

Inventory Assembly 1-25-2020

Inventory Questions

Group #2

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-Opened with serenity prayer

1. What is the purpose of Area? Are we fulfilling that purpose?

A.

- Carry the message of AA and service between groups and gso
- serve as link
- leadership responsible for health of the conference structure

B. yes

2. How effective is area 17 in its role as the conduit of information from our groups to the general service conference?

- -We are only as effective as our GSRs
- we are each a small part of the whole
- -GSR is only as effective as the group
- -(Participation) we do our job to the best of our ability we are elected as GSR to be the voice of our group and carry the message between assemblies and groups

3. Is Area 17 informing the DCM and GSR members with useable and accurate information to share and inform their groups?

- GSR have to pick what information is important to take back to the group's the information is getting to us

4. How effective is the area at making general service inclusive to home group members?

- The groups are only as informed as the GSR's a lot of groups aren't represented at area

5. Has the Area utilized the 12 traditions in its service structure and the way it conducts business at committee meetings and assemblies?

- We have ultimate authority shown by praying
- carrying the message is always our primary purpose
- area alternate chair staying in solution with lack of chairs today
- this panel is very tradition oriented
- each voice given opportunity
- area represents tradition at convention
- upside down triangle is in effect
- spirit of rotation for who host assemblies
- area doesn't have outside endorsements

- can we do a better job allowing people to see we aren't just political?
- squash misnomers also engage groups who do not have representative and general service

6. Do our groups understand how our area uses their 7th tradition contribution, and does our members understand area's priority of spending?

- 13 yes 2 no,
- Area priority of spending
 - a. delegate expenses for GSO conference
 - b. assembly
 - c. committee meetings
- some groups do not understand or might not recollect

7. Do contributions to area provide good services to the groups and district?

- What are the services?
- some groups don't understand the splits some GSR as don't know what their specific split percentages are
- personal responsibility to inform members
- some groups give more to area and district because we are remote so it cost more to travel
- workshops put on is a part of spending by area better inform the group members
- conventions are not a but able to maintain AA

8. Is the budget process and the work of the finance committee helping the area and informing our members adequately?

- Keep priority of spending
- someone from finance committee will represent to any district or group in advance
- committee is made up of area treasure, alternate area chair and DCM's

9. How well are our standing committee's fulfilling their purpose, can committees be more effective? How?

- -CEC doing great job reaching elderly alcoholics
- -need to have good communication since we're all different islands
- -creative ways to get into care homes difficult to find ways to reach them without being disrespectful
- -have standing committee positions serve as representatives on districts to bridge the gap

10. Was area effective in using the inventory of the last panel to improve the effectiveness of the present panel?

- -New GSR/DCM who haven't been in the specific panel yet meet with Kunane for recap is one thing we got from previous inventory
- -everyone can know websites or ask
- -being in general service is not a passive position Linda (past delegate)

11. Has the voting process at area helped us in the ability to trust god and our group conscience? Do we report back with humility or with our shaded opinion?

- One person could voice their opinion in opposition
- people have an opinion but don't always voice it because they get group think (secret ballot versus open ballot)
- follow Robert's rules of order

12. Do we have any additional suggestions or feedback to improve area in 2020?

- Communication
- personal responsibility
- enthusiasm