

## WSEA 92 Quarterly, Jan 15-16, 2021 ZOOM

### **SATURDAY: JULY 16, 8:00am**

Moment of silence followed by the severity prayer. Traditions and Concepts in English by Perry and Eddie. In Spanish by Jose.

Diana Welcomed all and reviewed the business process via ZOOM, what to expect with the ZOOM process. Introduction of the past Delegates. Dave M, Gene D. Allen D and Dolores E. Mike M. Rad M. and Scott R. **Reviewed the July Quarterly Minutes Approved: Eddie D6 , Doug M second.**

**Ann Marie (Secretary) took roll call of elected and appointed present except Corrections (still vacant). and 13 DCM's are present.**

### **TRUSTED SERVANT'S REPORTS:**

#### **DELEGATE - Gary P: (Copied from Power point presentation)**

The Legacy of the General Service Conference (GSC) "AA Comes of Age" Original AA Leadership, Management and Administration. From 1935 to 1950 - provided by the AA founders Bill and Bob "with the help of a few friends" AA Membership had increased from approximately 800 in 1940 to near 100,000 --- and encompassed a national footprint. As Bob's life was coming to an end, Bill realized that current leadership was not only unable to keep pace with the growth – it was "perishable" The Legacy of the General Service Conference (GSC) "AA Comes of Age" The GSC was envisioned, developed and implemented - 1950/51 The key structure – An inverted pyramidal organization with Groups and Members at the top and trusted servants down to the bottom. Rotations established for GSR's, DCM's, Committee Chairs, Area "Elected's", and Trustees – all with limited-terms. Concept I. "Final Responsibility and Ultimate Authority" .... resides in collective conscience of our whole Fellowship". Each year this service vision culminates at the annual General Service Conference.

#### ***"Upside down triangle" and "Stage for Completing AA business graph"*** Where are we now?56

Preliminary Agenda Items have been recommended for inclusion in the 2021 GSC.37 newly Proposed Agenda Items from 2020 plus 4 prior year Proposed Agenda Items are currently under consideration by the Delegate Committee Chairs, Trustees and Directors. 97 potential Items may be approved for the Final Agenda on the 1st Qtr. Board weekend. What's next? Final Agenda Items – will be released following the General Service Board on Feb 2nd to the Conference Coordinating Staff. GSO Staff and trustees will assemble all relevant background information (upwards of 1000 pages), organized by AA's 13 Conference Committees and post it to the Conference Dashboard for Access by all 135 conferees by Feb. 15th. And then? Area 92's Delegate and Alt. Delegate will incorporate all Final Items with the area 92 Agenda Summary Templates. Distribute to our Agenda Item Review Teams led by our Standing Committee Chairs and assisted by experienced/knowledgeable Past Delegates and other Area Trusted Servants. Completion of full Area Agenda Item Packets will require a week. Distribution to the DCM's at each Districts is targeted for the week of Feb. 22, 2021. What is the Vital District /Group Activity? Developing and Collecting Informed Group Conscience! Stage I: 4 to 5 Weeks Distributing packages of agenda items, background materials and Summaries to the Groups/Members. Encouraging thorough and open-minded discussion, providing experienced counsel and information to groups as requested. Collecting and sharing results with the Committee Chairs and the Alt Delegate. What is the Vital District /Group Activity? Developing and Collecting Informed Group Conscience! Stage II: One 6-hour session Committee Chairs organize an Area-92-Wide sharing of perspectives on Agenda Items from Groups and Districts, and record the Preliminary Area Conscience. What is the Vital District / Group Activity? Developing and Collecting Informed Group Conscience! Stage III: Two 4-hour sessions = 8 hours Committee Chairs organize and conduct a final review of Agenda Item Conscience discussion with the full body at the Spring Pre-Conference Assembly All Agenda Item Conscience / Comments are heard by the Delegate and captured for transcription. What are the final steps in this Process? 7 to 10 delegates attend an assigned Conf. Committee 2-day meeting, bringing each of their respective area consciences. These multiple Area Consciences are thoroughly discussed and synthesized into a Collective Group Conscience that becomes a recommendation. The recommendations of the 13 Committees Agenda Items are brought to the GSC for review, discussion and GSO-wide votes. The

results an Advisory Action, a return for Additional Considerations or Declined. Following the GSC, The delegates return to their Areas to share the results and their experiences. A Closing Thought, Gathering the informed "...collective conscience of our whole Fellowship." is vital! If anyone has a question, please reach out to myself or Ben N. We commit to respond, and if we don't have a ready answer, we will find one Gary P., Delegate (972) 998-4221 [delegate@area92aa.org](mailto:delegate@area92aa.org). Ben N., Alt. Delegate (208) 755-2345 [alt-delegate@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-delegate@area92aa.org)

Thank you for allowing us to be of service.

**ALT-DELEGATE – Ben N:**

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Area 92 Fellowship!! We're off and running again! Getting excited to roll up my sleeves and dive into another General Service Conference Agenda. Judging from the enthusiasm and effort put forth by everyone last year, we can expect a successful outcome. Lead by our Standing Committee Chairs, our Agenda review teams are in place awaiting the final Agenda delivery. Once again, it will be a privilege working together gathering the collective Area conscience for our Delegate Gary P. at the 71st GSC. I attended the Western US/Canada Virtual Forum. Out of the many presentations by the folks at GSO, my favorite was the A.A. History Tour by Sister Judith Ann Karam, Class A Trustee & Michelle Mirza, G.S.O. Archives Director. It was also nice to see GSO acquaintances I have had the privilege to meet over the past few years. A reminder: We are available to bring the Area 92 GSR School to the Districts who have yet to host or wish to repeat. This is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and a greater understanding of this vital service position. Visit: <https://area92aa.org/gsr-calendar/> to schedule, this is Good Stuff! All aboard! Next stop: January Quarterly, January 15...SEE YOU THERE! Thank you, Standing Committee Chairs, for another successful workshop in December. Encouraging all to attend the March pre-conference workshop. *"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth" ....Muhammad Ali* Always grateful to serve, Ben N - Alternate Delegate Panel 70

**CHAIR – Diana M:**

Happy New Years and Here's hoping for a better year and good riddance to 2020. Hope you had a chance to attend the Standing Chairs Workshop in December or one of the alcathons or one of the Regional Forums. Thanks to District 17 for the alcathons and I enjoyed being able to login to one of the meetings anytime. The Regional Forum panels were excellent and as usual I came away having learned something new about our program and GSO. Thanks to the Standing Committee Chairs for the workshop in December hosted by District 14 and Correction Chair. You will notice a new item on the January Quarterly agenda entitled "30 minutes of Open Discussion". We discussed it in the roundtables last night, so if anyone has questions or issues you wish to discuss, this will be the time. We will make an attempt to answer any questions you bring to this discussion. My commitment to the Area in 2020 was communication, which I think we accomplished. My commitment in 2021 is going to be enthusiasm. So my challenge to everyone is to be as enthusiastic as possible because they have the opportunity to serve. We cannot encourage others to want to be in service unless we show our own enthusiasm. The DCMs have continued to meet the last Tuesday of the month. They are continuing to meet to discuss issues such as how to keep GSRs involved. I have also continued to meet with both the Elected officers and the Standing Committee chairs monthly. We have found it helpful to continue communicating monthly. There are several motions this quarterly which are coming out of committees that are continuing to meet several times a month. The Selection Committee suggested we extend the final date for resumes for the Correction Chairperson position for the Area until January 26th. If you know of someone please encourage them to send in their resume. Please send it to me at [chair@area92aa.org](mailto:chair@area92aa.org). PRAASA, the Pacific Regional Alcoholic Anonymous Service Assembly, will be March 5th thru 7th, 2021 on zoom. If you wish to register please go to [Praasa.org](http://Praasa.org). Registration is \$15. The PRAASA committee is asking for Area members who have never participated in PRAASA before, to make themselves available for the following positions; presenters, moderators, readers, scribes (note takers) and zoom hosts for breakout rooms. Call me if you have questions about any of the positions and which position you want. We need to respond to their request soon. I was asked to give a short presentation on "AA Leadership in Changing Times" at the December Standing Committee Workshop. Working on the presentation gave me a chance to reflect on all that has happened this past

year. January 2020 was the first and last time during this rotation we have been able to gather together for an Area 92 event. It has been disappointing as I miss the one-on-one talks and especially the hugs. Instead of only reflecting on the negatives I've tried to focus on the positives. Such as, how have we continued to do the business of AA. I expressed the following at the workshop. My commitment to the Area as the Chair was communication, so at the first of the year I invited the elected officers and Standing Committee Chairs to start meeting monthly using Google meet. Boy I did not realize at the time what a blessing that was going to turn out to be. During May, I invited the DCMs to attend a DCM Sharing Session to discuss district issues with other DCMs. The goal of these meetings is to keep us connected and it has worked. As you can see, we as a committee have been willing to find different ways of doing things in this changing time. Technology has been a blessing for us and we have worked together to bring these events to you. We will continue to provide you with virtual Workshops, Quarterlies, and assemblies, as long as necessary. I cannot tell you when we will be able to meet in person again but I, like you hope soon. Diana M

**ALT-CHAIR- Gary H:**

Hello and good morning to you all. I would like to start by saying thank you to Larry E. and all those in district 3 that came together to make this happen. Your panelists were awesome last night, and it really kicked the weekend off nicely. A special thanks to our technical ladies that work so hard behind the scenes to pull this off. Well for me the last couple months have been busy with trying to get the various district meeting schedules current and updated. This is generally the responsibility of the DCM's in each district, however I do support those who need a little help. My Email is always ringing with inquiries about where live meetings are being held and if not live then what is the ZOOM code and password. Some are travelers which makes it difficult if the updates are not current. Keep up the good work you DCM's most of our schedule is good. I also worked with Larry and helped him with the January quarterly which is going great. District 8 is hosting the April preconference assembly via ZOOM and the flyer is posted to the website. The July quarterly is still open for bid and hopefully someone will pick it up this weekend. I have been working with Adam a little bit to get his committee going in district 4 for the October voting assembly. I did try and reach out to all the DCM's via text and email so that they would know about the upcoming quarterly and the two motions along with numerous flyers being posted to the web site. December was full of ZOOM functions and alcathons. I missed most of them myself due to work overload and family affairs. I did get on the alcathon hosted by the Spokane districts; it was good to see people from all over the country. Upcoming events include PRAASA, PNC and our own SCW in March. There is a Service manual workshop every Thursday night via zoom, that information is posted on the event calendar as well. All these flyers can be seen on the event calendar at area92aa.org. Did i say that the event calendar on the area 92 website has flyers posted for upcoming events? If I forgot I apologize That was sarcasm folks. Anyway, that's about it from me for now. Thanks for letting me be of service to you and our area. Thanks Gary H.

**TREASURER- Jan R:**

Hello AREA 92

The Happiest of New Years to all of you! Where has the time gone, although sometimes it seemed to drag on forever! I love the way everyone has come together to unite in our AA cause. Covid has caused a lot of changes and some or **a lot** of frustrations. It has not been the easiest. I was able to get out of the snow for a couple weeks to see our kids in Arizona. It was wonderful. We came home to our tree on the neighbor's shop. Things positive, **good neighbors and good insurance**. All of you have been very generous with your time and your money to the AREA. Thank you so much! Our **4<sup>th</sup> quarter P and L expenses** were **\$2847.45** and our Net Operating income was **\$7,740.06**, leaving our ending balance at **\$31, 467.67 as of December 31, 2020**. The uncategorized expense on the bottom of \$75.00 is the QB renewal done in January, which has not been put in the program category yet. Our **December** bills were paid and the QuickBooks program was renewed for 2021 at a cost of \$75.00. There were check deposit supplies ordered for \$32.00. Our beginning bank balance was **\$\$28,755.32** There were deposits and additions of \$ 2,996.35 Checks paid \$0.00 Debits \$ 252.00. This leaves our ending balance at **\$31,467.67 Prudent Reserve Balance** as of December 31,2020 is **\$2,500.30**. Thank you all for the honor of allowing me to serve as WSEA AREA 92 Treasurer. I will continue to be a vigilant

steward of your treasury monies. Please do not hesitate to send an email and request a report or answer to questions you might have. Virtual hugs to all. I still miss my hugs and all of you people. Please continue to stay healthy and safe!

**ALT-TREASURE: Cindy H:**

Happy New Year Area 92 This month I have emailed three reports for contributions. There will be one for December 2020, one for 4th Qtr. 2020 and one for Year 2020. The quick reference is as follows: Contributions for December 2020 were **\$2,996.35**, for the 4th Qtr. 2020 were **\$8,218.49** and for Year 2020 they were **\$34,022.85**. Thank you to all of the individuals, groups and Districts for your contributions. In doing the reports for the Finance Committee motion and 2021 budget projection, I was so amazed, in a positive way, that despite the challenges that we have all faced this past year, your contributions kept coming and we're right in line with past years. Talk about a message of Unity and being self-supporting.... **You, Area 92, are incredible** and I am so proud to be a part of it. If you would prefer to only get your own District Contributions Report, let me know and I will modify it. I also want the District GSR's to make sure your DCM's are getting this information out to you. If you are not receiving it, let them know or email me and I will get you a copy. Please send all contributions to: **Washington State East Area 92 1314 S. Grand Blvd. Suite 2, Box #103 Spokane, WA 99202-1174 Or PayPal (accessed from our website Area92aa.org)** This year we will be slowly transitioning to the use of the new Group ID Numbers that correspond with the General Service Office's new system. Your original group number will be saved in the accounting system, but you will see your new number on reports and receipts (eventually). I will change these as contributions come into the Area. If you need your new number or have questions on this topic, please contact Ben N. your Area 92 Alt Chair and Registrar. Another reminder to pass on to your Groups and Districts is to include your **Group Name, Group ID Number** and **District #** on the contribution(s) to ensure that I give proper credit to the contributing groups or if this is a personal contribution, indicate **"personal"** in the memo line. At the VERY least, please put your District number somewhere. There are a lot of Groups with the same name and I cannot find you solely based on that. Contributions can also be made on the AREA 92 website by PayPal. It is set up to generate all personal/group information. **If you use PayPal, please be complete with your information.** You will get a receipt for the contribution amount minus the fee. If you are in need of a receipt or pre-addressed envelopes, for contributions, email me with your information and I will gladly send them to you. Be safe, healthy and God Bless YIS Cindy H. Area 92 Alt-Treasurer [alt-treasurer@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-treasurer@area92aa.org) Finance Committee Chair

**SECRETARY – Ann Marie:**

Happy New Year Area 92! Again, I am AnnMarie your Area 92 Secretary. I welcome you all into the new year and hope all of you are well and safe. I want to thank district 3 for hosting. I love seeing some of my hometown district peeps! You know who you are. The Handbook Committee had been meeting every Wednesday evening but these last few weeks we had back-to-back meetings. We took all your questions, suggestions and made appropriate edits. I received suggestions late yesterday, so Handbook committee is working on this as we speak. the Handbook Draft for today's quarterly went out first of the week so they will not show in the copy you have for today. Please keep in mind the Handbook has and always will be in constant updating. I attended the Standing Committee Workshop last month. I have to say, our Area is getting good at our zoom functions. I continue to update our Area Directory as changes come in. All DCM's can access this in the DCM drive. You can also save it to your own district drive. I had mentioned last night at the GSR round table that all elected, and committee are very active in the background. It seems we are always preparing for a Zoom function. Ben our registrar continues to cc me on all new group or district updates. Please know that I am available for anything you may need. YIS Ann Marie 509-216-6175 [secretary@area92aa.org](mailto:secretary@area92aa.org)

**ARCHIVES: Lisa G:**

Good morning Area 92, My name is Lisa G., I am an alcoholic and I am privileged to currently serve as your Area 92 Archives Chair. We have been busy in the Archives department, Lisa D., our Area 92 Archivist has been working on creating a "searchable master list" and cataloging all the documents in the Area Repository, and if you have ever seen our repositories; you know what a monumental task that is! The Steering Committee continues to meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month via conference call,

we recently approved the purchase of 3 more shelving units and 40 storage boxes, we will be able to store 15 boxes per shelf unit so that will be a huge help to organizing. We still need to purchase storage tubes for the banners before they are damaged and a few other necessities for preservation needs. Gabriele V., suggested we develop of District/Group Archives Handbook, as a suggestive piece to help new and old archivists at the District and Group levels, our hopes are that it may encourage more groups and districts to start their own archival collection when they see how simplistic it can be with helpful suggestions on what to collect, how to collect and store, and how to develop a master list of your collections. Gabriele did some wonderful work in putting this together and the Steering Committee reviewed the first draft Thursday night, so, as soon as it is finalized, we will make it available to everyone. We have also been asking for your "pandemic stories", How did you or your group cope with the challenges? Did you meet outside? Did your meeting place close? Did you use a zoom platform? Did you continue to meet in person? How did you continue to carry the message? Etc. We have received 6 stories so far, a Big Thank you to those who have contributed, we look forward to collecting more of your stories, we really want to hear from you, you can send them to me or Lisa D., via email. And finally, mark your calendars for March 21st from 10am to 3pm, this will be the 2021 General Service Conference Agenda Review Standing Committee Workshop via Zoom. We will have breakout rooms for each committee to review their agenda items. This will be a wonderful platform to discuss your group conscience, ask questions and get a better understanding of the sometimes very confusing agenda items. So please pass the word and let's get involved, your voice does count! Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

**COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (CPC) – Brande G:**

My name is Brande and I'm an alcoholic. I am the Area 92 cooperation with professional community chair. Public information and cooperation with professional community has a monthly meeting which is held on the third Tuesdays of every month at 7 o'clock. Last month we discussed the needs of the probation officers and courts. One of the things that we discussed was the frustration with the probation officers that their clients cannot get their court card signed. We have had chairs send letters out to the probation officers and the drug courts. District 8 is hosting a CPC/PI workshop on February 6. It is going to be held Virtually and in person. I will be doing a short talk on how we can help the professionals help this still suffering alcoholic during these challenging times. District 8 also has a CPC/PI meeting on the second Tuesday of every month at 7 o'clock it is on zoom. We had our standing committee workshop last month which was on leadership and Alcoholics Anonymous. Very inspiring! Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can help you in anyway. YIS, Brande

**CORRECTIONS –Vacant:**

**LITERATURE & GRAPEVINE – ANNA V:**

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR – Benjamin G:**

Greetings Area 92! My name is Benjamin and I am Your Area Newsletter Editor. The mission statement for the Newsletter is **Area 92 Newsletter Mission Statement, To Report directly "to those they serve"; to publicize AA events; to be a forum for sharing and comment.** It is an honor and privilege to serve Alcoholics Anonymous and Area 92! I had the opportunity to host a panel at the Standing Committee Workshop and had a couple new people attend. I wish that we had more time for Q and A. Perhaps next time! I continue to add new names to the Area email list for the Newsletter. This month's Newsletter was sent electronically to over 500 names. The Hardcopy distribution stands at 22 mailed copies half of which are the Hispanic Version. 5 Districts request hardcopies. 2 Copies are for the Area 92 Archives. If you would like to receive the Area newsletter, please contact me at [newsletter@area92aa.org](mailto:newsletter@area92aa.org) I will be participating next month at a District 8 3<sup>rd</sup> Legacy Workshop and speaking on the topic of Sponsorship, as one of the ways we carry the message. I look forward to participating in our next standing committee workshop and the General Service Conference process. This Holiday Season, I hit the Trifecta and was able to chair in-person meetings for my homegroup on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. My Home group is the Daily Reprieve on Thursday nights at 5:30 pm. We meet at the North Idaho Alano Club. I continue to sponsor and participate with the District 8 3<sup>rd</sup> Legacy Committee. This month I began with a new sponsee, working the 12

Steps! Thank you for all your support! Yours in Service Benjamin G. Area Newsletter Editor / WSEA 92 / Panel 70 / AA

**PUBLIC INFORMATION (PI) Michelle W:**

Good Morning ... My name is Michelle and I am an alcoholic. I am your Public Information Standing Committee Chair. I am very happy to report that my gym is now open and I am so excited to return. So, what have I been up to for the past couple of months? In November, I began attending the San Francisco – Marin Intergroup Public Relations (formerly the PICPC) monthly meeting. They have welcomed my attendance and encourage me to share my experience. One of their many projects includes getting PSAs broadcasted in their area. My goal for 2021 is to assist you getting PSAs aired in your District and my challenge is for community outreach in 2021. During the breakout session at the December Standing Committee Workshop, I presented a PowerPoint presentation detailing how this goal can be accomplished. If you would like a copy, please send me an email at [pi@area92aa.org](mailto:pi@area92aa.org). The December Standing Committee Workshop was held on December 12th and was co-hosted by District 14. Thank you to everyone who participated and for all of the hard work put in by the Standing Committee Chairs. I am grateful for the dedication I see in my fellow chairs and for their willingness to go to any length to put together a fantastic Workshop. Anna and I attended the Western Forum and I found it very interesting and informative. I always enjoy spending time with Anna when we attend workshops, quarterlies and assemblies together in the comfort of my home. The Public Information Committee and CPC Committee are holding a joint committee meeting for the District chairs the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. We are currently concentrating on the courts and probation. If you are a PI or CPC Chair for your District please send me an email at [pi@area92aa.org](mailto:pi@area92aa.org) and I will send you an invitation to join us. I am looking forward to many events in the next couple of months. First and foremost, the Agenda Item Review. It is anticipated that we will have the items to be reviewed by February 15th. I have been asked to participate at District 8's 3rd Legacy Workshop on February 5th. I will be speaking on how the Public Information Committee carries the message to the still suffering alcoholic. I will be attending the 12 Steps and 12 Tradition Workshop the weekend of February 5th. I am planning a few days away, with my best friend in East Wenatchee, for a little rest and relation before we receive the final list of the Agenda Review Items. There is a lot of work to be done in a short amount of time; however, I know we are ready to tackle this because we have experience to work from. I am looking forward to the Standing Committee Workshop. PRAASA registration is open. I have made myself available to serve. I am looking forward to my first PRAASA. As we come together today, we need always remember, "Unity seldom means that we all agree on everything. Nor is unity served by setting aside our concerns and conforming to the majority opinion (or the vocal minority). ... Unity is best achieved by a full hearing of all points of view ... time for all of those involved to step back from emotional responses ... as well as careful consideration and prayer for that which will best serve the group or AA as a whole" (Grapevine Daily Quote Book, page 14). In Love and Service, Michelle W. WSEA 92 – Panel 70 Public Information Chair [pi@area92aa.org](mailto:pi@area92aa.org)

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**TRANSLATION – Doug M:**

Greetings and Happy New year to All, As your Translation Chair I really haven't anything to report at this time. I and the Spanish Districts have been willing to meet but this COVID-19 thing keeps getting in the way. I had planned on going to their Intergroup meeting but that was cancelled by new restrictions handed down by Governor Inslee. We will beat this virus soon and be able to meet before the voting assembly and discuss agenda items. Stay safe and healthy and see you on the other side of this pandemic. Doug McGuire Translation Chair 509-319-7510

**TREATMENT & ACCESSIBILITY –Fran:**

Welcome everyone to the January 2021 quarterly. Thankful to be serving with you. Remember we need to remember that we need to be all inclusive not exclusive. I was taught and showed how to be of service. The Treatment/Accessibilities committee is moving to Zoom. We are going to meet one time a month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 7pm. So I have put a flyer in the newsletter so if you have a spark of interest in making AA more Accessible, to everyone coming from the treatment centers the streets or all spaces in between join us. I recently received my first vaccine shot for COVID I did this for several

reason. Number one is that I can be amongst you again without fear of spreading this disease and protecting those I work with and those I serve outside AA. I have attended Western Region Forum I have attending 2times a month all Area Accessibilities meeting that was formed out of NERASA we recent just moved to meeting one time a month its always amazing to learn and glean from others. I attend and participated in all of the standing committee workshops. I was able to share this room with the Corrections committee where we discussed Bridge and Bridging the gap. I am looking forward to finishing attending the service manual workshop Looking for anyway to learn and grow as a sick alcoholic as we will never be healed of this disease so always gives us reason to learn and grow and change as humans My written reports will never reflect the passion and the love I have for AA. So please know that I love AA and the amazing ability to be sober and present and to be with you and be of service to you and those whom suffer in and out of the rooms of AA.

**REGISTRAR Ben N:**

Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship! First things first...A huge THANK YOU to the 93 Groups updating their information via Area 92 website Group Information Change Form (<https://forms.gle/QpmDbGzhxzYzYJSP8>) last year. Participation has been awesome. We have the beginning of a substantial, current database for informing the Groups and enhancing Area unity. And it continues to grow! For those who are unable to take advantage of this form, please do not hesitate to call me anytime with changes or information requests. Registrars now have access to edit the GSO records database; updates can be made while we are on the phone! Well worth the wait, this is good news for all Areas, for we now have an easier faster method of keeping current our ability to reach out and inform! Get your Group information up to date...and take advantage of GSO services: GSR Kit, Box 459, (quarterly news and notes from GSO), contribution reports, important announcements, and more. THANK YOU! Always Grateful to serve, Ben N - WSEA 92 Alternate Delegate/Registrar Panel 70 [alt-delegat@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-delegat@area92aa.org) 208-755-2345

**WEB TEAM – Gary H:**

Good Morning, once again and hello to all of you. I would like to start with a brief overview of the web team for those of you that are new to the service structure. Your web team consists of six members of which one is the alt-chair. As a team we oversee the area website and its functionality to our basic needs of communication. We do our best to keep it simple and straightforward. Lately we have been researching ways to improve how we receive information from districts meeting schedules. This is somewhat tricky in that only a few districts have their own websites. This is why your DCM has direct access to the web site meeting schedule. The body approved this a long time ago. The web team is here to assist you with any needs you have. In a perfect world each district would have a web site and the area could then pull its information from that. We are not there yet. So with that being said, we came up with a web site survey that has been sent out to the area DCM's via email. Communication is a two way street, we as a team want to know how you feel and how we might better improve our area website. So if you DCM's could please open your email and take just a few minutes to fill out the survey and send it back we would love to hear from you. Our area website is a great tool for researching current and past information. We work hard to keep all our area business available to each and every one of you. There is something for everyone on the website. From simple documents to formal motions. GSR's can access information to help them get started in their path of the general service structure. Committee members can host their own pages and keep us current with things such as workshops that anyone may attend. Our Delegate has a page that keeps us up to date with his many activities. The event calendar is another page that has current and upcoming information for all to view. Under the documents tab you can find most anything including a group change form that has a direct link to our area registrar which is the alt-delegate. He in turn can then get you registered almost immediately with GSO. So you see, there are many faucets to our website. Please take some time to go look around, if you have any questions and or suggestions please feel free to send them to me at [alt-chair@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-chair@area92aa.org). We are always open for business and am looking forward to continuing to serve you and our area as best we can. Once again thank you for letting be of service, happy new year and may god bless us all. Thanks Gary H.

### **HANDBOOK COMMITTEE - Ann Marie:**

Hello again! I want to thank everyone that attended last night. We had 15 people including a couple of the Handbook committee members. I opened up the discussion asking for DCM input on their District Handbooks. Last night's meeting proved that this continues with new updates from some of the districts. We discussed how and what literature they are using. The most common of course is the service manual. Second, few districts are mirror other districts handbook for format and more suggestions. It has been my experience that having a committee with past and current service members has also been very valuable. With all the talk of our Area Handbook in "production" so to speak I believe this has triggered Districts to look into their own handbooks. When was the last time it was revised and updated? Etc. This has been the most informative and learning curve for me in all my service work. It has *enhanced* my professional career. Principles over personalities. I will continue to encourage and challenge all DCM's to look into their District Handbooks. If you have any questions at all with this process, please email me. I happy to help. Thank you again for allowing me to be your Area Handbook Committee Chair.

### **AREA SUB COMMITTEE'S**

**PNC: Allen D** Allen D. P 68 Past Delegate, chair for the 2021 Pacific Northwest Conference, We as a committee have embraced the fact that we would be hosting the 2021 PNC for the first time, virtually. June 26th – 27<sup>th</sup> A couple of months ago we as a committee decided to host this on our own eliminating the cost involved with having a third party doing what we can do ourselves, with all of the talents we have in our area. This decision has made it as to not having a fee involved for attending the 2021 PNC. Adjustments have been made with the elimination of a few committees since going virtual, although those people have been absorbed into other committees. Our Committees are working to ensure all members are represented. Final adjustments to our flyer are in progress and will be out in the next few weeks. We invite you all to attend and experience this year's Pacific Northwest Conference virtually with great diverse panels scheduled. Thanks to our committee for all of the great work in making this year's Pacific Northwest Conference happen. We would love to hear from you if you have any questions. In Love and Service, Allen D.

### **AD HOC REPORT – Rad M**

Beginning in August of 2020 the WSEA 92 Website Committee began to discuss in earnest, the possibility of providing a report to the Area that would address the existing and growing technological demands being placed on WSEA 92 because of the COVID-19 pandemic which we believed was hastening the inevitable future of our Area's technological needs. Those early discussions lead to a request in early September to the Area to allow the creation of an ad hoc committee to explore the possibility of creating a new Area appointed officer position titled "WSEA 92 Technology Chair" along with a supporting committee and WSEA 92 Handbook guidelines. If accepted, the Technology Chair would be responsible for the oversight of our Area's technology needs and relieve the Area Alternate Chair from mounting technical responsibilities. To that end the ad hoc committee prepared a mission statement that reads as follows: To gather information in reference to the creation of an Area Technology Chair. To educate and inform the Area in order that they may make an informed decision about the addition of a new position titled "WSEA 92 Technology Chair". The Area members that agreed to participate upon approval of our request include: Rad M. Past Area Delegate P58 (Chair), Jennifer W. Area Digital Communication Coordinator (Co-Chair), Mike McM. Past Area Delegate P54 (Member), Cameron J. Past Area Treasurer (Member), Gina H. Past Area Secretary (Member), Amelia K. DCM District 22 (Member) who later resigned from the committee with respect due to health issues, Dave G. GSR District 22 (Member). The ad hoc committee reviewed information from AA services materials, WSEA 92 Website Guidelines, WSEA 92 Handbook and other area website and technology policies as were available. The committee additionally sought information from current Area officers and committees. The committee is currently in the process of finalizing its documentation and is prepared to provide these to the Area before the end of this month. Our projection is to have the time between now and the July 2021 Quarterly spent on review and comment. Then at the July 2021 Quarterly, the committee intends to bring forward a motion to accept the creation of the new position to be voted on at the October 2021 Assembly. If accepted, the new chair would be able to begin their service rotation with the other Panel

72 officers beginning January 1st 2022. Respectfully submitted, Rad, Technology Chair ad hoc  
Committee Chair

### **DCM/GSR ROUNDTABLE**

#### **DCM – HOST - Diana M:**

Chaired by Hoss from Dist. 3 Diana asked if any new DCM needed an Orientation. Need PRASSA Volunteers. Hoss asked if there were any topics DCM want to discuss. Topic -Means of making district meetings more productive and engaging. What has been successful. Nikki commented that we have to recognize that everybody is on a different tech level some no tech at all. It was suggested that we make personal contact with phone calls to GSRs to encourage participation. Get your active groups list from the area registrar and check in on the groups. Find out if they are still active and remind them that their group conscience is important to the process. Let GSRs from remote groups know that business meetings are now on Zoom so they are easier to attend. Some feel there isn't anything to report so they don't show up. When there isn't a lot going on get people interested in a project. Get out the District Handbook and see if you're doing your job: carrying the group conscience to the Area. Revamp the District Handbook by assigning sections to small groups and turn changes into motions. One district added a web site. Topic- How do you host a Zoom Area Function. Diana explained whether the event is in person or on Zoom is dictated by local restrictions which can affect facility availability. The Area does not decide. Hoping for in person event for October but it is impossible to say. Hoss discussed the needs and requirements of hosting an assembly or quarterly during the Pandemic. Getting speakers for panels, finding chairs for the roundtables, communication with committee chairs, and arranging for readers. It is much easier because Area handles the Zoom part of it. Topic-The Health of home groups during pandemic- The difference between a group and a meeting. Jerome thinks there is a disconnect, an "Us and them" between home group and district. Groups are not feeling a part of. Make sure GSRs understand that committees are directly responsible to those they serve. Discussed the difference between a meeting and a group. Catherine believes it requires education. Explain how the process works to GSR so they know their importance and keep it simple so they want to come to district and stay connected and get their group involved. She forwards all information she gets and she reminds them often. Hoss commented that groups can't attract committee chair holders. People aren't interested because there isn't a lot going on, citing a whole new set of problems with pandemic. He is teaching people to get on zoom. Dawn says she sends out emails but people don't seem to want the information. She can't get her committee chairs to attend SCW. Eddie-he has been letting home groups know that, as GSR, the district is their rallying point where they can discuss what is working and what doesn't. He was worried about being too aggressive, his answer is to keep them informed and that we are here to help them. Help new GSR, explain what is going on, let them know anything they need they should come to meeting and tell the district. We are there to facilitate their service work. Home group vs meeting requires education and a GSR school can help. Help others to have GSR school. He feels people are more accepting of the online stuff. Some recommendations are promote GSR Schools, host Service Workshop, cohosting with other districts to get more people interested. GSR workshops are readily available just need to find groups and districts to request and host them. Read the Newsletter monthly start to finish to stay up to date on what is going on. All pertinent info is there. Lack of participation is frustrating. It's hard to criticize a volunteer but business must get done. We cannot enable inaction. Ask yourself when you consider a position any position don't ask "should I" or "do I want to", ask yourself "Am I available" Do you have the time the position requires. One cause of group frustration with voting for person because he needs a service position not because he's qualified for the job. This weakens service structure. Its import to promote the importance of sponsorship into Service and bring sponsees into service. Look at a persons triangle, how balanced is it. Recommend some service to balance it out. Great way to get people involved. Meeting closed at 9:20 pm

#### **GSR HOST- Gary H:**

Tanya C – GSR – District 17\_Thank you first, to all that are serving this weekend. I'm grateful to have had an opportunity to attend this quarterly and the GSR breakout room conversation.\_We had 8 new GSRs in attendance and much enthusiasm about the information being provided. \_Topics for discussion were as follows:\_Our job as GSRs is to relay information to and from our groups.\_Gary and Ben, among others,

relayed Area website resources, including GSR school info and handbook. As well as event calendar and other resources. We had a lot of conversation about GSR school and potential opportunity for an area wide GSR school and workshops, GSRs should be talking to DCMs about these events! How do we get people involved in service – (private) email, text, and FB groups. Enthusiasm! Requested more detailed descriptions of standing committee chair positions. What the difference is between promotion in and out of AA – we can promote positions and recruit within. We were shown the process for making GSR and Group changes. Talked about standing committee changes and how to report those. Not all districts are alike in this process. Though that would be ideal. Literature availability – how to order on AA.org website. And specifically kits for committee chairs. How to connect to Jennifer, Digital Communication Chair and other chair on email list on Area website.

#### **DCM REPORTS**

**District 2-** No report

**District 3 -Alt-DCM Larry E.** Active Committee's: Treatment, Archives, Social Activities, Bridge, Accessibilities and PI/CPC. Concerned & Solutions: Our biggest challenge is group participation at the district level. We have been reaching out to District 3 groups listed on the Area 92 registry. We felt that Zoom gives us the best opportunity for distant groups to participated in monthly business meetings. Hopefully our outreach efforts will get more GSR's there. COVID restrictions have made the planning of fun social activities challenging. Location: Zoom only 269-035-4274 Passcode: Area92. Larry E Alt DCM [larry.e@larryellingson.com](mailto:larry.e@larryellingson.com) 509-953-8602

**District 4 –No report**

**District 5 – DCM Nikki:** Represent 23 groups, 3 are present today. Active Committee: Treasurer, Carole N; Answering Service-Rad M; Archives-Debbie B; CPC- Jean P; Corrections-Bill F; Activities-Jim B; Literature - Gary H; Treatment-Susie A. Last Quarter Activities: 2 new permanent virtual only meetings registered with GSO. Treatment committee is hosing weekly Zoom meetings. Planned Activity: We were supposed to be the host District for the 2021 PNC in June, but the conference has gone virtual. We have several District members on the committee and serving as volunteers. Proposed that District 5 host a GS School in the next quarter. Researching alternate vendor for our Answering Service to better serve our service members. DCM attending and volunteering for PRASSA in March. Concerns and Solutions: As we are going into the last half of our 2-year rotation keeping interest in District happenings and exploring future service members. Continuing to increase communications with individual groups and keeping in-person vs virtual meeting information updated. Next mtg via Zoom Feb 17, 2021 6:30, Nikki M. 973-557-0079 [dcm5@area92aa.org](mailto:dcm5@area92aa.org).

**District 6 – DCM: Eddie P.** represents 20 groups with 2 Groups represented today, I Would like to Thank GOD & Thank you for allowing me to serve as your District 6 DCM During these challenging times we have a group of AA members who have been the foundation of our Primary Purpose & I am grateful to those who have stood by and kept District 6 up and running. With the Zoom GSR and Officer sharing meeting, I am strongly encouraging all GSR's and Group Reps. To attend. People in the most recent past have been letting their guard down and are being more responsive to the current situation we are facing as a human race throughout the whole world and AA as a whole in our District. Serving as DCM this past year, I have not been able to serve to my full potential & I am looking forward to getting more involvement from the GSR's and Group Reps. It seems to be that I am keeping the groups more informed of Area Events, more then the groups are getting me info, to bring to the Area. There are some groups still meeting at their locations & some meetings have gone underground or started a Zoom meeting :) Our District meeting is on the Third Thursday of every month via Zoom @ 6 p.m. ID# 83096481753 w/ password 960102 YIS Eddie P. (509) 728-6799

**District 7 –No report**

**District 8 –** District 8 last meeting was on Tuesday, January 12, 2021. Our District has approximately 31 home groups with GSR's, 9 are inactive w/o any contact. 17 GSR's were present at the meeting. We have 10 standing committees, 8 were present along with our Central Office member. We had a total of 27 members attending the district 8 meeting. Last quarter we did not have any workshops. There was a group of GSR's that met in person to attend the October Assembly on zoom.

As DCM I attended the Area 92 October 2019 Assembly on zoom. I attend a monthly DCM roundtable meeting hosted by Area 92 chair. I have also started attending the AA Service Manual Study group on Thursdays. District 8 is assigned to the Area 92 treatment and accessibilities committee. I plan to attend the monthly Area treatment committee meetings. I also attended the standing area committee workshop on Saturday, December 12, 2020. Upcoming Activities: District workshop February 6, 2021: Many Ways to Carry the Message". DCM will be attending PRASSA weekend of March 5 -7, 2021. Virtual Standing Committee Workshop. March 20, 2021. District 8 will be the host for the Area 92 April pre-conference Assembly on April 9 – 11, 2021. Concerns & Solutions: As DCM my concern and several of my District members have voiced concern about, is having a "hybrid" district meeting. There is excessive background socializing and a separate meeting going on at the physical location off screen. With one laptop being used the Chair cannot determine who is there and who isn't. The format of a divided "hybrid" meeting with some on zoom and some in a physical location as a group is not conducive to an effective business meeting. I would not recommend it as an effective way to conduct business meetings. As a solution I am going to ask members to log into the zoom meeting on their individual devices, to identify themselves. Next Monthly District 8 meeting is on February 9, 2021. Standing Committees meet at 6:30, District meeting at 7 p.m. Respectively submitted, Catherine B. District 8 DCM Area 92

**District 9 – No report**

**District 10 – No report**

**District 11 - No report**

**District 12 – No report**

**District 13 –No report**

**District 14 – Jerome:** 2 groups represented today. Active Committee: Activities, Archives, Literature, PI/CPC, Schedules, Treatment and corrections, Bridging the Gap. Last Quarter Activities: Standing Committee workshop for Area 92. Planned Activities: We currently have no planned events as of yet, but we have a great group of alcoholics who continue to look for ways to meet and we are discussing getting back to workshops in person.

**District 15- No report**

**District 16 - No report**

**District 17 – Jackie:** 21 groups represented, not sure who is here today. Active Committees: Archives- Gabrielle V.T.; Bridge the Gap-Jeff N.; Corrections-Danny O.; Literature-Gail R.; Intergroup Rep- Elaine. Last Quarter Activities: D17 hosted the Christmas and New years Virtual Alcahthon 2020. Special thanks to Edward S and Danny O; The Committee chairs, and their team, who masterfully facilitated the local areas first virtual Alcahthon. Groups from throughout Area 92 participated as co-hosts and meeting chairs at each of the two 36 hour marathon meeting events. There were visitors from all over the US, Canada and Mexico. We even had a couple of visitors from Europe and Australia. I attended the Western Regional Forum. Planned Activities: Talking about a GSR School. Concerns & Solutions: Most of the groups in D17 are still having meetings online. There are a couple of small groups that are in person but for larger groups, Covid-19 safety measures are still an unmanageable hurdle. About half of the reporting groups are utilizing digital means of 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition collection. D17 now has a Zoom and Venmo account and we have voted to continue our monthly meetings online with pre-Assembly in-Operosn meetings (Pandemic restrictions permitting). Next mtg, Feb at 6pm Zoom 378-550-5876. Jackie W. 509-868-92041. [Dcm17@area92aa.org](mailto:Dcm17@area92aa.org).

**District 18-No report**

**District 19 – No report**

**District 20-No report**

**District 21- No report**

**District 22 – Amelia:** 13 groups represented, 4 groups present today. Active Committee. Active Standing Committees: Treasure, PI/CPC, Web, Treatment, Grapevine and Lit, Archives. Need a Corrections chair. Last Quarter Activities: Created an Ad Hoc committee to revise district handbook. Planned Activities: Revising District handbook. Concerns and Solutions: Reaching the newcomer via zoom. Reopening meetings safely. Next mtg: Zoom Amelia 360-353-0828 [dcm22@area92aa.org](mailto:dcm22@area92aa.org)

**District 23 - No report**

**District 24 – No report**

**District - 25 No report**

**District 26 – No report**

**30 MINUTES OF OPEN DISCUSSION:**

Great discussion re GSR schools. DCM spirit of rotation concerns. in person vs Zoom mandates. Certain district concerned about central office control. Can we have a DCM school? Open discussion big success. More connection. Encouraging more GSR schools. Powerpoint is user friendly.

**HOST COMMITTEE'S**

**JAN QUARTERLY 2021** District 3. Not much more to say. But Gary H was a big help with the Panel for this Quarterly.

**APRIL PRE-CONF ASSY 2021** District 8 Emily – report, Comm has not met last 2 months, next mtg Feb 16<sup>th</sup>. Other than a run through of the agenda, Needs guidance and help. Hospitality stepped down because no need for a venue.

**OCTOBER ASSEMBLY 2021** District 4 Dawn & Adam, mtg a second Tuesday, third weekend in October. Most chair positions are filled. Active treasurer has received the seed money. Full Committee. Not sure if we are meeting in person until July. We have a save the date. No registration flyer yet.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Bid for July Quarterly 2022 – D22?

Bid for April Pre-Conf Assy 2022 D5 – Nikki DCM Wenatchee (in person)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Bid for Jan Quarterly 2022** – Some discussion regarding hybrid meetings. Discussion of outside D hosting for help. Is there a deadline? Need time to set up if in person. Outcome: No bids

**MOTIONS:**

**Finance Motion presented by Finance Committee: Debbie T.** Presented Motion and Background:

Discussion: Dawn and Amelia called questioned end discussion: voted and passed to send to groups for April Assembly.

**Handbook Motion presented by Handbook Committee: AnnMarie** Presented Motion and Background:

Discussion: Vote to Amend the statement “No financial impact, vote passed, and statement of no ‘financial impact removed”, Motion Amended. Jim and Jerome called the questioned after discussion no minority:

Gary H and Doug seconded to end discussion. Motion passed to send to groups for April Assembly.

**MOTION TO ADJOURNED.** 1<sup>st</sup> by Jerome D14, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dawn D4. Gary H lead in responsibility statement.