

Area 53 Guidelines Proposed Change

Propose the Area 53 Guidelines by changed as follows:

Add to Article VII, Section 2 the following subsection:

- d) The Area Committee will assist and support the work of our ~~the~~ Area Standing Committees.

Presented to Area Chair
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Article VII - Area Committee of the Area 53 Assembly

1) Composition

- a) Delegate
- b) Alternate Delegate
- c) All current Officers and Alternate Officers
- d) District Committee Members, or their Alternates
- e) Chairpersons of the Standing Committees, or their Alternates
- f) DCM Chairperson, or his/her Alternate

2) Purpose

- a) The Area Committee will serve as the steering committee of the Area 53 Assembly.
- b) The Area Committee will assist the Area Chairperson in setting the agenda for the Area 53 Assembly.
- c) The Area Committee will assist the Area Officers in conducting the day-to-day business of the Area 53 Assembly.
- d) *The Area Committee will assist and support the work of our Area Standing Committees.*

3) Meetings

- a) Meetings shall be held on the second Sunday in January, April, July, and October.
- b) The agenda set by the Area Committee will be communicated to all Area Assembly members at least one month prior to the Area Assembly Meeting.

Article VIII - Standing Committees of the Area 53 Assembly

1) Area Standing Committees

- a) Archives Committee
- b) Cooperation with the Professional Community/ Public Information Committee
- c) Correctional Facilities Committee
- d) Finance Committee
- e) Grapevine Committee
- f) Group Services Committee
- g) Liaison Committee
- h) Treatment Facilities
- i) Mini Conference Committee
- j) Special Needs Committee

2) Chairpersons of Committees

- a) The committee members of a Standing committee (except mini conference) shall elect the Chairperson. In the absence of an active committee membership, the Area Chairperson may recommend a Standing Committee Chairperson subject to the approval of the Area Committee.
- b) Rotation shall be a principle followed by all Standing Committees with respect to election or appointment of officers with efforts being made to maintain continuity of committee service.
- c) Each committee chairperson shall submit a summary report of committee action to the Area Secretary at the Area assembly for inclusion in the minutes.
- d) The Chair of each Standing Committee shall submit copies of all committee meeting minutes to the Area Secretary for inclusion with area records.
- e) Should a Standing Committee require support from the Area, the Chair of the committee shall submit a budget request to the Area Treasurer by October 1st for consideration for inclusion in the yearly budget prepared by the Finance Committee.