## MEMORANDUM

August 15, 2023

From: Trustees Finance and Budgetary Committee
TO: Members of the $73^{\text {rd }}$ General Service Conference

RE: $\quad$ Financial Reporting
At the $73^{\text {rd }}$ General Service Conference, the following Advisory Action was adopted:

The Trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee develop additional ways to report quarterly the fiscal performance of the AAWS, GSB, and GV Boards throughout the year to the members of the General Service Conference for the purposes of transparency and assisting in the reporting to the A.A. Fellowship.

The Conference Committee on Finance also made the following Additional Committee Consideration:

The committee requests that to better align with the duties described in the Service Manual for the Conference Finance Committee, committee members receive the monthly AAWS/GSB consolidated financial statements along with an executive summary from the Chief Financial Officer.

The work on these items has already begun with conversations at the corporate boards' finance committees and the Trustees Finance and Budgetary Committee.

As an initial step, we are providing the attached quarterly financial statements as of June 30, 2023. These are identical to the financials accepted by the Trustees Finance and Budgetary Committee and the General Service Board during the Board's July meeting, except for some account-level detail that has been summarized by account type and the Grapevine financial statements which became available subsequent to Board weekend. In the coming quarters, we will further synchronize the information provided to Trustees and Delegates.

For additional context, we are also providing an overview of the other modalities used to communicate financial information to the Fellowship.

As these are unaudited discussion drafts, we ask that they be shared with AA members only.

We look forward to our Sharing Session on August $16^{\text {th }}$ and look forward to Conference Feedback.

## Trustees Finance and Budgetary Committee

Attachments:
Quarterly Financial Report as of June 30, 2023, including Executive Summary - AAWS/GSB Quarterly Financial Report as of June 30, 2023, including Executive Summary - GV/LV Summary of Available Financial Reporting
A.A.W.S. AND G.S.B. CONSOLIDATED

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Summary

Revenue is in a favorable position compared to budget. Operating revenue is $7 \%$ more than the year to date (YTD) budget ${ }^{1}$. However, expense is in a slightly unfavorable position compared to budget. Operating expense is $1 \%$ greater than the YTD budget due to hotel expenses for meetings being greater than budgeted. Overall, we have a YTD operating deficit after depreciation which is smaller than budgeted. Additionally, cash is tight. As of July 17, we have $\$ 1,398,202$ in unpaid invoices from vendors, which is about $\$ 300,000$ more than the same time in June.

## Operating Cash

- As of June 30 , operating cash was only $\$ 331,963$ which represents 0.23 months (less than one week) of 2023 budget G.S.O. operating expenses of $\$ 17,085,479$.
- As of July 17 , operating cash on hand is $\$ 528,108$ which represents 0.37 months (between one and two weeks) of 2023 budget operating expenses.
- Operating cash as of December 31 was $\$ 514,337$, so cash as of July 17 is $\$ 13,771$ less than at the beginning of the year. Our current cash challenge is due to a residual effect of 2022 activity and delayed collection of accounts receivable owed to us.
- In an effort to manage cashflow we have deferred and prioritized payments. This has resulted in increased past due balances owing to our vendors, especially literature printers, our landlord, and our warehouses.
- The AAWS Board has discussed remediation strategies and will have further discussion on July 19, 2023. There will be a full reporting to the Trustees Finance Committee at the upcoming meeting and further information provided in the background material.
- Meanwhile, the office has implemented deferrals of expenditures where possible and is developing a plan for improved management of accounts receivable.


## Revenue

- YTD contributions are $\$ 4,839,110$. This represents $102 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 4,725,000$ and is $\$ 172,538$ (3\%) less than last year.
- YTD gross literature sales are $\$ 7,877,177$. This represents $108 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 7,314,000$ and is $\$ 2,112,271(37 \%)$ more than last year. The variance to budget is due to greater than expected sales in March in anticipation of the April 3 price increase and strong sales in June.
- YTD literature gross margin is $\$ 4,082,317$ which is $112 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 3,657,000$ and $\$ 1,338,217$ (49\%) more than last year.
YTD cost of goods sold (COGS) of $\$ 3,850,154$, which remains $48.8 \%$ of gross sales compared to a YTD budget of $48.0 \%$ and $46.4 \%$ last year. COGS is becoming more stable as it changed less than $0.1 \%$ from May to June.

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## Expense

- YTD salary expense is $\$ 3,993,977$ which is $93 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 4,284,167$ and $\$ 293,219$ $(8 \%)$ more than last year. The variance to budget is due to open positions. The variance to last year is due to new positions in Translation, Licensing, and Intellectual Property and Language Services.
- YTD employee benefits expense is $\$ 914,215$ which is $90 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 1,017,784$ and \$79,539 (10\%) more than last year.
- YTD payroll taxes are $\$ 351,101$, which is $106 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 331,761$ and $\$ 40,668$ ( $13 \%$ ) more than last year due to an increase in the NYS unemployment insurance tax rate.
- YTD professional fees expense is $\$ 752,016$ which is $88 \%$ of the YTD budget of $\$ 853,439$ and is $\$ 80,772$ (12\%) greater than last year.
- YTD travel and meetings expense is $\$ 1,611,658$ which is $137 \%$ of the YTD budget amount of $\$ 1,178,832$ and $\$ 835,911(108 \%)$ more than last year. The variance is in part because hotel expenses were greater than budgeted for both the January GSB weekend and the GSC. Also, we paid $90 \%$ of the GSC hotel bill in advance compared to $50 \%$ in the budget and last year.
- YTD total operating expense before depreciation is $\$ 8,979,567$ which is $101 \%$ of the YTD budget amount of $\$ 8,860,078$ and $\$ 1,348,512(18 \%)$ more than last year. This variance is due to the variance in travel and meetings expense.


## Surplus/Deficit

- After depreciation, the YTD operating deficit is $\$ 235,314$ which compares favorably to a YTD budgeted deficit of $\$ 769,718$ but unfavorably to a deficit of $\$ 114,399$ last year.
- Including non-operating revenue and expense, the YTD overall deficit is $\$ 209,082$ which compares favorably to a YTD budgeted deficit of $\$ 1,171,673$ and a deficit of $\$ 1,652,758$ last year.
- The major YTD non-operating revenue is a gain of $\$ 624,429$ in the market value of the postretirement medical plan assets. This is a non-cash transaction.
- YTD non-operating expense is $\$ 766,614$. According to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, the $\$ 500,000$ transferred from the Reserve Fund to Grapevine for app development is an expense for the GSB as the owner of the Reserve Fund. The same $\$ 500,000$ is revenue for Grapevine, so the revenue and expense cancel out to zero on consolidated financial statements.


## Reserve Fund

- As of May 31, the assets in the reserve fund total $\$ 13,098,822$. After subtracting the $\$ 573,012$ Grapevine subscription liability, the reserve fund balance is $\$ 12,525,810$. This represents 7.11 months of 2023 budgeted G.S.O., Grapevine, and La Viña operating expenses of $\$ 21,152,365$.

Shared Services

- The receivable from Grapevine for shared services is currently $\$ 421,435$ compared to $\$ 435,812$ last year. Grapevine pays $\$ 113,169$ per quarter toward this receivable. Members of the AAWS and Grapevine Boards are discussing whether changes to this payment schedule are feasible.


## Additional Information

- Please see the next five pages for graphs of contribution, literature gross sales, and gross margin trends as well as personnel and operating expense trends.
- At the request of the AAWS Finance Committee, the report on contributions greater than $\$ 10,000$ has been discontinued and a report on prepaid expenses has been added. Also, the comparison of revenue and expense to budget and to prior year has been consolidated from two pages to one.




A.A. World Services and General Service Board

Consolidated
Monthly Income Statement Compared to Prior Year and Budget

| Account | Jan-23 | Feb-23 | Mar-23 | Apr-23 | May-23 | Jun-23 | YTD 2023 | YTD Budget 2023 | \% of YTD Budget | A Actual 2022 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total - 40000 - Contributions - Members \& Groups | 871,751 | 795,856 | 785,574 | 889,363 | 773,166 | 723,400 | 4,839,110 | 4,725,000 | 102\% | 5,011,648 |
| Total - 41500 - International Convention Revenue | 0 | 0 | 0 | (690) | 0 | 690 | 0 | 0 | N/A |  |
| Total - 42000 - International | 10,381 | 4,198 | 522 | 11,276 | (150) | 523 | 26,750 | 20,000 | 134\% | 64,049 |
| Total - 43000 - General Service Conference | 24,900 | 110,192 | 145,073 | 40,500 | 24,485 | 1,700 | 346,850 | 288,360 | \% | 287,207 |
| Total - Operating Revenue before Literature | 907,032 | 910,246 | 931,169 | 940,449 | 797,500 | 726,313 | 5,212,710 | 5,033,360 | 104\% | 5,362,547 |
| Total - 46000 - Literature Sales | 1,446,800 | 1,026,000 | 1,872,841 | 1,055,753 | 1,093,299 | 1,437,778 | 7,932,471 | 7,167,720 | 111\% | 5,588,735 |
| Total - Cost of Sales | 612,892 | 534,536 | 797,853 | 663,567 | 542,907 | 698,399 | 3,850,154 | 3,510,720 | 110\% | 2,784,635 |
| Literature Gross Margin | 833,908 | 491,464 | 1,074,988 | 392,187 | 550,391 | 739,379 | 4,082,317 | 3,657,000 | 112\% | 2,744,100 |
| Total Operating Revenue | 1,740,940 | 1,401,710 | 2,006,157 | 1,332,636 | 1,347,892 | 1,465,692 | 9,295,027 | 8,690,360 | 107\% | 8,106,647 |
| Operating Expense |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 60100 - Payroll \& Benefits : Salaries | 523,401 | 708,920 | 520,563 | 624,601 | 1,051,464 | 565,028 | 3,993,977 | 4,270,315 | 94\% | 3,700,758 |
| Total - 60300 - Payroll \& Benefits : Employee Benefits | 261,247 | 131,825 | 119,675 | 118,871 | 138,807 | 143,790 | 914,215 | 1,010,529 | 90\% | 834,676 |
| Total - 60500 - Payroll \& Benefits : Retirement Plan Contributions | 25,433 | 26,266 | 29,324 | 28,925 | 27,896 | 28,841 | 166,685 | included above | N/A | 135,803 |
| Subtotal - 60000 - Payroll \& Benefits | 810,081 | 867,011 | 669,563 | 772,397 | 1,218,166 | 737,659 | 5,074,877 | 5,280,844 | 96\% | 4,671,237 |
| Total - 60400 - Payroll \& Benefits : Payroll Taxes | 55,169 | 62,728 | 42,822 | 57,974 | 80,642 | 51,766 | 351,101 | 329,873 | 106\% | 310,433 |
| Total - 70000 - Professional Fees | 103,907 | 90,617 | 120,796 | 121,060 | 178,400 | 137,236 | 752,016 | 781,807 | 96\% | 671,244 |
| Total - 72000 - Printing, Postage, and Supplies Expenses | 37,715 | 29,731 | 63,609 | 32,244 | 57,434 | 53,969 | 274,701 | 274,075 | 100\% | 215,782 |
| Total - 73000 - Data, Automation \& Website | 37,717 | 42,923 | 30,353 | 48,890 | 64,780 | 35,613 | 260,276 | 268,183 | 97\% | 339,175 |
| Total - 74000 - Insurance | 6,245 | 6,245 | 6,245 | 6,245 | 6,245 | 6,245 | 37,472 | 39,008 | 96\% | 34,251 |
| Total - 76000 - Facility \& Equipment Expenses | 92,432 | 102,268 | 115,726 | 103,615 | 100,226 | 103,199 | 617,466 | 584,996 | 106\% | 613,188 |
| Total - 78000 - Travel \& Meetings Expenses | 182,373 | 68,004 | 70,763 | 1,013,510 | 136,659 | 140,349 | 1,611,658 | 539,526 | 299\% | 775,747 |
| Total Operating Expense | 1,325,639 | 1,269,527 | 1,119,876 | 2,155,936 | 1,842,553 | 1,266,037 | 8,997,567 | 8,098,311 | 111\% | 7,631,055 |
| Operating Surplus/(Deficiti) Before Depreciation | 415,301 | 132,183 | 886,282 | (823,300) | (499,661) | 199,655 | 315,460 | 592,049 | N/A | 475,591 |
| 76800 - Facility \& Equipment Expenses : Depreciation Expense | 94,642 | 94,747 | 91,315 | 90,707 | 90,408 | 88,956 | 550,774 | 600,000 | 92\% | 589,990 |
| Operating Surplus/(Deficit) After Depreciation | 320,660 | 37,436 | 794,967 | $(914,007)$ | $(585,070)$ | 110,700 | $\underline{(235,314)}$ | (7,951) | N/A | $(114,399)$ |

## Other Income and Expenses

Other Income
Total - 45000 - 0
Total - 45000 - Other Revenue
45600 - Conventions. Meeting \& Events
Other Expense
Total - 92000 - Other Expenses 92150 - Disbursements from the IL 92600 - Transfers to ta Vina 92650 - Grapevine Transfers
Total - Other Expense Total - Other Expense Net Other Income
Surplus/(Deficit)


## A.A. World Services and General Service Board

Consolidated Comparative Income Statement June 2023

| Account | Current Year June 2023 | Last Year June 2022 | Variance | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Current Year } \\ & \text { to Date (Jan } \\ & 2023 \text { - June } \\ & 2023 \text { ) } \end{aligned}$ | Last Year to Date (Jan 2022 - June 2022) | Year To Date Variance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contributions | 723,400 | 837,909 | $(114,509)$ | 4,839,110 | 5,011,648 | $(172,538)$ |
| International Convention | 690 | (357) | 1,047 | 0 | (357) | 357 |
| International | 523 | 10,041 | $(9,519)$ | 26,750 | 64,049 | $(37,298)$ |
| General Service Conference | 1,700 | 14,200 | $(12,500)$ | 346,850 | 287,207 | 59,643 |
| Gross Literature Sales | 1,427,652 | 1,061,715 | 365,936 | 7,877,177 | 5,764,906 | 2,112,270 |
| Literature Shipping Charges | 24,110 | 18,221 | 5,889 | 154,803 | 140,136 | 14,667 |
| Literature Discounts | $(13,983)$ | $(33,145)$ | 19,162 | $(99,509)$ | $(376,308)$ | 276,799 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 698,399 | 464,462 | 233,937 | 3,850,154 | 2,784,635 | 1,065,519 |
| Gross Margin | 739,379 | 582,329 | 157,050 | 4,082,318 | 2,744,100 | 1,338,218 |
| Total - Operating Revenue | 1,465,692 | 1,444,123 | 21,569 | 9,295,028 | 8,106,646 | 1,188,381 |
| Operating Expense |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Salary \& Benefits | 737,659 | 994,036 | $(256,377)$ | 5,074,877 | 4,671,237 | 403,641 |
| Payroll Taxes | 51,766 | 68,523 | $(16,757)$ | 351,101 | 310,433 | 40,668 |
| Professional Fees | 137,236 | 77,351 | 59,885 | 752,016 | 671,244 | 80,772 |
| Printing, Postage, Supplies, and Subscriptions | 53,969 | 79,345 | $(25,376)$ | 274,701 | 215,782 | 58,919 |
| Data, Automation \& Website | 35,613 | 60,071 | $(24,458)$ | 260,276 | 339,175 | $(78,899)$ |
| Insurance | 6,245 | 5,708 | 537 | 37,472 | 34,251 | 3,221 |
| Facility \& Equipment | 103,199 | 100,712 | 2,487 | 617,466 | 613,188 | 4,278 |
| Travel \& Meetings Expenses | 140,349 | 19,118 | 121,231 | 1,611,658 | 775,747 | 835,912 |
| Total - Operating Expense | 1,266,037 | 1,404,866 | $(138,829)$ | 8,979,567 | 7,631,055 | 1,348,512 |
| Operating Surplus/(Deficit) Before Depreciation | 199,655 | 39,258 | 160,398 | 315,460 | 475,591 | $(160,131)$ |
| Depreciation Expense | 88,956 | 99,635 | $(10,680)$ | 550,774 | 589,990 | $(39,216)$ |
| Operating Surplus/(Deficit) After Depreciation | 110,700 | $(60,378)$ | 171,078 | $(235,314)$ | $(114,399)$ | $(120,915)$ |
| Non-Operating Revenue | 324,619 | $(465,435)$ | 790,054 | 792,846 | (1,345,911) | 2,138,758 |
| Non-Operating Expense | 190,036 | 9,981 | 180,055 | 766,614 | 192,448 | 574,166 |
| Non-Operating Surplus/(Deficit) | 134,583 | $(475,416)$ | 609,998 | 26,232 | $(1,538,359)$ | 1,564,591 |
| Total Surplus/(Deficit) | 245,282 | $(535,794)$ | 781,076 | $(209,082)$ | $(1,652,758)$ | 1,443,677 |

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS WORLD SERVICES
general service board of alcoholics anonymous
BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2023 JUNE 30, 2022
CHANGE

| ASSETS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Assets |  |  |  |
| Cash | 535,190 | 2,285,475 | $(1,750,285)$ |
| Accounts Receivable | 1,303,747 | 2,397,305 | $(1,093,559)$ |
| Prepaid Expense | 391,741 | 428,952 | $(37,210)$ |
| Literature Inventory | 4,144,556 | 3,959,614 | 184,942 |
| Reserve Fund | 13,098,822 | 14,336,100 | $(1,237,278)$ |
| Total Current Assets | 19,474,055 | 23,407,446 | $(3,933,390)$ |
| Fixed Assets |  |  |  |
| Fixed Assets | 8,988,738 | 5,889,888 | 3,098,850 |
| Accumulated Depreciation | $(4,112,517)$ | $(2,967,339)$ | $(1,145,178)$ |
| Net Fixed Assets | 4,876,222 | 2,922,549 | 1,953,672 |
| Other Assets |  |  |  |
| Postretirement Medical Fund | 7,686,987 | 7,104,521 | 582,466 |
| Total Other Assets | 7,686,987 | 7,104,521 | 582,466 |
| Total ASSETS | 32,037,264 | 33,434,516 | $(1,397,252)$ |
| LIABILITIES |  |  |  |
| Accounts Payable | 1,768,001 | 2,065,147 | $(297,146)$ |
| Accrued Expenses | 236,423 | 420,901 | $(184,478)$ |
| Defined Benefit Pension Liability | $(4,785,584)$ | $(3,572,594)$ | 1,212,990) |
| Sales Tax | 16,018 | 48,120 | $(32,101)$ |
| Grapevine Subscription Liability | 573,012 | 1,443,500 | $(870,488)$ |
| Employee Withholding | 966 | 67,609 | $(66,644)$ |
| Postretirement Benefit | 5,388,395 | 7,382,319 | $(1,993,924)$ |
| Rent Lease Liability | 2,812,461 | 0 | 2,812,461 |
| Total LIABILITIES | 6,009,692 | 7,855,002 | (1,845,310) |
| NET ASSETS |  |  |  |
| Reserve Fund | 12,525,810 | 12,892,600 | $(366,790)$ |
| Postretirement Medical Fund | 2,298,592 | $(277,798)$ | 2,576,390 |
| Capital Projects Fund | 1,674,725 | 2,258,606 | $(583,881)$ |
| Defined Benefit Pension Liability | 4,785,584 | 3,572,594 | 1,212,990 |
| General Fund | 4,742,861 | 7,133,513 | (2,390,651) |
| Total NET ASSETS | 26,027,572 | 25,579,514 | 448,058 |
| Total LIABILITIES AND NET ASSET | 32,037,264 | 33,434,516 | $(1,397,252)$ |

## A.A. WORLD SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE BOARD CONSOLIDATED PROFESSIONAL FEES

JANUARY TO JUNE 2023
Accounting \& Audit Fees ..... 85,321
Legal Fees ..... 145,677
Human Resources Services ..... 36,940
Editorial Services ..... 60,531
Information Technology Support ..... 42,388
Temporary Help ..... 136,086
Payroll Processing ..... 14,459
Document Translation ..... 133,725
Interpretation ..... 30,102
Project Management ..... 25,000
Operational/Structure Consulting ..... 4,978
Other ..... 36,809TOTAL PROFESSIONAL FEES752,016

## A.A. WORLD SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE BOARD CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES JANUARY TO JUNE 2023

Website
Events Calendar and News ..... 37,450
Total Website ..... 37,450
Equipment \& Software
Digital Asset Repository ..... 4,950
Meeting Guide App ..... 39,367
NetSuite Licensing and Translation ..... 12,185
Computers and Peripherals ..... 3,337
Total Equipment \& Software59,839
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ..... 97,289
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET ..... 362,485
BUDGET REMAINING UNSPENT ..... 265,196
\% OF BUDGET SPENT ..... 27\%

# ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS WORLD SERVICES PUBLICATIONS SALES BY ITEM BOOKS WITH GREATEST UNIT SALES <br> JANUARY TO JUNE 2023 

|  |  | QUANTITY |  | REVENUE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item \# | Item Description | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 |
| B-30 | Alcoholics Anonymous (Soft Cover) | 158,333 | 168,143 | 1,281,994 | ,230,701 |
| B-1 | Alcoholics Anonymous (Hard Cover) with dust jackets | 155,888 | 163,141 | 1,324,476 | ,228,797 |
| B-15 | Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (soft cover) | 96,751 | 46,849 | 694,879 | 320,516 |
| B-1A | Alcoholics Anonymous (Hard Cover) Jacketless | 92,386 | \#N/A | 64 | \#N/A |
| B-2 | Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (hard cover) | 75,051 | 62,821 | 593,407 | 457,654 |
| B-7 | Living Sober | 61,051 | 49,369 | 269,861 | 203,064 |
| B-12 | Daily Reflections: A Book of Reflections by A.A. Members for | 58,281 | 21,399 | 530,087 | 173,713 |
| B-16 | Alcoholics Anonymous (Large Print) | 31,441 | 24,669 | 269,814 | 196,076 |
| B-35 | Alcoholics Anonymous (Abridged, Pocket Edition) | 26,561 | 13,974 | 118,603 | 52,544 |
| B-14 | Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (large print) | 22,145 | 10,535 | 175,331 | 71,479 |

## A.A. WORLD SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE BOARD CONSOLIDATED PREPAID EXPENSE AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

Description
Aventri METS registration software Axispoint Technology - Firewall protection Cision - PI software for media database Celigo - Interface between NetSuite and warehouses Eastern Canada Regional Forum hotel deposit Southeast Regional Forum hotel deposit Vertex sales tax preparation and filing software McLean and Company HR strategy service Rediscovery archives software Travel-2025 GSC site visit NY Hilton Midtown 2025 GSC deposit
Acquia Cloud Platform website communications vendor credit

TOTAL PREPAID EXPENSE

## INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

2025 Vancouver
Site selection
Site visits
Talley Management fees
Talley Management expenses
Translation
Survey
Legal Fees - Contract review
Email blasts
Subtotal 2025 Vancouver

## Amount <br> Note

7,023 Expensed monthly
40,489 Expensed monthly
7,014 Expensed monthly
1,500 Expensed monthly
2,134 To be expensed in 2024
2,500 To be expensed in 2024
13,157 Expensed monthly
9,833 Expensed monthly
945 Expensed monthly
65 To be expensed in 2025
50,000 To be expensed in 2025
$(5,417)$ Credited monthly
129,243

70,441 To be expensed in 2025
10,975 To be expensed in 2025
75,000 To be expensed in 2025
4,810 To be expensed in 2025
565 To be expensed in 2025
1,549 To be expensed in 2025
14,914 To be expensed in 2025
11 To be expensed in 2025
178,265

2030 St. Louis
Site selection
Subtotal 2030 St. Louis
58,324 To be expensed in 2030 58,324

412 To be expensed in 2035
412

## MEMO

TO: AA Grapevine Board Finance Committee
From: EJ Beverly, Controller, Chris Cavanaugh, Publisher
Date: August 12, 2023
RE: June 2023 YTD Financial Statements

Enclosed please find the following financial statements, for the six months ending June 30, 2023.

Profit \& Loss - Budget vs Actual, and Prior Year - Grapevine
Profit \& Loss - Budget vs Actual, and Prior Year - La Viña
Balance Sheet

## Executive Summary

Grapevine's total circulation is just shy of budget (Actual 53,057 vs. Budget 53,195). Paid print circulation average is marginally down from budget, however higher priced Grapevine Complete subscriptions are head of plan. La Viña circulation is better than expected in all categories On Grapevine our net loss was budgeted at $\$ 310,209$, but we experienced a loss of $\$ 343,179$. On La Viña our net loss was budgeted at $\$ 334,079$, with actual losses slightly higher at $\$ 353,881$.
Some of both magazine's losses can be attributed to timing on projects, which we will address in the reforecast.

## Statements of Financial Position

Total assets as of June 30,2023 are $\$ 2.7 \mathrm{M}$, which includes $\$ 2.2 \mathrm{M}$ in current assets and $\$ 220 \mathrm{~K}$ in net fixed assets and prepaid expenses. On February 1, 2023, the General Service Board funded GV with a check for $\$ 1,170,488$ of which $\$ 400,000$ was allocated for the GV and LV Mobile App project ( $\$ 309,250$ spent to date). The other $\$ 670,488$ was from the Subscription Liability Fund.

## Statement of Activities, Notes on Variances

Grapevine

## Direct Cost AAG Over Budget by \$48k

- Direct Costs includes NPS Expense, Warehousing, Domestic Production, Int’l Production
o Cost of printing and paper increases
o Postage for mailing efforts to attract expired subscribers.

Book Revenue Under Budget by $\mathbf{\$ 1 2 7 k}$

- Underestimated effect of price increase in January 2023. We gave prior notice of price increase to Intergroups and Central Offices and they stocked up at end of '22. Soft sales for Spring Book-The Home Group.


## Editorial Cost Under Budget \$21k

- Salaries down by 30k
o Budget anticipated new hire for app project manager, which we did not fill.
- Temp Help over \$25k includes: podcast hosts working ahead, freelance help to read influx of manuscripts, extra help to catch up with sending kits to GV reps.

Professional Fees Over by $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 k}$ unbudgeted legal fees for contract reviews-Treeline and Ingram, copyright registrations for apps, advice on personnel matter.

## La Viña

## Editorial Salaries over Budget \$26k

- Budget did not anticipate LV editor as full-time employee. We hired on April 10. Will be part of reforecast.


## Temp Help over Budget by \$25k

- Translation, editing and design of Fall book not budgeted correctly (we expect to recoup from book sales in Fall). Extra help with sending kits to LV Reps.


## Circulation and Business Salaries over Budget \$15k

- allocation of new position Digital Publishing Coordinator, allocation of Publisher's increased salary.


## PRELIMINARY -- SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRAPEVINE BOARD <br> AA Grapevine Inc.

## Statements of Financial Position

As of June 30, 2023

|  | June 30, 2023 | December 31, 2022 | Variance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets |  |  |  |
| Current Assets |  |  |  |
| Cash And Cash Equivalents | \$ 505,184 | \$ 211,078 | \$ 294,106 |
| Accounts Receivable Net | 182,151 | 122,365 | 59,786 |
| Accounts Receivable GSB | 357,633 | 201,128 | 156,505 |
| Subscription Liability Fund | 573,012 | 1,243,500 | $(670,488)$ |
| Inventory | 540,520 | 508,022 | 32,498 |
| Total Current Assets | 2,158,500 | 2,286,093 | $(127,592)$ |
| Other Assets |  |  |  |
| Prepaid Expenses | 87,695 | 108,429 | $(20,734)$ |
| Security Deposits | 14,291 | 14,291 | - |
| Mobile App | 309,250 | - | 309,250 |
| Fixed Assets Net | 132,142 | 163,672 | $(31,530)$ |
| Total Other Assets | 543,378 | 286,392 | 256,985 |
| Total Assets | \$ $2,701,878$ | \$ 2,572,485 | \$ 129,392 |
| Liabilities and Net Assets |  |  |  |
| Liabilities |  |  |  |
| Accounts Payable | \$ 165,125 | \$ 258,881 | \$(93,756) |
| Inter-Company Due to AAWS | 534,604 | 442,177 | 92,427 |
| Total Accounts Payable | 699,729 | 701,058 | $(1,329)$ |
| Other Current Liabilities | 166,427 | 191,512 | $(25,085)$ |
| Deferred Subscriptions | 1,669,513 | 1672527 | $(3,014)$ |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | 1,835,940 | 1,864,039 | $(28,099)$ |
| Total Liabilities | 2,535,669 | 2,565,097 | $(29,428)$ |
| Net Assets - Beg Bal | 7,388 | 456,253 | -448,865 |
| Transfer from Reserve Fund | 102,000 | - | 102,000 |
| Investment - Mobile App | 400,000 | - | 400,000 |
| Consolidate Net Income (Loss) | $(343,179)$ | $(448,865)$ | 105,686 |
| Total Net Assets | 166,209 | 7,388 | 158,821 |
| Total Liabilities And Net Assets | \$ 2,701,878 | \$ 2,572,485 | \$ 129,393 |

## PRELIMINARY -- SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRAPEVINE BOARD <br> AA Grapevine Inc.

Statements of Activities- Actual vs Budget vs Prior Year For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2023
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| YTD Ended 6/30/2023 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Actual |  |  | Budget | Actual vs. Budget |  | Prior Year |  | Actual vs. Prior Year |  |
|  | 45,238 |  | 47,983 |  | $(2,745)$ |  | 52,661 |  | $(7,423)$ |
|  | 5,375 |  | 2,575 |  | 2,800 |  | 2,993 |  | 2,383 |
|  | 2,444 |  | 2,637 |  | (193) |  | 3,173 |  | (729) |
|  | 53,057 |  | 53,195 |  | (138) |  | 58,826 |  | $(5,769)$ |
| \$ | 2.24 | \$ | 2.25 |  |  | \$ | 2.25 |  |  |
| \$ | 2.41 | \$ | 2.41 |  |  | \$ | 2.41 |  |  |
|  | 845,327 |  | 765,264 |  | 80,063 |  | 876,229 |  | $(30,902)$ |
|  | 541,937 |  | 494,208 |  | 47,729 |  | 429,709 |  | 112,228 |
|  | 303,390 |  | 271,056 |  | 32,334 |  | 446,520 |  | $(143,130)$ |
|  | 346,694 |  | 490,000 |  | $(143,306)$ |  | 445,030 |  | $(98,336)$ |
|  | 16,662 |  | 5,300 |  | 11,362 |  | 5,134 |  | 11,528 |
|  | 15,601 |  | 10,907 |  | 4,694 |  | 13,701 |  | 1,900 |
|  | 378,957 |  | 506,207 |  | $(127,250)$ |  | 463,865 |  | $(84,908)$ |
|  | 133,011 |  | 160,835 |  | $(27,824)$ |  | 135,853 |  | $(2,842)$ |
|  | 245,947 |  | 345,372 |  | $(99,425)$ |  | 328,012 |  | $(82,065)$ |
|  | - |  |  |  | - |  | - |  | - |
|  | 3,504 |  | 3,500 |  | 4 |  | 15,000 |  | $(11,496)$ |
|  | 552,841 |  | 619,928 |  | $(67,087)$ |  | 789,532 |  | $(236,692)$ |
|  | 393,502 |  | 414,580 |  | $(21,078)$ |  | 470,479 |  | $(76,976)$ |
|  | 419,281 |  | 481,927 |  | $(62,646)$ |  | 481,271 |  | $(61,990)$ |
|  | 83,236 |  | 33,630 |  | 49,606 |  | 26,238 |  | 56,999 |
|  | 896,020 |  | 930,137 |  | $(34,117)$ |  | 977,988 |  | $(81,968)$ |
|  | $(343,179)$ |  | $(310,209)$ |  | $(32,970)$ |  | $(188,456)$ |  | $(154,724)$ |
| \$ | $(343,179)$ | \$ | $(310,209)$ | \$ | $(32,970)$ | \$ | $(188,456)$ | \$ | $(154,724)$ |

## Grapevine

Circulation (Average Number of Subscribers)
Paid Circulation Average

GV Complete
GV ePub
Total Circulation
Revenue Per Magazine
Revenue Per Gv Online Sub
Income
Total Subscription Income Direct Cost
Net Profit On Subscription
Content Related Income
Books and Booklets
Cassettes And MP3
Other Special Items
Content Related Income
Content Related Direct Cost
Net Profit Other Published Items
Miscellaneous Income
Interest Reserve Fund
Total Income
Expenses
Editorial
Circulation And Business
General And Administrative

## Total Expenses

Net Income (Loss)
Net Income (Loss) Grapevine
Rounded to the nearest dollar

|  | YTD Ended 6/30/2023 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Actual |  | Budget |  | Actual vs. Budget |  | Prior Year |  | Actual vs. Prior Year |  |
| La Vina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Circulation (Number of Subscribers) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paid Circulation Average |  | 6,710 |  | 6,348 |  | 362 |  | 6,281 |  | 429 |
| LV Complete |  | 52 |  | 31 |  | 21 |  | 31 |  | 21 |
| LV ePub |  | 72 |  | 68 |  | 4 |  | 68 |  | 4 |
| Total Circulation |  | 6,834 |  | 6,447 |  | 387 |  | 6,380 |  | 454 |
| Revenue Per Magazine | \$ | 2.20 | \$ | 2.08 |  |  | \$ | 2.08 |  |  |
| Revenue Per LV Complete | \$ | - | \$ | 3.24 |  |  | \$ | 3.24 |  |  |
| Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscription Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscription income | \$ | 41,930 | \$ | 39,836 | \$ | 2,094 | \$ | 39,688 | \$ | 2,243 |
| Back issues |  | - |  | 2,535 |  | $(2,535)$ |  | 3,901 |  | $(3,901)$ |
| LV Complete |  | 3,846 |  | 312 |  | 3,534 |  | 315 |  | 3,531 |
| LV ePub |  | 479 |  | 354 |  | 125 |  | 351 |  | 129 |
| Total Subscription Income |  | 46,255 |  | 43,037 |  | 3,218 |  | 44,254 |  | 2,001 |
| Direct Cost |  | 30,049 |  | 37,937 |  | $(7,888)$ |  | 35,996 |  | $(5,947)$ |
| Net Profit On Subscription |  | 16,206 |  | 5,100 |  | 11,106 |  | 8,257 |  | 7,948 |
| Content Related Income |  | 54,205 |  | 26,660 |  | 27,545 |  | 20,985 |  | 33,220 |
| Content Related Direct Cost |  | 8,917 |  | 1,477 |  | 7,440 |  | 1,524 |  | 7,393 |
| Net Profit Other Published Items |  | 45,288 |  | 25,183 |  | 20,105 |  | 19,461 |  | 25,827 |
| Total Income |  | 61,494 |  | 30,283 |  | 31,211 |  | 27,718 |  | 33,775 |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Editorial |  | 254,987 |  | 221,790 |  | 33,197 |  | 142,522 |  | 112,465 |
| Circulation And Business |  | 153,908 |  | 132,507 |  | 21,401 |  | 110,445 |  | 43,463 |
| General And Administrative |  | 6,481 |  | 10,065 |  | $(3,584)$ |  | 5,880 |  | 601 |
| Total Expenses |  | 415,375 |  | 364,362 |  | 51,013 |  | 258,846 |  | 156,529 |
| Net Operating Income (Loss) |  | $(353,881)$ |  | 334,079) |  | $(19,802)$ |  | $(231,128)$ |  | $(122,753)$ |
| Contribution GSB |  | 353,881 |  | 334,079 |  | 19,802 |  | 231,061 |  | 122,820 |
| Net Income (Loss) La Vina | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | (67) | \$ | 67 |
| Rounded to the nearest dollar |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Report | Frequency | Provided to who |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Report of the Independent Auditor, and audited financial <br> statements for prior year, budget for current year. <br> (GSB, AAWS, AAGV) | Annually in September | Included in the Final Conference Report (which will be <br> posted on aa.org as of Sept 2023) |
| Finance Presentation "Around the picnic table" <br> (GSB, AAWS, AAGV) | Annually at the General <br> Service Conference | Full presentation is provided to Conference members, and <br> many delegates share it with their areas when reporting. <br> A synopsis is included in the Final Conference Report. |
| Approved budget for AAGV (current year) | 4 times a year at <br> Regional Forums | Regional forum attendees. |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ All references to budget are to the original budget adopted in January, 2023. After a reforecast budget is approved by the GSB, budget references will be updated to the reforecast budget.

