

KANSAS AREA 25 WRAP SHEET

FALL 2022 EDITION

The Wrap Sheet is a brief synopsis of Area 25 Assembly/Committee Meetings. Please share this information in your District/Group Business Meetings. The Wrap Sheet is a source for the membership to see the Area service structure working to carry the message.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS Salina, KS | October 22nd, 2022

8:00 am – KAAAAI Board Meeting

9:00 am – Committee Meetings

10:15 am – Discussion on future structure of KAAAAI Board

A discussion was had on the current duties and purpose of the KAAAAI board. It was suggested that the assembly review updates to the KAAAAI board in January, mainly to decide if the KAAAAI board would better serve the assembly if additional members were added that represent different areas of the state.

Suggested changes to KAAAAI bi-laws will be sent out in Mid-November for groups and districts to review.

1:00 pm – Discussion on website, Will H. and Josh R.

Will H., webchair A25 presented a solution in addressing previous Area discussions to update the website to meet current and future needs and subsequent bids the Ad Hoc committee had looked into to do so. Due to his experience [strength & hope :)] was able to provide a no-cost update that can be viewed here, the website proposal he created can be viewed at <https://datahommer.org>

His aim is to address current issues including passing on his guidance to the next chair to support after he rotates out. Easier functionality. ...cleaner interface for users and viewers. Please email with questions to Will H. for more information. contact webchair@ks-aa.org.

2:15 pm – Business Meeting

REPORTS:

Secretary / Cindy D. Minutes read and approved.

Treasurer / Scott O. & Josh R. New treasurer Scott O., report by Josh R. ...Area 25 financials provided for last three months current is report from up to September 30th... cost for CPA firm, \$300 a quarter. One time setup fee for \$500. Well below the granted money to find a service by Assembly. The Area Conference and Assembly will be separated out, and prudent reserve separated out of working / regular balance. Budget Committee has looked at it and has proposals for 2023 listed.

Delegate / Darin H. ...doesn't have a lot to report, kudos for SWRAASA, all speakers did great. If you haven't been to one, you should go! Met with committees [GSO] but doesn't

have background material yet. He is going to post all background material on new website so no one can say that they haven't seen it. Going to illicit help from Alt Delegate Bridget after January Assembly. Has done 12 reports, have 2 left at present, if you need a report, please contact! GSO printed Conference Report should have been out this month, but not yet. Will give out in January. Darin has sent out digital copies of it to everyone who requested it via email.

Alt Delegate / Bridget B. ...since July, finalized speakers for SWRAASA, we all did well. Attendance 750, 2024 SWRAASA will be in Dallas, Texas. Just discovered she is responsible for the audit committee. ?? In 2020 Amarillo lost 7000 because they needed to cancel hosting. Region is giving Amarillo a chance to put together another proposal to host, therefore pushing off regular rotation if voted on.

Alt Chair / Heather G. ...The next Area Assembly will be January 27–29th 2023, so later this year than usual as this is what was available at the Webster Convention Center. Room block for current hotel Comfort Inn & Suites 1949 N. 9th Street, Salina, KS. they will have a cut off for reserving of December 31st, increased room block number as we ran out in the past, plus rate will be raised to \$99. There are other hotels in the area. You are always free to stay at another location, but to make sure you get the room block rate, you need to reserve before the 31st. You may call the hotel directly at 785-502-8007 and mention you are with Area 25., group number EQ40N2, Area will mail out email with links. Enjoyed SWRAASA, recommends everyone go! So great to be around so many service geeks!

State Conference Chair / Galen + Dee Y. ... past, success! Had a great time. will have a financial balance sheet by January, but thinks it was close to being self-supporting. Dee Y. 2023 September 15–17, great bend event

center in Great Bend. The Committee met and read Guidelines. Hopefully will have registration live on website by January as well. There are three choices for hotels, not just 1. Will be econo, mid and higher cost. Will get that info out as soon as possible. Lisa R. is co-chair as other stepped down. Looking forward to it.

Accessibilities / Ignacio H. ...No report.

Alanon Liaison / Open position, Josh has kept in contact with Alanon in the interim to keep communication open. Any help in finding a replacement would be great!

Chronicler / Marty T. ...great discussion about needing to update histories, talked to secretary and web chair about old documents, DCMs also have a wealth of information that can be included, flyers etc. Group history form in fillable online. Want histories and updates of spanish-speaking groups, wants to contact DCMs to find out groups active. Need input. Don't know where we are going if we don't know where we have been. With enough notice, is willing to travel to your district meeting or function.

Corrections [CFC] / Sallie T. ...Inquiries out to Correctional Facilities, 5, 7, and 10, appears more facilities opening up. District 5 and 13 both reported Saline Co, and Reno Co. were still closed. Hutchinson State facility is allowing meetings however we are in need of volunteers to carry the message. District 7 Bern, KS has opened for meetings with volunteers. We have sent literature. District 6, Washington Co. taking meetings into an adult work release facility. District 19 is taking meetings to 8 facilities, with 2 more getting ready to open back up. Lansing Correctional Facilities is having an annual training October 22, 2022. This is a pre-cursor to re-badging to go into the facility. Darin S. has reported that they are working to get into the Larned facility again. Yellow Can in good standing,

have all books ordered, let's get books out there.

Cooperation with Professionals Committee [CPC] / Cheryl H. ...keep connected to Professionals so they know where to send ppl. Social Workers to ppl in hospitals that need help, if you ever wonder where to take meeting cards and information, go to local hospital, ask to speak with director of social work. Stay in contact. Had a member in attendance that was sent to AA thru SW, also Attorneys, they need to understand our tradition of anonymity. There are pamphlets thru AA that can be taken to different professional entities. Get it to them, that's our job. Let her know what you need.

Grape Free Press / Gena W. ...We have 3 ways to receive the GFP! 1. subscribe thru the A25 website ks-aa.org/contact/join-list 2 download or view current issue as PDF online at ks-aa.org, and 3. for those groups that do not have digital access, Area 25 will print and mail them to DCMs who request them. Going to send multiple emails next time requesting content to the DCMs received, 2 snippets. Had a blast at SWRAASA, invited to participate in the workshop "Area Newsletters" 4 were represented with smaller distribution, others large and with full spanish translation. Our content is on par with others, but think translating to spanish would be great. Other Areas have volunteers. Know anyone willing to translate the GFP?

Grapevine / Tama C. Lenexa Group is trying to get a grapevine meeting set up. They give subscriptions to the grapevine on 1yr birthdays. Overland P/4 Reasons Group raffle off GV subscriptions at group anniversary. Lots of ways to give out subscriptions were discussed.

Literature / Ken S. ...concensus in the group of primary purpose, we are all alcoholics, spoke with committee on how

to reduce money spent on "specialized pamphlets" going to submit to GSO. The recommendation was made to add three pamphlets to the display, P.11 The AA Member – Medications and Other Drugs, P-2 Frequently asked Questions About AA, P-17 AA Traditions – How It Developed and one DVD DV-10 Young Peoples ideas which would be available to groups. Service Manuals will be available for purchase in January.

Public Information [PI] / Rich S. ...Jimmy J. PI/CPC does overlap a lot, talked about finding traditions on how to communicate with communities, especially anonymity for smaller communities, invite outside ppl. Lack of commitment of ppl/members doing the work. 2001 back then asked to make 6 year commitment. 3 words to use, "we need you" to solicit participation.

Treatment / Jerry W. ...Talked mainly about bridging the gap, occurred to him outside of the group we may not know what to do. Need to make sure we are there for the newcomer. Getting info for ppl so that they can get to a meeting. Some districts have a lot of centers, some less. Some are opening up to take meetings into. Some want to, some don't want to be involved. Important for all of us to welcome that newcomer!

Web / Will H. ...good discussion, from punch list now have DCM email for all the DCMs. Discussion of adding a form to email districts at a whole, or separately, also past delegates, etc. will start adding assemblies on the event calendar! ...also adding Area 25 email branding at bottom to provide contact. \$108 spent to support and host website. Mail Chimp updated to allow more emails, bumped up to 34 dollars a month, currently coming out of web chair budget. Please go back to groups to make sure group meetings are correct! Don't want any dark meetings! Make sure it is up-to-date!

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

AD HOC COMMITTEE on SWRAASA hosting in 2028 Bridget B., Alt Delegate / Regarding saving for our hosting of the 2028 SWRAASA, regarding seed money, A25 will get 2500 from Region but will give it back. We could make registration cost more, potentially \$20 = 12000 for potential 600 attendees. As mentioned earlier, hosting in 2020 by Amarillo are being given a chance to create a new proposal to the Region to not have to wait another 22 years. If granted, our rotation might change however, IF WE GET IT in 2028 we could set aside 2400 dollars each year until then, in a CD or some other separate entity, then recommends we save every year \$500 a year for the next hosting in 22 years. Will be under new business in January.

KAAAAI Board Report Discussion / Josh R.. Chair regarding earlier discussion of by laws: looked at and brought up on screen. Recommended change to designated location as approved by Area Assembly (take out Wichita since rotating to another city). Area Conference Meetings recommended changed

to be able to have a designated online video conferences instead of just in person. These are proposed by law changes.

Also stated that Alt Treasurer is vacant, will have nominations for Alternate Treasurer in January please put the word out for those who would be available & willing!

Need to do cleanup on K4AAAAI guidelines, going to form an ad hoc committee to address.

UPCOMING DATES:

- January 28th–29th, 2023: Area Assembly, Salina
- April 15th, 2023: Area Committee Meetings, Salina.
- July 22nd–23rd, 2023: Area Assembly, Salina.
- September 15–17, 2023, Area Conference, Great Bend
- October 21st, 2023: Area Committee Meetings, Salina.