



# Delegate's Report

Joanne Collins  
Oregon Delegate  
Panel 62



Panel 62 -  
It started with a shoe.”



Why are you here?

# WHY ARE YOU HERE?

- Be a trusted servant?
- Tradition Five?
- Give back?
- Care at the depth of your core?
- Sustain the future?
- Fellowship?

# 2022 CONFERENCE SUMMARY

The *2022 Conference Summary*, is now available online at

<https://al-anon.org/pdf/P46-2022-web.pdf>

Go to **AI-Anon.org**

Then go under the **Members** section

# NEW DAILY READER

*A Little Time to Myself – A Collection of Al-Anon personal Experiences*

Will be available at next years' International Convention.

# WSO TOURS

- Tours will need to be scheduled on our online booking platform at [al-anon.org/tours](http://al-anon.org/tours) at least 24 hours prior to your desired tour time
- Tours are available:
  - Tuesday morning and afternoon
  - Wednesday morning and afternoon
  - Thursday morning and afternoon
  - Friday morning only
- In an effort to increase Staff satisfaction, productivity, and comfort the dress code has been changed from business casual to casual. Staff will be wearing comfortable clothing which includes jeans





### World Service Conference Structure Graphic



Members in a group elect a **Group Representative (GR)**.



The **GR** is the liaison between the group and the District and the group and the Area Assembly.



The **GRs** in a District elect a **District Representative (DR)**.



The **DR** represents the District's groups at Area World Service Committee (AWSC) meetings.



The **AWSC** consists of Assembly Officers, which includes the Chairperson, Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Treasurer, and Secretary; **DRs**; Coordinators (such as Alzarea Coordinator and Literacy Coordinator); and Liaison members (such as Al-Azra Informatics Service Liaison).



The **GR** attends the Area Assembly to elect the **Area Delegate**, hear reports, and participate in Area service projects.



The **Area Delegate** attends the annual World Service Conference (WSC) and is the link between the groups and the WSC and the groups and the World Service Office (WSO).



**World Service Conference**

The composition of the WSC includes the **Area Delegates**, Volunteer members of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee, and voting members of the WSO administrative Staff.

**Ultimate Authority**

**Delegated Responsibility**

Question: What was the name of the horse that Lois rode as a child?

## Lois Remembers



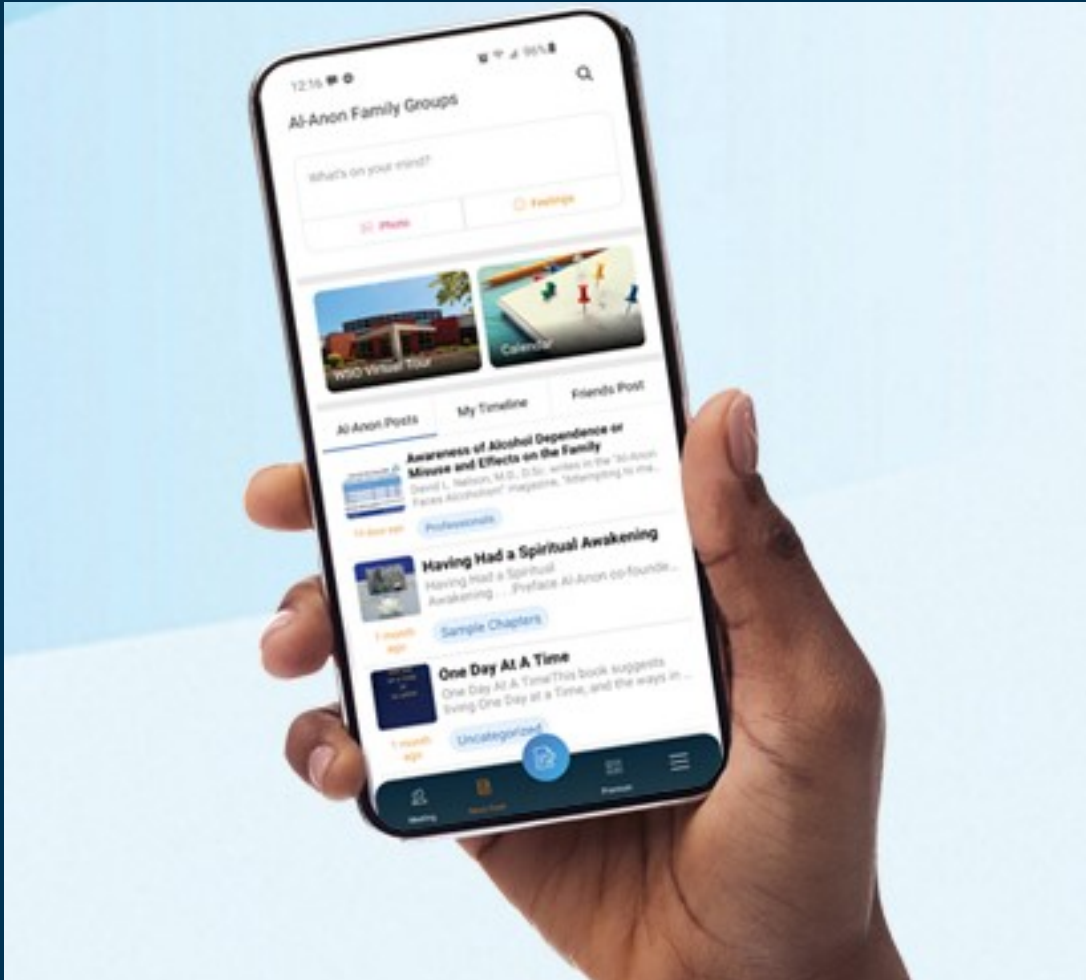
Memoirs of the co-founder  
of Al-Anon and wife of the co-founder  
of Alcoholics Anonymous



Jerry



# AL-ANON APP



- 2 years
- 117,870 members
- Approximately 1,000 members a week
- 37 Al-Anon Family Groups holding 101 meetings each week
- 6 Alateen Groups holding weekly meetings

# World Service Conference 2023

2023 Conference will be held in Virginia Beach, Virginia  
Conference members are scheduled to arrive Wednesday,  
April 19 and depart Monday, April 24.

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# COB LETTER

COB Letter, Finance Update, Conference  
Leadership Team Update, Policy Committee  
Update

# STRATEGIC PLAN

The following Strategies will be reduced in scope:

- CAL Globally in All Languages
- Updated and Translated Guidelines
- Alateen Electronic Meetings
- Animations/Cartoons via Social Media

The following Strategies will be postponed:

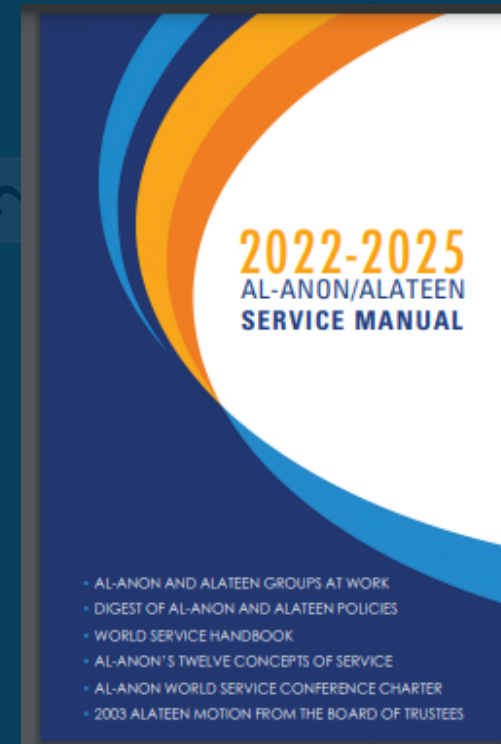
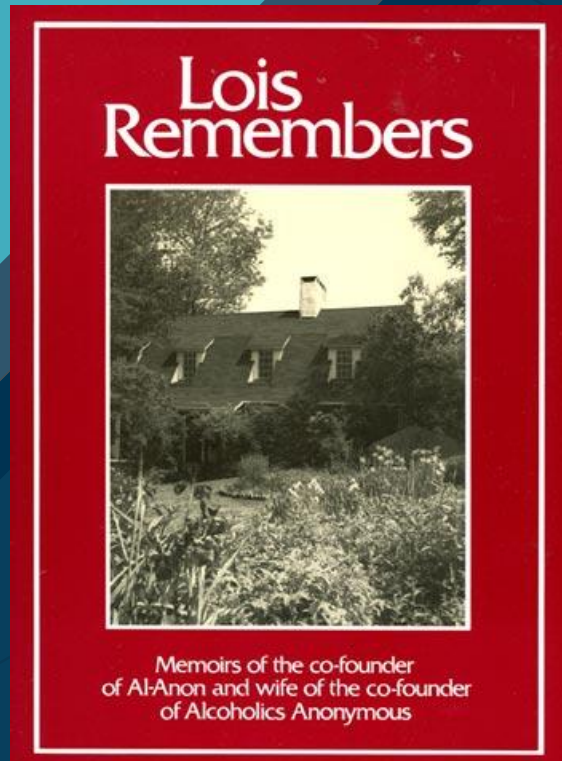
- Electronic Payments from Al-Anon Family Groups
- Member Guidance Regarding Bequests
- Phase 2 of the Online Store Upgrade

# WSO CURRENT SPECIAL PROJECTS

- New Daily Reader (including translation)
- Translation of the Service Manual
- Electronic Meeting Transformation
- 2023 International Convention
- 2022 Road Trip!
- IAGSM in London
- First Longitudinal Study
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# Question: Why don't we use our last name in Al-Anon?



Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual 2018-2021 Page  
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Page 100 in the New Service Manual

And in *Lois Remembers* page 194 it says “Let us not  
mistake anonymity for secrecy”.

# FINANCE UPDATE 06/30/2022



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# Year to Date (YTD) June 2022

|                                | YTD Actuals        | YTD Budget         | Total Budget       | Revised Budget     |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>                 |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Literature Sales— net          | \$1,025,141        | \$1,005,215        | \$2,057,461        | \$2,156,210        |
| Contributions                  | \$1,324,217        | \$1,390,939        | \$2,850,000        | \$2,917,980        |
| Other Income                   | \$192,996          | \$276,300          | \$552,600          | \$546,600          |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>           | <b>\$2,542,354</b> | <b>\$2,672,454</b> | <b>\$5,460,061</b> | <b>5,620,790</b>   |
|                                |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>          | <b>\$2,897,203</b> | <b>\$2,906,588</b> | <b>\$5,813,175</b> | <b>\$5,953,520</b> |
|                                |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>Net Increase/(Decrease)</b> | <b>(\$354,849)</b> | <b>(\$234,134)</b> | <b>(\$353,114)</b> | <b>(\$332,730)</b> |

## Investments -

The ample reserve is contained mostly in the Reserve Fund. Market conditions were unfavorable in June. The Reserve Fund had a YTD loss of \$1,785,741.

# CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP TEAM (CLT)

- Responsible for preparing the WSC agenda
- Started planning for 2023 WSC days after the 2022 WSC ended
- 2023 WSC theme will be announced the end of this this year

# POLICY COMMITTEE

- Interpret the Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts
- Help clarify how a Tradition or Concept might apply to a new or confusing situation
- Makes changes to Policy Digest in Service manual
- Meets quarterly
- Do we (the WSO) have a responsibility to respond when incorrect information is posted in a public forum...and the Al-Anon name is used, but we haven't been directly tagged? Warranty Four, Tradition Ten, our core purpose, continuing to produce a consistent message & the importance of public outreach to our fellowship were considered.

Why are you here?



|    |  |  | Jan - Sep 22        | Budget              | \$ Over Budget               |
|----|--|--|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| 1  | <b>Income</b>                          |  |                     |                     | <i>parenthesis=under bud</i> |
| 2  | <b>Revenue</b>                         |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 3  |  | Group Contributions                          | \$ 12,234.43        | \$ 15,000.00        | \$ (2,765.57)                |
| 4  |  | Assembly Registrations                       | \$ -                | \$ 1,000.00         | \$ (1,000.00)                |
| 5  |  | Miscellaneous                                | \$ 350.00           | \$ -                | \$ 350.00                    |
| 6  |  | Cash Carried Forward                         | \$ 30,531.81        | \$ 30,000.00        | \$ 531.81                    |
| 7  |  | <b>Total Revenue</b>                         | <b>\$ 43,116.24</b> | <b>\$ 46,000.00</b> | <b>\$ (2,883.76)</b>         |
| 8  | <b>Total Income</b>                    |  | <b>\$ 43,116.24</b> | <b>\$ 46,000.00</b> | <b>\$ (2,883.76)</b>         |
| 9  | <b>Expense</b>                         |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 10 | <b>Delegate Fund</b>                   |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 11 |  | WSO ETF                                      | \$ 3,053.12         | \$ 3,053.12         | \$ -                         |
| 12 |  | Extra Day                                    | \$ 200.00           | \$ 200.00           | \$ -                         |
| 13 |  | Delegate Meeting                             | \$ 650.00           | \$ 650.00           | \$ -                         |
| 14 |  | Delegate Travel                              | \$ 429.99           | \$ 1,000.00         | \$ (570.01)                  |
| 15 |  | Delegate Miscellaneous                       | \$ -                | \$ 500.00           | \$ (500.00)                  |
| 16 |  | <b>Total Delegate Fund</b>                   | <b>\$ 4,333.11</b>  | <b>\$ 5,403.12</b>  | <b>\$ (1,070.01)</b>         |
| 17 | <b>Working Fund Expense</b>            |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 18 |  | Archive Rent                                 | \$ 780.00           | \$ 800.00           | \$ (20.00)                   |
| 19 |  | Area Travel Fund                             | \$ 278.24           | \$ 1,670.00         | \$ (1,391.76)                |
| 20 |  | Communicator                                 | \$ -                | \$ 50.00            | \$ (50.00)                   |
| 21 |  | SSM Advance                                  | \$ -                | \$ 1,500.00         | \$ (1,500.00)                |
| 22 |  | Assembly/AWSC Rent                           | \$ 564.16           | \$ 4,475.00         | \$ (3,910.84)                |
| 23 |  | Insurance                                    | \$ 1,985.00         | \$ 2,050.00         | \$ (65.00)                   |
| 24 |  | <b>Total Working Fund Expense</b>            | <b>\$ 3,607.40</b>  | <b>\$ 10,545.00</b> | <b>\$ (6,937.60)</b>         |
| 25 | <b>Assembly Allowance/Meal/Lodging</b> |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 26 |  | Officers                                     | \$ -                | \$ 2,600.00         | \$ (2,600.00)                |
| 27 |  | Audit/Budget                                 | \$ -                | \$ 1,000.00         | \$ (1,000.00)                |
| 28 |  | Coordinators                                 | \$ 156.97           | \$ 3,250.00         | \$ (3,093.03)                |
| 29 |  | Past Delegates                               | \$ 175.03           | \$ 1,300.00         | \$ (1,124.97)                |
| 30 |  | <b>Total Assembly Allowance/Meal/Lodging</b> | <b>\$ 332.00</b>    | <b>\$ 8,150.00</b>  | <b>\$ (7,818.00)</b>         |
| 31 | <b>Officers Expenses</b>               |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 32 |  | Alternate Delegate                           | \$ -                | \$ 50.00            | \$ (50.00)                   |
| 33 |  | Chairperson                                  | \$ -                | \$ 50.00            | \$ (50.00)                   |
| 34 |  | Secretary                                    | \$ -                | \$ 50.00            | \$ (50.00)                   |
| 35 |  | Treasurer                                    | \$ -                | \$ 75.00            | \$ (75.00)                   |
| 36 |  | AAPP Expenses                                | \$ -                | \$ 150.00           | \$ (150.00)                  |
| 37 |  | <b>Total Officers Expenses</b>               | <b>\$ -</b>         | <b>\$ 375.00</b>    | <b>\$ (375.00)</b>           |
| 38 | <b>Assembly Expenses</b>               |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 39 |  | Assembly Workshops                           | \$ -                | \$ 300.00           | \$ (300.00)                  |
| 40 |  | Alateen Projects                             | \$ -                | \$ 150.00           | \$ (150.00)                  |
| 41 |  | Archive Projects                             | \$ -                | \$ 50.00            | \$ (50.00)                   |
| 42 |  | CPC Projects                                 | \$ -                | \$ 800.00           | \$ (800.00)                  |
| 43 |  | Forum Projects                               | \$ -                | \$ 300.00           | \$ (300.00)                  |
| 44 |  | Group Records Projects                       | \$ -                | \$ 25.00            | \$ (25.00)                   |
| 45 |  | Literature Projects                          | \$ -                | \$ 300.00           | \$ (300.00)                  |
| 46 |  | PI Projects                                  | \$ -                | \$ 2,000.00         | \$ (2,000.00)                |
| 47 |  | Technology Projects                          | \$ -                | \$ 1,300.00         | \$ (1,300.00)                |
| 48 |  | Website Projects                             | \$ -                | \$ 200.00           | \$ (200.00)                  |
| 49 |  | <b>Total Assembly Expenses</b>               | <b>\$ -</b>         | <b>\$ 5,425.00</b>  | <b>\$ (5,425.00)</b>         |
| 50 | <b>Coordinator Expenses</b>            |  |                     |                     |                              |
| 51 |  | Alateen Coordinator Expenses                 | \$ -                | \$ 500.00           | \$ (500.00)                  |

|    |   |   |                       |                      |
|----|---|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 52 | Archives  | \$ -  | \$ 100.00             | \$ (100.00)          |
| 53 | CPC Coordinator                                   | \$ -  | \$ 50.00              | \$ (50.00)           |
| 54 | Forum   | \$ -  | \$ 100.00             | \$ (100.00)          |
| 55 | Group Records                                     | \$ -  | \$ 25.00              | \$ (25.00)           |
| 56 | Literature  | \$ -  | \$ 100.00             | \$ (100.00)          |
| 57 | Public Information                                | \$ -  | \$ 50.00              | \$ (50.00)           |
| 58 | Technology Coordinator                            | \$ 630.20                                   | \$ 25.00              | \$ 605.20            |
| 59 | Website Coordinator                               | \$ 252.00                                   | \$ 250.00             | \$ 2.00              |
| 60 | <b>Total Coordinator Expenses</b>                 | <b>\$ 882.20</b>                            | <b>\$ 1,200.00</b>    | <b>\$ (317.80)</b>   |
| 61 | <b>Northwest Regional Delegate Meeting</b>        |   |                       |                      |
| 62 | Alternate Delegate                                | \$ 800.71                                   | \$ 800.71             | \$ -                 |
| 63 | Past Delegates                                    | \$ 2,306.66                                 | \$ 2,306.66           | \$ -                 |
| 64 | <b>Total Northwest Regional Delegate Meeting</b>  | <b>\$ 3,107.37</b>                          | <b>\$ 3,107.37</b>    | <b>\$ -</b>          |
| 65 | <b>Other Expenses</b>                             |   |                       |                      |
| 66 | Alateen Sponsor Workshop                          | \$ -  | \$ 600.00             | \$ (600.00)          |
| 67 | Audit Budget Extra Day + Exp                      | \$ 14.00                                    | \$ 100.00             | \$ (86.00)           |
| 68 | Contingency Fund                                  | \$ -  | \$ 238.82             | \$ (238.82)          |
| 69 | Equipment Supplies                                | \$ -  | \$ 100.00             | \$ (100.00)          |
| 70 | Handbook Update                                   | \$ 103.81                                   | \$ 103.81             | \$ -                 |
| 71 | Transition Fund                                   | \$ 92.95                                    | \$ 1,200.00           | \$ (1,107.05)        |
| 72 | WSO Donation                                      | \$ -  | \$ 400.00             | \$ (400.00)          |
| 73 | AMIAS Background check fee expenses               | \$ 128.50                                   |                       |                      |
| 74 | AMIAS Expense Reimbursement                       | \$ (128.50)                                 |                       |                      |
| 75 | <b>Total Other Expenses</b>                       | <b>\$ 210.76</b>                            | <b>\$ 2,742.63</b>    | <b>\$ (2,531.87)</b> |
| 76 | <b>Total Expense</b>                              |   | <b>\$ 36,948.12</b>   |                      |
| 77 | Cash Balance as of 9/30/2022                      | \$ 30,643.40                                | \$ 9,051.88           | \$ 21,591.52         |
| 78 | Ample Reserve                                     | \$ 8,000.00                                 | \$ 8,000.00           | \$ -                 |
| 79 | Available Cash                                    | \$ 22,643.40                                | \$ 1,051.88           | \$ 22,643.40         |
|    |   |   |                       |                      |
|    | <b>Remember to put all three items on checks:</b> | <b>Donations Payable to Oregon Area AFG</b> |                       |                      |
|    | District Number                                   | Send to:                                    | Barb Baumer           |                      |
|    | WSO Group Number                                  |   | 21745 SW Columbia Dr. |                      |
|    | Group Name  |   | Tualatin OR 97062     |                      |

| <b>Oregon Area Proposed Budget</b> |  |                      |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
|                                    | Category Description                               | 2023 Proposed Budget |
| <b>1</b>                           | <b>Revenue</b>                                     |                      |
| 2                                  | Group Contributions                                | 19,600.00            |
| 3                                  | Assembly Registrations                             | 1,200.00             |
| 4                                  | State Speaker Meeting                              | -                    |
| 5                                  | SSM Advance  | -                    |
| 6                                  | Cash Carried Forward                               | 30,000.00            |
| 7                                  | Total Revenue                                      | 50,800.00            |
| <b>8</b>                           | <b>Expenses</b>                                    |                      |
| <b>9</b>                           | <b>Delegate Fund</b>                               |                      |
| 10                                 | WSO ETF  | 2,687.10             |
| 11                                 | Extra Day  | 225.00               |
| 12                                 | Delegate Meeting (NWRDM)                           | 400.00               |
| 13                                 | Delegate Travel                                    | 1,000.00             |
| 14                                 | Delegate Miscellaneous                             | 500.00               |
| 15                                 | Sub-Total: Delegate Fund                           | 4,812.10             |
| <b>16</b>                          | <b>Working Fund expenses</b>                       |                      |
| 17                                 | Alateen Safety Requirements Legal Fees (Next-2024) | -                    |
| 18                                 | Archive Rent                                       | 800.00               |
| 19                                 | Area Travel Funds (ATF)                            | 2,000.00             |
| 20                                 | Communicator                                       | 50.00                |
| 21                                 | SSM Advance  | 1,500.00             |
| 22                                 | March Assembly Rent & Expenses                     | 2,190.00             |
| 23                                 | July Assembly Rent & Expenses                      | 2,190.00             |
| 24                                 | November Assembly Rent & Expenses                  | 2,190.00             |
| 25                                 | AWSC Rent [3 @ \$150 each] & Expenses              | 600.00               |
| 26                                 | Zoom   | 150.00               |
| 27                                 | Insurance  | 2,050.00             |
| 28                                 | Sub-Total: Working Fund Expenses                   | 13,720.00            |
| <b>29</b>                          | <b>Assembly/AWSC Allowance (Meal/Lodging)</b>      |                      |
| 30                                 | Officers   | 5,400.00             |
| 31                                 | Audit/Budget                                       | 2,700.00             |
| 32                                 | Coordinators                                       | 4,500.00             |
| 33                                 | Past Delegates                                     | 2,700.00             |
| 34                                 | Regional Trustee/Board Visit                       | -                    |
| 35                                 | Sub-Total: Assembly/AWSC Allowance (meals/Lodgin)  | 15,300.00            |
| <b>36</b>                          | <b>Officers Expenses</b>                           |                      |
| 37                                 | Alternate Delegate                                 | 50.00                |
| 38                                 | Chairperson  | 50.00                |
| 39                                 | Secretary  | 50.00                |
| 40                                 | Treasurer  | 75.00                |
| 41                                 | AAPP   | 50.00                |
| 42                                 | Sub-Total: Officers Expenses                       | 275.00               |


| <b>Oregon Area Proposed Budget</b> |  |                             |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
|                                    | <b>Category Description</b>                      | <b>2023 Proposed Budget</b> |
| 43                                 | <b>Assembly Expenses</b>                         |                             |
| 44                                 | Assembly Workshops                               | 300.00                      |
| 45                                 | Alateen Projects                                 | 150.00                      |
| 46                                 | Archive Projects                                 | 50.00                       |
| 47                                 | CPC Projects                                     | 600.00                      |
| 48                                 | Forum Projects                                   | 150.00                      |
| 49                                 | Group Records Projects                           | 25.00                       |
| 50                                 | Literatue Projects                               | 150.00                      |
| 51                                 | PI Projects                                      | 600.00                      |
| 52                                 | Technology Projects                              | 1,000.00                    |
| 53                                 | Webstie Projects                                 | 500.00                      |
| 54                                 | Sub-Total: Assemby Expenses                      | 3,525.00                    |
| 55                                 | <b>Coordinators Expenses</b>                     |                             |
| 56                                 | Alateen  | 1,000.00                    |
| 57                                 | Archives   | 50.00                       |
| 58                                 | CPC  | 25.00                       |
| 59                                 | Forum  | 25.00                       |
| 60                                 | Group Records                                    | 25.00                       |
| 61                                 | Literature                                       | 25.00                       |
| 62                                 | Public Information                               | 25.00                       |
| 63                                 | Technology                                       | 50.00                       |
| 64                                 | Website  | 260.00                      |
| 65                                 | Sub-Total: Coordinators Expenses                 | 1,485.00                    |
| 66                                 | <b>Northwest Regional Delegate Meeting</b>       |                             |
| 67                                 | Alternate Delegate                               | -                           |
| 68                                 | Past Delegates                                   | 1,200.00                    |
| 69                                 | Sub-Total: NWDRM                                 | 1,200.00                    |
| 70                                 | <b>Other</b>                                     |                             |
| 71                                 | Alateen Coordinator - Sponsor Workshop           | 600.00                      |
| 72                                 | Audit Budget Extra Days & Expenses               | 100.00                      |
| 73                                 | Contingency Fund                                 | 1,082.90                    |
| 74                                 | Equipment Supplies                               | 100.00                      |
| 75                                 | Handbook Update                                  | 100.00                      |
| 76                                 | Transition Fund                                  | 100.00                      |
| 77                                 | WSO Donation                                     | 400.00                      |
| 78                                 | Sub-Total: Other Expenses                        | 2,482.90                    |
| 79                                 | <b>Ample Reserves</b>                            | 8,000.00                    |
| 80                                 | <b>Total Expenses &amp; Reserve</b>              | <b>50,800.00</b>            |
| 81                                 | <b>Budget Balancing Ledger</b>                   |                             |
| 82                                 | Budgeted Income                                  | 50,800.00                   |
| 83                                 | Budgeted Expenses                                | 50,800.00                   |
| 84                                 | Net Gain (Shortfall) of Budgeted Income/Expenses | -                           |
| 85                                 | <b>Total of Budget Balancing Ledger</b>          |                             |



# GROUP RECORDS

Meredith D, AGRC

10-08-2022



# Agenda

KBDM

Definition

Purpose

How it works

Keep it Simple

GEA

Quiz

Comments/Questions





# KBDM

- What do you know?
- What don't you know?

# What many experience





# Purpose of Group Records

- The upkeep of accurate meeting information so that anyone, anywhere can always find a meeting
- WSO 2022-2025 manual pg 27



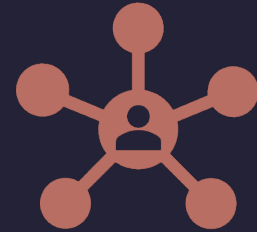
# AREA GROUP RECORDS



**Maintains group  
information**



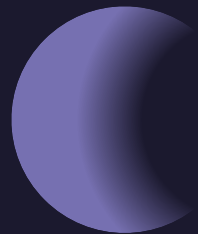
**Link to WSO and  
Area**



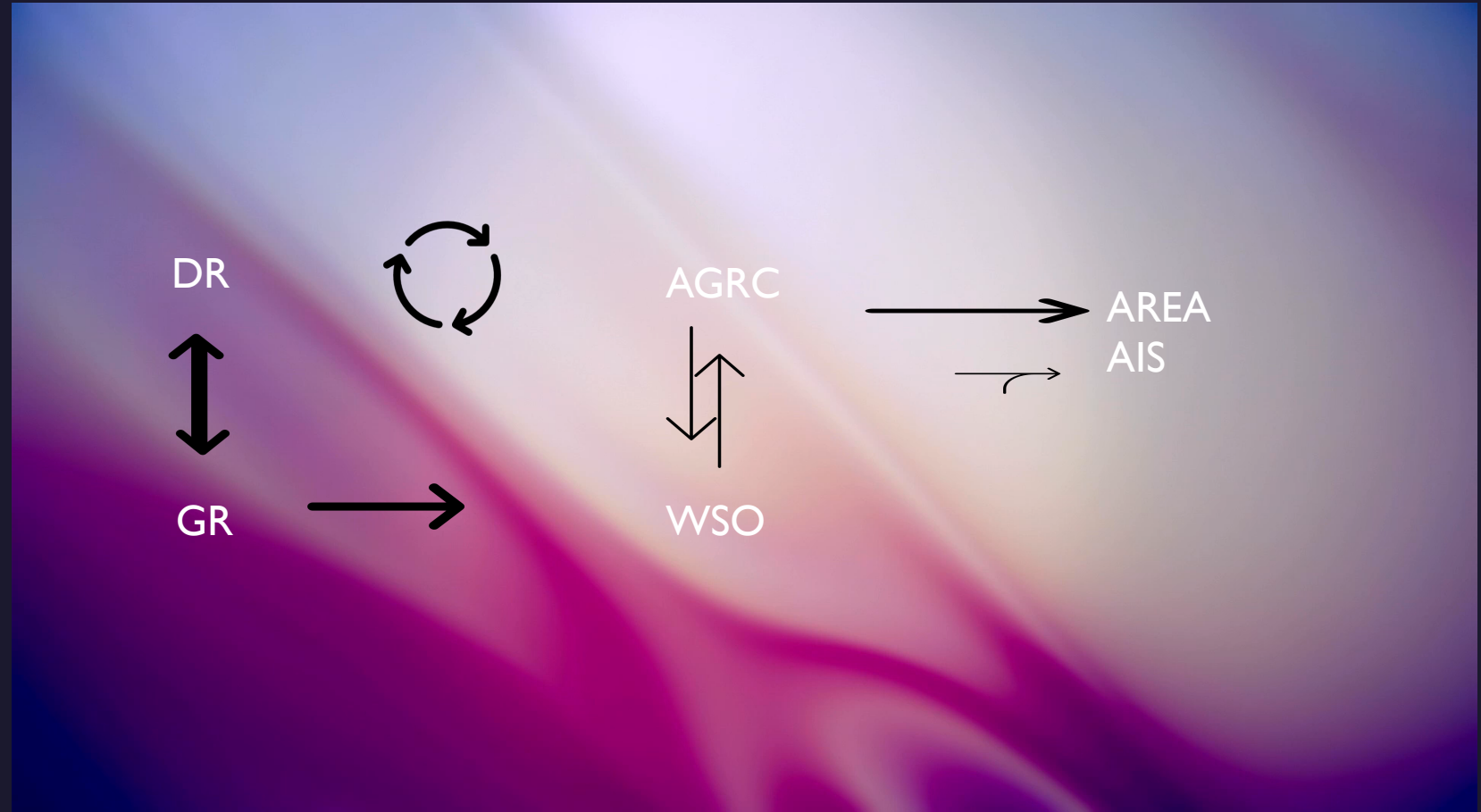
**Communication  
with GR/DR**

The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.

Walt Disney



# Flow Chart for Group Records



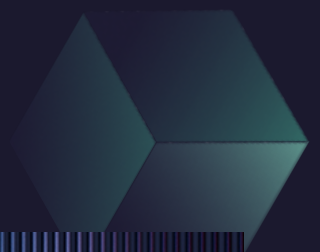
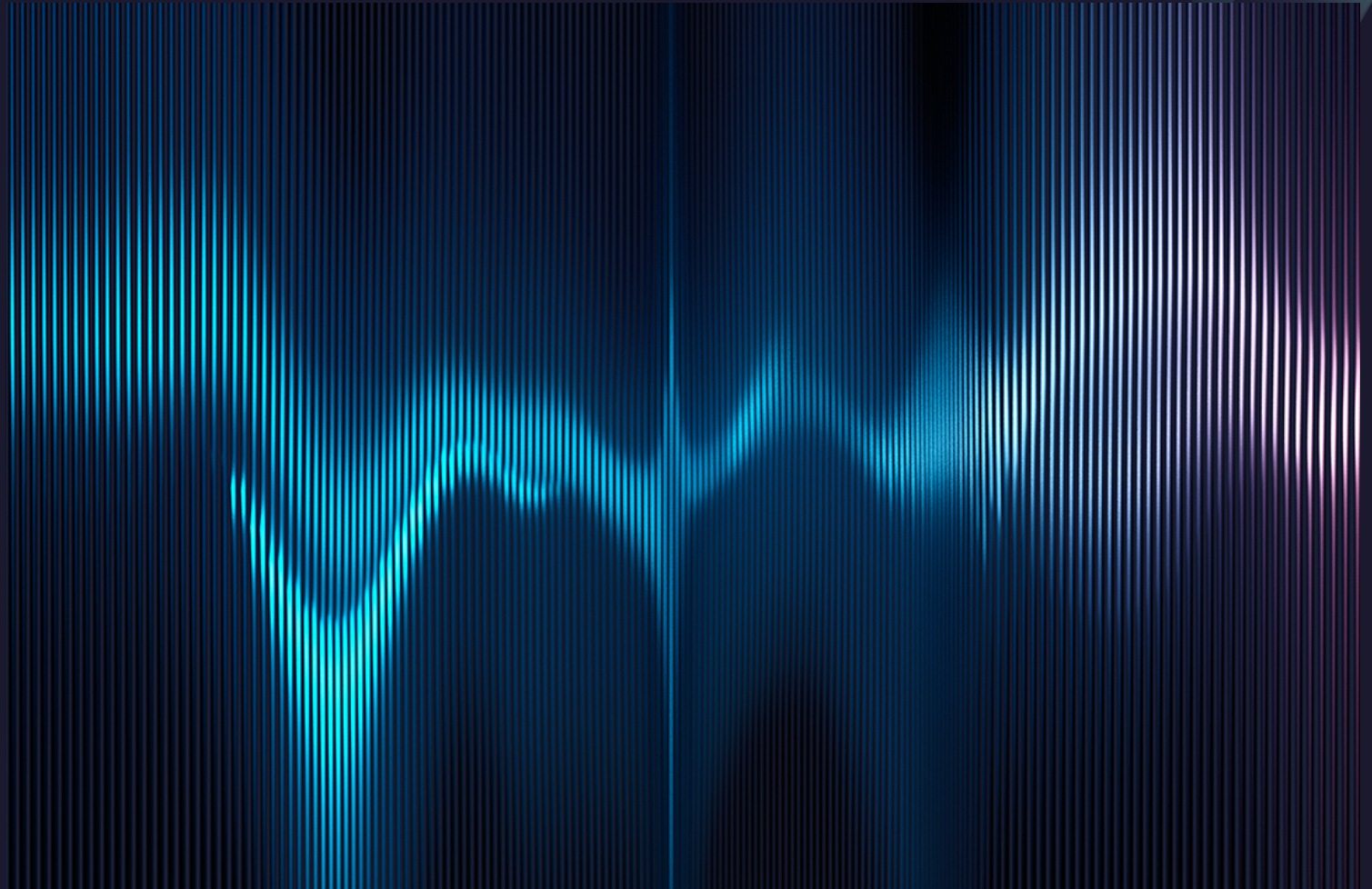
# When do you update your group records?

- **Annual Review requested by WSO**
- Whenever there is a change in the group
  - ❖ Changes include
    1. GR
    2. CMA
    3. Meeting location ( online, hybrid details)
    4. Time
    5. Suspending meeting



# How to update Your Group Records

- Forms needed
- Where to update –
- Online vs AGRC
- LET'S KEEP IT SIMPLE



# WSO NAUGHTY LIST



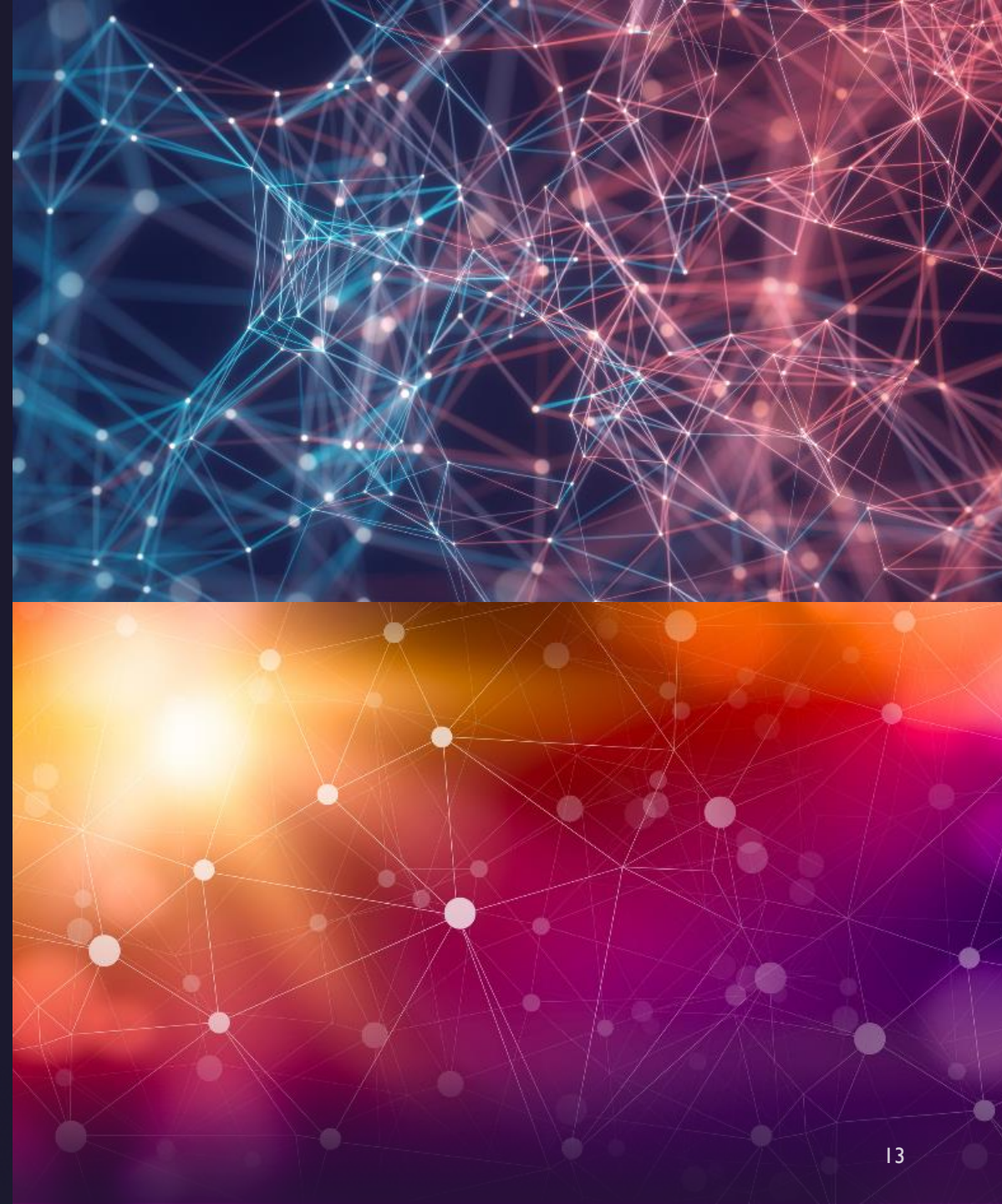
**GEA**

Joanne, Oregon Area Delegate



**QUESTIONS ???**

**COMMENTS**





# QUIZ

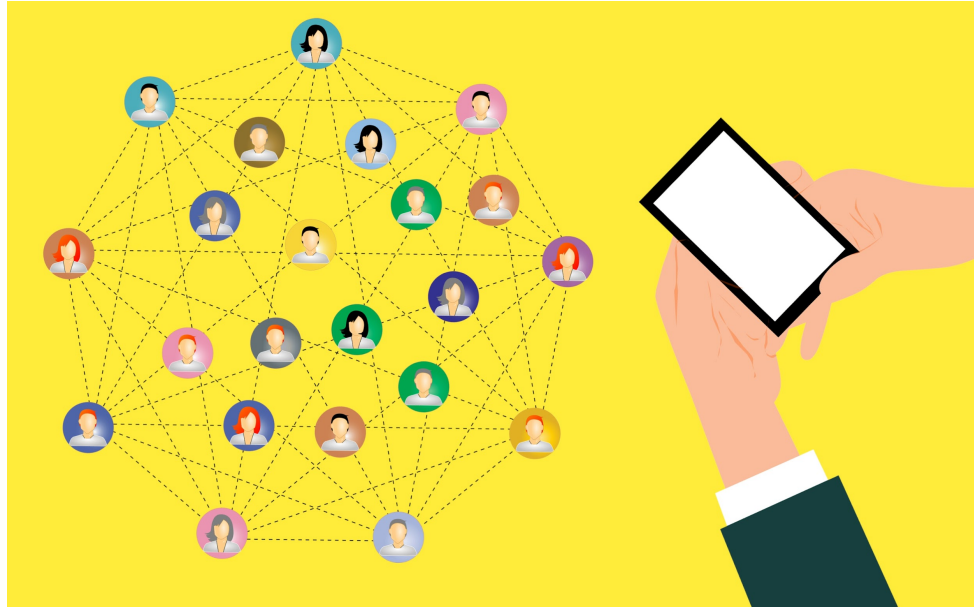
How Many New Meetings Started in 2022?



SOCIAL MEDIA

SHOULD WE???

At present we live in a digital society



Based on the membership survey- members of Al-Anon are often informed of, or directed to the program, at the recommendation of a Behavior Health Professional.

<https://al-anon.org/pdf/2021-MembershipSurvey.pdf>



Presently, outreach to professionals typically include members contacting Behavioral Health Professionals, some of which are not familiar with the Al-Anon Program, either by email, traditional mail, or in person. Types of information included are Fact Sheets For Professionals, Meeting Lists, Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism, or other Al-Anon related literature.

Is using social media a way to expand the reach to potential members?

If so, what platforms would provide the greatest reach to potential new members?



Is the Oregon Area AWSC interested in developing a thought force to further explore the ramifications of using social media as part of outreach to the professional community, specifically targeting Behavioral Health Professionals on LinkedIn? Is this a cost effective way to reach potential members who are affected by someone else's drinking?

The scope/intention of the committee would be to use the KBDM process in answering the above question. The thought force made up of 3-5 members, would then present their findings to the ASWC, to identify if progressing on to a task force is reasonable.



The Link to the Google spreadsheet with social media company statistics?

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RDK\\_VyX-Wqeno2AbhwN5s7YqFhfoWqRkkAmTLUATSH4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RDK_VyX-Wqeno2AbhwN5s7YqFhfoWqRkkAmTLUATSH4/edit?usp=sharing)

| COMMITTEES   | Date Start   | Charge   | Members   | Report Back   | Ended    |
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| Task Force:<br>TECHNOLOGY                          | 7/16/22  | To gather data to make an informed decision about whether or not the Area wants to have hybrid meetings    | Chair: Trish Bunny<br>Troy T. GR 17<br>Sarah M. GR 10<br>Amy S. GR 10 | ongoing       |          |
| Work Group:<br>WEB SITE                            | 3/2022<br>7/16/22  | To assist the website coordinator in keeping the OA website up to date and problem-solving website issues. | Chair: Trish Deanna Bunny<br>Stephen Sue B.                           | ongoing       |          |
| Thought Force:<br>Candidate questions and comments | 5/2022   | To discuss the content of candidate questions and member comments about candidates.                        | Chair: Dawn B.<br>Joan F. DR7<br>Katie Stephen                        | FEB AWSC 2023 |          |
| Work Group:<br>COMUNICATOR                         | 3/2022   | To determine the purpose, audience, content, and frequency of publishing of the <i>Communicator</i> .      | Chair: Nancy  |               | OCT 2022 |
| Handbook Committee                                 | 3/2022   | To assist the Alternate Delegate in reviewing and updating the OA Handbook.                                | Chair: Stephen<br>Judy J<br>Rita B<br>Lynda B. GR 4                   | Ongoing       |          |
| Flyer Committee                                    | Ongoing  | To review all flyers to ensure that they meet the OA flyer guidelines.                                     | Chair: Meredith<br>Barb B.<br>Cynthia G.<br>Meladee                   | As needed     |          |
| Audit Budget Committee                             | Ongoing  | Audit all OA budgets. Prepare budget yearly. Determine prudent financial reserve.                          | Chair: Linda S.<br>Bonnie W.<br>Sue M                                 | Nov. 2022     |          |
| Work Group:<br>EVENTS                              | Established as a result of inappropriate content at an Al-Anon Sponsored comedy event 6/2022 | Work through KBDM process regarding content at events that are held in the Oregon Area                     | Leadership team   | Suspended     | OCT 2022 |
| Work Group:<br>ROAD TRIP                           | 7/28/22  | Complete application for Road Trip to WSO by Sept.   | Chair: Joanne<br>Dawn B.  | Nov 2022      |          |
| Task Force:<br>VIRTUAL EVENT FOR GR'S              | 7/28/22  | Plan outside the assembly (Sept?) the who, what, and how's of hybrid meetings.                             | Chair: Stephen<br>Joanne<br>Meredith                                  | Nov 2022      |          |

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| Thought Force<br>SOCIAL<br>MEDIA  | 10/8/22 | Is the OA interested in developing a thought force to explore the ramifications of using social media as part of outreach to the professional community, specifically targeting Behavioral Health Professionals on Linked In? Is this a cost effective way to reach potential members who are affected by someone else's drinking? | Chair:<br>Maureen C.<br>Dawn K<br><br>Recruit at assembly    | Feb AWSC 2023               |            |
| Thought Force<br>Whether or not to admit electronic meetings into the Oregon Area | 10/8/22 | Explore the pros and cons of admitting electronic meetings into the OA. If the recommendation is to admit electronic meetings a task force will be established to explore the policies and procedures  | Chair:<br>Meredith<br>Joanne C.<br>Steven<br>Gayle<br>Bonnie | Feb AWSC 2023               |            |
| Thought Force<br>Pros & Cons of having a Spanish overlay district.                | -----   | -----<br>-Committee will come up with charge   | -----<br>_Chair:<br>Joan<br>Gayle<br>Meladee_____            | -----<br>-<br>Feb AWSC 2023 | -----<br>- |

## Summary of 9/20/2022 Town Hall About Electronic and Hybrid Groups

### Part 1: Introductions and Presentation

The Panel was introduced: Joanne, Delegate and Presenter; Meredith, Group Records Coordinator and Presenter; Stephen, Alternate Delegate and Moderator of the event. 74 members were in attendance.

The **Agenda** was explained: Polls were followed by a Presentation by Meredith and Joanne about the definitions of Group Types. This was followed by an open dialogue moderated by Stephen in which questions were taken one at a time from the audience (using the raise hand option) and both the panel and the audience were given an opportunity to respond.

Polls taken:

Poll 1: Are you attending a Physical Meeting with an Electronic Component (Hybrid)?

Yes - 28 (51%) / No - 27 (49%)

Poll 2: Are you attending a Permanent Electronic Meeting in the GEA?

Yes - 19 (33%) / No - 38 (66%)

Poll 3: Are you attending an In-Person Meeting?

Yes - 32 (50%) / No - 32 (50%)

Poll 4: Are you attending an Oregon Area Temporary Zoom Meeting?

Yes - 46 (72%) / No - 18 (28%)

Meredith defined the following Group Types:

TEMPORARY ELECTRONIC and ELECTRONIC

Joanne defined the following Group Types:

PHYSICAL and HYBRID, NOW CALLED **PHYSICAL WITH AN ELECTRONIC COMPONENT**

PHYSICAL

- What we are familiar with, face-to-face, you have a choice of listing your meeting on two websites. You list your group with the Group Records Coordinator. It is up to you to notify AIS of your meeting changes.

TEMPORARY ELECTRONIC

- These groups started during the pandemic when groups could not meet in person
- List with the Area Group Records Coordinator
- Leave as is for now
- Undetermined how long it will last before WSO makes you choose your type of meeting
- Use the current physical WSO ID#
- Use group email address for people to request link to meeting

ELECTRONIC

- Will or have joined the Global Electronic Area (GEA)
- These meetings do not meet physically ever, strictly electronic
- Only listed on WSO website
- May be connected to a geographic area in the future\
- Both the geographic Area and the Global Electronic Area have to agree to this transfer
- Will be an international meeting, people all over the world can find your meeting

## HYBRID, NOW CALLED **PHYSICAL WITH AN ELECTRONIC COMPONENT**

- Both physical & electronic parts of the group must meet on the same day and same time. The members also need to share & interact with each other
- Use current physical WSO ID #
- List with both WSO & the area
- Add “in-person & virtual are occurring simultaneously” to group description on websites
- Use group email address for people to request link to meeting

### **Part 2: Questions and Answers**

**Q:** Is there a possibility of the Oregon Area opening up to let Electronic Meetings (those choosing to be permanent electronic) remain part of/join the Area?

**Answer:** Meredith, Joanne and Stephen have been looking at this issue and what could be the next steps towards creating a system that would allow electronic meetings join the Area. It is likely that AWSC will start a Task Force on the subject of electronic meetings becoming part of the Area. Groups that have been temporarily meeting electronically in Oregon may want to continue to maintain their temporary electronic status until the Area has a decision to accept a written procedure for accepting and listing permanent electronic meetings in the Area.

**Q:** Is the WSO considering an option for groups to be “physical meetings with an electronic component” (formerly called Hybrid)? Do we as an Area then accept what WSO puts in place?

**Answer:** Yes, the WSO is using the term “physical with an electronic component” to describe a type of group. The WSO makes decisions about group guidelines and group records policy, and how groups are described. That is then passed to the Areas.

**Q:** My group is deciding to go entirely Zoom. Should we join the GEA or remain in the temporary electronic status until the Oregon Area completes its decision making about a procedure to accept permanent electronic meetings into the Area?

**Answer:** Yes, it is advisable to consider waiting to see what the Area does before deciding to join the Global Electronic Area. Keep in mind, this is a group conscience decision. If a group joins the Global Electronic Area now, they then have a GR with voice and vote only in the Global Electronic Area. Joining the GEA means joining an Area with 850 electronic meetings represented by one Delegate with GRs that attend GEA Assemblies.

**Q:** We have a hybrid meeting. We were concerned if the status of hybrid meetings is changing?

**Answer:** Hybrid groups, now called physical with electronic component, will continue to be an option for groups.

**Q:** If a group joins the GEA, can they come back to the Area as an electronic meeting once the Area decides to accept electronic meetings into the Area? And if that happens, does it mean that global members come into the Area?

**Answer:** Yes, electronic groups from the GEA would be given the option to join the Area based on the procedure we develop for electronic meetings being part of the Area. Yes, that means global members could be attending an Oregon Area electronic meeting.

**Q:** We have a group that meets in-person every other week and meet on-line every other week. Each meeting is at the same time and same day of the week.

**Answer:** Meredith will contact WSO to see if this can fall under the category of “physical with an electronic component”.

**Q:** Will the Traditions and Concepts be part of the decision making for how groups will be recognized in Oregon?

**Answer:** Yes

**Q:** Can we create a place on our website to list permanent electronic meetings in the GEA that were previously part of our Area?

**Answer:** At the present time, the answer is no.

**Q:** Is there an ideal set of equipment for Hybrid meetings?

**Answer:** Groups have various ways of setting up Hybrid based upon what is working for them. Some groups keep it simple and just use a laptop, some groups use a Facebook Portal device, and other groups may use equipment such as a stand alone microphone, a wide angle camera, a tv or a projector and speaker, and a laptop.

There will be a document created with various equipment options being used currently and sent to DRs/GRs.

**Q:** Does the GEA have a Zoom account for all the meetings in their Area?

**Answer:** No

**Q:** Has there been consideration for allowing each Area to have their own Electronic District?

**Answer:** The Oregon Area will be considering the possibility of having an Electronic District.

**Q:** There is a District with a group that meets concurrently but separately (a split meeting), one on-line meeting and one in-person meeting at the same time and same day.

**Response:** The 2022 World Service Conference Summary says: “The Staff Policy Implementation Round Table (SPIRiT) met recently to discuss this (type of) situation. We reflected on how this situation would be handled in the case of physical groups. Since the time of the pioneers, AI-Anon groups have never been registered with two physical locations. After a thoughtful conversation, SPIRiT agreed we needed to defer the matter to the Policy Committee for consideration.”

**Q:** Does Oregon Area have a time-line or end date for all these decisions to be made? It takes time to find unanimity.

**Answer:** There is no deadline.

Closing statements were made by Stephen, Meredith and Joanne.

Final Poll:

Was this Town Hall helpful?

70% said “Very Helpful”

20% said “Somewhat helpful”

Not Helpful and No Opinion : the %’s were not written down.