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Area Chair, Tom H. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and the Responsibility Statement. Mary K. read the Anonymity Statement and Leroy L. read the short form of the Concepts.

Tom then explained that Due to the resignation of the Secretary our first order of business is the election of a new Secretary. He then asked the Registrar to call the roll so that we would have an accurate count of votes. It takes a 2/3 majority to elect officers.

Registrar: – Connie D. – Asked Districts to please answer the roll call by saying DMC, Alt DCM, Number of GSRs and Total number of votes as she call the roll. (See roll call attachment A). All group changes go to Registrar

SPECIAL ELECTION: Tom asked all wishing to stand for the position of secretary to proceed to the microphone. Candidates are Ann P., District 9B and Pauline N., currently NFA CPC Coordinator. DCMs were asked to pole those eligible to vote in their districts and bring the votes to Connie to be tabulated.
Ann P. elected secretary

Delegate: – Michael S. Recognized all Past Delegates in the room: Tom D, panel 43; Dan E, panel 45, Dick G, panel 47, also past S E Region Trustee; Kathy P, panel 49; Tom G, panel 51; Corliss G, panel 53, Also Gene L, panel 49 (Virginia Area) now a Floridian.

I have taken several Trips since our last assembly: The first at the end of January to board weekend in New York as the delegate chair for the upcoming conference. That was an awesome weekend. I flew in Thursday. Friday morning we had an orientation at the GSO offices of all the delegate chairs of all the committees, Friday afternoon we met with the conference coordinators. Saturday we sat in on the Trustee meeting, and it was wonderful to watch as they gave almost prayerful consideration to each item that came before them. Saturday afternoon was more committee meetings. Monday was the General Service Board meeting, everyone sat at one large squared off table and the delegates sitting behind the Trustees. It was awesome to listen to the Trustees conduct the business of Alcoholics Anonymous. I now have a sense of what happens and can see the full picture and of what happens from start to finish. I am very grateful to have had that opportunity. I think it has helped prepare me to go to this conference in a way that I would not have otherwise had.

A week later I had the opportunity to go to Atlanta to the Delegate's Get Together. There were 71 Delegate with a total of 1440 years – the average sobriety was over 20 years each. The guest of that Delegates Get Together weekend was Vince O, he is a class A – non alcoholic trustee and the treasurer of the General Service Board. He spoke Saturday night and explained some of the financial issues and he explained so that it was very simple and easy to understand and so absolutely impossible to rearticulate back to you, but he did a wonderful job. As more of these issues come forward I will be discussing them with or our next delegate will.

I would just like to share a couple of the items from the AAWS highlights that came out in January and March. The International Convention held last year in Toronto incurred a slight deficit of $39,000. That is less than 1% of their budget so basically they broke even. GSO as of January 1st has redesigned their web page so please visit. It has a new look. In 2005, the web sight had over 3 million visits.
Greg M, the general manager of GSO announced that they hired a new archivist. Her name is Amy V.

One of things I love most about the AAWS highlights is that they talk about literature translations. Daily Reflections has now been translated into Lapin. The service piece "Information on Alcoholics Anonymous", has been translated into Check and Korean. The pamphlet "AA and the Community" and "Understanding Anonymity in Speaking to Non AA Members" and "Speaking With Our Friends" and "Problems Other Than Alcoholism" is being translated into Dutch. The book Dr Bob and the Good Old Timers has been translated into Polish. "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship" and the Jack Alexander article have been translated into Portuguese.

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From the March 17th AAWS Board meeting, General Manager Greg M. reported that on February 10 a group of 8 Russian professionals concerned with alcoholism and interested in AA as a resource visited the General Service Office. Some of the professionals were from Siberia and the far Eastern Regions of Russia. The spoke of the challenges many face in dealing with wide spread alcoholism in rural and isolated communities. Leonard Blumenthal, chaired the General Service Board, Eileen McDowell Trustee emeritus and Dorothy Wilson, US Trustee at Large, joined several of the GSO staff to provide information on Alcoholics Anonymous and answered their questions.

Voluntary contributions for January and February are up almost 16% ahead of budget.
This is due, in part, to a letter that was sent out in October 2005, explaining the numerous services provided by the groups and the General Service Board.

The World Service meeting will be held on October 15 – 19 in Ireland this year.

I would like to thank you all very much for devoting this weekend to preparing me to go to the General Service Conference. Last night was just amazing, as far as giving me a sense of North Florida Area. I thank you for allowing me to serve. I leave for Conference 2 weeks from yesterday and I am very excited about going and excited about coming back and give you a conference report. Thank you.

Alt. Delegate's Report – Fred H
Michael and I attended the Southeastern Region Delegates Get Together from February 3 to February 5, 2006, in Atlanta, Georgia. The weekend was hosted by Howard L, our Southeast Regional Trustee. Delegates and Alternate Delegates from the thirteen Southeast regions were in attendance.
The following items were presented and discussed during the weekend.

1. As of December 31, 2005 the Grapevine realized a profit of $64,621. The Grapevine is now covering more than 70% of its expenses with magazine income.
2. La Vina had a $107,738.00 loss during the same period.
3. The General Service Board has agreed to continue to fund the La Vina losses.
4. The Grapevine estimates that approximately 2000 subscriptions have been lost due to Hurricane Katrina.
5. AA group contributions were up 2-1/2% over the budgeted amount for 2005, but the number of groups contributing still remains flat.
6. The General Service Office achieved their goal of reducing budgeted expenses by 10% for the 2005 fiscal year. No group services were affected by the reduced budgets.
7. The GSO reserve fund as of January, 2006 was at 9.5 MM or 8-1/2 months of expenses.
8. The 2005 International Convention registered a $39,000.00 loss. This represents less than 1% of the total convention expenses.
9. The GSO is developing an on-line secure program for the area registrars. The program will allow the area registrars to make group changes on-line. The area registrars will be the only persons permitted to access the on-line registration system. This system should be operational by the end of 2006.
10. The Southeast Regional Forum will take place in Atlanta, Georgia from December 1st thru December 3rd 2006. Details for the forum will be distributed in the next several months.
11. Amy F. has been hired at GSO as the new archivist to replace Judith O, who resigned in August 2005.
12. Vincent Keefe, Class "A" Trustee & General Service Board Treasurer spoke to the attendees on Saturday evening in relation to the funding of the retirement & health benefits program for current and retired GSO Staff Employees.

Special Reports:
2006 State Convention: Henry - 2006 Florida State Convention Co-chair. Thank you for the welcome and warmth. There will be 10 speakers from 8 different states, including Liz from New York and our own home grown Sandy B and there will also be YPG speaker, 14 workshops, 52 marathon meetings. On Friday night a 50 dance on Saturday night will be glamour and glitz. We will have Hispanic workshop and speakers. Also, we'll have Gay and lesbian, online and YPG programs and its all fantastic. Thank you.

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2007 State Convention: Bob D. was absent the report given by Cecilia R. The dates for the 2007 convention are the 8th – 12th of August. It's going to be at the Royal Caribe in Orlando. The speakers have been set. Lee Y is the program chair. The logo and the flyers are in the works. When you go to the 2006 convention in Pinellas you will receive a flyer and there will be a booth set up so you can register. Tom D who was the chair moved to S Carolina, Bob who was the co-chair graciously volunteered to be the chair. He is forming his committee now. He brought together people who have had passed state convention work. I am confident that Bob is going to give you the State Convention that the North Florida Area is used to having in the quality of the speakers and the convention itself also they will have guidance because of some of the motions that are coming forward on the State Convention committee. If you have any questions I'll be glad to answer them. The website is also in the works and you should have all the information you need.

Area Chair: Tom H – During the quarter I was invited to speak in Cocoa. Thanks to the Groups in the District. If any Group or District wants me I would be happy to come to you and talk on service, or any area topic or any thing else AA you would like.
The chair of the 2007 State Convention, Tom D, DCM from Melbourne moved out of the area and his Co-Chair Bob D. has taken over. Bob and his wife are on a sobriety cruise at this time, but he will be here for the next assembly.
During the last quarter I have been reviewing the area inventory done at the January Assembly. In most cases the area indicated that they feel we are doing a good job on communicating and helping with our primary duty of helping the Groups only two areas were felt lacking. One was in the area of minority participation, and the other was in helping the DCMs to maintain interest among the Groups.
Many Groups have tried reaching out to the minority communities with varying degrees of success. My own feeling is that we can best help by providing examples, and making ourselves available as requested. I would be happy to entertain any ideas or other thoughts by any Group or District. I know I don't know it all.
As regards the second item of helping the DCMs reach more Groups in their Districts, I plan to change the Saturday afternoon officer/DCM session to give a short run down on any business to come before the body on Sunday and then opening up the meeting to sharing by the DCMs as to ideas which they bave tried, ideas which have worked, and thoughts or ideas which they want to try, including any help they need from the area.
I have made up new resume forms for those who will announce their intention to stand for are office at the next assembly. Please see me after the assembly and I will be happy to hand them out so they can be given to the secretary after the announcements at the next assembly.
I know together we will continue going forward with the work of AA.
We also received a note from Mary D. It reads: To the North Florida Area, Thank you for allowing me the privilege of sharing January's North Florida Area 14 assembly with all of you. While it is always an honor too represent AA, it is a special treat to do so in the Area that has sp much to do with my AA walk. I truly thank you for my life. Much AA love, Mary Dargan, General Service Office Staff.
Yours in Service, Tom H

Alternate Chair Report: Tina CL, Usual reminders please remember to check out of your rooms by noon. This is an assembly, as well as October when we have elections, when we could possibly run past noon. If you haven't done so please check out during our next break. Thank you to our host districts 3, 4, 14 and 25 you did a fabulous job. Districts 11, 12A, 12B, 18A and 18B will be hosting the July assembly and as always please meet following the assembly out at the registration tables so we can divvy up responsibilities. Thank you in advance. One more reminder regarding the hotel, we understand that there is life from time to time but this hotel, despite us coming here 4 times a year, the cancellation policy is that if you are not going to be able to attend and use your room you must cancel by 6PM of that day. Whether that's Friday or Saturday, you must cancel by 6PM or be charged for the room. In our situation the fact that they give us the room at such a discounted rate and they are often full and could use the room if we are not using them they asked that we keep that in mind. Thank you for allowing me to serve, this was an excellent assembly so far.

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OLD BUSINESS:
Motions from the Growth Committee Chair:
Motions to change Structure and Guidelines as follows:

1. From the Alternate Chair: "Non-election October assemblies would include an area inventory on Saturday night in lieu of speaker meeting". MOTION PASSED

2. From the Webmaster & Website Subcommittee: Add the following to Section 19-4 of Structures and Guidelines. "A link to the South Florida Area (Area 15). Website and Area 1 Intergroups located geographically within the State of Florida". MOTION PASSED

3. From DCM, District 7A: "Area minutes to be E-mailed by the Webmaster or his/her designate, to an e-mail list maintained by the Registrar to those AA members who wish to receive them" MOTION PASSED

4. Motion from the Archivist Coordinator: Add Archivist to Structures and Guidelines, Section 4, Page 5 with the following description". Archivist: This office to be voted on in non-electoral years for a two (2) year term not to exceed six (6) years. That this position be voted by voting members of this area. This office does not have a vote on the assembly level. This office does not need to attend Area functions and will communicate all activities on a quarterly basis through the Archives Service Coordinator.

   The qualifications for this office include:
   1. He/she should be knowledgeable of the NFA history
   2. He/she should have experience with archival and conservation procedures as well as handling of historical records.
   3. He/she should be thoroughly familiar with our primary purpose and our AA traditions so as to ensure privacy and protect the anonymity of the members whose names are included in the collected documents
   4. The selected individual should be an AA member

   The Duties for this office include:
   1. The Archivist is responsible for preserving the documents and artifactual items and maintaining the physical integrity of the collection.
   2. The Archivist collects, organizes and preserves material of historic interest of the NFA inventory.
   3. The Archivist will work closely with the Archives Service Coordinator to ensure
   4. The Archivist maintains and updates the NFA Archives inventory and assisting in the accumulation of historical material and information pertinent to the NFA.

MOTION PASSED

There are service resumes available to be filled out and submitted to the secretary. Any one not at the assembly may obtain a resume and return it rapidly. We will hold an election at the July assembly. It will be for a one year term.

NEW BUSINESS:
From the Growth Committee – We move that the North Florida Area 14 Committee rescind the previous passed in April 2005, the motion being as follows: That the North Florida Area assume a 100% oversight and responsibility for the Florida State Convention when it occurs geographically within the North Florida Area"
The above rescinded motion shall be replaced as follows:
STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE

1. Composition:
   - Alternate Delegate – (Chairperson)
   - Current/Upcoming State Convention Chairperson
   - Current/Upcoming State Convention Treasurer
   - Past Florida State Convention Treasurer

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- Past Florida State Convention Chair.
  In case of vacancy, Area 14 Chair will appoint an Area 14 member with State Convention organizational experience.

- Alternate Delegate – (Chairperson)
- Current/Upcoming State Convention Chairperson
- Current/Upcoming State Convention Treasurer
- Past Florida State Convention Treasurer
- Past Florida State Convention Chair.
  In case of vacancy, Area 14 Chair will appoint an Area 14 member with State Convention organizational experience.

2. Scope:
   - Provide oversight of the legal and financial activities of the Florida State Convention when held in the geographic area of North Florida.
   - Define and manage the site selection process.
   - Ensure that the Florida State Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous remain self-supporting utilizing the existing 501c(3), in cooperation with South Florida Area 15.
   - Receive and monitor financial statements of the local hosting committee.
   - Set the prudent reserve level and periodically reviewing the level for possible revision.
   - Receive full disclosure of any minutes and/or treasury information as requested.
   - Receive final report at conclusion of convention.

3. Procedure:
   - Committee meets every quarterly on Saturday.
   - Committee chairperson gives a report at the Sunday morning business meeting.
   - Approve, deny, or request revisions to bids.
   - Once all expenses are paid in full, the State Convention Committee will make recommendations as to how to distribute any excess funds.
   - Monitor budget and provide suggestions.
   - Informs Area 14 of any major transgressions during convention and preparation process.
   - Alternate Delegate participates on the Advisory Committee in conjunction with South Florida Area 15, with the intent of withdrawing from the Advisory Committee by December 31, 2006.
   - The Committee will derive it's treasury from excess funds from the State Convention.

Motion made by Greg S. Accessibilities Coordinator Chair:
Move to republish the accessibilities pamphlet, originally developed and published by the North Florida Area for a cost of $1000.

Motion from Glenn W, Website Service Coordinator:
Move to provide North Florida Area Accessibilities documents on the North Florida Area website

Motion from Aldelfo P., DCM, District 33:
Move that the Delegate send a request to GSO that the Hispanic Community is requesting CDs of the Big Book in Spanish. (District 33 and Adelfo were advised that the '06 Agenda items have been set, but that he would request this for the '07 Agenda items.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Treasurer: Rick B – as of April 6, 2006, year to date donations are $9893.02, Assembly income from coffee and Seventh Tradition was $603. And income from literature sales was $579.25. Total income year to date is $11, 05.27.

Expenses for the 2006 Assembly Year to date were $9427.44, leaving a positive income of $1654.93, and a sales tax obligation of $38.58.

The checking account has a balance of $13,045.96. The CD on deposit at the bank has a balance of $11,797.96.
Total cash on hand in checking and CD equals $24,843.94. The prudent reserve for 2006 is 75% of the budget and is equal to $33,779. We are short of the prudent reserve, but we are gaining on the number quarter by quarter.
See Attached report.
REGISTRAR: Connie K. - No report other than if you have any other changes. Lately there have been a lot of changes and I working on them getting every thing up to date. I am still sending changes to New York with paper until they there on-line registration on line established.

Chairman, Tom H – announced that Chat P. in the new Parliamentarian for NFAA – Chet will be presenting a presentation on Parliamentary Procedure as used by North Florida and GSO and our Third Legacy of election at the GSR meeting in the afternoon so that we can have everyone fully informed of the how and why.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES
GROWTH: Fred H - We opened with a moment of silence followed the serenity prayer. There were nine (9) of the twelve (12) members of the Growth Committee present. We discussed and reviewed the 2006 General Service Conference Agenda items for Policy and Admissions and Report and Charter.

The Committee met again several times during the day and late into the night to continue the discussions from the previous Growth Committee meetings regarding North Florida Area's future involvement with the Florida Sate Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous. The results were the motion that was read earlier.

Thank you the Growth Committee members and to Carolina the Alternate Growth Committee chair.

Site & Agenda: Tina CL – We went over the Conference Agenda Items. Also, we passed a motion to include assembly voting procedures to be presented by the Parliamentarian as part of the GSR workshop for each assembly and the DCM orientation each January.

The next Assembly is July 14th, 15th, and 16th. Make your reservations before you leave today.

Finance: - Beth Joyce -

Accessibilities: Greg S. thank you for attending. We had a great workshop. We decided to proceed forward with developing a starter packet for District Accessibility committees and compiled the literature to include. We also discussed the availability of a packet from GSO. No one had received it, so we distributed contact info for the New York GSO Special Needs desk.

We discussed posting our pamphlet at the North Florida Area web site and everyone was excited about it.

We also discussed attempting to have our pamphlet republished, as we are almost out of them. It was the feeling of the committee to ask the area to publish 1000 copies. We will continue to obtain bids from printers.

There was great participation, and we discussed some of the challenges and successes the District Chairs have been have been having. District 13 has had a successful mobile meeting - started bringing meetings to house and hospital bound AAs.

We also reviewed the latest episode of 4-5-9, which had a wonderful article entitled "Making AA Accessible to the Alcoholic with Special Needs". North Florida was recognized as a pioneer in forming an Accessibilities Committee.

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Archives: Cecilia R., 34 in attendance. We opened with the Serenity Prayer. We discussed the Conference agenda items. We Discussed the Archives survey to help determine who has and Archives Area in there District or Intergroup. We discussed the upcoming National Archives workshop in Baton Rogue in September and the events that go on with that workshop. If you would like an Archives workshop contact Cecilia. Public Information has put together a workshop on "Anonymity Then and Now", which gives the history of how we broke it and how we maintain it. Contact Al B. PI chair if you would like that workshop in your district. Rob K. talked about the d Saturday Evening Post article. Rob will be doing a workshop in July on the non-alcoholics who have helped A.A. We discussed the position of Archivist and the motion which passed earlier this morning. We had a donation of 1971 pamphlet "Cooperation But Not Affiliation" to archives. Also had a donation of a book, A Dairy of Two Motorcycle Hobos.

Corrections: – Chaz H., 46 in attendance. Inmate called Chaz to thank the Area's corrections committee for the job they are doing. AlAnon guests – Carolyn and Marion. Carolyn shared about going to the jails monthly to have an Al Anon meeting. Marion talked about how Al Anon has helped her support her son who has been incarcerated for 19 years. It helps her keep her sanity, helps her cope with the situation and face visiting her son. AA members should remember to suggest Al Anon to visitors with members Attendees shared their experience on their family members being a part of Al Anon and how it has helped their sobriety. You can go to Al Anon.org to get literature or look in the local phone book. We discussed how to encourage AA members to go into correction facilities. The 11th Tradition. Attraction. Sponsoring. Cecelia, Archives chair shared some corrections archives with us. A non-alcoholic trustee wrote an article in 1985 about AA meetings in correction facilities. Corrections workshop in Orlando next weekend hosted by Districts 10, 11 and 18.

CPC: – Pauline N., 30 in attendance. The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer. District 9 did a workshop a hospital, 20 doctors attended. Thank you Blake. 4/8/06 – Renaissance Convention, District 13 there. Upcoming conferences: May 15, Aerospace – Caribe Royal: June 02, physical therapy; October Nurse Practitioners. We spent the rest of the time on Agenda items. Closed with the Lord's Prayer. Pauline introduce the new CPC Alternate Committee Coordinator, Cynthia S., her home group is From the Heart in District 9A.

Grapevine/ La Vina: - Mandy R., 30 in attendance. Grapevine Room Sales: $515. Raffle for Grapevine $349. Thank you to Frank S and all the Districts 14, 3, 5, and 25 volunteers. Began meeting with the Serenity Prayer. We talked about sharing "Grapevine" topics/humor at meetings, also Displaying "Grapevine"; leave Grapevine in professional offices, coffee shops plus hospitals and libraries. We discussed writing Grapevine articles from professionals for submitting to "Grapevine". Become grapevine reps – help self to info at table. Give Grapevine Subscription for home groups, District raffles, first anniversaries Collect old "Grapevines" for hospitals, Treatment Centers, Institutions, Decorate Box – place in corner for folks to donate. If you have a special event, Mandy and Melinda will come with Displays – just call. Michael S, Delegate discussed LaVina translating Spanish La Vina stories into English. Questions: What does the Grapevine financial status look like? And how can we get copies of old prison Grapevines in bulk?

Intergroup: - Nancy B., 55 in attendance. We opened with the Serenity Prayer. Cecilia R, Archives Committee Coordinator spoke on the benefit of distributing extra archive materials from NFAA to Archivist around North Florida. She also donated a prayer tapestry to the Jacksonville Intergroup in memory of Jimmy G. We then announced our new Alternate Area Service coordinator for Intergroup, Cindy S. from District 1. We then discussed our Agenda items. We closed with the Lords Prayer.

Literature: - Pamela D., Alternate Coordinator, 26 in attendance. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. We discussed conference agenda items. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Public Information: - Al B., 22 in attendance. We discussed conference agenda items only.

Treatment: Ed V, Intro & Welcome: Moment of Silence, Serenity Prayer
Topics: "Hope" Video, Example Treatment Meeting, Agenda Items

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Format: Literature, My Experience, Strength, and Hope and your experience
HOPE Video: First of all, let's see what the literature says on the subject – Hope video mentioned in Treatment Workbook: Pages 9, 18, 19, 20, and 25. Page 12 in the literature catalogue. My experience: Something new with each viewing, the video speaks for itself.
Example Treatment Meeting: Presentation for clients (what AA is/is not) guidelines on literature table. Page 11 of Treatment Facilities Workbook spells out two types – we'll do the first type. Example: Intro and welcome: Moment of silence, Serenity Prayer. Readings: Blue Card, Chapter 3 (BB, p30-31) and chapter 5 (p 58-59). Brief share (often called Lead; see page 17 of "AA Group") Topic or questions relating to Alcoholism or AA program.

Website: Chairperson: Glenn W. Number in Attendance: 16

Opened the meeting with the serenity prayer and an update on the status of pending website action items which include:

Providing a link to S. Florida (Area 15) and Pensacola region (Area 1) websites (motion pending).
Providing minutes by e-mail (motion pending)
Posting the structures and guidelines to the website (when update is completed)
Provide NFA Accessibilities documents on the NFA website (will be discussed today)
A website "makeover" to provide easier navigation and room for future updates.

Discussion about upcoming motion "Area minutes to be e-mailed by the Webmaster or his / her designate, to an e-mail list maintained by the Registrar to those A.A. members who wish to receive them."

Q) Where do we get the Area minutes - are they available online?
A) Currently, the Area minutes are available by request from the Area Registrar. A motion is pending to add the ability to receive the minutes by e-mail. The minutes are not and will not be available for download on the website. This was discussed in a past website subcommittee meeting, and it was unanimously decided a bad idea to post Area information contained in the minutes in a public area such as our website.

Q) How will the Registrar get the email addresses of members who want minutes emailed?
<< Some discussion >>
A) If you are using the Group Change form to add or change a GSR and wish to get the minutes electronically, please write in your email address on the form (there is no"blank" so just find a legible spot) that you will be giving to the Area Registrar. This does not need to go on the form that you would send to G.S.O. as they have no need for email addresses. I will also work on a better way to gather / update this information.

Q) Are the Accessibilities pamphlets that you spoke about copyrighted – are we able to distribute it electronically?
A) *<<Answered by Accessibilities Svc Coord.>>* The NFA created and owns the pamphlets and can do with them as they decide without any permission from G.S.O.

Q) What format are the minutes going to be emailed in?
A) Portable Document Format (pdf). This is a lightweight file format that easily emailed and can be secured.

Q) What is the relationship between the NFA web site and the District and Intergroup web sites?
A) As with any other A.A. committee or group, we are autonomous in structure but share a "spirit of cooperation". Links are provided with a disclaimer from the NFA website to other District and Intergroup websites located in the North Florida area. Also, the NFA web site provides an area for District events to be posted.

Q) Is there any future ideas about hosting an online meeting – I have found those to be useful?

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A) The NFA website was created specifically to assist in the business of the NFA Conference Committee and to assist in making that specific information more accessible. Online meetings are outside the scope of the purpose of the NFA Conference Committee and web site. FYI, there have been actual registered groups that are online meetings and a link was available from the G.S.O. website aa.org.

Q) How will members sign up for choosing email?
A) They will contact the Area Registrar, just as if they were updating there Group information.
<< *Some discussion* >>
I will find a way for members to sign up online from the aanorthflorida.org website.

Q) What is the biggest foreseeable problem with emailing the minutes?
A) Area 15 experienced an anonymity and confidentiality issue with there minutes being unknowingly posted on another website. The most I can do to prevent this will be to educate and place a disclaimer on the minutes.

Q) Have you thought about creating a self-service website where members can update their own information?
A) Yes, the technology is currently available but we will move slow and not store any personal information on the website at this time. Personal information will be kept with the Area Registrar.

Q) Can we change the wording of the minutes to refer to people by position, further protecting confidentiality?
A) That can be done however it would be some, possibly much additional work by the Area Secretary. Having only first names used, and not making the minutes publicly available should be adequate measures to protect anonymity and confidentiality.

In new business, the current Area Accessibilities Service Coordinator made the following motion:
Provide North Florida Area Accessibilities documents on the North Florida Area website.
This motion was discussed, amended, and passed unanimously.
I wish to remind everyone that this is your website and any District events can be posted to the website. Please e-mail the flyer to the webmaster and it will be posted on the Activities page of your website:

www.aanorthflorida.org

In Love and Service,
Glenn W.
NFA Webmaster

Announcements:
Tom asked if any one wishing to stand for the Archivist position and would like to give us their service resume:
Cecilia M. Reid, Sobriety Date: 11/28/90. Home Group: New Birth Group, Tomoka CI
Group Positions: Secretary, Steering Chair, Supplies, Literature, Alt GSR, GSR. Lead meetings on History of the Traditions and History of the Steps.
District Positions: Secretary, Treasurer, Alt DCM, DCM, Gratitude Dinner Chair, Workshop chair
Area Positions: Secretary, Registrar, Chair, Alt Archives Service Coordinator, Archives Service Coordinator
Other positions: Conservation Chair 2003 National Archives Seminar, Member of the NFA Archives Committee, I preserved the Secretaries Minutes of the NFA from 1960 to 1999.
I have experience in all of the qualifications as voted on by the Area for Archivist. I have a working and practicing knowledge of the Traditions, Concepts and Service Manual. I have the time and willingness to serve as Archivist of the NFA.

There being no further business Chairperson, Tom H, asked for a motion to adjourn, seconded, carried..
Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

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Area Assembly Agenda
Host Districts: 11, 12A, 12B, 18A, 18B

Time	*Meeting*	*Location*	*Chair*
Friday, July 14, 2006			
5:00pm	Registration	Service	Host Committee
8:00pm - 9:00pm	Discussion Meeting	Service	Host Committee
Saturday, Jul;y 15, 2006			
8:00am	Registration	Downstairs	Host Committee
9:00am - 10:00am	GSR Orientation	Service	Host Committee
9:00am - 9:45am	Officers Meeting	Experience	Tom H
10:00am - 11:30am	Finance Committee	Courage	Beth J
	Growth Committee	Unity	Fred H
	Site & Agenda Committee	Wisdom	Tina C-L
10:30am - 11:30am	Literature	Service	Jim T
	Corrections	Experience	Chaz H
	Archives (Permanent time)	Archives	Cecilia R
11:45am - 12:45pm	Traditions 7,8,9	Service	Host Committee
	Website	Unity	Glenn W
	Coop w/Professional Comm	Experience	Pauline N
	Accessibilities	Wisdom	Greg S
12:45pm - 2:00pm	Lunch		
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Ask the Officers Forum (P T)	Service	Tom H
	Treatment	Wisdom	Ed V
	Grapevine	Experience	Mandy R
3:15pm - 4:15pm	Service Manual Workshop	Experience	Past Delegate
	Public Information	Wisdom	Al B
	Intergroup	Unity	Nancy B
4:30pm - 6:00pm	GSR Workshop	Service	Tina C-L
	Officer/DCM Meeting	Experience	Tom H
6:00pm - 8:30pm	Dinner		
8:30pm - 9:30pm*	Speaker Meeting	Serenity	Michael S
Sunday, July 16, 2006			
9:00am - 12:00pm*	Business Meeting	Serenity	Tom H

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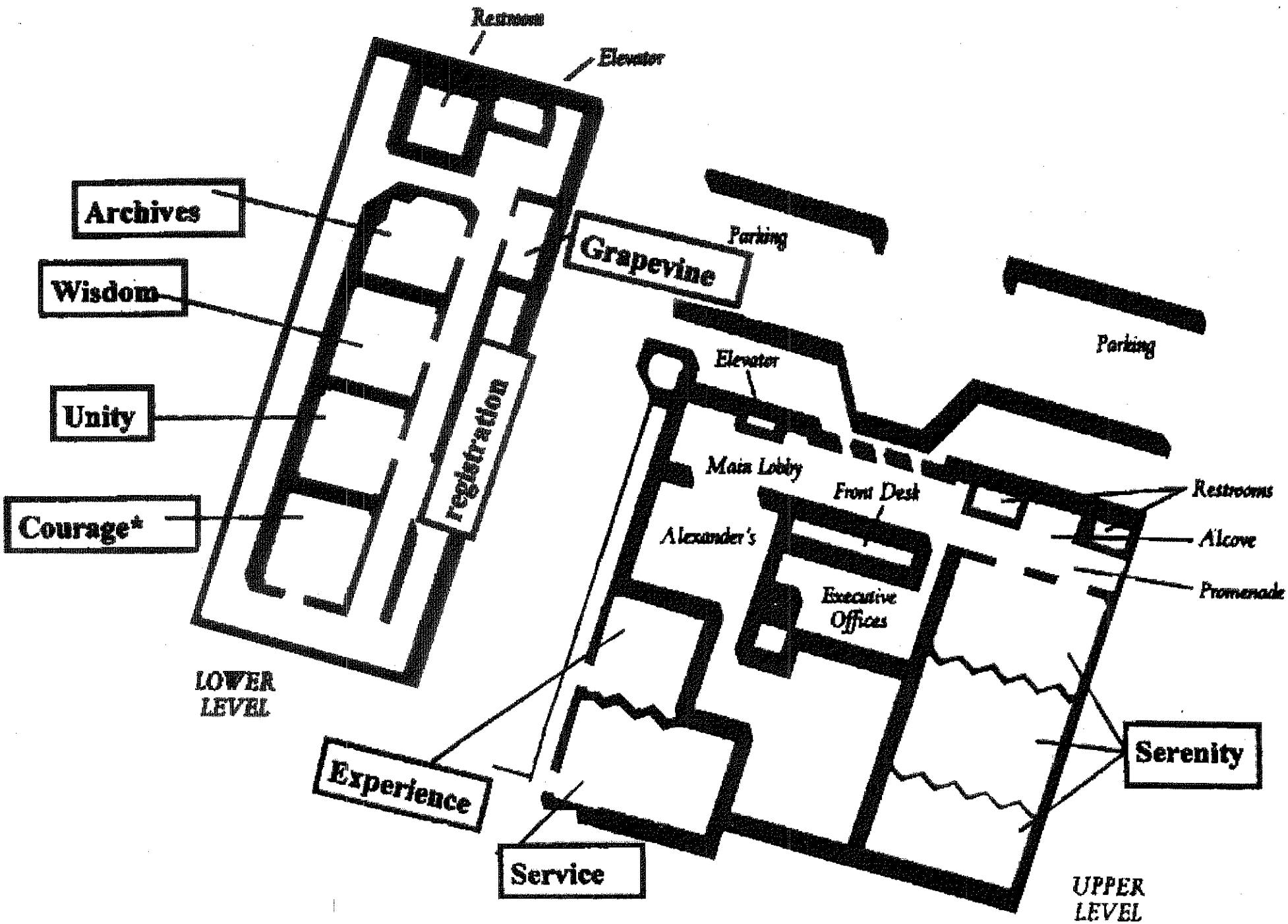
Restroom
Elevator
Archives
Wisdom
Unity
Courage*
registration
Grapevine
Parking
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Elevator
Main Lobby
Front Desk
Restrooms
Alcove
Promenade
Alexander's
Executive Offices
LOWER LEVEL
Experience
Service
Serenity
UPPER LEVEL

North Florida Area Conference
Profit & Loss
January 1 through April 8, 2006

	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4100 · Contributions	9,893.02
4200 · Assembly Income	
4210 · Seventh Tradition	270.00
4220 · Coffee Collection	333.00
Total 4200 · Assembly Income	603.00
4500 · Literature Sales	
4550 · Grapevine	579.25
Total 4500 · Literature Sales	579.25
Total Income	11,075.27
Expense	
6999 · Uncategorized Expenses	0.00
6100 · Delegate	
6171.2 · SERF	0.00
6130 · Supplies	14.29
6171.1 · SERC	0.00
6111 · Fla State Convention	0.00
6171 · General Service Conference	1,200.00
6172 · Delegate Get-Together	654.10
6190 · General Expenses	208.49
Total 6100 · Delegate	2,076.86
6200 · Alternate Delegate	
6205 · - Workshops	30.00
6210 · Duplication	0.00
6220 · Postage	6.60
6272 · Delegates Get-Together	511.67
Total 6200 · Alternate Delegate	548.27
6300 · Chairman	
6320 · Postage	39.00
6330 · Supplies	24.98
Total 6300 · Chairman	63.98
6400 · Alternate Chairman	
6420 · Postage	6.46
6440 · Telephone	0.00
Total 6400 · Alternate Chairman	6.46
6500 · Secretary	
6510 · Duplication	1,369.29
6530 · Supplies	0.00
Total 6500 · Secretary	1,369.29
6600 · Registrar	
6610 · Duplication	26.04
6620 · Postage	1.00

North Florida Area Conference
Profit & Loss
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	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
Total 6600 · Registrar	27.04
6700 · Treasurer	
6730 · Supplies	0.00
Total 6700 · Treasurer	0.00
7100 · Accessibilities Cmte.	
7110 · Duplication	6.80
Total 7100 · Accessibilities Cmte.	6.80
7200 · Archives Cmte.	
7210 · Duplication	6.00
7260 · Workshops	123.50
7270 · Storage	300.00
Total 7200 · Archives Cmte.	429.50
7300 · Coop w/ Prof Community Cmte.	
7350 · Literature	65.56
Total 7300 · Coop w/ Prof Community Cmte.	65.56
7500 · Grapevine Cmte.	
7560 · Workshops	0.00
7530 · Supplies	0.00
Total 7500 · Grapevine Cmte.	0.00
7600 · Intergroup Cmte.	
7610 · Duplication	0.00
Total 7600 · Intergroup Cmte.	0.00
7700 · Literature Cmte.	
7750 · Literature	94.62
Total 7700 · Literature Cmte.	94.62
7800 · Public Information Cmte.	
7890 · -Area Workshops	0.00
7860 · Workshops	9.24
Total 7800 · Public Information Cmte.	9.24
7900 · Treatment Facilities Cmte.	
7950 · Literature	97.50
7990 · Area Workshops	119.00
7960 · Workshops	0.00
Total 7900 · Treatment Facilities Cmte.	216.50
9100 · Hotel and Mileage Expenses	
9110 · Hotel for 7 Officers	304.00
9120 · Hotel for 11 Committee Chairs	460.00
9140 · Mileage for Officers and Chairs	757.62
9150 · Past Delegate Hotel & Mileage	256.13
9100 · Hotel and Mileage Expenses - Other	8.96
Total 9100 · Hotel and Mileage Expenses	1,786.71

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	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
9200 · Conference Operations	
9270 · Duplication	87.99
9210 · Annual Corporate Fees	126.00
9220 · Officers Interim Meeting Rent	25.00
9280 · Orientation Packages	309.70
Total 9200 · Conference Operations	528.69
9300 · Literature Purchases	
9360 · Grapevine	767.68
Total 9300 · Literature Purchases	767.68
9400 · Assembly Costs	
9470 · Spanish Translator	344.00
9410 · Coffee Service	1,056.00
Total 9400 · Assembly Costs	1,400.00
Total Expense	9,417.44
Net Ordinary Income	1,657.83
Net Income	1,657.83

North Florida Area Conference
Income by Customer Summary
January 1 through April 8, 2006

	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
Area 14 Committee	1,182.25
District 01	
Fiesta Group	206.20
Monday Night Roving Stag	130.51
Total District 01	336.71
District 03	
Fleming Island Group	10.00
Orange Park Group	320.00
Total District 03	330.00
District 04	
Fernandina Beach Group	170.62
Georgia/Florida Group	30.00
Winners Group	18.00
Total District 04	218.62
District 05	
Capital City Group	100.00
Central Group of AA	100.00
Downtown Group	20.00
Happy Hour Group	63.02
Men's Faith Group	55.00
Total District 05	338.02
District 06	
Way Out Group	30.00
Total District 06	30.00
District 07	
12 Steps to a New Life	25.00
Bring Your Own Book	4.00
Leesburg Transition Group	22.00
New Life Group	30.00
S O S Group	43.00
Take It Easy Men's Group	25.00
Take It Easy Women's Group	24.11
Today's Woman	25.00
Together We Can	60.00
Triangle Breakfast	20.00
Triple Crown	27.40
Total District 07	305.51
District 08	
Free To Be	68.74
Grace Group	10.00
Step Sisters	8.77
Thursday Men's Group	10.00
Total District 08	97.51
District 09	
Black Chip Sat AM Group	45.50

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	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
Crossroads Group	30.00
Dr Phillips Group	145.51
From The Heart	17.06
Hi Sobriety	33.00
Ponderosa Group	40.00
Rainbow Group	20.00
Total District 09	331.07
District 10	
Maitland Beginners	55.98
Total District 10	55.98
District 11	
Central Orlando Group	260.00
Wake Up Call	21.50
Total District 11	281.50
District 12	
After Hour's Group	30.00
Barefoor Bay	50.00
Better Late Than Never	17.45
Brown Bag Bunch	60.00
Home Base Group	11.40
Old School Group	3.25
Suntree Group	60.00
Total District 12	232.10
District 13	
Al Good Group	10.00
Feeling Better Group	15.00
Happy Hour Group	42.00
Life Goes On Group	10.00
More Serenity Sisters	25.00
Spring Hill Group	15.00
Women's Serenity Group	74.32
Total District 13	191.32
District 14	
Beginner's Mind	10.00
By the Book Group	74.22
Design For Living	70.00
Eye Opener Group	69.38
Free To Be	24.45
Gainesville Men's Group	25.40
Gratitude Group	240.00
Happy Hour Group	400.00
Keep It Simple Group of AA	9.24
Keystone Heights AA	59.04
Out To Lunch Bunch	222.99
Solutions Group	107.00
Step By Step	327.00
Sunday Night Steps & Traditions	343.35

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	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
The Way Out	115.00
Tue Noon As Bill Sees It Meeting	20.00
Unity Group	25.49
Total District 14	2,142.56
District 15	
Central Brevard Group	125.00
Cocoa 11th Step	200.00
Lost & Found Group	21.25
One Day At A Time	25.00
Sunset Group	45.00
Total District 15	416.25
District 17	
As Bill Sees It Group	50.00
Beginners First Step	7.50
Came to Believe	14.10
Fountain of Gratitude	25.00
Happy, Joyous, Free	92.48
Head Start Group	18.74
Keep It Simple	6.16
Living Sober Group	102.00
Lunch Bunch Group	21.15
New Attitude Group	64.28
Ocala Group	107.11
Ocala Mens Group	35.00
The Grace Group	30.00
Total District 17	573.50
District 18	
Back To Basics Group	10.00
Happy Hour Group - Casselberry	180.00
High Noon Group	130.00
Hope And Courage Group	18.80
Islanders	15.00
Lake Mary Grace Group	15.00
Pass It On Group	15.00
Sober Won	60.00
South Sanford Group	50.00
Total District 18	493.80
District 19	
Back to Basics	100.00
Four Townes Grouo	147.00
Just Do It Big Book Study Group	10.00
Sobriety First	20.00
Total District 19	277.00
District 20	
New Dawn Group	89.65
New Smyrna Beach Group	12.00
The 5 30 Group	25.00

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	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
Total District 20	126.65
District 21	
Big Book Study Group	13.52
Lest We Forget	43.21
Ormond Beach Group AA	200.00
Wednesday Women's 2pm CBC	30.00
Total District 21	286.73
District 22	
Came to Believe Group	65.00
Happy Wanderers	55.25
Living Sober Group	55.00
Stepping on the Right Directi	71.62
TGIF Group	4.33
Women To Women Group	70.00
Total District 22	321.20
District 23	
Melbourne Beach Group	93.05
Patrick Group	54.60
Riverside Group	22.50
Sandpiper Group	80.00
Sisters In Sobriety Group	22.00
Total District 23	272.15
District 25	
AA Tuesday Nite Step	14.00
Beachside Step Study Group	5.00
I Am Responsible	16.00
Intensive Care Group	7.66
Joy Group	11.96
Mens Red Eye	270.72
Monday Night Pointe Vedra Group	10.00
More About Alcoholism	25.00
Neptune Beach Book Study	4.00
Ponte Vedra Palm Valley Mon N	10.00
Solutions Group	50.00
Surrender to win	10.00
Women Enjoying Sobriety	21.90
Total District 25	456.24
District 27	
Candle Light Group of Cross City	120.00
Friends of Bill W Group	50.00
Old Town Saturday Meeting	45.00
Total District 27	215.00
District 28	
Attitude Adjustment Group	20.00
Floral City Group	10.00
Holder Way of Life Group	50.00

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	Jan 1 - Apr 8, '06
Inverness Friday Night	80.00
It's In The Book	20.00
Last Chance	15.00
Women's Friendship	50.00
Total District 28	245.00
District 30	
Amethyst Group	35.00
Baymeadows Group	10.00
Greenland Road Group	48.00
Mandarin Group	120.00
Mandarin Womens Group	20.00
Total District 30	233.00
District 31	
164 Group	250.00
Total District 31	250.00
District 32	
Ormond Beach BB Step Group	10.00
Riverbridge Group	25.00
Tomoka Group	20.60
Total District 32	55.60
District 33 Hispanic	
Grupo 20 De Agosto	100.00
Grupo Esperanza	30.00
District 33 Hispanic - Other	400.00
Total District 33 Hispanic	530.00
Florida State Convention	-95.00
Unspecified	
Anonymous	250.00
Total Unspecified	250.00
TOTAL	10,980.27

NORTH FLORIDA AREA CONFERENCE
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Third Quarterly Assembly, July 9, 2006

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA, SUNDAY, July 9, 2006, 9:00 AM

Open
Reading of Anonymity Statement
Reading of short form of Concepts
Roll Call by Registrar
Secretary's report – motion to accept
Treasurer's report – motion to accept
Delegate's report
Alternate Delegate
Alternate Chairperson

Standing Service Coordinators Reports

Accessibilities
Archives
Cooperation with Professional Community
Corrections
Grapevine
Cooperation with Intergroup
Literature
Public Information
Treatment Facilities
Web Site "Sub-Service Coordinator"

Administrative Committee Reports

Finance
Growth
Site and Agenda

Special Reports

50th Florida State Convention
51st Florida State Convention

Old Business:
From the Growth Committee –

STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE

1. Composition:
   - Alternate Delegate – (Chairperson)
   - Current/Upcoming State Convention Chairperson
   - Current/Upcoming State Convention Treasurer
   - Past Florida State Convention Treasurer
   - Past Florida State Convention Chair.
     In case of vacancy, Area 14 Chair will appoint an Area 14 member with State Convention organizational experience.
   - Alternate Delegate – (Chairperson)
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2. Scope:
    - Provide oversight of the legal and financial activities of the Florida State Convention when held in the geographic area of North Florida.
    - Define and manage the site selection process.
    - Ensure that the Florida State Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous remain self-supporting utilizing the existing 501c(3), in cooperation with South Florida Area 15.
    - Receive and monitor financial statements of the local hosting committee.
    - Set the prudent reserve level and periodically reviewing the level for possible revision.
    - Receive full disclosure of any minutes and/or treasury information as requested.
    - Receive final report at conclusion of convention.

3. Procedure:
    - Committee meets every quarterly on Saturday.
    - Committee chairperson gives a report at the Sunday morning business meeting.
    - Approve, deny, or request revisions to bids.
    - Once all expenses are paid in full, the State Convention Committee will make recommendations as to how to distribute any excess funds.
    - Monitor budget and provide suggestions.
    - Informs Area 14 of any major transgressions during convention and preparation process.
    - Alternate Delegate participates on the Advisory Committee in conjunction with South Florida Area 15, with the intent of withdrawing from the Advisory Committee by December 31, 2006.
    - The Committee will derive it's treasury from excess funds from the State Convention.

Motion made by Greg S. Accessibilities Coordinator Chair:
Move to republish the accessibilities pamphlet, originally developed and published by the North Florida Area for a cost of $1000.

Motion from Glenn W, Website Service Coordinator:
Move to provide North Florida Area Accessibilities documents on the North Florida Area website

New Business:
Election of Archivist

Anything that may be proposed and passed through the appropriate committees or brought to the Assembly floor and seconded by any voting member of the Assembly.

NFACAA 2rd Quarter Minutes April, 2006

Assembly Attendance, Sunday, , 2006

Officers

Delegate	Michael S.	X
Alternate Delegate	Fred H.	X
Chairperson	Tom H.	X
Alternate Chair	Tina C.L.	X
Treasurer	Rick B.	X
Registrar	Connie D.	X
Secretary	Ann P	X
Parliamentarian	Chet P	X
Webmaster	Glenn W.	X

Standing Committees

Accessibilities	Gregory S.	X
Archives	Cecilia R	X
Corrections	Charles H. (Chaz)	X
CPC	Pauline N.	X
Grapevine	Mandy R	X
Intergroup	Nancy B.	X
Literature	Jim T.	
Public Information	Al B.	X
Treatment	Ed V.	X

Administrative

Growth	See Alt. Del.	
Finance	Beth J.	X
Site/Agenda	See Alt. Chair	

Total		18

District	DCM	Alt DCM	GSRs
1	X	X	10
3		X	
4			
5	X	X	7
6	X		4
7A	X		2
7B	X		4
8	X		4
9A	X	X	5
9B	X	X	2
10	X	X	5
11		X	2
12A	X		5
12B	X		5
13	X	X	5
14	X		16
15	X		4
16			3
17A			0
17B	X		7
18A	X	X	5
18B	X		3
19A	X		1
19B	X		3
20	X	X	8
21	X		
22	X	X	3
23	X		5
24	X		2
25	X		6
27	X	X	2
28	X	X	12
30			3
31			3
32	X		3
33	X		5
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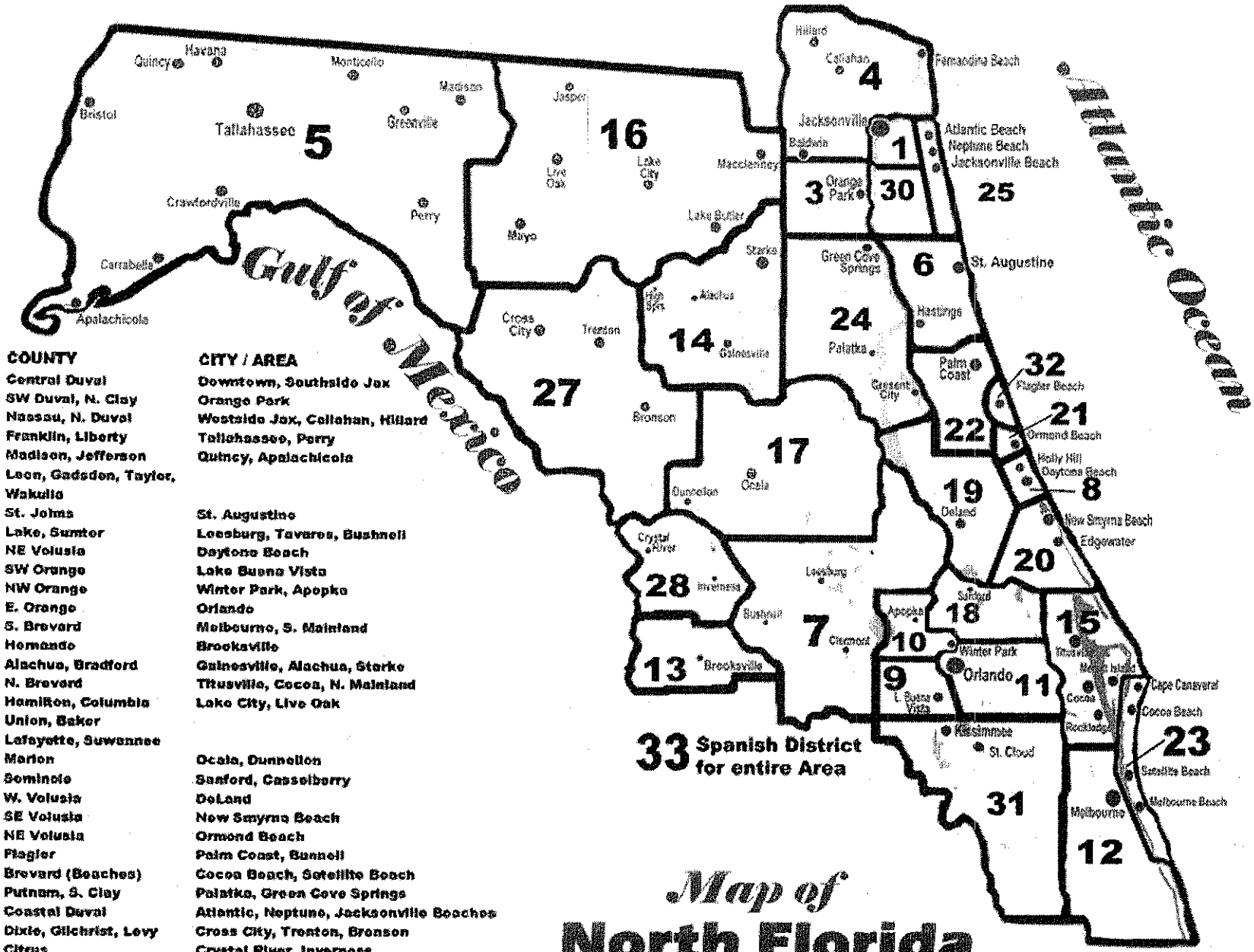

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CITY / AREA
1	Central Duval	Downtown, Southside Jax
3	SW Duval, N. Clay	Orange Park
4	Nassau, N. Duval	Westside Jax, Callahan, Hilliard
5	Franklin, Liberty	Tallahassee, Perry
	Madison, Jefferson	Quincy, Apalachicola
	Leon, Gadsden, Taylor,	
	Wakulla	
6	St. Johns	St. Augustine
7	Lake, Sumter	Leesburg, Tavares, Bushnell
8	NE Volusia	Daytona Beach
9	SW Orange	Lake Buena Vista
10	NW Orange	Winter Park, Apopka
11	E. Orange	Orlando
12	S. Brevard	Melbourne, S. Mainland
13	Hernando	Brooksville
14	Alachua, Bradford	Gainesville, Alachua, Starke
15	N. Brevard	Titusville, Cocoa, N. Mainland
16	Hamilton, Columbia	Lake City, Live Oak
	Union, Baker	
	Lafayette, Suwannee	
17	Marion	Ocala, Dunnellon
18	Seminole	Sanford, Casselberry
19	W. Volusia	DeLand
20	SE Volusia	New Smyrna Beach
21	NE Volusia	Ormond Beach
22	Flagler	Palm Coast, Bunnell
23	Brevard (Beaches)	Cocoa Beach, Satellite Beach
24	Putnam, S. Clay	Palatka, Green Cove Springs
25	Coastal Duval	Atlantic, Neptune, Jacksonville Beaches
27	Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy	Cross City, Trenton, Bronson
28	Citrus	Crystal River, Inverness
30	SE Duval, N. St. Johns	Northern Southside Jax
31	Osceola	Kissimmee, St. Cloud
32	SE Flagler, NE Volusia	Flagler Beach
33	Area-wide	Spanish District for entire area

Map of North Florida Area