

Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Area Committee

This ad-hoc committee was formed by Area Chair Christina S. to address suggestions made by the Area Inventory Ad-Hoc Committee pertaining to the Area Committee of SETA 67.

The committee wishes to express gratitude to the members of the Area for responding to our requests for input. The committee also thanks our Area Chair for the opportunity to be of service.

In the course of obtaining feedback from the Area through surveys, questionnaires and other means, the committee has arrived at several conclusions. The committee respectfully submits three (3) recommendations in response to the tasks set before the committee.

Recommendation 1

In response to Part 1 of the first suggestion:

That the Area Committee look at meeting ahead of the Assembly to set the Agenda and review it prior to the Assembly weekend.

This ad-hoc committee recommends that a sub-committee of the Area Committee, hereinafter called the “Agenda Committee” be formed from the members of the standing Area Committee, to set the Agenda. The ad-hoc committee further recommends the following:

- *The Agenda Committee will meet prior to the Assembly to set the Agenda for the entire Assembly weekend.*
- The Agenda Committee to be a rotating committee, two rotations per year.
- The Agenda Committee to consist of the Area Chair, at least (1) DCM, at least (1) Service Committee Chair, and another officer of the Area, not to exceed (5) members at any given time.
- The members of the Agenda Committee, other than the Area Chair, will be chosen by random selection.

Recommendation 2

In response to Part 2 of the first suggestion:

Should the Area Committee use the time at assembly for more interaction with GSRs and Service Committees? (that the AC meeting at Assembly has not been the best use of time for ALL Assembly attendees.)

This ad-hoc committee recommends that the Area Committee devote a portion of meeting time at every Assembly to DCM and Service Committee Chair training. Training should focus on Traditions, Concepts, Roberts Rules of Order, how to chair meetings, how to train GSRs within their Districts and greater utilization of the Service Committees, both at Area and within their own Districts. (See Recommendation 3 in regards to GSRs).

Recommendation 3

In response to the second suggestion:

That a specific Area Committee Inventory be considered. What can be done to better serve the GSRs?

This ad-hoc committee does not feel that a specific Area Committee inventory is required at this time.

To better serve the GSRs, this committee recommends the following:

- Continue GSR training workshops at every Assembly, including the January session;
- Review and consider updating the GSR training PowerPoint presentation, if deemed necessary.
- Training for GSR Workshop presenters;
- Presenters to place a stronger focus on the GSR's responsibilities, how they fit into the A.A. Committee System and Traditions and Concepts; less time on "sharing sessions";
- Service Committee assignment assistance for GSRs who have not yet selected a service committee (if a committee has been selected, no assignment is necessary);
- Reintroduce Literature in the GSR workshops; and
- Reintegrate the English and Spanish GSR training Workshops (unless it proves to be too cumbersome).