



NFAC 4th Quarter Assembly: Sept. 29th - Oct 1st

“Good leadership cannot function well in a poorly designed structure. But weak leadership can hardly function at all, even in the best of structures. But once we have created a basically sound structure, that job is finished, except for occasional refinements.”

-The A.A. Service Manual C29

Motion Highlights:

1. From Finance:

Motion to accept 2024 budget. Vote taken.

The original vote was 103 in favor and 29 against. Motion Passed. Minority opinions (voted against) were heard from the floor. Discussion.

The chairperson asked the body if minority opinion changed their vote.

Motion to reconsider the vote. Motion failed.

Original Motion Passed to accept the 2024 budget.

2. From Finance:

Motion to increase alternate delegate's travel budget line item 6250 by \$150.00 for a total of \$450.00 in the 2023 budget. Discussion. The vote was taken. Unanimously passed.

No minority opinion, Motion Passed

3. From Site and Agenda Committee:

An amendment to Section 4 of Structures and Guidelines to include; If you are attending virtually, in order to vote at the Sunday business meeting, you must be properly registered, recognized and logged in by 9:00 AM Sunday morning for roll call or your vote will not be counted. (The chairperson referred the motion to Site and Agenda Committee for second)

Important News:

- Submit stories of your service to chairperson@aanorthflorida.org
- Area 14 Pre-assembly meeting
 - January 4th at 6pm on Zoom

Meeting ID: 716 595 4145

Password: 73



A Member's Story:

"I remember vividly when I first came in, sitting on my sponsor's couch and giving her a laundry list of things going wrong in my life and how stressed out I was with all these huge problems I had to start solving now that I was getting sober once again. I had a long list of things I had to set right, and my sponsor told me I should go to the business meeting at my home group and get a service position. I remember thinking she did not understand the never-ending list of things I needed to do and how crazy she wanted me to add something else. She suggested it a couple of times, every time I brought up a new problem that was her solution. Since she would not stop mentioning it, I showed up to the business meeting and got a coffee position and never regretted it! The coffee position turned out to be such a gift! It gave me an opportunity to get to the meeting early and get to know everyone coming in and have conversations with people even if it was as simple as how they liked their coffee. I really enjoyed people knowing my name. After a couple of months of coming around I started hearing about the Space Coast Round Up.

It seemed like a nice group of people were getting together to plan it and I was invited to a committee meeting, so I decided to tag along with a friend to see what it was about. I was instantly assigned a position and I remember thinking it was so far out there no way I was going to stay sober long enough to attend. They told me not to worry about when it was and to just keep showing up monthly to the committee meetings that they needed my help. I took my commitment seriously and never missed a committee meeting and when 6 months passed and the Round Up happened, I was heavily involved and had such a fun experience I was sold into service!

I ended up switching sponsors and my new sponsor was a DCM at the time and had invited me to an Area Assembly, since I was still getting to know her, I thought it was a great bonding experience to spend the weekend with her, so I tagged along. That was a positive experience so when I was attending my next home group meeting and the position of GSR needed to be filled I stepped up. I really enjoyed going to district meetings and learning about general service. I have enjoyed meeting people from different areas and learning the inner workings of AA. I have gotten a wide variety of service positions in AA, and I am thankful for every one of them.

In sobriety and service, I have learned that even though I don't know what I'm doing, if I'm asked or suggested to do it, I should just say yes. That the process of learning a new position or being a part of a committee will be exactly what I need to do to give me what I need outside of AA. That by serving AA I learn tools and God's grace in the outside world. I am thankful for always getting a new opportunity to serve and I am excited to start my new position as Area Archivist."

-Josette T.



Upcoming Area Assembly (January 5th-7th)

- Big Book Jeopardy
- Committee Meetings
- Saturday Night Speaker
- Plenty of opportunities for service