

Panel 59 Area 53
Minutes of Area Assembly
Sunday, December 13, 2009
Whitehall Park, Columbus OH

MORNING SESSION: chaired by Bill Y., DCM Chair

Opening: The Assembly was opened with the Serenity prayer, short form of the 12 Concepts, explanation of the Ask-It basket, introduction of entire assembly.

GSR reports: **After Work Group:** Deb P. GSR, Rick K. alt. GSR; district 26; tuesday 5PM gahanna congregational church; 23 home group members, avg attendance 40-50; group conscience every month; contributions quarterly to all entities; all positions filled **B & D group:** Greg D. GSR; 7:30 thursdays, Open BB, corner of briggs and demorest; 4-6 home group members; avg attendance 10-12; grp conscience as needed; contributions when funds are available at 50-30-10% ; positions filled gsr, gvr, treasurer, secretary, cfc rep **Brookside:** Susan B, GSR, district 22; home grp members: 15, avg attendance 65; meets sunday 8PM at St Peter's catholic church, Linworth and Smoky Row Roads, closed disc. meeting, with last sunday lead; grp conscience as needed as ; contributions to COGF, GSO, area, district (50-30-10-10); service positions filled secretary, treasurer, gsr, cfc rep, rotating monthly chair; Anniversary last week of July **Choice is Ours:** district 26 meeting time 6:30PM Thursday at Whitehall Park; average attendance 15-20; contributions divided with even split among entities; positions gsr, gir, igr, gvr; **Clintonville Big Book:** Charles R. gsr, district 29; Tuesday 8 p.m. at Maple grove UM church, Henderson and High, Open big book study; avg. attendance 40-50, home group members 18; monthly grp conscience, with recent discussions about separate 7th tradition and anniversary fund monies and election of new trusted servants; grp contributions 50-30-10-10 to cogf, gso, area, district; service, positions filled gsr, gir, gvr, cfc, alt cfc, literature person, sec'y, treasurer, alt treasurer, treatment facil. rep.; other info: anniversary every november **Crossties:** Doug McC gsr; 8pm tuesday open speaker at mt carmel east hospital in basement; 12 home group members with avg attendance 50; grp conscience second tuesday of the month, recently discussed taking meeting to salvation army; contributions to GSO, positions filled gsr, gir, sec, treasurer, greeter; 34th anniversary upcoming **Gahanna Early Birds:** Rory M, GSR districts 26/27; 6:30 pm McCutcheon and Stygler Roads @ New Life Church; literature format; average attendance 10-15 with 4 homegroup members; group conscience meetings as needed; group contributions: cogf monthly, others annually; Service positions filled GSR, sec'y, treasurer.; second anniversary upcoming **German Village Sunday Brunch:** Steve B. gsr 10am breakfast, 11am open speaker, 548 e town street, columbus ; group conscience as needed; positions filled sec'y, treasurer, alt. sec'y, igr, gir, gsr **G.I.R.L.S. group:** Nancy gsr; 5pm wednesday and 11am saturday; christ the king catholic church, athens OH; 30 home group members with avg attendance of 12-20; grp conscience about two per year;; grp contributions: monthly rent, GSO and others; other info "no one wants to make a permanent secretary position. it drives me a little crazy" **Monday Night Steps and Traditions:** Paul B, GSR, district 23; 7 p.m. monday, Meadow Park Church of God, Bethel Road, Columbus; avg. attendance 20, with 12 home group members; monthly grp conscience; contributions 50-30-10-10, with \$20 prudent reserve; service positions filled: gsr, sec'y, GVR, IGR; other info: yearly group inventory in february; gsr is rotating out and jackie b is rotating in **Reynoldsburg Women's 12 & 12:** Toi I gsr district 27. saturday 10 am at the church of the redeemer, McNaughton road; 12 home group members, with avg attendance 35; quarterly group conscience; 50-30-10-1- to district, area gso, cogf; positions filled gsr, igr, gvr, gir sec'y, treasurer **Ropeholders men's meeting:** larry M. gsr 7pm tuesday, BB discussion with LWS; 15 home group members; average attendance 40; group conscience once a month, recently discussing how to become a group rather than a meeting; first ever group contribution was in november

2009, donating truck rental for cogf move; positions filled sec'y, treasurer, gsr, gir, igr, grapevine; group is just over 2 years old and looking forward to becoming a group, rather than a meeting **Roundtown Recovery:** meets sunday nights at 6pm in circleville, with the last meeting of the month a carry-in. average attendance is 20-24. grp conscience as needed; 30% payout quarterly with 10% rent. ten home group members **Three Legacies Group:** Barry W GSR, district 36 ; Sunday 7PM at Hope Memeorial Presby. church, 2930 West Broad street in Columbus; rotating format (step/ tradition/concept/sponsorship) average attendance 22 with 12 home grp members; grp conscience quarterly at a home grp member's home; group contributions quarterly to GSO, COGF, District, Area; service positions filled:GIR, IGR, GSR, CPC/PI, GVR, literature, nite owl, coffee, chair (rotating), sec'y, treasurer **Tradition 3 Happy Hour Group:** Penny B. gsr; meets seven days a week, varying format, at 1621 W. 5th Ave. Grandview; 20 home group members; with avg attendance 20-25; group conscience first tuesday of every month, with group inventory recently completed; contributions 50-30-10-10, also second basket for central office contributions; positions filled co-secretaries, treasurer, gsr, igr, gir, gvr **Two for One Group:** Cathleen R. GSR, district 15; two meeting a week 7 p.m. thursday 12 & 12, 10 am saturday Big Book; First Presby. Church, 4th and Wooster, Marietta; avg. attendance 15-20, 12 home group members; group conscience first thursday every month following tradition study, conducting group inventory; contributions to CFC, GSO, district 15; service positions filled sec'y, treasurer, gsr; upcoming events: hosting workshop, 21st anniversary in the spring **Two is Enough:** Sylvester S. gsr district 41; literature meeting Tuesday 8PM at Talbott Hall (columbus); group conscience once a month or as needed, discussing group anniversary; group contributions to central office and GSO; service positions filled: chair, sec'y, treasurer, GVR, GSR, IGR; upcoming events: will participate in alkathons over the holiday **Women's Early Bird Group:** Sue K gsr district 29; 9:30 AM Saturday with rotating format (1st week step of month, 2nd, 4th and 5th discussion, and 3rd lead); Meets at Overbrook Presbyterian Church, Columbus; 21 home grp members, with avg attendance 28; Grp conscience recently discused eliminating crosstalk and elected a new treasurer; ; group contributions 50% COGF 30% GSO, 20% Area, made every 4-6 months; service positions filled: rotating chair, gsr and alt gsr, sec'y, alt. sec'y, treasurer, GVR **Women's HOW:** Megan Z gsr, district 28-29; average attendance 30-40 with 15+ home grp members; Saturday at 9:30AM closed step meeting at East North Broadway Methodist, Columbus; grp conscience once a month (second saturday), recent discussions re: little red book (whether to sell); group contributions t50-30-10-10; service positions: chair, sec'y, treasurer, grapevine rep, gsr other information: weekly babysitting and an ASL interpreter **Youth Do Recover:** Amanda F gsr, district 21; 6:30 PM tuesday All Saints Episcopal Church, Portsmouth 45662 open discussion with speaker last meeting of the month; average attendance 28; 2 home group members; grp conscience: have not had one in several months; Group contributions: recently gave \$10 to district, area and gso; service positions filled:, Amanda F GSR, Tom H. secretary and alt. GSR; upcoming events: celebrated 1st anniversary on Dec. 1; other info: attendance has dropped

DCM Reports District 4: Kasie A, DCM there are 22 meetings in our district, with two having started or moved w/i the last 2 years. a back to basics meeting has steady attendance, so there are no three meetings there. the only women's meeting has moved to our local freedom center. our district meets every other month on saturday evenings at 6pm where attendance averages 6-10 groups. many groups are supporting our upcoming alkathon. we continue to have two jail meetings a week, with the support of the area CFC committee. attending with me today is a possible DCM alternate as well as a very active secretary for one of our largest groups. i feel privileged to have them here with so much enthusiasm and willingness. **District 15:** Jeff W, alt. dcm. meetings 4th tuesday of the month, 1st presby. Church marietta; average attendance 5-6. spring workshop being planned. **District 16:** group conscience 1st sunday of the month, 5pm, first christian church, athens OH; new crew of GSRs in january. there are 25 meetings per week in the district. **District 17:** Tammy b. dcm; we meet first sunday of the month at 5PM. there are 10 people that attend our meetings. we recently discussed getting members to sign up for the 1-800 number to help individuals to achieve sobriety and getting group members listed in the eastern US directory the next time that it is published. the district needs an alt. dcm and a secretary. if anyone has questions, please contact me at dcm17@area53aa.org we will help sponsor the hospitality room at the upcoming mini-conference, along with district 21

Districts 22/23 and 30 (JoCarol R, dcm dist 30, Tony K dcm dist 22/23: meetings first wednesday of the month 6:30pm bethel presby church, 1735 bethel road; currently discussing how to be a more active district. average attendance at district meeting is 4-5. the combined districts are revisiting having only one DCM and one alt. DCM for all three districts. GSR school planned for february. Paul B is rotating out as dist. 30 treasurer. Jackie B. is rotating in. **District 21 (Scioto & Lawrence Counties)** – Jim F, dcm There are 14 registered groups with 9 participating in the district. The district meets the first Saturday of each month at All Saints Episcopal Church (4th & Court Sts.) in Portsmouth at 5 pm. I have completed my 2 year term as DCM and, at present, we do not have person willing to become DCM. We do have a GSR interested in being alternate, but only once a DCM is elected. At the suggestion of Bill Young, the GSR's at our November meeting signed up to chair the district meeting for a month in 2010. We have commitments for the first 6 months. So while we don't have a DCM, the district will continue to meet. Our district is co-hosting the hospitality room at the 2010 Area 53 Mini-Conference with a reactivated district 17 (Gallia, Jackson, Meigs & Vinton Counties.) This will be our districts 2nd year. Glen Peden and Mike Sullivan attended our district meeting in December to discuss experience with past hospitality rooms with the GSR's and district officers present. Thanks Glen and Mike! Amanda Fowler, a GSR with the Youth Do Recover group attends the mini-conference planning meetings and the district meetings and has agreed to keep the communication flowing between the committee, the district and Tammy Bush, the DCM for District 17. Thanks Amanda! Our district continues to take men and women meetings into the Scioto County jail and every other week a mens meeting into Star Community Justice Center, a community-based correctional facility. Since the last assembly, I've attended the October DCM and area committee meeting in Point Pleasant, WV, the monthly mini-conference committee meetings and the monthly Public Information/Cooperation with Professional Community meetings including yesterdays workshop. While I'm rotating out as DCM, I will stay active on the area committees of the mini-conference and PI/CPC. Thank you all for the opportunity to serve. I love service!**Districts 26/27:** Sanna H. DCM; successful singleness of purpose workshop in october. new years alkathon planned to be held at Brice UM church. I will be rotating out and Rory M. will be rotating in. Thanks for allowing me to serve. **Districts 28/29 and 36 (Columbus),** Kerry M., DCM monthly meeting 1st sunday (except for assembly months), oakland park UM church things have been inactive due to my lack of participation, but i anticipate that activities will increase in the new year.

Committee Reports:

CPC/PI Committee: (Steve T, Chair): previous chair person has resigned. Steve T has assumed position. Steve is experienced in CPC/PI work in other areas, having been active in service there. Meetings are held the second saturday of the month at 11 am, panera's bread, north high street (near henderson road). three new group reps. workshop planned for mini-conference. **CFC Committee**

(Steve S., Chair)The Area 53 Correctional Facility Committee held its Quarterly meeting on December 5 at Oakland Park United Methodist Church. 16 GIRs and 12 Outside Sponsors of institutional meetings gave a report on their group's activities. In 2009, Group contributions from the "Spare Change" jugs totaled \$16,418. This compares to \$15,690 in 2008 (up roughly 5%). CFC spent \$16,070 on "conference-approved" literature purchased from GSO, which is \$215 more than last year. Because of GSO's literature price increases, however, we actually purchased and distributed fewer books and pamphlets. We will probably distribute even fewer in 2010 with the higher prices in effect for the full year. \$3,800 was approved for purchasing literature in the first quarter of 2010, which is up from the \$3,600 that was purchased in the first quarter of 2009. We had some added expenses this year for literature storage, which totaled \$569. This included some costs of preparing and moving into our new storage space. Our on-going storage expense for the literature will be \$480 a year. We did not have storage expense in 2008 because we stored our literature in Area 53's rented office at the RAC building, so this cost was hidden in the Area's rent expense. The rental cost of the square footage that CFC was using at the RAC building was quoted to us by RAC at \$1,200 a year, which the Area was paying for. This year – and in the future – our storage expenses will be funded by the "Spare Change" jugs, saving the Area more than \$1,000. That sounds like good news for the Area, but it also means that the money we

will spend on storage could have been used to purchase 60 Big Books. Our correspondence and temporary contact programs continued to provide outside contacts for incarcerated A.A.s and help for those making the transition from the institution to A.A. on the outside. We had fewer requests from those inside last quarter, but this is normal at this time of year. If anyone would like to find out more about these programs, see me and I will get you signed up. These programs and the costs of conducting the business of CFC are not funded by the "Spare Change" jugs. These costs include a P.O. Box, stamps, copies, office supplies, coffee supplies and meeting room rent. These costs totaled \$641 in 2009, compared to \$393 in 2008. \$200 of this increase is the result of higher meeting room rent because we were using the Area's office at the RAC building for some of our meetings until this year. Meeting room expense will be up another \$140 in 2010 as we pay the higher costs for the full year. In 2009, these costs were funded by what we call "donated services," by passing the basket at our meetings, and by the Area's contribution to CFC. "Donated services" are expenses that committee members incur but do not wish to be reimbursed for, such as making copies or buying coffee supplies. Donated services and passing the basket brought in \$146 this year to help pay for these expenses, and the Area contributed \$426, compared to a budget of \$500. In 2010, with the higher meeting room rent, we are projecting these costs at \$750, with \$150 of the expense coming from "donated services" and passing the basket. We have requested a budget of \$600 from the Area in 2010 to help cover these costs. In reviewing this request, we are hopeful that the Area will keep in mind that it is saving over \$1,000 a year by not subsidizing CFC's literature storage costs. In 2008, the Area actually contributed \$1,600 to CFC: \$400 directly and \$1,200 indirectly by renting us storage space at the RAC building. The \$600 we are requesting for 2010 should be the total cost to the Area. A copy of this report and our 2009 Financial Summary is available on the table, or I will be happy to email them to anyone who wants them. At our quarterly meeting, we actually did something beside talk about money. We elected three new officers to replace those that resigned. Bob B moved up from Alternate Correspondence Secretary to the position of Correspondence Secretary, and Kim was elected to be replace Bob. Lyndsey was elected to the position of Alternate Recording Secretary. We also voted to put on a GIR school as part of the Area's committee workshops Friday afternoon at the Mini-Conference. And planning for our annual spring workshop is underway. The workshop will be held next year on April 10 at Maple Grove United Methodist Church from 9am to 3pm. More details will be available at the March Assembly. Thanks for the opportunity to serve...Respectively, Steve Shelton
CFC Chair

Grapevine Committee (Sylvester S., Chair): We were involved in Ohio State Convention, with a well received display. Chairperson spoke on panel at the convention. recent sales of pocket and wall calendar went sell. we are planning as workshop for the miniconference. New meeting place: St Stephens Community center, 1500 17th avenue

Informational Segment (Carl D., alternate Delegate Panel 59, Area 53):

"After being GSR, what next? What does being GSR prepare me to do?" Since all of you are coming from active districts that study the Traditions and the Service Manual, you are prepared for many positions. The obvious choices are alternate DCM and DCM. This is our chance to give back to AA something of what you have been given. With your understanding of the traditions, you are suited for group secretary or participation in a standing committee. All of this can lead to becoming a panel member, possibly starting as an alternate, and working downward to Area 53 delegate. Familiarity with the pamphlet "Self Support: where money and spirituality mix" can benefit you as group treasurer or helping to decide how your group distributes its money to the service entities. Being a GSR prepares to function in service positions for COGF and in your home group.

AFTERNOON SESSION: Chaired by Glen P., Panel 59 Area 53 chairperson

Panel 59 Area 53 Officer Reports:

Recording secretary (Steve R): Minutes from September 2009 presented. No questions or comments. Minutes approved by acclamation.

Registrar (Brett G): All group change and changes for other positions that I have received have been made. If your group has mad a change, please submit the change to me. If anyone has any content for the COGF newsletter, please contact me. Committee chairs are asked to confirm meeting times with the Registrar for inclusion in the COGF newsletter.

Treasurer (Scott D): Area treasurer’s report reviewed (see below). Report approved by acclamation.

Beginning Balance 2009	4,471.17		
Birthday Club	0.00		
Unity Day/Mini-Conference	45.50	Beg. Balance	1,608.70
Interest on Checking	0.00	2009 Deposits	400
Group Contributions	\$17,302.94	Interest	1.48
		Balance	
		9/13/09	2,010.18
Total Funds Available 2008	21,819.61		

		2009	%
<u>Officers Expenses</u>		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Achieved</u>
			<u>Comments</u>
GSO Expense-Delegate to NY	1,200.00	1200.00	100.00%
Delegate Fund International	400.00	400.00	100.00%
Delegate Expenses	2,625.68	3000.00	87.52%
Chairperson/Alternate Chair Expense	1,071.73	1200.00	89.31%
Alternate Delegate Expense	1,904.58	2000.00	95.23%
Delegate-Past Delegate Conf.	886.42	750.00	118.19%
Other Officers to Area/State Conf.	836.16	1500.00	55.74%
Total Officers Expenses	8,924.57	10,050.00	88.80%
<u>Operating Expenses</u>			
Rent to RAC room/Archives	336.00	1000.00	33.60%
Postage, Copies and Supplies	1,036.36	600.00	172.73%
Communications	0.00	120.00	0.00%
Post Office Box	28.00	26.00	107.69%
Minutes of Meetings-Copies	224.15	500.00	44.83%
Minutes-Mailings	162.51	450.00	36.11%
Bank Service Charges	25.99	60.00	43.32%
Web Site/Web Services	111.04	120.00	92.53%
Total Operating Expenses	1,924.05	2,876.00	66.90%
<u>Meeting/Conference Expenses</u>			
DCM Meetings/Inventory	490.74	500.00	98.15%
Assembly Meetings	290.00	500.00	58.00%
Mini-Conference	0.00	285.00	0.00%
Unity Day	124.03	150.00	82.69%
Hospitality Room-State Conference	200.00	200.00	100.00%
Total Meeting/Conference Exp.	1,104.77	1,635.00	67.57%
<u>Committee Funding Expenses</u>			

Archives Committee	300.00	400.00	75.00%
CPC/PIC	121.79	200.00	60.90%
Correctional Facilities Committee	318.16	500.00	63.63%
Treatment Facilities Committee		100.00	#VALUE!
Grapevine	350.00	350.00	100.00%
Group Services	514.06	300.00	171.35%
Total Committee Expense	1,604.01	1850.00	86.70%
TOTAL EXPENSES	13,557.40	16,411.00	82.61%

Ending Balance 12/13/2009 **8,262.21**

Area Chairperson (Glen P): During the past quarter I have participated in the Mini Conference Committee and the Finance Committee. I have attended the East Central Regional Forum in Kalamazoo, Michigan, a Sponsorship workshop in District 17, Gratitude Sunday and a district meeting in District 21. Peggy A. and I moderated the COGF Board elections in December. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Delegate: (Jean S.): Since the last Area Assembly, I have attended the Mini-Conference Planning Meetings, the Area Committee Meeting , chaired the Ohio State Convention Planning Meetings, attended the East Central Regional Forum in Kalamazoo ,MI. and chaired a workshop on Using the Concepts at the Group Level , attended Gratitude Sunday, and attended the CPC/PI Workshop. Three Area members have submitted articles to be considered for inclusion in the Special Needs pamphlet that is being developed. The submission date has been extended until Jan. 15,2010 and more members are encouraged to enter their articles. Forms are available today or on the www.aa.org website. Box 459 has extended the invitation to apply to the Trustees' Public Information Committee as an appointed committee member. The skills needed are printed in the Winter issue. Pam R., our East Central Regional Trustee, has kept us informed of the news from the Trustees Board Weekend in November: Finance: New sales were 2.3% over budget and 14% more than the same period last year. The gross margin from literature was 3.6% over budget . However, contributions for the nine month period were 6.5% less than budgeted.

Publications: total distribution of all books was up 14.9% over the same period in 2008. Production: The AAWS Board approved the pricing of the following items:

- "Young People" posters are \$1.00 each.
- American Sign Language Third Edition Big Book - \$32.00
- American Sign Language Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions - \$23.00
- Set of Twelve Concepts, Twelve Steps and twelve Traditions window shades- \$72.00

AAWS Nominating: Joseph D. of Kingston, Ontario was nominated as non-trustee Director. Roberta Lindeman was nominated to be General Service Trustee, and our ECR Trustee, Pam R. as Trustee Director. Grapevine: For the 9 month period of 2009, the Grapevine lost \$95,000, due to a 40% drop in subscription rates. They are asking for our help by encouraging members to take advantage of the holiday offer of two gifts of the Grapevine for \$40., a savings of \$14.

2010 General Service Conference will have the theme "Practicing A.A.'s Principle s- The Pathway to Unity" , to begin on April 18th. CPC/Treatment/Special Needs /Accessibility: Approval was made for a service piece directed to drug/alcohol court professionals and agreed it be included in the CPC Kit. The Committee approved the suggestion for changing terminology in the Workbook to reflect carrying the message into out-patient treatment settings as well as in-patient settings. Corrections: revision of the pamphlet "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell" is progressing and agreed to add a copy of "A.A. in Prison: Inmate to Inmate" to the Corrections Kit. International Convention: over 26,000 members have registered for the July 2010 event in San Antonio, about 500 more each week. The Board will provide unlimited access to an internet broadcast of the Convention's Opening Flag Ceremony over the website through July

5th for those who cannot attend. Public Information: The committee agreed to select a new PSA called “My World” for 2010. The two new DVDs, “HOPE: Alcoholics Anonymous” and “2009 Young People’s Videos” are now available for \$10 each and will be shown today. They are well worth watching and sharing with others, to spread the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

The 2009 Conference Reports are still available and I would be happy to share any of the information with your groups or districts.

Old Business:

1. **Special Needs Special Interests:** There was much discussion and sharing of experience regarding whether to and/or how to establish a Special Needs/Special Interests Standing committee here in Area 53. No decision reached. Glen P will appoint an ad-hoc committee to address this issue. The ad-hoc committee will report back to the assembly at a later date
2. **Financial report from State Convention:** (Scott D.) report as shown below. the \$1,287.14 remaining after expense will be distributed to the area archivist and to the four Ohio Ar

Expenses		Income	
Coffee	\$990.00	Seed Money	\$3,000.02
Banquet	\$2,679.25	Hospitality Donations	\$800.00
Lunch	\$588.50	Hospitality Room Donations	\$364.00
Breakfast	\$814.50	Dance Registrations	\$35.00
Gratuity	\$759.08	Meals & Registrations	\$9,721.24
Total	\$5,831.33	Total	\$13,920.26
Hotel Rooms	\$831.28	Minus Expenses	(\$9,633.10)
8 @ \$103.91		Total	\$4,287.16
Pam Reising	\$230.00	Minus Seed Money for 2010	(\$3,000.02)
Marcia & Larry Stiff	\$452.40	Total	\$1,287.14
Adrienne Brown	\$328.20		
Guests Restaurant	\$82.94		
Hotel Room Adjustment	(\$207.82)		
Tax Adjustment	(\$40.55)		
Total	\$1,676.45		
Copies & Printing	\$353.04		
A/V Equipment	\$50.00		
Gifts for Speakers	\$100.00		
Mailings	\$220.00		
Meeting Costs	\$120.97		
Supplies	\$213.85		
Hospitality	\$897.16		
Checks	\$20.00		
D. J.	\$150.00		
Total	\$2,125.02		
Total Expenses	\$9,633.10		

New Business:

3. Proposed 2010 Area Budget : Proposed 2010 Area 53 Budget presented by Scott D., Treasurer. After discussion, amendment by floor vote was approved to decrease the area's expense for Delegate travel to the General Service Conference in New York from \$4000 to \$2500.

2010 Budget(as amended)

Estimated 12/31/09 Bank Balance:	\$5,916		
Estimated 2010 Contributions:	\$17,000		
	2010	2009	%
<u>Officers Expenses</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>
GSO Expense-Delegate to NY	2,500	1,200	108.33%
Delegate Fund International	400	400	0.00%
Delegate Expenses	3,000	3,000	0.00%
Chairperson/Alternate Chair Expense	1,200	1,200	0.00%
Alternate Delegate Expense	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Delegate-Past Delegate Conf.	750	750	0.00%
Other Officers to Area/State Conf.	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Total Officers Expenses	\$11,350	\$10,050	12.94%
<u>Operating Expenses</u>			
Rent to RAC, archive storage	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Postage, Copies and Supplies	600	600	0.00%
Communications	0	120	-100.00%
Post Office Box	26	26	0.00%
Minutes of Meetings-Copies	600	500	20.00%
Minutes-Mailings	450	450	0.00%
Bank Service Charges	30	60	-50.00%
Web Site/Web Services	120	120	0.00%
Total Operating Expenses	\$2,826	\$2,876	-1.74%
<u>Meeting/Conference Expenses</u>			
DCM Meetings/Inventory	500	500	0.00%
Assembly Meetings	500	500	0.00%
Unity Day	150	150	0.00%
Hospitality Room-State Conference	200	200	0.00%
Total Meeting/Conference Exp.	\$1,350	\$1,635	-17.43%

Committee Funding Expenses			
Mini-Conference	300	0	
Archives Committee	400	400	0.00%
CPC/PIC	200	200	0.00%
Correctional Facilities Committee	600	400	50.00%
Treatment Facilities Committee	100	100	0.00%
Grapevine	350	350	0.00%
Group Services	300	300	0.00%
Total Committee Expense	<u>\$2,250</u>	<u>\$1,750</u>	<u>28.57%</u>
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES	\$17,776	\$16,311	8.98%
Estimated 12/31/09 Bank Balance:	\$5,140.00		

Prudent Reserve is \$2,500

- 4. 61st Conference Theme, Presentations and Workshop topics discussion:** (Jean S. Delegate) Assembly divided into breakout groups to provide the Delegate with ideas for the 61st General Service Conference.

Ask-It Basket questions and answers:

- 1. What is the “Turning on the Lights” program? Answer:** Bill Y. (DCM Chair) explained the program to encourage “dark” (non- active within the service structure) districts to be involved (to “light up”). It is an ongoing program.

Meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Statement

Steve R., Panel 59 Area 53 Recording Secretary