

Area 8 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
May 25, 2021

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Meeting called to Order at 7:35 p.m. by Chair Ernest D.

Attendance: Bill H., Ernest D., Flint N., Monty C., Susan H, Chuck P.

Structure & Guidelines

In April, Flint provided an overview of the entire document noting major sections that have been updated based on written comments received by the Policy Committee. At the May 4 meeting the committee identified several wider issues and/or potential changes that should go before Area members for discussion:

- Whether volunteers participating on Standing Committees should be voting or non-voting ad hoc members.
- Whether the Archivist and Web servant should be voting positions at the ACM and Area meetings.
- Clarification on how the replacement of area officers and alternates should be addressed.

Ernest described a proposed process for completing the S&G review and presenting a final version at the November Assembly. It was agreed to complete a revised draft to be presented at a future workshop or the July Area Committee Meeting, and disseminated to the Groups through the DCM's. Ernest will confirm details with Blaine and prepare a Work Breakout Schedule for the committee.

It was agreed that at our next meeting the committee would address the following:

- Incorporate comments from the IT and Grapevine committee (Ernest)
- Incorporate suggestions from the Treasurer (Flint)
- Review Jane G's paper on S&G updates to identify suggestions to be incorporated, and any policy issues to be submitted to the Area members for discussion (Flint and Susan, with all committee members to review)
- Compare GSR manual updates to current language in S&G to ensure consistency (all committee members)

Monty announced that because elections will be conducted at the September Assembly, there would not be time on the agenda to discuss the S&G. He has reviewed the updates to the GSR manual and Ernest has forwarded the document to the committee for comment at our next meeting. The goal is to submit a final version of the GSR manual at the orientation Assembly in January. Monty announced the revised Service Manual has been approved by the GSC and will be reproduced and distributed.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 1, 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Susan H.