

Report of the Chair

I have had multiple communications with members of the finance committee, report and charter committee, our delegate and other members concerning the motions that are being presented today. Both our delegate and I have helped in the development of a couple of the motions.

I have yet to be asked to attend any district meetings but am willing to do so.

I have had the opportunity to consult with a couple of members preparing a bid for the 2016 Spring Assembly/Conference. I love the enthusiasm that they have as they prepare it.

As you know I attended the East Central Regional Conference during the weekend of July 25th through July 27th. During this time I attended a round table discussion with other area chairs and alternate delegates (actually some delegates attended as well) on topics such as “how the agenda gets created,” “budgets and financing,” and “rotation of Chair, Alternate Delegate and Delegate.”

I learned that some areas have a committee that sets the agenda for area meetings, some areas meet monthly, some don't have a separate committee meeting and assembly, it seems that no other area has something like our primary purpose financing, some areas don't have a “chair” the alternate delegate is the chair person, in some areas the rotation is a set arrangement from Chair to Alternate Delegate to Delegate without voting for each one of the positions and in some areas the delegate becomes the chair after they serve as delegate.

Other areas found our primary purpose financing most interesting and asked questions about that.

All in all it was very informative and I feel privileged to have been allowed to participate and share what we are doing in NIA vs. what other areas are doing.

I will be participating in a Service Orientation Workshop that our alternate delegate is presenting on August 16th in Grayslake. Always love to talk about service.

Lastly, I am eagerly awaiting September 3rd.

In service;
Robert Snipes
Area Chair