

BUDGET ASSEMBLY NOVEMBER 7, 2020 MINUTES

Area 08 San Diego-Imperial Counties

Assembly held via Zoom due to the Covid 19 Pandemic

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Call to Order 9:16am by Blaine H, Area 8 Chair

Moment of Silence followed by the **Serenity Prayer**,

Declaration of Unity: “This we owe to AA’s future: To place our common welfare first, to keep our fellowship united. For on AA unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.”

Traditions read: English: Rose P. Spanish: Jose

Registrar Introduction and Quorum Note-Bill S.

Please rename yourself according to first name, last initial and area position

Introductions: New GSRs, DCMs, Committee Chairs, Alternates, Past Delegates, Guests

Secretary Report: Renee R.

Review of the September Big Day Assembly minutes

Motion to approve: September Minutes accepted with no changes.

Treasurer Report: Cheryl F.

October 2020	October Actual	YTD	2020 Budget 61,860.00	Variance with Annual Budget
Group contributions:	2,860.54	30,614.35		31245.65
Individual contributions:	95.60	4,384.63		
District contributions:	0.00	3,000.00		
Total contributions:	2,956.14	38,548.98		23311.02
Total budgeted expenses:	1,650.11	26,929.48		-34,930.52

Contributions less budgeted expenses:	1,306.03	11,619.50		
Total unbudgeted expenses:	354.25	1,530.25		
Total expenses:	1,904.36	28,459.73		
Contributions less total expenses:	1,051.78	10,089.25		
Total Cash Balance: October 2020	25,364.72		25% of budget	
Prudent Reserve Balance	5,000.00			

Questions-what will the total re-allocation funds amount to? To be discussed later during that motion. \$13K later answered by Cheryl via Chat.
Financial report is accepted as written.

Plan for the Day//Area Business: Blaine H.

Quorum assessment: If you are sharing a computer with several voting members, please utilize the Chat feature to let us know how many voting members are at your computer//Quorum poll launched//

46 GSRs//14 DCMs//10 Committee Chairs//8 Officers//3 Past Delegates//3non-voting members//2 visitors 55% GSRs//25% other
54% GSRs// 29% other 50 GSRs 15+8+10 33 other

Motion to dissolve the Agenda Committee (1st Presentation): Monty C.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/EAgenda-Committee-Motion.pdf>

Discussion: We could use those resources for other committees in the area//poll for affirmation of taking this motion back to the group//yes 78 (88%) //no 10 (17%) // $\frac{2}{3}$ majority reached so motion passes

Motion to Postpone the 2020 GSO Sendoff for 30 Days: Bill S.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/ESMOTION-to-delay-GSO-sendoff-english-and-spanish.pdf>

In order that the area has more time to make use of these funds.

2021 Budget-Presentation/Discussion/Approval: Cheryl F. and Joshua H.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Approved-2021-SpendingPlan.pdf>

Discussion: Grapevine Committee gets a lump sum because there wasn't a chair at the time//but Lynn would like items to be itemized-money as it is spent can be allocated as it is being spent during the year.

Quorum needs to be taken again-not initially met:

56 GSR 14+9+7 30

And again!

60 GSRs 11+10+7 28 Other voting

Continuing Budget discussion: Natalie-Jerry should have money for lodging and food for GSO Conference//Tiffany-correct title of Armed Services Committee and not an ad-hoc committee//Jeremy-Standing Committees and their budgets-allowing the committees to be able to allocate monies as they wish rather than designated categories of spending//this shouldn't have been changed so they are not locked into specific spending ie mileage money used for a workshop instead//this is a significant departure of how we do business//this adds another layer of complexity for the the committees for doing their work//Joshua & Jeremy:

Motion: As it relates to the Standing Committees, budgets are allocated under one budget line and then spending is itemized under individual item lines.

Discussion-moneys shouldn't be itemized, we need to trust our Committee Chairpersons//this motion would require a change in the S & G//no it does not//when we receive budget requests as a past Finance Chair, it shouldn't be line item specific, but it is good practice to note how the monies are being spent//

Motion voted on: for: 90% - 80 against: 10% - 9

Resuming Budget Discussion: Motion will need to go into the new S&G//Interpretation-was that changed, as for what interpreters are paid//nothing has changed//Treasurer will put on paper what is paid to interpreters//we already know we will have covid next year-after 3 months next year we should look at this budget and reallocate//this budget will be grossly over because of covid//we should be streamlining this//adjustments will be made after the first quarter//

Poll for accepting the 2021 budget:

Yes 86 99% No 1 1% Budget passes

Break: 10:50am-11am

Guest Speaker: Perspectives on the Finance Committee at the GSC: Dean B., Past Delegate

Welcome to everyone who is new//if you are like me, you may be overwhelmed by now from all the info that has been given out so far today//the most important thing we do in GS S20 in the Service Manual//we are all here doing the best job we can//there is a lot of room for humanness in General Service//my bottom was very deep//I quit my job because I didn't want to lose my security clearance//I rotated thru many service positions starting with going to my meeting and staying there//I was told to do that for 2 years//a GSR (in Nevada), then DCM (not so good), I got a transfer to California with a new job//and attended my first Assembly immediately//I then served as a GSR for my home group//if you are new-don't worry about your previous experience-when you announce that you are an alcoholic-this is as high as you get in AA.//2014 I was elected Delegate-panel 64//back then I thought that the 7th Tradition was all about money//Delegates are selected blindly for committees and I was for the Finance Committee, but my financial history wasn't perfect//I had to declare bankruptcy//I got put on the Finance Committee//Committee works really well even if you don't have passion for it//so that's the conference committee I was put on as Delegate//I was told at the first Trustee Finance committee meeting that this was not about my checkbook-this freed me from my worries about my own finances and being involved with this committee//this was to be about spirituality//God did for me what I couldn't do for myself//and this was about Area 8 and your opinion//we finished early with our business and we had half a day remaining//someone brought up translation-translation of the conference material would take a lot of money and so we had a discussion//we came to a group conscious//it was an agreement to recommend that all conference material be translated into Spanish and English//and I left the first conference as the chair of the Finance Committee//As Chairperson of the Finance Committee for AA//I got closer to the Trustee's Finance Committee because I attended the board committee meeting in that January//I learned the spiritual aspect of Finance//I got to do a report from this committee to a room full of many people//the business for Translation lasted 5 ½ hours, with me in front of the conference//it was not about the numbers during that time, I learned how the guide that body//I learned that I couldn't do this by myself//I had each member of the finance committee to discuss their portion//my motion did not pass-they wanted more time//it eventually passed 3-4 years later//what I learned was how to carry myself and how to communicate with the body I spoke to//it wasn't about the motion passing or not//21 Trustees own our corporation//this is God doing for me what I couldn't do for myself//on the last night of the conference we put our books on a table//I went thru all the books and found the Daily Reflections and signed it on my sobriety date Sept 21, 1997-"The Last Promise" God is doing for us what we couldn't do for ourselves.

Vito-question: did you have any more challenges with your financial life since you were on the finance committee?-no,I have the trust that if I do, it will be taken care of.

Carrie-contribution vs donation We use contribution because we are donating to our own organization whereas donation is for another organization

Alicia-you have been a very strong person in my life, thank you.

Delegate Report: Jerry S.

So we made it through another service year. What a year for the books! A year that none of us will ever forget. I year that we can all look back on 10, 15 years from now and say things like,

“When I was a GSR I had to walk zero miles to get to my district meeting and bah humbug I had to sit through assemblies in my pajamas and eat ice cream for lunch.” So I have a few things to report from the General Service Board Weekend that wrapped up this past Monday: 1. Quite a bit of personnel is rotating either within the ranks of the office or have rotated out via early retirement incentives. Long standing staff member, Sandra W., has accepted the position of Director of Operations. 2. Greg T., GSO General Manager has presented his intentions to leave at the end of February 2021. This position has been formally presented to the fellowship as open to application. I will be posting this request prior to our next Area Committee Meeting later this month. 3. Of note from our Trustee’s Committees: a. Archives has been feverishly collecting and curating material relative to our fellowship during these trying times. Do you have any materials of merit that we ought to contribute? Let me know! b. The 71st General Service Conference looks to be most likely held during the week of April 18-24 on a virtual platform. The Conference Committee has been very progressive in its efforts to learn from this past year’s virtual experience to promote, develop and support a more robust experience for next year. c. Treatment & Accessibilities issued a renewed call for stories for the pamphlet AA for the Older Alcoholic. I sent this request out over a month ago with enthusiasm on the topic when I visited our Districts. Nationwide, only 7 stories have been received. A special emphasis has been requested of our older members within the LGBTQ+ community, deaf and hard of hearing membership and our veterans. Do you have a little extra tie at home lately? Submit your story! d. The US & Canada Regional Forums are in development. The Eastern Forum is December 5th and the all-Western Forum will be held on December 19th. A whole variety of guest speakers, forums, panels and workshops are under construction. Registration for our Western Forum goes live by November 20th. Get on your calendar! e. Grapevine has new book coming out: “Free on the Inside”... stories of recovery from behind bars. f. La Vina too has a book hitting shelves soon: “Voices of Women”. Keep an eye out, or rather an ear out for its arrival. 4. Ok, it is a budgetary assembly after all, so let’s talk finances: a. 2020 Individual/Group Contributions: \$7.17M b. 2020 Gross Lit Sales revenue: \$7.16M c. 2020 Total Expenses: \$11.88M d. Reforecast anticipates a deficit of \$337,000 for the year. e. Reforecast vs. actuals are progressively pushing the financial reality at GSO as more and more stark and in dire need of our collective contributions. f. Our General Service Board unanimously approved an additional \$1.5M drawdown from Reserve Fund. i. \$1M has in fact been drawn down – leaving the Reserve Fund @ 7.65months of working capital ii. If the additional \$0.5M is drawn – The Reserve Fund will sit @ 7.35months of working capital g. Whatever you, your group, your district is doing in support of our General Service Office, please continue to do so! As long as we are in a pandemic, our GS Office needs our special support! Keep it up! In all seriousness, we made it this far. What is a little further? As alcoholism is reaping its madness on the world in far bolder tones and dramatic ways than ever before, the hand of our fellowship needs to be available like never before. But how? In what form? These are the questions that we all need to ask in our morning meditation towards the alcoholic who still suffers. What creative way to reach, connect, witness and be witnessed is available that we have not exhausted, inspired, and participated in? We made it this far. What does a little bit further look like? What is our vision for the next month, three months, year? What can we do that has not been done? What lengths are you willing to go to and how can we help? GSR’s, I pray that you can continue to carry these questions to the business meetings of your homegroups. GSR’s, especially those of you that

are rotating, please pass the torch of these questions and the fire of your enthusiasm to the next servant leader. Please be sure that their first assembly experience is not too isolated or confusing. Be the change you want to see in the world and build a new and more robust expression of love and support within the culture of your homegroup as you practice rotation. Especially now. Especially now because its hard; because its challenging. And thank you for all the sacrifices you have made to ensure that the light of our fellowship and the spirit of our movement remains vibrant and available. Thank you for your service! And thank you for allowing me to be of service! If you would like to review our Pacific Regional Trustee Report in all of its detail and splendor, please email and I am happy to share that with you: area8delegate70@gmail.com

Election of Area 8 Nominee for Trustee at Large:

Candidates: JP P., Roxane R., Rick H. JP 22 Roxane 52 Rick 13 first ballot JP 18 Roxane 67 Rick 7. Roxanne is nominee for Trustee at Large

Chair Report: Blaine H

Good afternoon. This is the final Assembly of 2020 and the fourth conducted virtually. The trajectory of the COVID-19 pandemic has been such that it will not be our last. I recall reading somewhere that "acceptance is the key". I truly believe that we alcoholics have adapted more successfully than the normal population. It is difficult to be socially isolated when, by typing a few digits into a computer, a tablet, or a phone, we can see and talk to our friends!

This is the Budget Assembly and we have already heard and dealt with the 2021 budget. This is probably the first time in which we KNOW the budget will NOT reflect the realities of 2021. The problem is that no one can predict when, or even if, the pandemic will be under control. Therefore, the one thing that we can predict is that there will be adjustments to that budget. This afternoon we will have a chance to deal with proposed adjustments to this year's (2020) budget.

The pandemic has resulted in the Area having a significant surplus of funds. Monies budgeted for rent, travel, mileage, etc. have not been spent. As most of you know, our custom is to send to GSO a portion of our excess funds at the end of each year. This year that amount would far exceed our previous send-offs. In an attempt to put a portion of those funds to good use WITHIN AREA 8, a call was put out to the Area for proposals that would enhance our ability to "carry the message".

After lunch today we will be looking at 15 of those proposals. It is most gratifying to see that those have come from a wide variety of sources, Area officers, multiple standing committees, even a district and an individual A.A. group! Please listen carefully to the

proposals, there is some great stuff in there! We will be deciding on which proposals to fund by rank order voting. This may be a new tool, unfamiliar to you, but it is a powerful way to determine the preferences of this body.

You will be required to rank each of the proposals in order of preference, from 1 to 15. This must be done in order for the process to be valid. Failure to rank all items will invalidate a ballot. No one should expect alcoholics to agree on anything, let alone 15 things. Some of you may say, "My group doesn't like this one or that one". Fine, the way to express that is in your ranking. That is what #15 is for.

Let's have a great day!

Standing Committee Assignments: Jo Ann Z.

Master Calendar-Upcoming Events: Jo Ann Z. Womens conf roots new years eve alcathon

Birthdays: Jo Ann Z. (Anyone with an AA Birthday since our last Assembly 9/12/2020) Jo Anne 34 yrs, Monty 17 yrs, JP 35 yrs. Amber 3 yrs. Jane M. 3 yrs. Esther 19 yrs. Scotty 14 yrs. John W. 28 yrs. Angelina 14 yrs. Victor 14 yrs. Victorn 7 yrs. Chuck 45 yrs. Tom 28 yrs. Cindy 3 yrs. Gary 8 yrs. Justin 7 yrs. Gordie 3 yrs. Johnny 12 yrs. Jeffery 15 yrs. Roxanne 37 yrs. David 1 yr. Jerry 9 yrs. Doris 9 yrs. Cecil 15 yrs., Renee 30yrs

Lunch (time) 12:45-1:30pm

Concepts: English: Kari Spanish: Alicia

Motion : For the Reallocation of Unused Funds: Cheryl F.

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/ESRe-Allocation-Motion-english-and-spanish.pdf>

\$12,500 funds in excess//motion seconded//Discussion: How was the figure of \$12,500 derived? Because 2021 will begin with continuation of Covid 19 for the first quarter-this amount cash on hand subtracting \$15000 to be carried over to the next year, brings the amount of \$10,000 left over//why are we not following the S&G with the guideline of over 25% should be sent to GSO//If this motion doesn't pass-all the funds over \$15,000 will go to GSO//Vote taken
Yes: 92% 74 No: 8% 6
Motion passes

PROPOSALS FOR REALLOCATION FUNDING

Presentation and Discussion: timed

- a. **(Registrar) Effective Communication Training - \$900**
Bill S.

To facilitate training at ACM workshops as to how to more effectively communicate within the Area//this has been identified on past inventories as an issue needing to be addressed//Discussion: Can we look at lesser amounts for these requests? No. Would this be done by Workshops? Yes

b. (Registrar) Mass Text Messaging Capability - \$441

Bill S.

The ability to send out mass texting in addition to emails//this is for a one year subscription//Does the Assy want to receive text messages? This may reach more people//Discussion-would the text message contain the same info as email or an alert to email? It would contain links to documents and as brief as possible//there would be an opt out possibility//this is a bit more than we might need, I am in support of bettering of communication, but many have opted out from getting emails from AA//this would be of great help-it might cut thru the clutter//if someone responds to these who would it go to//only the sender//this is a luxury and we should put more emphasis on communication and if you have a service commitment you should stay on top of things//for the demographic of the under 30 year olds//

c. (Accessibilities) Gold Can Replenishment - \$5302

Jeffrey D.

We need more funding for ASL interpretation at meetings//during Covid we have suffered from fewer donations//this is only for ASL interpretation at AA meetings for the deaf//\$206 per month since Covid vs over \$900 pre Covid//\$1000 to replace prudent reserve//I am in strong support of this funding

d. (Delegate) Master Zoom Acct Plus 14 (13+1) Committee Accts - \$3360

Jerry S.

One for standing Committees and one for our Area Officers//because this didn't make it into the budget, this is being requested//this sounds like earmarking funds for next year rather than this year which is contrary to the S&G//when the pandemic is over, will we not have these accounts? We don't know-but would revisit this then//

e. (Grapevine/La Vina) Replenishment GV/LV Inventory - \$1009

Lynn E.

Our committee went without a chair for awhile and we went thru a re-building and looked at our inventory which was severely depleted//no literature was purchased for 3 years and no funding for 2 years//Discussion: could you combine this request with D-18's request//no we use this materials for Assemblies and D-18 wants them for their meetings

f. (Grapevine/La Vina) Spanish Districts Outreach - \$900

Lynn E.

There have not been any discussion between Grapevine and La Vina//for 2 ½ years there hasn't been any conversation between the two//this is to rebuild relations and we need translation to do this//Interpretation of our monthly Grapevine meetings and quarterly visits to La Vina meetings//18 hrs of translation at \$50/hr//Discussion: there hasn't been any cooperation between the 2 for over 10 years//Spanish speaking, we have a group representative to the Districts//are these expenses for this year or for services rendered next year?//earmarking funds for a stated purpose may roll over into the next year//

g. (Archives) Shelving for Storage Unit - \$160

John B.

We can put this on hold//Since these requests are needed and we can't take them off the survey to follow, please go ahead and consider these requests.

h. (Archives) External Computer Storage - \$100

John B. This will be a back up for the back up.

i. (Newsletter) Computer for Committee - \$800

Roxane R.

We are operating with one computer, one person, and Publisher Program-if my position is taken over, as I am appointed, the next person will need a computer and "Publisher" in Microsoft Suite.//Discussion-you should need the whole Office Suite rather than "Publisher".

j. (Newsletter) Microsoft 365 Software - \$100

Roxane R.

See above

Break – 5 Minutes (time) 2:40pm-2:45pm

Resume Presentations

k. (District 18) District La Vina Committee Literature Replacement - \$293

Carlos B.

We have low funds for literature and we are asking for support from the Area//our groups are closed so we have very little support//Discussion:D-18 has it's own La Vina Committee//is this only for La Vina or AA books as well-only for La Vina//we aren't having in person or zoom meetings so we need La Vina for meeting in print

l. (Information Technology) Webmaster Super-Computer - \$1000

Chuck M.

We are looking for a decent computer for the Webservant//the current one is obsolete//this is a complex job and requires such a computer and lots of memory//this is a technical position and requires good equipment//Discussion: that amount doesn't sound like enough//we researched this and it should be sufficient.//we need to keep up with technology.

m. (Information Technology) Computer for Committee Chair - \$600

Chuck M.

My term will be up at year's end and the next chair will need a computer//altho not as technically demanding as the webservant//it needs to be able to support hybrid meetings with enough ports//

n. (Women in Harmony) Materials Package to Carry Message Digitally - \$1330

Susan H.

We want to be able to do hybrid meetings-this reflects our research for what we would need//Discussion: is this for your group to buy a computer? This would be for 4 different meetings and would be made available for District Workshops

o. (Armed Services) Public Service Announcement Materials - \$600

Tiffany G.

We need these postcards as PSAs for military bases. Discussion: we funded the committee to print this type of PSAs is this in addition to the first request//yes, we originally requested \$1000 and \$400 was already given so \$600 remains//is this coordinated with AA Offices?-this committee covers all of the committees in the Area//this creates additional contact with AA//they are small enough for carrying around and to be placed in different locations like chaplain's offices.

3:00 Voting on the Proposals for Reallocation Funding*

(*Please see attached information on Rank Order voting procedure)

<https://www.area8aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/ERANK-ORDER-VOTING-PROCEDURE.pdf>

PLEASE NOTE: For this to work the voter MUST rank all proposals from 1(most favored) to 15 (least favored) Failure to do so will invalidate your ballot

All of the above proposals added up amount to about \$1608 and we have \$1,250

Survey Monkey click on and drag your items in the order you want to have them. Link will be in chat room//

Survey Results:

D, C, L & O, E, M, I,
F, K, J, B, A, H, G, N

Top line fits into the \$12,500 quantity
Bottom line is under the \$12,500 quantity

Funds Reallocation Ranking //																			
Clasificación de reasignación de fondos																			
Please rank the following in order of your preference //Clasifique lo siguiente en orden de preferencia																			
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h. Archives – External Computer Storage (\$100) // Archivos - Almacenamiento externo de computadora (\$100)	1. 1 9 %	3 5 7 1	3 5 7 %	1 1 9 %	1 1 9 %	3 5 7 %	3 1 0 %	7 1 1 %	4 2 9 %	9 5 1 %	8 3 2 %	2 3 8 %	7 1 4 %	9 5 2 %	4 2 9 %	1 2 1 %	6 1 8 %	1 1 5 %
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k. District 18 La Vina Committee Literature Replenishment (\$293) // Reabastecimiento de literatura del Comité La Viña del Distrito 18 (\$293)	1. 1 9 %	9 5 2 1	7 1 4 %	3 5 7 %	4 2 1 %	3 5 7 %	2 3 8 %	9 5 2 %	4 7 6 %	8 3 3 %	8 3 3 %	9 5 2 %	8 3 3 %	8 3 3 %	1 1 9 %	1 1 8 %	7 8 4 %	3 1 1 %
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Item Letter	Score	Rank	Cost	Description
d	10.41	1	\$ 3,360.00	Zoom Committee Accounts (\$3360) // Cuentas del Comité Zoom (\$3,360)
c	10.18	2	\$ 5,302.00	Gold Can Replenishment (\$5,302) // Reposición de latas de oro (\$5,302)
l	9.71	4	\$ 1,000.00	Webmaster Super-Computer (\$1000) // Super computador del Webmaster (\$1000)
o	9.71	4	\$ 600.00	Armed Services Committee – Public Service Announcement Materials (\$600) // Comité de Servicios Armados - Materiales de anuncio de servicio público (\$600)
e	9.15	5	\$ 1,009.00	Replenishment GV/LV Inventory (\$1,009) // Inventario de reabastecimiento GV / LV (\$1,009)
m	8.39	6	\$ 600.00	Computer for IT Committee Chair (\$600) // Computadora para presidente del comité de TI (\$600)
i	8.23	7	\$ 800.00	Computer for Newsletter Committee (\$800) // Computadora para el Comité de Boletines (\$800)
f	8.41	8	\$ 900.00	Spanish District Outreach (\$900) // Alcance del distrito español (\$900)
k	7.76	9	\$ 293.00	District 18 La Vina Committee Literature Replenishment (\$293) // Reabastecimiento de literatura del Comité La Viña del Distrito 18 (\$293)
j	7.54	10	\$ 100.00	Software for Newsletter Committee (\$100) // Software para el comité de boletines (\$100)
b	7.18	11	\$ 441.00	Mass Text Messaging Capability (\$441) // Capacidad de mensajería de texto masiva (\$441)
a	7.06	12	\$ 900.00	Effective Communication Training (\$900) // Entrenamiento de comunicación eficaz (\$900)
h	6.12	13	\$ 100.00	Archives – External Computer Storage (\$100) // Archivos - Almacenamiento externo de computadora (\$100)
g	5.98	14	\$ 160.00	Archives - Shelving for Storage Unit (\$160) // Archivos - Estantería para unidad de almacenamiento (\$160)
n	4.4	15	\$ 1,330.00	Materials Package to Carry the Message Digitally (\$1330) // Paquete de

		5		materiales para llevar el mensaje digitalmente (\$1330)

Francisco stated an objection to how the Survey Monkey was done//that it wasn't fair and we didn't understand what I was doing//I clicked "done" but I hadn't finished going over it//we spent too much time discussing and not enough time to explain the poll//there was a lot of talk but not enough action//we needed quality time//we held a whole meeting for these items to be prepared for this Assembly//we had yes/no answers for each item//I think we should keep it simple-we do not need expensive computers//

Response-we will try to improve this next time//we can have bi-lingual Workshops//we should have had break out groups//we need to listen to the Spanish community and to help them to stay sober//Thankyou for conducting this difficult business//It has been suggested to Francisco to ask for an unbudgeted expense for his proposal//

Motion for GSO Sendoff delay wasn't voted on because people voted for the reallocation plan//Vote is over-and nothing goes back to the groups

Ask It Basket and Final Items: Blaine H.

Adjourn with the Responsibility Declaration: 4:13pm

"I am responsible when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help. I want the hand of AA always to be there, And for that, I am responsible."

Please do not forget ROOTS on Sunday, NOvember 29th 1:00-3:00pm Particulars at <area8aa.org>

ORIENTATION ASSEMBLY Saturday, January 9, 2021

Respectfully submitted by Renee R. Secretary Area 8 and Cecil L. Alt Secretary