

**Utah Area 69 February Committee Meeting
February 27, 2016
925 Westwood Blvd., Price, Utah**

Welcome Matt D., Chair: Meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, Preamble, Anonymity Statement and Responsibility Statement. Alex from Dist. 2 read the 12 Concepts. Defined Service Sponsor and identified those willing to serve in this capacity. Introduction of Panel 65 Area 69 Officers and Area 69 Standing Chairs.

Minutes of the 2015 Area 69 Pre-Assembly Workshop – Treesa J.: Approved as read.

Treasurer's Report Kurt J.: Approved as read. Kurt provided group contributions for 2015 and 2016. The climate controlled storage units for Area 69 Archives has increased from \$100 a month to \$120 a month for the 2 units. This increase was covered by the Repository Archivist using part of her budget. **PLEASE, PLEASE REMIND GROUPS TO INCLUDE RETURN ADDRESS ON ALL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Roll Call – Kristen D.: In attendance were 7 Area Officers, 8 Area Standing Chairs, 0 Past Delegates; District 1: 2 GSR; District 2: 1 DCMC, 3 DCM, 1 Alt-DCM, 4 GSR, 1 District Standing Chair; District 3: 1 DCM, 2 GSR, 1 District Standing Chair; District 4: 1 DCM, 1 GSR; District 5: 1 DCM, 1 Alt-DCM, 1 GSR, 1 District Standing Chair; District 6: 1 GSR; District 7: 1 DCM; District 8: 1 GSR, 1 Alt-GSR, 1 District Standing Chair, 1 District Officer, 1 interested AA; District 9: None attended; District 10: 1 DCMC, 2 DCM, 4 GSR, 1 Alt-GSR, 1 District Officer; District 11: 1 DCMC, 1 DCM, 1 Alt-DCM, 3 GSR; District 12: None attended. **Total = 59**

Registrar Standing Chair – Kristen D.: Hello Friends My Name is Kristen and I have the Privilege of serving you as your Area 69 Registrar. I would like to thank the host committee for having us down to their wonderful district. Since December I have been busy. I have been trying to make sure that the records are up to date with GSO and with each district. Since I have been able to get back into the Data Base I have updated several GSR and DCMS. I have spent time on the phone with a few DCM's or DCMC trying to update information. I would like to explain the difference in my job as the registrar and the host committee's registration table. I get to register service positions with New York and with our Area 69. The registration of this event is simply for either getting a name tag like we did today or if it is an Assembly you would register with the host committee and pay the fee. That fee helps pay for the venue, hospitality etc. So please stop by my table and let's make sure you have been recorded so that you will have the vital communications that you will need to be successful in your position. I had the opportunity to meet with our Delegate and other service member's on the 20th of February. We will be presenting that information this afternoon. Please stick around to get his info. Love and service, Kristen D., Area 69 Registrar

Remaining Area Officer's Reports

Immediate Past Delegate – Walter C.: Life has been changing for me, so I have not spend a lot of time with Area stuff. As the Past-Delegate I am on the Guideline Review Committee, Redistricting Committee and Newsletter Chair. I would like the Guidelines Review Committee to meet next event (Pre-Conference Assembly) at lunch time. All agreed! The Redistricting Committee met last December at the Area Committee Meeting. However, we have been emailing out information. I would like to have all newsletter articles to me by Friday, March 25 2016. Suggest topics: PRAASA, Motions (Putting Agenda Items on the Website), What is Happening with your committee.

Chairperson report – Matt D.: Discussed the Voting Guidelines from the Area 69 Guidelines.

Alt. Delegate's report – Wade J.: Well, here we are beginning a new year and it has been way to long since we have been together. Thanks for taking time out of your lives to join us here today. Thank you District 5 for putting this event on. I have spent some time with District 12. The district meetings are held every Tuesday. I look forward to this upcoming year and working with all of you. Love in service,

Delegate's Report – Renae H.: Dear Friends, Thank you all for the love and service you give to Alcoholics Anonymous! No matter what you “do” or what service position you might hold, whether it's in your home group, your district, your area, or in your own living room working with another alcoholic---you are a vital part of carrying the A.A. message to the still suffering alcoholic. We have a busy agenda today so my report will cover only a few highlights from the Pacific Regional Trustee report following the January/February 2016 General Service Board Weekend. We will be reviewing many of the items in this report, during our GSC Agenda Items discussions here today. The following are excerpts from Joel C.s report:

AAWS

The “Doors” PSA has been picked up by CNN airport for a second consecutive month, and the Saturday Evening Post has contacted the public information desk with respect to a feature story on the 75th anniversary of the original Jack Alexander article. Seems like we continue to have friends in the media who recognize the value of AA. Web sales accounted for about 62% of all sales in 2015, so it looks like the Fellowship is finding it easier and more attractive to purchase literature online. There is a surge in international licensing requests, suggesting that AA service structures in other countries see value in expanding their own literature catalogs. All major work in the co-location construction project has been completed. This project renovated the GSO/AAWS offices, which hadn't been updated in over 20 years, and brought Grapevine onto the same floor as GSO/AAWS. \$1 million has been spent on the project; the total approved amount was \$1.3 million. There are still some issues to work out in terms of furniture and in terms of adjustments on some of the work that was done, so some of the remaining balance of the approved amount may still be spent, but didn't hear any suggestion that there might be a need for anything above the approved amount. ***AAWS agreed to forward to the Conference committee on report and charter a suggestion to revise the A.A. Service Manual every other year***, rather than every year as is currently done. The suggestion is to revise the manual in 2016, 2018, 2020, etc. This would result in a savings of approximately \$45,000 - \$50,000 in odd-numbered years._

AAGV

With the completion of all major construction in the co-location project mentioned above, all Grapevine and La Vina staff moved onto the 11th floor of 475 Riverside Drive about two weeks ago. (The overall layout of the 11th floor is now much more open, inviting, and better-lit). Average circulation for Grapevine in 2015 was just under 72,000. Grapevine subscriptions do continue to decline, but only at a rate of about 2% in 2015. We had budgeted for a 4% decline, and the magazine industry as a whole is declining at a rate of about 6% annually. It appears, then, that the subscription challenge had a positive impact. We need to continue engagement efforts in order to continue to slow the decline in subscriptions, and we hope to eventually reverse the trend and to see subscriptions increase. Look for details on our next engagement initiative, Grow Your Grapevine, in the coming months, and for the subscription app to be launched right above Average La Viña circulation in 2015 was 10,350, a very slight decrease from 2014 (10,380 average circulation that year). Short messaging service (SMS) efforts to connect with La Vina subscribers and potential subscribers are under way, and we're looking forward to 20th anniversary celebrations for La Viña in 2016. The first anthology from AA Grapevine, Inc., in 2016 will be a La Viña anthology. The “Man on the Bed” poster (originally titled “Came to Believe”) has been newly restored and is available with descriptions in English, Spanish, and French (it was recently noticed that the poster version was significantly darker than the actual original painting, so the photos used to produce the poster were re-shot in order to capture the true colors and brightness of the original).

Conference

The committee discussed a request that a list of items not forwarded by trustees' committees to the Conference be included when the final Conference agenda is made available. The committee took no action, noting that this list is made available to all Conference members, albeit at a later date (a few weeks after the final Conference agenda and background are posted). Adding this list at the time of the release of the Conference agenda would add to the time it takes to get the agenda out. Consider, though, that there may be an interest in your area in seeing this list, and don't let sharing it with interested members in your area slip through the cracks as you launch into your Pre-Conference process. The committee discussed a request to create a Conference committee on the armed services, along with a corresponding trustees' committee and GSO staff assignment, and took no action. The committee did feel, though, that the topic of how to carry the message more effectively to the suffering alcoholic in the armed services warrants further discussion and asked the General Service Office to explore the issue in depth and report back to the committee.

Corrections

The committee agreed to forward to the Conference committee on corrections the current draft video being created to replace "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell."

The committee also formed a subcommittee to look at the sharing in the newsletter, *Sharing Behind the Walls* in light of AA's Third and Fifth Traditions, with a focus on how we can include sharing in this newsletter that reflects the reality of dual addiction while still respecting our Traditions.

Finance and Budgetary

Under AAWS financials for 2015, gross sales were about \$12.7 million, which is about \$2.1 million less than budgeted. Contributions were about \$7.1 million, which is about \$157,000 greater than budgeted. Expenses were about \$15.1 million, which is about \$1.5 million less than budgeted. Net profit for the year was about \$233,000, which is about \$220,000 more than the revised mid-year 2015 budget. The good news is that contributions are up slightly. The chair of AAWS reported that this was the first year we ever took in more than \$7 million in contributions, and that December, 2015, was the first time we ever took in \$1 million in one month. This good news is tempered somewhat, however, by concern on the part of the GSB treasurer that expenses are projected to increase slowly but steadily, and literature profits are declining. The proposed 2016 budget for AAWS does include a deficit of about \$27,000. There will be a robust discussion about this during Conference week when we hold workshops on the report of the feasibility study (this report will be sent to all Conference members in advance).

Under AAGV financials for 2015, total gross profit was about \$1.9 million, which is about \$32,000 more than budgeted. Costs and expenses were about \$1.7 million, which is about \$228,000 less than budgeted. Adding interest earned, net profit was about \$245,000, compared to a budgeted loss of about \$15,000. It's expected that after the audit of the 2015 financials is performed, there will be a transfer from AAGV to the Reserve Fund of about \$260,000. In spite of the good year that AAGV had in 2015, the 2016 AAGV budget includes a deficit of about \$146,000. This is primarily due to projected cost increases and an expected decline in revenues.

La Viña gross profit for 2015 was about \$63,000, compared to a budgeted profit of about \$57,000. Costs and expenses were about \$220,000. The shortfall was about \$147,000, compared to a budgeted shortfall of about \$159,000. The 2016 budget projects a shortfall of about \$153,000. Please remember that the Conference has agreed that La Viña will be maintained as a service to the Fellowship and that the shortfall is covered by the General Fund.

International Conventions/Regional Forums

The committee is working with GSO management on getting Requests for Proposals (RFPs) out for a consultant/management company to assist with the 2020 International Convention in Detroit, MI, with a goal of having a short list of top candidates by the July board weekend. The committee also began discussion of a request to produce and sell video recordings of International Convention AA meetings which are interpreted in American Sign Language; the committee has asked the staff secretary to gather information on costs and recording options and to bring back a report to a future meeting.

Public Information

This committee agreed to forward several items to the Conference public information committee:

- A recommendation for the implementation of both as Google-For-Nonprofits and a Twitter account for carrying the AA message to the public.
- A recommendation that a guideline be developed on "Carrying the AA Message Online and in Social Media."
- A recommendation to distribute, track, and evaluate French and English versions of the "Tengo Esperanza" PSA.
- A request to reconsider the 2011 Conference action regarding the use of full faces in AA videos.

The committee also forwarded items related to the development of social media to trustees' committees.

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I apologize for not having printed copies of this report with me today, however, I am happy to emailed you one if you would like. Please contact me at area69delegate@utahaa.org. Thank you for allowing me to serve Alcoholics Anonymous in the Utah Area Fellowship!

In Gratitude, Love, and Service, Renae H., Panel 65 Area 69,
Utah Delegate

Standing Chair Reports

Assembly & Agenda Report Pete. G.: My name is Pete and I am a grateful alcoholic. Welcome to the Area 69 February Committee meeting. This is the event that provides us the General Conference Agenda Items and take those back to our groups and Districts. That's right, for the next couple of months, we will have the opportunity to take a look at the business of AA and provide our best direction and information to our Delegate so that she can head back to New York and tell them in no uncertain terms what we need to see. My thanks go to the host committee from District 5 in putting on this meeting. I had only one opportunity to meet with these folks and that was way back in November, but I could tell at that time that hosting this event is a great Twelfth call to this part of Area 69. I hope to get the chance to work with District 5 to host the events they have bid on later on. They also host the Fall Workshop and the 2017 Pre-Conference Assembly. They have purchased a first-class ticket to improving the quality of service and sobriety and it's exciting to be a part of that. Thank you for your willingness and enthusiasm. I have been in contact with members of District 4's host committee. We are going to have an amazing show in store for us at the Pre Conference Assembly. As mentioned, we will have our Trustee – Joel C., at this event. Make plans to be in Fillmore to let your group conscience be heard. The Post Conference host committee has found a great venue for their event. We have planned out the next meeting for the host committee and I look forward to seeing many members take advantage of having the Pre-Conference in the Salt Lake Valley. The same can be said for the Area 69 Bridge the Gap Workshop. The District 10 committee has chosen the venue, the Sons of Utah Pioneers (SOUP) facility. It's located in the heart of Salt Lake, it's a fantastic building for us to meet in and District 10 seems very excited to host this important event. I have had contact with both the District 11 host committee for the Pre-Assembly Workshop and with District 8 folks regarding the Fall Election Assembly. We have a lot of fellowshipping to look forward to this year – I am grateful to have the opportunity to be a part of it. We had our yearly Agenda Pre-Planning meeting at the Central Office on Feb 21. With the new equipment, we actually got a recording of this meeting to go into the Archives. It is now time to bid for the 2017 Area Committee meeting. It is a one-day event to be held on February 25 – which is a Saturday. As we get started on this bid, I would like to remind everyone here who is eligible to vote. DCM's, GSR's, Area Officers and Standing Chairs. We always encourage enthusiasm and I thank the Standing Chairs and other servants from the Districts and especially those Interested AA's that come to these events but the Guidelines state that only DCM and GSRs vote on this.

Bid Results: February Committee Meeting, February 25, 2017 – District 2.

Archives – Trina B.: I would like to thank District 5 for hosting this event. What a beautiful trip from Utah county. Since we last met, Janet and I have both fulfilled requests from the archives. District 3 asked for information that I was able to provide. Now for the reason we are meeting here today. Archives Agenda Item A- we will all be discussing ways to encourage groups to write or update their histories. If any of you have suggestions, I have background material, please join our round table or get with me anytime throughout today. Item B- Review Workbook is something that is done every year. Item C- Other subjects? Item D- Election of a new chairperson for 2017, a delegate chairperson for the 2017 Conference Committee. Second place will become the alternate chairperson. The new chairperson serves for 1 year. As always, I am so excited to serve this Area as your Archive Standing Chairperson.

Repository Archivist: Janet Hafen.

Communications – Rachael F.: Hi my name is Rachael and I have the pleasure of serving as the Area 69 Communications chair. Thank you district 5 for hosting this event. Sorry I am unable to attend. The area website is still on hold with as it relates to Spanish translation, any help or suggestions are welcome. There may be changes that will help in 2016 but currently we need assistance in translating documents. Please pass this request along to the districts and if anyone is interested please have them contact me. I am trying to make the Utah AA website more user friendly and need help from AA members in Utah. I have made some changes to the Website that will hopefully make the site more user friendly. On the front page of the site on the right side I have listed upcoming event. This area will lead you to the Upcoming Events page where I have listed upcoming events through September 2017. Documents such as flyer, agenda and registration can be found on this page. I continue to update meeting on a regular basis and appreciate all those who have been sending this information to my email. Please continue to watch for meeting changes in your district and forward those changes on to me. Also a reminder that when sending

documents to upload to the website please send them in PDF format. There are times that I have received a document that is not in PDF and when I try to upload it the layout changes. If you have questions about this please let me know. At each area event we have a Service Orientation. The outlines for those Service Orientations are now available on the website under Service Materials. You can use these materials to explain to district service members what happens at each event. Thanks for letting me serve Rachael F.

CPC – David R.: Good morning family. Newcomers are the life blood of AA. CPC work involves working with Professionals so they can send us newcomers. If you want a better group or district, do CPC work to get the lifeblood flowing. It is getting to be the time of year when Hospitals put on Health Fairs. I know that in District 4 there are 3 Health Fairs every May. Even small Health Fair's offer a chance to remind people that AA is still working, a chance to meet professionals and greet the public. In January, I had the opportunity to attend District 5's district meeting. I am available to attend your district meetings or Health Fairs if you invite me. We are going to have fun. Gosh, I love serving AA.

Corrections – Sheryl T.: Greetings fellow trusted servants and interested AA's! Thank you District 5 for hosting this event. It is a big job getting ready for an Area event and your service is greatly appreciated. It's hard to believe that District 5 was a "dark"/inactive district not too long ago. Now here we are, thanks to the efforts of Mike, DCM for District 5 and his fellow servants. It is wonderful Mel has gotten District 5 back on the mailing list for Area 69 business documents. On Sunday, February 21, I was able to attend a meeting at Central Office in Salt Lake to begin review of the Agenda Items for this year's General Service Conference. There are 3 agenda items for Corrections this year. The first item involves the review of the updated draft video version of "It Sure Beats Sitting In A Cell". This video has not been updated for 25 years. Only the delegates on the Conference Committee for Corrections will be reviewing the video, which is definitely in need of a revision. The second item is regarding the Corrections Correspondence Service or CCS. This is a service where AA's who are incarcerated are matched with AA's on the outside to communicate via snail mail. I'll be reporting more on the CCS this afternoon. I am so very grateful to be able to serve Area 69 as your Corrections Chair. General Service has not only strengthened but enhanced my sobriety. Our purpose as an Area, just like in groups and districts, is to carry the life saving message of Alcoholics Anonymous to those who are still suffering from the disease of alcoholism. I love Alcoholics Anonymous!! In service,

Treatment – Shawn C.: I attended the Agenda meeting Sunday February 21, 2016 at the Salt Lake Central Office. Also, I gave brief presentation to 3 Treatment Centers and provided AA pamphlets to counselors and called several Treatment centers to let them know I am available to assist them in any way that may help them. Thank you,

Grapevine – Frank B.: I would like to thank all trusted servants in District 5 and especially the host committee for this event today. Since we last met in December, I have spent all of the remaining 2015 budget and purchased \$403.97 of Grapevine books. I purchased all of the literature in December when the shipping was free. All books here today are for sale at cost. Please come and look at the Grapevine display in the back and get your copies while supplies last. The 2015 AA Grapevine Subscription Challenge was a huge success. Utah Area 69 had an increase of 43.58% for Grapevine Subscriptions and 127.28% for LaVina subscriptions. Utah was third in most increased subscriptions, behind Rhode Island and Missouri and 17th place for LaVina subscriptions. Thank you to all members in Utah Area 69 for supporting this effort and increasing Grapevine / LaVina subscriptions. Grapevine Inc. is always interested in members submitting their stories. This year Grapevine Inc. is focusing on members submitting ideas for titles for upcoming issues. I received an email stating stories from Gay-Lesbian-Transgender & Bi-Sexual as well as stories of members sponsoring members that fall into the LGBT category. Visit AAGrapevine.org for more information and how to submit your story. If any district needs anything from me, please feel free to invite me to your next district meeting. Those trusted servants assigned to the Grapevine committee, please attend the round table this afternoon to discuss a whole lot of interesting and neat issues about the Grapevine/LaVina magazine for 2016. Thank you for my sober life in Service, Always, Frank B.

Literature – Doug R.: Greetings trusted servants, I love being here today and participating in service. Before sobriety, I didn't give a shit but now I have a life beyond my wildest dreams. I have to apologize today, in my excitement, I forgot to bring the literature display. It is wonderful no one rules in AA, we are all trusted servants. Thank you for letting me be a part of the solution today.

P.I. - John W.: Good morning fellow servants. The Recovery Event Committee at UVU to be held March 4, has sent a letter of gratitude to have us represented at their event. Eric M. & Stacey in District 3 will be representing us and District 3 is assisting with pamphlets and literature. We have received additional invites to other events. We should, or should not, post on our Area 69 Website for event information. Last weekend I had the opportunity to attend a function in Southern Utah that was assembled by groups from Las Vegas. They showed a desire to have our Area involved in future yearly events. More info to come. I did attend the Agenda Meeting in Salt Lake at the Central Office and look forward to learning more about our Conference Agenda Items. I am available to visit any district, please contact me. Thank you,

District Reports

District 1 DCMC – Erin B.: No report.

District 2 DCMC – Linda R.: Thank you District 5 for hosting this event. District 2 is doing well. Our DCM's and Standing Chairs are doing a great job of working with the GSR's showing them the importance of general service work and that it can be fun. We have 8-9 people planning to attend PRAASA. This become affordable for all because we are driving together in 2 cars and sharing 2 hotel rooms. It's going to be crazy fun!! We explained at our last GSR meeting, the process of Agenda Items and what happens at this event, Pre-Conference, our Delegate's time in New York and the Post-Conference. Also, Matt and Kristen attended our GSR meeting. We loved having them there!! Thanks for allowing me to serve,

District 3 DCM – Doug L.: My name is Doug and I'm an alcoholic. I have the honor to serve as DCM for District 3. It's been a busy couple of months since I've made a report. We've completed a full audit of our accounts, started our 2016 budget all be it a little late. I'm happy to report that our finances are in line with ample prudent reserve. A majority of our service positions are not only filled but being executed. Our district is involved with UVU recovery days hosting a booth representing Alcoholics Anonymous. We have made great strides to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Bottom line, recovery is alive & well in District 3. BAM!

District 4 DCM – Mike G.: District 4 is doing well. Our attendance in Fillmore and Delta is growing. We've been preparing for Pre-Conference Assembly on April 3, 2016. We've just about got everything in place. We hope you all can make it!! A group of us will be going to PRAASA and then doing a turn around and get home and finish up details for Pre-Conference Assembly. District 4 has been invited to take in meetings to the White River Academy. We are all excited to plant the seed of recovery and make new friends. Thank you for allowing me to serve,

District 5 DCM – Mike M.: District 5 is very grateful to be hosting this area event today. Thanks to Dave for coming to our last District meeting and sharing his experience and ideas with us on C.P.C. We still have service positions that can be filled by the groups and the district. The district is in the process of adopting new guidelines. The groups continue to contribute to the district on a regular basis. Thank you. In gratitude and serve,

District 6 DCMC – John K.: Report given by Jim E., Alt-DCM. Meetings are posted but need to update. March 26, 2016 is our Founder's Day in Ephraim, Utah. Everyone is welcome. Please join us.

District 7 DCMC – Janet H.: Good morning everyone, it is good to be back in Price again. In December: The district held our Christmas Party. It was fun for those who attended and as always good food. At the December meeting we discussed Re affirming Nadja as correction chair, and Deanna as CPC/PI. Deanna asked that we readdress at a later date. She still has some things on the burner. Nadja was reaffirmed as Corrections standing chair. Alta. DCM NW – Mike B. was approved. District approved the purchase of Books and Pamphlets up to but not exceeding \$250.00 for Deanna for libraries and other locations. The

Dixie Central Office newsletter, December was the last printed hard copies, from here on out they will be on their web site. In January: Jeff T. was reaffirmed as the Bridging the Gap standing chair. We still have a lot of positions open: we need, 2 -DCM SW, Alt. DCM, SW., DCM East and Alt. DCM East, an Alt. Treasurer, and 4 standing chairs Grapevine, PI/CPC, Treatment and Literature. District updates were sent to Kristen. In February: I was in Minnesota and unable to attend, but well informed when I returned. Bud, DCM NW and our new Alt. NW Mike, were hoping to attend PRAASA, but regrettably are unable to at this time. Bud is planning to attend the Pre-Conference in Fillmore. There was a discussion at this month's district meeting concerning the transparency of district finance reports. After a discussion it was voted to continue - full transparency of funds. The district funds are stable. We are looking forward to Renae attending the district meeting March 12th, in Cedar City and sharing with us the Pre-Conference voting agenda items. I understand the main course is selected and the rest is pot-luck. Because Fillmore is close we are hoping that our GSR's will be able to attend the Pre-Conference. Deanna O. is currently the manager of the Dixie Central Office. In fellowship and service, Janet H.

District 8 DCM – Bonnie H.: Report given by Teri W., GSR. I am standing in for Bonnie our DCM. Bonnie was in an accident yesterday. She is okay however she was unable to make it today. Our District is doing well. All our positions are filled and our District meetings are well attended. We have been busy getting ready for the Fall Assembly and excited to be of service. It's exciting to see new people getting involved, asking questions and looking forward to hosting this event. All the Standing Chair positions have been busy and involved carrying the message in their specific duties. The committee for the Fall Assembly would like to request the \$500 seed money today, I will turn in a request to Kurt J. In addition, there are filers in the back for the 62nd Annual Little Skyline Conference, May 20-22, 2016. Thanks for letting me be of service,

District 9 DCM – Danny G.: No report.

District 10 DCMC – Kevin S.: Hello Area 69 trusted servants. Welcome to Price and thank you District 5 for hosting this event. I am Kevin S. DCMC for district 10, we are doing great. We have 2 DCM positions open they are section 1 and 3. We had two standing chairs resign from their positions. Our P.I. and Treatment standing chairs. Open standing chairs are P.I. CPC and treatment. Jolene H. said she is going to stay on as our Post Conference chair. Everything is going good. District 10 is sending 3 people to PRAASA. Erin B DCM, Donna S DCM, John R Alt-DCM. Hope to see all area 69 trusted servants in Spokane, WA. for PRAASA. District 10 is in the process of putting together a GSR workshop. We would like to say Thanks to all of Area 69 officers who came to our GSR meeting last two months Thanks for allowing me to be of service, District 10 DCMC Kevin S.

District 11 DCMC – Devin C.: Hello Friends, My name is Devin, and I am an alcoholic; currently serving District 11 as DCMC. I am now just one several door greeters for my home group; 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 to District 5 for hosting this event. It's always great to travel throughout the state visiting friends I have come to know in AA service and meeting new ones. I would like to thank Renae for inviting me and other DCMs and DCMCs to help in combing through the General Service Conference agenda items. We identified those items that we would like group conscience on. As with all new service opportunities I have a chance to participate in, I learned a lot and probably offered too many suggestions. Things are going well in our district. Our groups are well represented at our district GSR meetings, we are excited to have Renae, our Area 69 Delegate, join us at our next district meeting to present the agenda items to our GSRs personally. We appreciate her being able to schedule time with us during what must be a very busy time for her. I'm happy to report that District 11 will be represented at PRAASA next weekend in Spokane. I am looking forward to participating in that amazing service event. We are in the planning stages for the Pre-Assembly workshop that we will be hosting in August and are looking forward to seeing you there. Our district is financially sound with an ample prudent reserve. Thank you for your service and allowing me to serve, Devin C DCMC District 11

District 12 – : No report.

Reports from Past Events

Area 69 Bridging the Gap Report February 27, 2016: My name is Doug and I'm an alcoholic. I have the honor to serve as district three's DCM. On June 13th 2015 District 3 had the opportunity to host the Area 69 Bridging the Gap workshop. I would like to thank the Living Sober Group for their service in putting this successful workshop together. Area 69 gave District 3 \$250.00 in seed money to put this event on. District 3 voted to refund the full amount to Area 69. So I will present Area 69 today with a check for \$250.00. We appreciate the opportunity to serve. BAM! Doug L DCM District 3

December Committee-Inventory Meeting District 11, Clearfield, UT: Hello, Friends, My name is Devin and I am an alcoholic. The Area 69 December Committee Meeting/Area Inventory was held December 5, 2015 at the Clearfield Community Church, 525 East 200 South, Clearfield, UT from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. District 11 was honored to host this event. I would like to thank Todd O for chairing the host committee and everyone who contributed to making it a successful event. We had an attendance of 44 people from around the state. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped our area to better do its work. Thank you for serving and allowing me to serve, Devin C

Reports from Upcoming Events

PRAASA March 4-6, 2016-: Walter reminded Area 69 trusted servants this will be a wonderful service event hosted in Tacoma Washington.

Pre-Conference Assembly April 1-3, 2016-: Mike G. reported there are fliers in the back today. Please register early and plan to attend this event. District 4 is planning to have the best speakers of the entire year. Saturday's lunch and dinner will be catered on site. District 4 is very excited to host this event.

Post-Conference Assembly May 20-22, 2016-: Kevin S. reported there are fliers in the back. The event will be held at the Hampton Inn, 10690 Holiday Inn Park Dr., Sandy Utah. District 10 is excited to host this event. Please preregister and join us.

Motion Discussion

Motion to change guidelines from Alt. Communications to Alt. Communications/Translation. Area 69 Alt-Delegate works with District 12 but Area really needs a translation position. Discussion: Position is needed to increase communication with District 12. Translate documents including all area/district/standing chair reports to be included in Area minutes and available on Area website. Documents to be translated would also include Agenda's, Fliers, & Programs to be available in English and Spanish at each event. **Discussion: Finance expense was discussed with possibly exceeding \$900 each year but then we were reminded defrayment would only be to the 3 Assemblies each year.**

Motion to form Ad Hoc Committee to look at replacing the recording & sound equipment. Pete G is the Chairperson. Committee will be exchanging and researching ideas for recording equipment. **Discussion: Pete shared one Ad Hoc Committee member had to step down so they are looking for another person.**

Motion to provide the Agenda Items and background material from GSO to be loaded on Area website with password protection. **Discussion: It was agreed that Renae would email her list to DCM's and DCMC's to print and copy for their districts.**

Adjourned: 12:00 pm.