

NIA 20 Spring Assembly March 28 2015

- 8:00am Registration
9:00am Call to Order
- Quiet Time
 - Serenity Prayer
 - New Attendees
 - Anniversaries since last Assembly: September 13 2014
 - Twelve Concepts
 - Announcements
 - Approval of minutes from last Assembly
 - Vote To Hear Floor Motion**
 - Treasurer Report
 - Finance Committee Report
 - Operating Committee Report
 - Delegate Report 30 min.
 - Website Orientation 15 min.
 - Conference Reports 2 min. each
 - Election of Vacant Service Committee Positions:
 - Alternate PI, Alternate CPC, Alternate Treatment Facilities
 - Presentation of 2015 Appointees
 - New Business:

Wording for BTG Committee

FOR INCLUSION INTO AREA 20 SERVICE HANDBOOK

Bridging the Gap (BTG) Committee

The NIA Bridging the Gap Committee assists the district committees, groups or individual AA members within Northern Illinois to set-up, facilitate and maintain a BTG program to help the alcoholic transitioning from a facility into the A.A. recovery community.

FOR INCLUSION INTO DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS AREA TRUSTED SERVANTS DOCUMENT FOUND ON THE NIA WEBSITE

Bridging the Gap (BTG) Committee Chairperson

- Perform all duties as outlined in the Service Committee Chairpersons Responsibilities section of this document.
- Provide a uniform Bridging the Gap program the districts may follow, along with supporting materials for duplication.
- Maintain a list of district committee members to assist with Bridging the Gap efforts and volunteer requests received.
- Partner with the Corrections, Treatment, Cooperation with the Professional Community, and Public Information committees in facilitating the Bridging the Gap, Temporary Contact or other twelfth step work of connecting the alcoholic being released from a facility to the A.A. recovery community.

Motion by BTG Committee to fund representation at BTG Workshop

Motion

It is moved that the following basic activity be added to the Primary Purpose Register for the current and for subsequent years.

Activity Number	Service Activity	Expected outcome, guidelines and authority	Projected Cost	Allowable expenses
PPB ?	Annual Bridging the Gap Weekend Workshop	Bridging the Gap Chair and Alternate Chair to attend, or the BTG Chairperson may appoint a BTG Committee Member to attend in each of their absence.	\$2,000.00	Mileage, airfare, hotel, registration fee, meals and literature, printing and copies for presentations at the workshop

Background:

NIA has supported the BTG efforts in many ways throughout the years such as the following:

1. The 1993 Fall Assembly passed a motion to reimburse the treatment facilities chair attending Bridge the Gap workshop.
2. The 1994 Fall Assembly passed a motion to reimburse the treatment facilities chair attending Bridge the Gap workshop.
3. The 2009 Summer Assembly passed a motion to conduct two "Bridge the Gap" workshops.
4. The 2009 Summer Assembly passed a motion reimburse the treatment facilities chair attending Bridge the Gap workshop.
5. The 2011 Fall Assembly NIA voted to host the annual BTGWW in northern Illinois.
6. The 2013 Winter Assembly passed a motion to recommend the Area 20 Delegate send correspondence to GSO regarding BTG pamphlet.
7. The 2013 Fall Assembly passed a motion to reimburse the treatment facilities chair attending Bridge the Gap workshop.

FLOOR MOTIONS
Motion by the Delegate

Motion

The Delegate moves to have Northern Illinois Area 20 (NIA20) fund \$375 for the use in the East Central Region's (ECR) hospitality room at the International AA Convention in Atlanta.

Item #	Activity	Description, expected outcome and execution guidelines	Example expenses	Reimbursement Guidelines	Projected cost
PPMxx	<i>International Convention in Atlanta</i>	The East Central Region (ECR) is hosting a hospitality suite at the International AA Convention in Atlanta during the July 4 th weekend. The funds will be used to purchase bottled water with a special label (or other items) to hand out to visitors.	Bottled water, hard candies, etc.	Reimbursement authority: Delegate.	\$ 375.00

The East Central Region has voted to host a hospitality room at the International AA Convention to be held in Atlanta over the July 4th weekend. The hotel has quoted a rate of \$60 per gallon for coffee, and the committee felt that the price was rather high, and since it will be July and hot that perhaps bottled water will be a better choice. The hotel will charge a "corking fee" of \$0.75 per bottle. Work is still being done to find a place to buy the bottled water with some type of label. Each of the 14 Areas in the Region have been asked to request \$375 for the effort.

Motion by the Delegate

Motion

The Delegate moves to have Northern Illinois Area 20 (NIA20) fund 1200 copies of the "How to Find AA in Northern Illinois" along with creating some type of display for the use in the East Central Region's (ECR) hospitality room at the International AA Convention in Atlanta.

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PPMxx	<i>International Convention in Atlanta</i>	The East Central Region (ECR) is hosting a hospitality suite at the International AA Convention in Atlanta during the July 4 th weekend. The funds will be used to purchase 1200 "How to Find AA in Northern Illinois" pamphlets to hand out to visitors. In addition a display could be created to highlight NIA	"How to Find AA in Northern Illinois" pamphlets, copies, District directories, etc.	Reimbursement authority: Delegate.	\$ 1000

The East Central Region has voted to host a hospitality room at the International AA Convention to be held in Atlanta over the July 4th weekend. Each of the 14 Areas in a region has been offered an opportunity to have some type of display for their Area. Providing the pamphlets "How to Find AA in Northern Illinois" offers the opportunity to give people who may visit NIA some way to find meetings in the Area. IT also is an opportunity to show an example of how we carry the message of our Answering Service efforts to other Areas by giving them to people who visit our room.

Motion by Nate B regarding letter of support for ICYPAA

Motion:

It is moved that Northern Illinois Area 20 provide CHICYPAA a letter of support for their bid to host the ICYPAA Conference in 2016.

Explanation:

CHICYPAA will include the letter in their bid package which will be presented at the conference on September 3-6, 2015 in Miami, FL. NIA's letter of support is the fulfillment of an old bidding requirement the committee would assure the conference would not conflict with any locally hosted AA events.

Background:

ICYPAA (International Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) is a self-supported traveling conference which meets in a different city throughout the United States and Canada. The first conference was held on August 17-19, 1958 in Niagara Falls, Canada where Bill Wilson was in attendance and had contributed a letter of support endorsing the event. He cited the enthusiasm it brought to the overall movement. The second conference was hosted at the Palmer House in Chicago, IL. Young People's conferences have acted as a gateway to AA for younger (young at heart members) to general service. ISCYPAA is the largest of the over 60 young people's conferences which are held around the world.

ICYPAA conferences receive around 70% of its attendance from a 300 mile radius of the host location which includes Northern Illinois 20.

Locally, the Young People's scene has become really popular. The 2015 ISCYPAA (Illinois State Conference of Young People) was hosted in Northern Illinois 20 at the Westin in Lombard where 7 groups from around state placed a bid to host the next conference. In April 2014, the Eastern Area Conference of Young People EACYPAA was hosted in Chicago where over 1500 young people in attendance many from Northern Illinois 20.

Officer Reports:	2 min. each
Open Microphone	2 min. each time permitting
12:00pm Adjournment	

Service Committee Breakouts, as time and space permit, following the close of the business meeting.