

# Utah Area 69 February Committee Meeting

## February 23, 2019

### St. James Episcopal Church

**Welcome,** Kristen D. Area Chair, meeting open at 9:00 with moment of silence followed by serenity prayer. Area preamble and anonymity statement were read by Kristen. Anyone who has not registered with Area 69 please see Cheryl H the Registrar for Area 69 she can add your name to the mailing list. Introduction of new members in attendance there were 26. Then asked members to Identify anyone who would be willing to be service sponsor. Introduction of Area 69 Panel 69 Committee officers, standing chairs. Past delegates. Lori district 1 12 concepts. In December the Grapevine chair stepped down. After prayer Mike from District 5 came to mind. He accepted the invitation. We need sense of the meeting, all was in favor for Mike taking the chair.

**Secretary Report & Minutes** 2018 December Committee Meeting Mieshell D. were read. Motion to approve made by Jill H. and seconded by Cheryl. Minutes were approved as read.

**Yearend Financials** Kristen D. past area Treasurer. Reports were read and passed as read. Shelly asked what the budget was for last year? Will get back to her with those numbers. Craig how soon will 2018 closed out on January 5, turned over to David on 7<sup>th</sup>. Motion made by Rick to approve yearend, seconded by Kirk. Approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report** – David R. Good morning family, my name is David R. and I am an alcoholic. It is a pleasure to be here today. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you as your area treasurer. Now you are talking to the guy that would gather up all his receipts from the dash of the truck and under the seat, put them all in a paper bag and take them to H&R Block once a year, then in 2015 I hired a bookkeeper who helped to organize things and got us started. Then in 2017 she retired and I got a new bookkeeper and some QuickBooks software. I was really happy to be separate from the bookkeeping and especially the software. When you elected me to be treasurer, I had the sneaky intention to get quite a bit of help from my bookkeeper. This made the position a lot scarier for me because at the end of the day, I felt I still wouldn't be actually able to do the treasure job without help.

Last month our bookkeeper went to work for the government and the new person is just learning bookkeeping. So, I decided to do it myself. And with only advise and coaching from people in the AA program I figured out how to set up a company in QuickBooks. I made all the entries myself and then I figured out how to adjust the formulas in the spreadsheets Kristen gave me. This has given me a lot of confidence. I just wanted to thank you for the opportunity to grow.

We have a bunch of donations come in. thanks to everyone. We have quite a bit in the checking account. That is a good thing because during the first part of the year, the Area has a lot of expenses Kristen tells me that I will probable write over \$5,000 in checks at this event. Seed money for upcoming events will be paid out soon. Defrayment for PRAASA is now due. Don't be alarmed and think we have too much money in the area accounts, that could be a good opportunity to get more literature out to treatment center, jails, libraries, health fairs, or whatever the area decides. Too much money is a good problem not a bad problem.

Also, we have 2 returned letters and self-support packets.

Last week I was asked to go on a 12-step call. The next day I was told for whatever reason, he wasn't ready and didn't want to come. If he is feeling the way I felt before surrendering then he probably wants to try one more thing on his own and get it figured out.

Being in service in AA helps me so much. It helps keep the alcoholic experience and memories fresh so that I don't take that first drink. I would rather be in here trying to figure how to be the area's bookkeeper than out there trying to figure out how to control my drinking while still drinking

Yours in service David R.

**Registrar's Report & Roll Call** –Cheryl H. Warm welcome! I want to congratulate you on your new positions, I have to laugh at my Higher Power sense of humor. He guided me to stand for this position. I found out in January I would be learning 4 data bases. Devin our past registrar has been awesome in training me on these data bases. I appreciate Jolene in helping me with updating our website with meeting changes I have been entering and updating diligently. GSO will be taking there FNV database down 3/3/2019. As of now there is no estimated time when their new data base will be up and running. Its my pleasure to be of service to you, groups and Area 69. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

**Delegates report-** Matt D. Good morning Friends I would like to thank every one of you for this wonderful opportunity you have giving me to serve you as Delegate. Most of the time my mind is swimming with the magnitude of this job, but I am reaching out to members who have walked this path or are walking it now to help me along with all of you. I have had the opportunity to join in on three conference calls (I don't like conference calls). Two of these calls were with our Pacific Region Trustee and the other Delegates of the Pacific Region. She has a conference call after every quarterly board meeting to inform us as to what went on at board weekend. The first call I was unprepared for but the next one I had her report in front of me and a list of questions that I wanted some clarity on. In December my name was pulled out of a hat to sit on the Literature committee. I our Area elections as I am standing for a position and the votes are being counted, I always say or think to myself that if I am not elected to this position that I would like to stand for the area literature committee chair. They have all those pamphlets and books (I am so jealous) but I guess god is now giving me a chance to follow that dream. My third conference call was with the conference literature committee to discuss the purposed agenda items and add our input. I took a long lunch hour from work to take this call and it was pouring down rain. This conference call was an agenda item last year and we discuss the pros and cons of it. Since our elections I have tried to read, as much background, history, and books as I can to get prepared and get up to speed. I don't think any of that will change anytime soon but it has opened my eyes and given me a better understanding of this wonderful position. At conference on Wednesday I will have the opportunity to put in a bid for our area to host the next Pacific Regional Forum in 2020. We will need to vote on this at our Per-Conference Assembly but I would like you all to bring it back to your groups and ask them for their blessings. We have not hosted one in 23 years. Lastly PRAASA is next weekend. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Thank you for giving me this chance to grow. Matt Dyer Area 69 Delegate.

**Alternate Delegate** Sheryl T. Good Morning and Welcome Fellow Trusted Servants! Thank you, District 10, for securing this venue and for hosting the Area today. Your committee's planning, preparation, and hard work are appreciated.

Since we last met, I have been diligently praying for the health of our Delegate, Matt D. Please feel free to join me in this venture! I have also been doing some reading and studying, primarily focusing on the Twelve Concepts and Alcoholics Anonymous history. My hope is to be better able to support our Delegate. One of the things I love the most about being involved in General Service is that there is always more to learn about the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous, and how the principles apply to service work. As with all forms of service, the goal of General Service is to carry the lifesaving message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the still-suffering alcoholic. Your participation today is very important and greatly appreciated.

**Chair person;** Kristen D. I have had a busy 2 months, starting with a daughter who is about ready to deliver and going to Missouri. Right off the bat I got to find a replacement for Grapevine. It was in an inspiration to do this. I have assisted district 1 with their elections, that is a great honor. Been on the phone with DCM's and members of AA.

**Immediate Past Delegate** Wade J Next weekend is PRAASA. Part of my job as immediate past delegate is to do the newsletter. If you are going to PRAASA write an article by 15 of March.

**District 1** no report submitted.

**District 2.** It is an exciting time in AA service in District 2. All our standing committee positions are filled and are on fire. We currently have over 20 AA literature racks through our district. The BTG committee is looking to become involved in helping prospects from treatment centers as well as the Salt Lake County Jail to meetings upon their release. For the first time volunteers with the correction committee are allowed to carry meeting to some of the medium and maximum security sections of the SLC Jail. In PI/CPC committee is working on carrying the message through the Salt Lake City library system including a new AA literature section at the Main Salt Lake Library. They are also working on PSA'S in local media and establishing vital links with legal, medical and judicial communities. Our treatment committee has a large group of dedicated AAs' that are now reaching out to a number of treatment outlets including the psychiatric ward at the VA Hospital, VOA and Fortitude which is a large state transition program for substance abuse recovery for inmates coming out of jails and prisons. We have two dedicated DCM's and are looking for 2 or 3 more. We are spreading the word. Finally, we are sending 3 or 4 servants from the district to PRAASA in Irvine Ca in a few days. This year we are looking to give AA's in the district who will be attending their first PRAASA. Thanks for letting me serve. Tom K district 2.

**District 3 Jo H.** So far this year we are doing pretty alright. We have visited a lot of meetings in our district, including a trip to Heber. We also established a legitimate banking account. We purchased books for the Wasatch County Jail, we are sponsoring a portion of the booth at the Conference on Addiction at UVU. Our group contributions are good. We are working to repair our relationship with Utah Valley Central Office and estranged groups. We are producing our own GSR newsletter and are looking to partner with Central office to distribute it with the No Booze News. We have filled our corrections chair position with John M. and Trina B. has agreed to stay on as our archivist. We still have several open positions: \* Treasurer \* 2 ADCM positions \* CPC chair \* PI chair. Overall, we are doing well and feel we are moving in the right direction. We will be hosting an event on Saturday March, 16, 2019 at the St. Mary's church in Provo. The purpose of the event is to explain and answer any questions about the agenda items, there will also be pancakes. All alcoholics are welcome. It should be a good time, feel free to join us.

**District 4** no report submitted.

**District 5** We had a great turn out for our first District meeting held in Mt. Pleasant. All of the standing chair positions were filled except for CPC, PI and Alt DCM.

We now have AA jail meeting going in into the Sever County jail twice a week after not able to go in for several years. We have three jails and one prison having AA meetings. Thank you so so much to district 10 for their generous \$1,000 donation earmarked for corrections. We are so grateful.

Our archivist (Sherry) bought a binder with past flyers and other items from the district. She will be putting a list of suggested items groups can donate to the archives.

Our corrections chair (Jim E) reports a lot of interest in the BTG program in Sanpete County jail and the Gunnison Prison. He proposed the district hold a BTG workshop. All was in favor so it will be May 4<sup>th</sup>

All other groups report to be doing well. Some reported smaller attendance however, 7<sup>th</sup> tradition contributions are good and the groups are taking care of themselves.

The Nephi group started a Saturday night Y-tube Speaker Meeting once a month, and members seem to really enjoy it.

The Area Fall Workshop committee was formed. November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019. Jim E will be the chair and Kim B is the co-chair. A venue has been found and Flyers are on the back table. It will be held in Fillmore. We need seed money please!?

Questions concerning placing the Alanon meetings on AA schedules was brought up, GSO was contacted. So grateful to serve. Teri W.

**District 7** Robert Y. attendance at our District meeting in December was 29, and 1 guest. For January's district meeting attendance was 30, and included 2 new GSR's. Robert H from St George, and Brandy B. from Cedar City and 8 visitors. Attendance at our District Meeting in February was 29, and included 2 new GSR's, Ben from St George and Paco from St George, 2 new Alt GSR's and 5 visitors. New Business at these meetings include the following.

New flyers for the Pre-Conference Assembly, April 5-7, were distributed.

New pamphlets "12 steps illustrated" and "The God Word" are available.

Elected an alternate Secretary for district 7 Janet H.

6 district members will be attending PRAASA. Defrayment was approved for three district members

Our CPC/PI standing chair Marybeth P., has been reaching out in the area around Kanab, and we have asked for volunteers from the south west and north west areas of district 7 to establish contacts for her presentations.

We have selected a Chairperson, Janet H., Secretary, Sharon V. for the Pre-Assembly Workshop. And with that 4 volunteers stepped up for Hospitality, Treasurer, the flyer and the program

Pre-Assembly Workshop is scheduled for August 17-18 at the Ramada Inn in Cedar City has been secured for that event.

Time has been set aside during the meeting to discuss the "12 traditions Illustrated" and the "12 Concepts for World Services", after their monthly reading.

Matt, district 7 would like to thank you, in advance for talking time out of your busy golf schedule to join us for our March district meeting in Cedar City. We will start GSO segments of the meeting at 1:30, break for our pot luck at 3:00, and start District meeting at 4:00. Grateful for allowing me to be of service, Rob Y.

**District 8** We have filled our positions except corrections but we believe that will be filled next district meeting by my amazing husband. Hopefully we can get men started again Meetings are all going good in Vernal and Roosevelt, haven't heard from Manilla or Duchesne. Bernal now has a meeting every day. Post-Conference is scheduled to be at the Weston Plaza in Vernal. The flyer is on the web site. We are set to pick up totes. We will set up donation cans at the coffee stations. All donations will go towards refilling the seed money. Doug is contacting Kurt to see when he can attend one of our meetings it said in March, they will put together our agenda to add to the flyer with round table times speaker times.....

**District 9**, no report submitted.

**District 10** no report submitted.

**District 11** Hello Friends, my name is Mike, and I am an alcoholic; currently serving District 11 as DCMC. My home group is The Serenity Happy Hour Group. We meet on Sundays at 10:00 am at the Davis Hospital in Layton. Please come by for a hug when you're in the area. We'd love to have you. Thank you District 10 for hosting this event. It is good to be back at an Area 69 service event. It has been many years and I have missed it. After having served as a DCM for District 1 I stepped away to raise my children, but I always longed to come back. Thanks to all the Elder Statespersons for saving me a seat. I hold a special spot in my heart for a few that are missing. I could only hope to someday join the meeting that Mike and Jim are in today. We have good attendance at our district meetings and most of our committee positions are full. Our GSR meeting which is held on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm has changed locations and is now meeting at the South Davis Recovery Club in Bountiful. I'm happy to report that District 11 will be represented at PRAASA next weekend in Irvine. I am looking forward to participating in that amazing service event. We are in the planning stages for the 2019 Fall Assembly and working hand-in-hand with District 12 to host this year's Pre-Conference Assembly in a couple months. Our district is financially sound with an ample prudent reserve. Thank you for your service and allowing me to serve, Mike F DCMC District 11

**District 12** No one available for report

**Agenda and Assembly** Kirk J. (Bid for 2020 February Committee Meeting) Greetings Trusted Servants, It's here! It's here! Attached please find the flyer for the February Committee Meeting. Registration begins at 8:00 am. There is no registration fee for the February Committee Meeting. For those new to general service, General Service Orientation begins at 8:30 am. The purpose of the Area Committee Meeting is to allow the Delegate to share current information from G.S.O., to discuss agenda items prior to Area Assemblies so that Districts can be better informed, and to discuss solutions to ongoing problems and concerns in order to better carry the message. We hope you will join us for a full day of love and service. Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can be of service to you, your group, or your district. In Love & Service, Kurt J.

**Archives Standing Chair** Hello my name is Ben alcoholic. My home group is Live and Let Live at 8 pm Tuesday night. I am pleased to be part of Area 69 and able to stay teachable, as I learn more about archives in AA. I purchased a M3 recorder to start oral histories in Area 69. I have been visiting club houses in Area 69. And getting past photography and archive material from Davis Recovery, Center Ogden, Alano Club, Fellowship Hall, Alano Club West, Magna Alano Club, Murry Alano Club. I have been reading archive workbook, and watched "Marking on the Journey". Please help me help archives grow. So, bring me articles, service minutes and AA stuff. We want the Repository grow in historical stuff. I will be going to PRAASA and hope to learn by going to the Archive room and stay teachable. I want to thank Janet for the Monday night conference calls monthly. On archival material and collections. We had a meet up I learned so much of some historical facts and information. I plan on working with districts archivists and have talked to the central offices archives to work together on making Area 69 stay strong and meaningful. I will be working to get the Rainbow Round Up and past LGBTQ event in the area archives and district 12. Thank you for letting me serve. Ben H.

**Communications** Jolene H. My name is Jolene I am an alcoholic. It is my privilege to currently serve as the Area 69, panel 69 communications chair. My home group is the greater Kearns located at 3600 South 4400 West. During the last few months I have learned so much about the back end of the website and updating meetings. Thank goodness we do not do this program alone. I have reached to so many people for assistance, Kurt has been a great help on a regular basis. I call him on a regular bases freaking out because my change did not work. DAH ME, I forgot to refresh the page for new stuff to show. We had a glitch with the email system, that had to be repaired by the company that hosts the website. Kurt was very helpful in giving me the information so that it can be fixed. The communications chair email gets a lot of spam, so please if you do not see a meeting update done within a week. PLEASE call me 385-355-5864. Thank you for allowing me to serve Jolene H

**Cooperation with professional community** Jill H. My name is Jill Hansen I am looking forward to working as CPC standing chair for the next 2 years. It is already starting out to be eventful. I have reserved a booth for the conference on recovery March 8 at UVU. This will be with the assistance with district 3. They don't have a CPC committee at this time but members are willing to man the booth and the district committed to 2/3 of the rental cost. GSO has rented a booth at the Society for public health education 2019 annual conference. They will provide the supplies for this event. We will provide the volunteers. This will take place at the Salt Palace Wed. March 27 thru Fri. 29th. Please get with me if you can help.

I look forward to getting to know the CPC committee members from the various districts as well as working with the PI committee. Please call text or E-mail me with any questions or suggestions.

**Grapevine** Mike. Just confirmed today.

**Literature** Marc B. good morning all. Mark alcoholic thanks to district 10 for hosting, grateful to be sober. And here to learn more about service as literature chair. For me, what I want to take on a challenge to serve you as a trusted servant. The only thing I ask of you is input and help learning this position even traveling to area meetings.

It is only by the Grace of a Higher Power that I am able to be here. Let's have some fun over the next 2 years as we trudge through our daily lives. Love and service Mark B.

**Public Information** Evan J. Good -morning my name is Evan and I am an alcoholic. I have the honor and privilege to serve as your Area 69 PI chair. Over the course of the next 2 years the main focus is to be in touch with the public transit system. And hopefully get approved by AA advertisements/information on each bus and trax cart in the state of Utah. The committee we are trying to form is all inclusive we will need help in each district trying to create place cards that would be congruent with each separate location. Thank you for allowing me to serve. = THE BONUS featured of these 2 years would be to obtain an AA information billboard somewhere in the state for at least 30 days.

**Repository Archivist** Janet H Good morning everyone. It is good to see everyone. Thank you District 10 for hosting. There were a lot of donations in December. Area Inventories received: from those rotating out, Area Chair, Area Treasurer, Standing Chairs; Literature, PI, CPC, Grapevine, Area Archive and the Repository Donations / Contributions Al-Anon 12 Steps CD set, Bo T. Al-Anon 12 Steps CD set, Mary Pearl 2 Cassette box's with a variety of cassettes – (60) Two CD's "An Interview with Bill W." part 1 & 2, by Archivist Gail L. Akron, OH from The 2018 Stateline Retreat, Las Vegas, NV. 12/13-16/2018 Donations: 3 CD's Utah Valley Central Office, "No Booze News" 2008, 2009, 2010 District 3 – box- of files, newsletters, Meeting minutes 1986-1995 District 3 Binder – 2016/2017 District 3 Correctional Center Bonneville Pre-Conference document 2018 National Correctional Conference Lanyard 2018 Area documents received: Flyers: Feb. Committee Meeting, Pre-Conference Assembly, Post Conference, Area Directory – Jan. 2019 The district 6 archivist contacted me for information concerning a deceased member, a list of what we collect. If anyone else would like a copy of the main items we collect I have several on hand with me today. We had a wonderful visit and she is doing a great job, we both will be displaying at the Fall Workshop in Nov. The Pre- and Post- Conference Assemblies have contacted me concerning the displays. I want to give a big "Thank You" to the Salt Lake Central Office, I received a phone call they are donating 20 Grapevine Binders to the repository. Those are being delivered today. I am so grateful that the Grapevine started to produce them again, and that we can start putting the Grapevines we have into binders again.

**Treatment** John W. Good day fellow servants glad to see all of you here! Service WHOO WHOO, it's been exciting to see standing chairs and committees work together and their busy committees sharing to service work in our area. This is a WE program-Lets have fun with it! The past few months have been busy. I am still doing a lot of BTG work with other areas including Our own corrections committee, and treatment committees from across the country have been contacting us for information and support. What an honor and privilege I have visited a few treatment centers and sober living facilities caring the message. Our prominent challenge is the Dr.'s input relapse plan utilizing medication that has been implemented in facilities instead of a relapse prevention plan. Many groups have brought this to my attention as well as facilitators. We are working on a solution and open communication. Area 69 is a huge example, influence and resource for many areas keep up the good work and practice these principles in all our affairs. Hope I can live it. Thank you for allowing me to serve. John W.

**David has question** Mark B Literature chair, cannot go to PRAASA this year and would rather go next year. Mieshell D wants to go this year and wants to. Take a sense of the meeting on this. Approved.

## **Motion Discussion**

### **Motion #1**

**Evan;** so, this would allow the CPC and PI chair and split into 3 parts and have 3 separate chairs to work to gather. I like it.

**Jodi;** Jodi last year when we started talking about his I was all for it. Wade made a passionate appeal to keep BTG as is, then making another day for the other workshops.

**Matt;** the thought process is to increase to a full day event rather than a ½ day. Then the following year have the other standing committees have a chance to host a workshop.

**Jolene;** do we know what the attendance the past 2 years at the BTG workshop?

**John;** yes, the attendance has been between 40 to 60 there has been a year where there were 74. Just with the BTG workshop.

**Monte;** Good morning madam chair area 69. I was a part of the original BTG discussion of the program. My recollection started as an ad-hock to see if there was a need for it and it grew beyond our wildest dreams Now over the years there is a workshop for all the standing chairs. There is not a format for all those to be shared. it was exclusive for 2 standing chairs. I am in support of this motion it is an excellent way to share information. Also, a way to learn about these other standing chairs and how they work, I think the literature is the most important functions of our tool kit. It would be an, excellent opportunity to study that as a group. I'm in support of this.

**John;** thankyou Monty it would not be taking away from BTG but adding to it. All of these committees to share information. It's a we thing. I'm all for it. lot of areas that look up to area 69 due to the presentations at the national workshops. As of the information that is being carried. California have been working together, they now have a state-wide workshop after area 69 hosted the PRAASA 4 years ago.

**Wade;** as I read this motion, do I understand that that treatment and corrections would not be involved in the second year? My mind goes back that is what the motion states? What's to oppose that all the standing chairs be apart of this every year who would be opposed to all the standing chairs be a part of this every year there would be a financial impact of this. Don't limit what we can do we need to involve all the other standing chairs. In the years past when we would have these workshops, we would invite the other standing chairs to come and do presentations and they were more a full day event back then for what ever reason they began to get smaller and smaller. We've done this before the corrections chair and treatment have been able to invite who ever they want to come and participate. I don't want to take away from what were doing. Instead of taking away why don't we add to what we are doing.

**John;** this would allow each standing chair to host a combined or separate biannually I'm in hopes that any standing chairs hosting will work in cooperation with and host a combined. Because that is what this motion really came about. In the past a lot of standing chairs wouldn't show up because they weren't really required to, or had to travel long ways and were not defrayed. There is a lot of stuff that goes on that it impossible to hit everything.

**Shelly;** filling standing chairs in district 1 is a struggle because they are unsure of what their obligations should be and what they should be doing they feel they are out there by themselves. So, when I think about this, they don't have to go to all the area events we don't have defrayment at the district. If they came to this workshop once a year and could communicate with people like Evan and being involve. That would be great and having every other year that's ok. But having support would be great.

#### **Motion #2**

**Cheryl;** I was able to attend the national archives workshop last year, when I was the archive. The way we worked it the repository chair went one year and the standing chair went the next. I like the idea of this because, what happened in Chicago last year was that you have people coming from Canada and from all over the county to attend and share ideas of how their doing it and I got really recharged to do archives. Corrections and treatment are where lot of people are coming from. I can see the value of this motion.

John I was blessed to attend the 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> national workshops and had some very spiritual experiences that I hope I never forget. With that being said I just want every one to understand the importance of the information gather there is pertinent to bring back to the area, and the information that we have been able to provide.

**Kevin;** when heard of this I seen the flyers and got the flyers form different areas, but this would give us a great opportunity to find out what other are doing with corrections. Thank you for letting me serve the area.

**Rick;** give you an update on district 10 BTG committee. First of all, I want to give area 69 a huge thanks for this website for the BTG process, all involved Wade Monte set that up along time ago thank you very much. It is allowing me to be able to keep up with the other BTG people from district 3,2 and I've got a guy who enters the requests for me and he can help get with these people, with all the other BTG chairs. My goal is to try to get all districts set up with the same website where we could communicate with each other so we could set up, get the requests sent to them so we can set up the contacts with the prospect. It makes things a lot better, still got a lot of work yet to do.

Cheryl just for clarifications proposes the corrections chair would then be attending 3 events in the course of their panel? Leaving the treatment chair just to attend 1? Is that correct John.

**John;** yes, it is, alternate years for treatment and corrections to attend.

**Finance committee formation,** Will be filled by Area chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and 4 DCM's. DCM's volunteered Jody district 11, Jo district 3, Randi 3district, and Bonnie district 10 any GSR like to be apart? No.

#### **Reports from Past Events**

**2018 December Committee Meeting --** District 3 Mieshell D. We are grateful to have served Area 69. The rent for the church and the items for the hospitality left us flush. So, there is no money to return to seed.

#### **Reports from Upcoming Events**

**PRAASA 2019 –** Wade J. what is PRAASA? It is the Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. Where we meet as the pacific region to discuss how we can serve the still suffering alcoholic better. If you haven't scheduled your time go do it. Those who have done it can't get enough of it. We get to sit in a room and see how others are serving. Lot of presentations that are made that are really informational. If you're not doing it this year put it on your schedule to do next year. If you can make it come join us.

**2019 Pre-Conference Assembly** Kelly District 11/12 OMG...Its almost here! Quick update, the committee has been meeting every two weeks, trying to sort out and tweaking all the details. The flyers have been updated with a reduced registration price of \$15.00. Instead of dinner District 12 will be providing lunch which is included in the price of registration. District 12, Carlos G. will be our Saturday evening, speaker, which will be followed by...well just come and join the fun, April 5-7 at the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, we look forward to seeing every one there, Peace and Love in Service. Kelly C.

**2019 Post-Conference Assembly** Kody, District 8 Post-Conference is scheduled to be at the Weston Plaza in Vernal. The flyer is on the web site. We are set to pick up totes. We will set up donation cans at the coffee stations. All donations will go towards refilling the seed money.

Doug is contacting Kurt to see when he can attend one of our meetings it said in March, they will put together our agenda to add to the flyer with round table times speaker times.....

**10 minutes** left we could discuss motions.

**Motion #3**

**John;** I am for this motion as we do an informed group conscious and our delegate is privileged to carry our message back to the conference, this gives Him an informed group conscious so, whatever overload our delegate can handle, I'm all for getting our delegate more informed.

**Motion #4**

**Motion #5**

What is a local form?

**Matt;** We have a regional forum where GSO sends out 7-8 people to answer questions, present ideas to us. There is a local forum where GSO sends out 2-3 people to present to us. This one to my understanding the area covers the cost. Where a regional forum GSO covers the cost. And now we have a special forum they are going to start implementing. So, I would like to go and see exactly what a local forum is.

Where is area 5?

**Kristen;** I believe it is in Southern California.

**Wade;** When it came to fruition that area 5 was going to do a special forum my phone and e-mail started blowing up with everyone in the area stating why aren't we doing a special forum? They started asking me questions because I'd never been to a local forum and I started getting asked questions I didn't have the answers for. So, I started talking to some people and with area 69 we need to be more frugal with the money that the area gives us and how we spend that and if we bring the General Service Office here and we start flying them from New York the expenses will be higher then what we put to defray our delegate to see exactly what they are doing. I believe he can bring information back that we might not have the need to have GSO come to Utah to answer the questions that He might be able to ask.

Do you know what committee takes up changes to the service manual?

Cheryl; that would be the report and charter committee that I will be doing research on and presenting on. So, if you have any questions, I would be happy to talk to you about it.

**Adjourn for lunch.**

**There was no more taping for afternoon session. Sorry folks.**