

East Texas Al-Anon/Alateen Assembly (ETAAA)

Area World Service Committee (AWSC)

August 7, 2021

Chairperson: Paula H. opened the meeting at 10:05 am with the Serenity Prayer.

Welcome and Introductions: Paula H. opened the meeting and thanked District 6 for hosting.

Reading of the Traditions and Concepts of Service and General Warranties of the Conference: Delores W. read the Twelve Traditions, pp. 15-16 in the *2018-2021 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (Vol.2). Kay C. read the Twelve Concepts of Service and General Warranties, pp. 17-18 in the *2018-2021 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (Vol.2).

Delegate Report: Texas East Past Delegates will be sharing their experience Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 11 am-3 pm in Missouri City. The World Service Office (WSO) has a new Director of Programs, Sarah. The rest of the report was after lunch so Mattie T. could attend a mandatory Delegate meeting. The theme of the 2022 World Service Conference (WSC) is “Enhancing Our Recovery Through Abundance, Unity and Understanding”. The revised WSO budget has a deficit lower than expected due to sales and contributions. If every group could contribute \$263 to WSO it would help get WSO out of deficit.

Secretary: Jennifer S. called the roll, and 19 out of 28 voting members were present. For voting procedures, it was determined that 13 was 2/3 and 10 was a majority. Those absent were Spanish Coordinator, Districts 1, 2, 4, 5,7, and 13, Beaumont AIS Liaison and Houston Hispanic AIS Liaison.

Treasurer: Myrthala C. reported our CD balance is 20,090.01 and our checking account balance is \$41,889.70. She explained that a correction needed to be made to the 2021 Financial Report. An approved item from the November Assembly had not been added to the report. A correction was made by adding line-item Web-Based Conferencing. She also corrected the line-item of Delegate’s Incidental Expenses to WSC of \$290.39.

Approval of Consent Agenda: The Treasurer Report and Literature/Forum Report were pulled from the Consent Agenda before it was approved.

Upcoming Assemblies:

1. Fall Assembly 2021- Lynn S. (District 12/District 13 Support) reported that the theme for the Assembly is “Removing Our Masks” – District 12 is hosting the assembly November 12-13, 2021 in San Marcos. The assembly will be Friday and Saturday only due to a conflict at the hotel.
2. Spring Assembly 2022 – Ginny M. (District 2/District 1 Support) - District 2 will be hosting the assembly May 13-15 in Corpus Christi. It will be held at the Holiday Inn Downtown Marina.

3. Fall Assembly 2022 – District 4 is the host for the Fall 2022 Assembly with District 3 Support. It will be held in Lake Jackson at a convention center.

Discussion Items:

1. Alateen Reinstatement - Paula H. read her report on the process of getting Alateen reinstated in Texas East.

Lunch Break from 12:05-1:10

2. Assembly Guidelines – Susan J. presented a power point showing changes made to guidelines by the committee consisting of herself, Allyn D. and Martha R. There were both major and minor revisions as well as some suggestions. Discussion was had and it was decided that a few revisions were needed. The revisions are to be made and sent out before the November 2021 AWSC meeting.
3. Electronic Meetings Work Group – Peggy T. reported that the Electronic Meetings Work Group is presenting a report to the GRs at the Fall 2021 Assembly so that they can determine if Electronic Meetings will be accepted into the Texas East Area.
4. DR/GR Sessions Fall 2021 Assembly – Paula H. announce that the sessions will be held Saturday am instead of Friday pm.
5. Area Meeting List Publishing Policy Task Force – Anna A. reported that a survey was sent to the 12 DRs and 9 of 12 responded. From this it was determined the need to establish a committee to write a meeting list policy for Texas East, which will be sent to WSO for approval.
6. KBDM Spanish Translation Thought Force – Myrthala C. reported. After discussion, it was suggested that DRs talk to Spanish groups. A determination that input from the Spanish groups on what to translate is needed.
7. Area Inventory – Paula H. talked about completing an Area Inventory. She would like to have about 10 questions with a section for anonymous comments and have the results presented at the January 2022 AWSC meeting. Paula H. will send examples to the AWSC and ask for volunteers.
8. Unifying Large/Rural Areas Workshop – Kay C. gave background information on this workshop and asked if we want to have this workshop. It was suggested to wait and decide on this at the January 2022 AWSC meeting.
9. Literature Report – The electronic Welcome Newcomer (EK-10) is now available where you buy ebooks.

Meeting adjourned at 4:11 pm with the Al-Anon/Alateen Declaration in English and Spanish.

Jennifer S.

Area Secretary