

The October meeting of the Area 67 Literature Committee was called to order at 8:32 by Dan K., chair.

Present were Area Literature Chair Daniel K, Alternate Literature Chair Jim M., Caitlin B., GSR Sisters in Sobriety; Shea, SIS alt GSR and secretary; Kevin W., DCM District 70; Ashley, District 81 GSR and Literature Rep., and Carol F., Area Literature Committee secretary and District 40 Literature rep.

Dan K. reported that he enjoyed the October assembly. He thanked Jim for helping staff the table at assembly and said the book consignment with Intergroup went well. He sold out of service manuals which he found surprising since at the last assembly he had 20 copies but sold none and this time he had 5 and sold them all. Dan said he enjoyed meeting and interacting with the new Trustee from the Southwest region Teresa, who attended the assembly.

He recapped District 70's Unity Day that he attended in September and said the workshop presented had the perfect mix of information and humor to make the presentation interesting and worthwhile.

Alt Chair Jim M said he enjoyed meeting the trustee as well and believes she will do a great job.

Dan reported other business that was taken care of at the assembly, including passing a budget that will be fully funded by eliminating some trips to remote AA events. The assembly also voted to allow changes to the policy and procedures manual that will allow the assembly to be held for just one day and voted to exit from the contract with the hotel in 2024.

Caitlin said she enjoyed talking to Teresa too and hearing pertinent information straight from the source. The timeline for the translation of the plain language book indicated that the book might be ready as early as one year from now. Final edits will go to the conference in April. Caitlin said the 5th edition may be farther out than that since Teresa said they were still reviewing all the submitted stories.

All who attended reported enjoying their interactions with the new trustee.

Dan said the committee still has the goal of attending district meetings to offer information and support. He plans to attend a District 40 meeting and Ashley asked him to attend a District 81 meeting. Jim mentioned that a district possibly in the Humble area had asked for a visit.

Dan said he plans to bring literature from Intergroup to the SETA convention in Galveston in January and asked for help with supplying and staffing the table at convention.

A long discussion about the workshop followed. Ashley reported that District 81 has found interest in a workshop on the question of preserving anonymity on social media. Dan and Jim said there were service sheets on aa.org that discuss the issue.

Other potential workshop topics were discussed including the process of proposing agenda items for the General Service Conference, a workshop on the actual agenda items pertaining to literature after they come out in February for the April conference, and a workshop on the service manual and perhaps on proposed changes to that. Dan mentioned running a poll to determine where the most interest is for a workshop.

The meeting adjourned at 9:34 with the responsibility statement.