

NIA 20 2020 Winter Committee Meeting

Lord of Life Church - La Fox, Illinois
(Hosted by District 43)

January 11, 2020

Meeting Opening

Chair Carmela R. called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. The group participated in a quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer.

New Attendees & Incoming DCMs:

Kay, Secretary D51	Evan D43 volunteer
Adam, DCM D51	John, Treasurer D40
Shawn, Secretary D43	Gordon, DCM D40
Kathy, Treasurer D51	Zach, LCM/Literature chair D40
Dave, GSR Living Sober on the Hill	Alec, D22 volunteer
Michael, Alternate DCM D51	Raul, Secretary D20
Ralph, Webmaster D51	Collette, D22 Literature chair
Kelly, volunteer D43 GSR Fox Hall	Daryl, GSR D10
Bill D43, here to learn	

Anniversaries:

Chris – 1/2/20, 14 years
Carol H. – 1/2/20, 21 years
Tanzie B. – 1/10/20, 2 years
George C. – 12/11/19, 39 years

➤ **Total of 76 years of sobriety**

Twelve Concepts for World Service – Concept 1 – Ray M., Past Delegate

Ray read the concept. He also read the first sentence of Bill W.'s essay on Concept 1 (*Twelve Concepts for World Service*, Page 4)., "The AA groups today hold ultimate responsibility and final authority for our world services." By stating this, Bill clearly indicated the "we" in this concept when he said the AA groups have the responsibility and authority to uphold the traditions of AA that make it possible for us to carry the message to still suffering alcoholics.

Announcements

D43 DCM John O. made the announcements for the day.

Service Orientation Workshop

Chris D., Alternate Delegate, gave a preview of the workshop. Marilyn F., Delegate, introduced Mark E., the East Central Regional Trustee, our special guest presenter. Mark gave a terrific workshop on service in AA, answering questions from attendees as the workshop progressed.

The Committee Meeting resumed following a 45-minute lunch break.

Meeting Business

Delegate's Report – Marilyn F.

All that I've done as your Delegate so far is reading AA Comes of Age and enjoying that. I was given access the dashboard last week and have been getting acquainted with that. I have a draft version of my two-minute introduction to the Area that I will give at the General Service Conference (GSC). I will read it now, and I want constructive comments or corrections after the meeting. I will be reading this introduction at the regional Delegates Past and Present Conference in Detroit in February and at the GSC in April.

Treasurer's Report – Dawn B. / Carol H. (outgoing Treasurer)

Traditionally, the Winter Committee Treasurer's Report is the last one for 2019, so Carol gave it. The prudent reserve in the savings account will be adjusted to equal 30% of the total expenses from the approved 2020 Primary Purpose Register. Dawn will set up a new P.O. Box and will bring envelopes with the new address to the Spring Assembly.

The General Services Office is setting up a new system for group numbers, but that is still in the future, so continue to use your current group number when sending in contributions until you are informed of the new one. Please do not use your Chicago Area Service Office (CASO) number when sending in contributions.

Alternate Treasurer's Report – Steve L.

Hello, I'm an alcoholic, my name is Steve. I'm grateful to have the opportunity to serve you as your NIA Alternate Treasurer. I have met with Dawn, the current Treasurer, Carol, and Sue, the outgoing Alternate Treasurer, on several occasions. Sue and I have been in close contact over the past week.

Regarding the reports, there has historically been a slight difference between the Treasurer and the Alternate Treasurer reports. This is due to timing of deposits and I will attempt to minimize this discrepancy in the future.

It is clear that our biggest challenge going forward, is the new group numbering system. Please keep in mind when making your contributions to please place both the old and new numbers on the envelope, for the time being. That is, if you have the new numbers and the new envelopes. You may continue to use the current envelopes until the assembly in March.

So, since most of you don't know me, I will take this time to give you a little bit of my background. I worked as a Certified Public Accountant for over 20 years as well as teaching a CPA review course. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in accounting from DePaul University. I served our country in the Navy on a destroyer while off the coast of Japan. I now work at the Hines VA Hospital where I have the privilege of helping some of our nation's veterans get the healthcare they deserve. I'm on the board of a nonprofit organization called Vet2Vet which provides guidance for veterans during emotionally difficult times. I sing in my church choir; I am a tenor. I'm blessed to have a 21-year-old son who is happy and healthy. I'm very pleased to be your NIA Alternate Treasurer.

Yours in Service, Steven Lefferts

Carol gave the Donations summary from the Alt Treasurer's Report because Sue V., the outgoing Alt Treasurer, was not present.

At the mic:

Eric – It appears there is a typo in total amount for Pink Can plus Green Can donations on the Treasurer's Report. Carol will correct this.

Dave T., Alt DCM D23 – On pages 9-11 what are the negative amounts? Carol – They are the amount of the proposed expenses that were not spent.

Approval of 2019 Fall Committee Meeting Minutes

Area Secretary Christy B. made an amendment to correct “Approval of the “Spring Committee Meeting Minutes” on page 1 to “Approval of Summer Committee Meeting Minutes.” Robert S. made the motion to approve the minutes as amended and Cheryl V. seconded the motion. The amended minutes were approved by simple majority voice vote.

Old Business

Open Elected Positions Review

- Area Secretary – Alternate
- Answering Service Committee Area Chair – Alternate
- Archives Committee Area Chair – Alternate
- BTG Committee Area Chair
- BTG Committee Area Chair – Alternate
- Grapevine / LaViña Committee Area Chair – Alternate
- Literature Committee Area Chair – Alternate

Chair Carmela stated that we will not elect anyone for these positions until the Spring Assembly. Please take this request to fill open positions to your districts to help get these positions filled. The Area Service Manuals available on the handout table today contain descriptions of duties and responsibilities for each of these positions that will help you understand what is involved in volunteering for these service positions.

2020 Spring Assembly Conference Report – D21 & D28 (March 20-22, 2020)

Tom G. – This will be the best Spring Assembly Conference that NIA20 will hold this year! It will be at the Chicago Marriott—Schaumburg. We have lined up three dynamic speakers: Zach F. from Buffalo, New York, Jenny from Dallas, Texas, and Brenda B. who staffs the Corrections Facilities desk at GSO in New York. We will have a worldwide internet meeting with AA attendees from exotic places on Saturday afternoon. D10 is hosting the Assembly Saturday morning. You do not have to pay the registration fee to attend the Assembly only, but we hope you will attend both the Assembly and Conference. Box lunches are available for purchase for Saturday. Rooms are \$99/night. All the events will be held in the newly remodeled hotel conference center. So, all events are on one floor in one place for our convenience. You can register online or in person today.

Kevin K. – We have a flyer today from our Hospitality Chair asking for volunteers to take a time hosting in the Hospitality Suite. A comedian/hypnotist who is a friend of AA, will provide the entertainment after the banquet on Saturday night instead of having a dance this year. I have packets of flyers for all the districts with me today, so please pick them up.

2020 Big Book Conference Report – D10 & D12 (October 24, 2020)

Kevin A., Conference Committee Chair – no report today.

New Business

Motion

Today the motion is being presented by the sponsors for discussion and questions only. Voting on this motion will be at the Spring Assembly in March. The intention of today's presentation is to give DCMs and GSRs the information they need to help their districts and groups make an informed decision for voting on this motion at the Assembly.

Motion - The Finance Committee moves that the NIA Primary Purpose Register (PPR), Activity number "B02 - General Service Conference Contribution", be revised to reflect the Area's intention to fully-fund the cost of our Delegate's participation in the General Service Conference (GSC) ongoing from 2020 forward.

Carol read the motion and gave the background information. Kevin A. and Tom G. from the Finance Committee were also available for comments and questions. The motion and background information are included in the attachment to these minutes.

At the Mic:

Tina – How much over \$5,000 was the cost for 2019?

Carol H. – It was \$8,300 based on the 2018 GSC cost; \$3,300 over.

Cheryl V. – The letter to the delegates only states what funding is asked of every delegate in the current year. This funding is significantly lower than the actual cost per delegate to hold the GSC, and not every area can contribute this amount for their delegate to attend. No delegate is turned away because of the inability of their area to pay. The cost is only discussed when a motion is brought at the GSC to raise the cost asked for in the following year. The letter sent to the delegate with the actual cost of the previous year (\$8,300 in 2018) comes after the original request for Delegate funding is sent. And this is considered a donation, not a fee. I would like to propose two friendly amendments to the motion:

- Include in the motion wording, an update to the Treasurer's duties and responsibilities in the Area Service Manual to include that they will do the following: ***"[conduct] a follow-up with the GSB and/or the NIA Delegate to forward the additional funds if needed once the updated expense of the previous year is provided"*** [or similar wording].
- Include the wording that this funding will be done only ***"In years when funds are available."***

Carmela R. – What is the committee's response to Cheryl's comment?

Carol H. – This already was our intent; however, we put that wording the background information, not in the motion itself. Are you willing to help us, Cheryl, to get the wording for the Service Manual written?

Cheryl V. – Yes, as Custodian of the Service Manual, I will help you.

Tom G. – The use of the word "intention" in current motion wording gives us wiggle-room to fully fund or not.

Carmela R. – When this motion comes out prior to the Spring Assembly, it will have amended wording.

Administrative Appointments Review – Carmela R., Area Chair

Pages 62 through 69 in the Area Service Manual list the administrative positions and administrative committee members to be appointed by the Area Chair. Carmela listed the appointments she has already made and the appointments she is currently working on filling.

Appointments Made or Pending

- Archivist – Cheryl V.
- Concepts Co-Editor – appointment of Chris S. from D52 is pending

Open Appointments Review

- Service Handbook Custodian – Cheryl V. has agreed to stay on until a new custodian can be found. If you have an interest, please let Carmela know.
- Conference Advisory Committee
- Finance Committee – DCMs and Past Delegate
- Operating Committee – DCMs
- Report and Charter – DCMs
- Electronic Equipment Committee – There is someone here today who has volunteered to serve and will be appointed.

DCM Reports

D10, Kevin A. / Michael L.	Kevin – We are working to put together our committee for hosting the Assembly at the Spring Conference and our committee for the Big Book conference to be held on October 24, 2020. We have about 45-60 people at the district meetings held the 4 th Sunday of the month at St. Gilberts Church in Grayslake. We start with a Traditions/Concepts meeting at 5:30 p.m. followed by the district meeting.
D11, Kate D. / Pat M.	Kate – We had our first District meeting for 2020 on Thursday, January 2 nd at the First Methodist Church of Woodstock. We meet every 1 st Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the church. We had a very big crowd with 36 people signed in and about 45 in attendance. All district service positions/committees are filled except for Accessibilities chair and alternate. We will participate on a panel on Dr. Bob’s Nightmare at the 2020 Big Book conference.
D12, Karen F. / Matthew K.	Not present
D20, Rafael V.	Not present
D21, Chris E. / No Alt	Chris – I started as a GSR about 6 months ago and when no one stepped up to be DCM, I put my hand up to stand for the position and got elected.
D22, Joe B. / Dave F.	Joe B. – We had our first district meeting last Sunday. We have filled every committee chair position, but we still need some alternates. We meet the 1 st Sunday of the month at Zion Lutheran Church in Elgin at 4:30 p.m. The district meeting gets pushed to the second Sunday of the month when it’s a holiday or in February, for the Super Bowl. I am stressing that the committee chairs don’t have to do the work alone; we can get groups of people to help carry the message. I am excited to be working with Dave as my alternate DCM.

D23, Scott T. / Dave T.	<p>Scott – We meet the 2st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at St. Columba Church in Hanover Park. Dave and I met prior to our first meeting coming up this Monday. We usually have about 20 people each month at the meeting. Our district comprises Streamwood, Hanover Park and Bartlett. At our elections in December, we got every chair but one covered at the district, and we’re still looking for a few alternates. Dave and I will meet once a month to discuss the agenda and what we plan to accomplish, what we think is helpful to our district to carry the message. We are looking to make some changes, but I’m not going to make too many because that may imply that those before me weren’t doing things right. I’m looking forward to serving with gratitude.</p> <p>Dave – I am excited to be here, and I am hoping to encourage more newcomers to step up and do service work.</p>
D28, Kevin K. / Alt elected; information not submitted to Area yet	<p>Kevin – I do have an alternate now and I will get that information to you. We had our district meeting last Monday. We have all the positions filled except Archives chair and some alternate chairs. We had some trouble with our bank account, but that got fixed with our minutes that state that a new DCM was elected. We are getting a new phone for our answering service—an old-style flip phone with no internet, texting, etc. to keep the cost low. We are working on figuring out how to work with the club in our district on how to lower the number of calls the answering service gets around the holidays looking for information on club events. We are working with a group with low attendance, to see how we can help. I am getting district people on board to attend/volunteer at the Spring Assembly Conference.</p>
D40, Gordon R. /	Not present
D41, Tom M. / Walt K.	Not present
D42, Jim A. / Barry O.	Not present
D43, John O. / Kate R.	John – Our first district meeting is tomorrow where I will chair for the first time.
D51, Adam R. / Michael S.	<p>Adam – We meet the at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Cherry Hills Conference Center, 2505 E. Washington Street in Joliet. We have a lot of new blood in our district, plus some old blood for the guidance. I’m looking forward to seeing what we can do.</p> <p>Michael – We have a large district and we are putting together a committee to make contact with groups to get more contributions and participation, and get groups registered. We are excited to be part of this.</p>
D52, Heather S. / No Alt	Not present
D61, Natalie G. / Rita O.	<p>Natalie – Rita, my alt DCM stayed home due to the weather. We meet the last Friday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fox Valley Presbyterian Church in Geneva. I was previously district registrar and was GSR of my home group for 4 years. I attended the board meeting of the 12 Step Club in Batavia to better understand the club/district relationship.</p>
D62, Betsy W. / No Alt	Betsy – I am still looking for an alternate. We got meetings into the Kendall County Jail for the first time—it was a year-long accomplishment.

D64, No DCM / No Alt	Not present
D65, Gregorio C. / Javier H.	Javier – We a small district of 8 groups and we have 5 GSRs and we will motivate them.
D70, No DCM / No Alt	Not present
D71, Eric B. / No Alt	We meet the 2 nd Monday of each month at the DeKalb Alano Club at 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to come out to our meeting this coming Monday if you didn't get enough service work today. The alternate for D71 is "yet to be elected."
D72, Sue M. / No Alt	<p>I am happy to report that District 72 is still alive! In September we were notified that the Galena groups no longer wished to participate in the district. They recommended we move the monthly GSR meeting to Freeport. At the October meeting a lengthy discussion was had regarding the future of District 72. The inventory from that discussion led to a vote to go dark as a district.</p> <p>With some encouragement we began the footwork to reorganize. We had an organizational/election meeting on December 18th. I was elected DCM. We do not have an alternate DCM. We have a secretary and three of the committee chairs filled. The treasurer from the last rotation has agreed to stay on until we find someone. He has also agreed to be an LCM for the Galena Groups. This way we can still include them even though we are changing the meeting place to the Alano Club at 222 N. Cherry Avenue in Freeport, on the 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>It has been 4 years since we've had a DCM. We know it's going to take time to establish a functional District. So, if there is anyone here today that has experience with dark districts or can put me in touch with someone who does, we need and would greatly appreciate the help.</p>
D73, Karen D. / No Alt	Not present
D79, Luis A. / No Alt	Not present
D80, Bill B. / No Alt	Not present
D90, Randall C. / No Alt	Not present
D91, Eric H. / No Alt	Not present

Service /Administrative Committee Reports

Accessibilities – Dwayne G., Chair / Rachael B., Alt Chair

Dwayne – I have no report now, but I will have a report soon to email to the Area. It's always a work in progress.

Answering Service – Tracy F., Chair / Alt Chair – OPEN

Tracy – I intend to visit most of the districts, if not all, during my term. Any problems you have, give me a shout. My address is on last year's roster as Alternate Grapevine chair if you want to contact me.

Area Archivist / Archives – Cheryl V. and Jeff K. / Alt Chair – OPEN

Jeff K. – I am looking forward to being of service, and I need an alternate chair.

Cheryl V. – I don't have anything to report yet, but Monday I am going with Ray to look at the archives, and I hope to make it back out.

Bridging the Gap – Chair – OPEN / Alt Chair – OPEN

Concepts - Jessica R. / Co-Editor – OPEN

Jessica – I am really excited to have a co-editor. That makes things a lot easier. You should get your copy of Concepts soon. The most recent issue was mailed a week and a half ago. There are copies available on the handouts table today, so if there are any left, feel free to take them.

Cooperation with Professional Community – Tanzie B., Chair / Jeff L., Alt. Chair

Tanzie B. – This is a new beginning and a new journey, so any advice or guidance from those with experience is welcomed.

Jeff L. – I am looking forward to this next two years.

Corrections – Scott M., Chair / Mark H., Alt Chair

Mark H. – I am the incoming alternate Area Corrections chair.

Electronic Equipment - Joe B.

I purchased batteries last weekend and I submitted my expense report for that. It's great to have someone to help, and we live on the same street, so that is convenient.

Grapevine / LaViña – Susan H., Chair / Alt Chair – OPEN

Susan was in attendance, but she has left.

Literature – Kimberly T., Chair / Alt Chair – OPEN

Kim T. – D10 is my service district. My home group is Winners and Beginners in Wauconda. I am your incoming Literature chair. I previously was Literature chair for D10. I do not have an alternate chair and I am looking for one.

Public Information – Rich S., Chair / Ed M., Alt Chair

Not present

Treatment Facilities – Lisa S., Chair / Rich H., Alt Chair

Lisa S. – I could not be more excited. I am very much looking forward to serving in this position. I am looking forward to contacting the district Treatment committee chairs.

Rich H. – I am the alternate Treatment chair.

Technical Committee - Michael L., Chair

Not present

Web Administrator - Earl N.

Earl N. – I have a person interested in being Alternate Administrator. If you are an incoming officer or chairperson, you should be getting emails bounced to your selected email account. If you are not getting them, please go to the website and try sending an email to yourself to check. If you don't get the test email, please contact Earl or the secretary. We also still have some blanks where we didn't have emails.

Officer's Reports

Alternate Delegate, Chris D.

I will post a report in the next couple of days. It is my responsibility to conduct Service Orientation workshops and I am willing to do workshops as they relate to service in your districts. I can work with you to customize a workshop to meet the specific needs of your district. One of my responsibilities is to distribute background material for final agenda items for GSC. That material will be coming out in a few weeks, and I will be getting that out to the DCMs. DCMs and alt DCMs, please make sure we have your contact information, so I can get this material to you. I will be attending the Delegates Past and Present in Detroit along with Marilyn. And I will be attending the Spring Conference. I will register before I leave today. Regarding Service Orientation workshops, I have recently been contacted by D80—the LaSalle, Peru, Ottawa area for one.

Chair, Carmela R.

I am excited that the conference advisory committee will be looking into venues for the 2021 Spring Conference. I will be attending an Area assembly in Oahu on an upcoming vacation.

Report of the Area Chair, Panel 70

I've had the opportunity to learn so much over the last many weeks. And it's still like drinking from a firehose, isn't it? I say we have two years to figure it out. The ball is rolling in a few areas and will start in a few others.

Already, I have had the opportunity to work with our new Alternate Chair, Erik L, both in the transition of duties and supporting current conference planning committees. I attended the most recent Spring Assembly Conference planning meeting and will work with hosting District 10 as needed to finalize our assembly business agenda and breakout meetings.

Given we do not have a host committee for the 2021 Spring Assembly Conference, I have asked our Conference Advisory Committee (CAC) to pick up our discussion from last year's fall committee meeting and take action to prepare a slate of possible venues and preliminary budgets to put before the assembly, in the hopes that hosts will avail themselves. I plan to be as communicative about this as possible—so that as the committee has options available, Districts can consider them. If we build it, will they come? Let's give it a shot! Thank you to the CAC for being willing to explore the possibilities.

There are two events coming up that I'm also excited about—the Conference of Delegates Past and Present in Detroit and an inventory assembly in Area 17. So, what else would you do if, when in Hawaii on vacation, you find that there's a weekend assembly happening on Oahu? I can't wait to report back on that experience.

I have also started talks with our technology committee to get our Area a web conferencing subscription and to identify a central location for filesharing. Communication and information sharing are key. I'll continue to report on this progress.

My work of appointing our administrative committees and other positions has begun though is very far from done, as you've seen. Be on the lookout, DCMs, I'm coming for you.

Expenses to date: nothing to report here yet. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Respectfully submitted, Carmela R Area Chair, chairperson@aa-nia.org

Alternate Chair, Erik L.

Erik – It's going to be a fun two years. I'm looking forward to helping Carmela for the next two years, and working with the Conference Advisory Committee, putting a little teeth into it, so we can continue to have conferences in the Area. I did attend the Spring Conference planning committee meeting last Sunday. Please sign up to attend the Spring Conference—it's one of your duties as an Area committee member.

Registrar, Carol H.

FNV went down in November. The only thing we have been able to submit so far is the new officers and Area committee chairs. They did not want alternate chairs at this time. Please be patient. We are going to figure out a way to streamline this process. The only communication I have gotten from GSO said they have had a small setback in rolling out the portal, and “we cannot establish a definite date for training.” Originally, they were hoping to have the system up by the end of March, but it doesn’t appear that this will happen. We are doing what we can to get contact information into the Area Roster so we can communicate with one another. I did send an email to the outgoing DCMs asking for their help. If you think you are not getting communications as the new DCM, check with your outgoing DCM to see if they have it, or can help you get it. The forms we had you fill out today will be very helpful in this.

Current group numbers will become legacy numbers soon at GSO. In the future each person will be assigned a service number. But in the near future, either number will work to make contributions or supply information to GSO. I will help you figure it all out when it the new numbering system is finalized.

When communicating with me, please use the email address for Registrar on the NIA20 website, not my personal one, so your message doesn’t get lost.

Alternate Registrar, Rob M.

I am the incoming alternate Registrar. I want to reiterate what Carol said about contact information. You are going to get the minutes from this meeting in the next month or so from Christy, the Secretary. If you don’t get them, please send an email to Christy or us through our contact information on the NIA website. We will work with you to make it work as best we can.

Secretary, Christy B.

I will be working on getting badges ready for the Assembly. I am happy to be here and happy to be the secretary.

Alternate Secretary – OPEN

Open Mic:

Tracy F. – The Hinckley Pork Chop Dinner is on January 25, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Lisa S. – The DuPage County Open Meeting is on February 22 at Parkview Community Church in Glen Ellyn. The doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Steve M. – I have an update on the billboards. I talked to Rich S., the new PI chair, and we decided that I will go ahead with getting the project going since I know what’s going on. We haven’t signed the contract yet. The billboard company has approved the artwork. The billboard company wants a PDF for each billboard that has a unique phone number, so that’s 11 billboard PDFs that I am going to have to change. I am not skilled in that area, and could use some help.

Robert S. – Let’s get Christy an alternate secretary. Please, please, please consider that and talk to people.

Adjournment

Robert S. made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Cheryl V. seconded it. Carmela R., Area Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m., and the AA responsibility statement was recited.

The Spring Committee Meeting will be held on May 16, 2020 at Lord of Life Church in LaFox and will be hosted by the Area Officers.

Attachment

**Northern Illinois Area (NIA) 20 Finance Committee Motion
 NIA Winter Committee Meeting
 January 11, 2020**

Motion from the 2019 Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee moves that the NIA Primary Purpose Register (PPR), Activity number "B02 - General Service Conference Contribution", be revised to reflect the Area's intention to fully-fund the cost of our Delegate's participation in the General Service Conference (GSC) ongoing from 2020 forward.

Primary Purpose Basic

Activity number	Service activity	Expectations per guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 8/31/2019	2019 Expected Amount	2019 Remaining Expected Expense	2020 Expected Expense
B02	General Service Conference Contribution	The Area Committee is expected to make a contribution for the General Service Conference per the AA Service Manual, NIA Guidelines, and historical practice.	Year-end contribution to GSB for NIA participation in GSC	Delegate reports to the Treasurer the current expenses per the General Service Board	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$8,300.00

Background: For many years NIA has paid the entire cost of participation at the General Service Conference (GSC) as determined by the General Service Board (GSB). However, it has been an unwieldy two-step process because the GSB does not advise participants of the expected costs until early in the calendar year of the GSC. Past practice has been to send an amount equal to that years cost to the GSB at the end of each calendar year as a "down payment" for the following year. After the actual costs are announced, a supplemental motion has been made to forward the balance, if there is a difference from the amount paid. Revising the PPR would authorize the Treasurer to pay the amount suggested by the GSB and eliminate the need for a second motion. For planning and budgeting purposes the Finance Committee could use a rounded amount approximating the current year's actual expenditure in the next year's proposed Primary Purpose Registry.

The following motion was found in the NIA "Assembly Actions 1972 to Present" document on the NIA website:

ITEM #	ASSEMBLY	MOTIONS	PROPOSER	ACTION	PPM
2006-23	Winter 12/2/06	Motion to amend 2006 NIA Budget (Line item 684) to \$5000 to fully fund Delegate to Gen'l Service Conference	Panel 54 Past Delegate	Unanimous	

The above motion appears to cover only 2006 and the question and discussion about whether to provide additional funds continues each year when the second motion is presented. If this current motion is passed by the 2020 NIA Spring Assembly body, the description in the Primary Purpose Register description for Activity number "B02 - General Service Conference Contribution" and the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer will be updated to include a follow-up with the GSB and/or the NIA Delegate to forward the additional funds if needed once the updated expense of the previous year is provided.

Thank you for allowing us to be of service.

Respectfully submitted,

The 2019 NIA Finance Committee

Carol H., NIA Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair

Susan V., NIA Alternate Treasurer

Tom B., Past Delegate - Panel 42 (92-93)

Kevin A., DCM District 10

Tom G. DCM District 21

Dan S., DCM District 22