

AWSC Conference Call - August 5, 2018

There were 11 members attending.

Connie W, Area Chairperson, opened the conference call with the Serenity Prayer.

Agenda items were discussed - final AWSC agenda is:

AFG Fall AWSC Meeting

Red Lion Inn, 20 N Main, Kalispell, MT

Phone # 406-751-5050, Block "Al-Anon"

Sept. 15th, 2018

9:00 AM: **Welcome**

Serenity Prayer, Steps, Traditions, Concepts and Warranties, and Montana Area Vision and Mission Statements

Announcements

Introductions/New District Representatives

9:20AM: **Corrections/Additions to July 29, 2018 AWSC Conference call minutes-** (Lori)

Corrections/Additions to 2018 Spring AWSC minutes- (Lori)

9:30AM: **Treasurer Update** – (Pam)

9:40AM: **Old Business**

- Road Trip! You and your board connect! For Fall 2019- Did any district apply? (Carol)
- Evaluations
- 501 (c) (3) update. With elections there will be new officers.

9:50 AM: **Task/Thought Force updates**

- Area Speaker Meeting Thought Force yearly after Spring Assembly (Pennie K, Carole D, Judy, Lori K, Doreen and Peggy)
- Computer/Tablet/Projector Thought Force—which is the best choice for use by delegate. (Shannon, Kay S, Carol S, Elaine)
- Work Force regarding AMIAS/Alateen background checks. (Patty, Libby, other)
- Thought Force regarding future AWSC and Assembly agenda topics. (Carole D, Cindy, Pam, Sylke, Doreen)
- Thought Force regarding the Area LDC. (Donna E, Judy T, Jill, Cindy C)

10:45 AM: **New Business:**

- Thought Force regarding Archives. (Pennie, Sue)

- Sale of items to assist Alateens going to a conference. (Carol S)
- Doing evaluations online rather than paper copy? (Carol S)
- Any other new business?
- Elections for Panel 59, all officers and coordinators. Review of procedure for election of officers. Only GRs are eligible to vote. Officers may vote if they are representing a Group as a GR. All voting is by closed ballot. Paper and pencils are distributed for written ballots. Non-voting members are selected to serve as tellers, collectors of ballots, and to record and tally votes on the board. Written ballots are cast, collected, and given to the tellers to count.

1. The Chairman asks each DR and others eligible, if any, whether he is prepared to serve as Delegate for three years. If so, he becomes a candidate. 2. Names of all candidates for the post of Delegate are listed on the board by the Secretary. 3. The Secretary calls the roll of voting members.. 4. Votes will be written on the board alongside the names of the candidates.

5. The first candidate to receive a two-thirds vote is elected. 6. If no one has the required two-thirds vote after several ballots have been taken and if two candidates each have 40 percent or more of the total vote, the Chairman may suggest that the two candidates stay and the others withdraw. 7. Whether or not any names are withdrawn, another ballot is taken. 8. If still no election occurs, the Chairman asks for a motion to close the balloting and that the choice be made by lot between the two high candidates. The first one drawn becomes the Delegate. Instead of this, many Assemblies prefer to have a final ballot taken. Then the candidate with the most votes becomes the Delegate (taken from the AFG Service manual.) Per Montana Motion (C21) "We will use simple majority for Area Assembly voting except for the election of officers."

POSITIONS OPEN FOR ELECTION-3 YEAR TERM:

Delegate Alt. Delegate

Chair Person Treasurer

Secretary Alateen

Public Outreach Forum

Archives Literature

Internet/Website News & Views

Group Records

Announcements?

12:00 PM: **Adjourn Meeting with Al-Anon Declaration**

Also Discussed:

Carol S told us about a survey money that might be helpful in compiling our AWSC and Assembly evaluations.

Jill asked for literature requests for Fall Assembly.

The conference call was closed with the Serenity Prayer.

In Love & Service,
Lori K, Area Secretary