and helped with improving their knowledge in the Area.

Step C: We considered reducing the mileage rate from .67 to .60 and the committee has agreed to keep at .67 per mile.

Step D: Reduce the costs of printing Accents and just make the report all digital

Step E: Increase contributions from groups to support Area 7. There has been a steady of contributions over the past 10 years.

Proposed Budget Plan FY 2025

There were many concerns regarding adding all members to attend the PRASSA in Alaska they felt that it was not necessary to send that many of the Area staff to attend.

Some DCMs, and GSRs also were concerned with changes made by adding them back to the updated budget when they had originally had them removed during the August and September meetings when Don held budget meetings. During those meetings it was proposed to only send six members not all twelve members.

Overall the FY2025 budget was reduced by \$30,000 from 2024 and it was approved.

Sunday we held round table discussions and provided feedback on various questions on group conscious discussions.