

9/8/2020

## AREA SERVICE MINUTES

ATTENDEES: Thomas – Area Chair, Jimmy – Vice Chair, Jessica – H&I Chair, Jesse – Technology Chair, Dana- Area Treasurer, Walter – PR Chair, Tim R – Convention Chair, Troy P – Event & Activities, Desiree – Area Secretary

Meeting opened @ 7pm with **Serenity Prayer**

7 GSRS Present

August's Minutes Accepted/Passed

Reports Given By:

- H&I Chair** – attached
- Convention Chair** – attached
- E&A Chair** – attached
- PR Chair** – attached
- Technology Chair** – attached
- Area Treasurer** – attached

10 GSRS Present

**Area Chair** addressed the body and stated because of the pandemic SIAC as not been able to hold elections because of quorum counts. We have announced and encouraged GSRS to let others know that the elections that should have been voted on in July where being held up. We have also informed them that we would proceed with nominations via an average attendance number at this months Area Service. The average we need for a vote tonight is 10 so we will move forward with nominations.

Nominations – Timeframe Motion – Passed

### Questions/Discussion

**CARRYING THE MESSAGE** – Raised a question to Area Chair, Shouldn't you ask GSRS are they ready to vote or should they take information back to groups to vote on?

**Area Chair answered** – We have been asking and holding up Area business for months, we have a quorum and we will vote on nominations tonight.

### Area Nominations

**Area Chair** – Nominations to be voted on are: Area Chair, Area Vice Chair, H&I Chair

**All were voted in by Acclamation**

Speaker Exchange, Homebound Chair and Policy Chair positions are still open

**Area Chair** – urged GSRs to inform groups of nominations and open positions.

**Area Treasurer** informed the body that they can send donations via check to: SIASC, P.O.B. 40752, SI, NY 10304

### **Further Discussion**

**CARRYING THE MESSAGE-** Will donations made to Area be applied to pay for virtual accounts of groups who are paying privately for Zoom?

**Area Vice Chair** answered – Any group who has own account on Zoom must pay for their own accounts. Only groups that SIAS is paying Zoom accounts for will continue to receive financial help. This policy was made in the beginning when SIAS went virtual.

**Area Vice Chair** also urged the body to please reach out to other groups to see if SIAS can assist with any help a group might need. If you know of any groups in need please get their information to us.

**Area Chair** updated the body about impending move from current space. He stated move will take place on September 26<sup>th</sup> and that all groups that meet in this space will need help finding another place to meet. He urged those particular meetings to contact PR Chair for help. He also encouraged any suggestions or ideas for where SIASC can find a place to meet.

Meeting closed @ 8:23pm