

Area World Service Committee (AWSC) Meeting

August 3rd, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Cindy, Terry, Elaine, Wendy, Maggie, Beth P, Nancy R and Scott M

Minutes:

Chair asked the Committee to review the attached minutes from the May meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Area World Service Committee minutes from the May 25,

2023 meeting were approved as presented.

Spring Assembly Feedback

Discussion and Action – Delegate reviewed feedback from Spring Assembly attendees as well as the responses that she

shared in Lifelines. Much of the feedback appeared to reflect misunderstanding of the purpose and cadence of the semiannual Assemblies. Solutions were proposed to clarify purpose for future Assemblies:

- More discussion on the RI Budget – we can include a brief update in future Spring Assemblies
- Healthier food options – we can reinstate “BYOB” on Assembly flyers
- Shorter Assembly – the 2023 Spring Assembly was already shortened by two hours and it was difficult to include

everything. Moving back to 9-3p was proposed.

Fall Assembly Planning

Discussion and Action – After a brief discussion, the committee agreed as follows:

- Fall Assembly date of November 4, 2023
- Beth announced that District 3 had chosen the location of Assembly at: Yana Club, 770 Aquidneck Avenue,

Newport, RI 02842 www.yananewport.com

- Cindy, Terry, Beth and Eden to create a Fall Assembly planning group
- The Committee voted for the WSO Delegates to conduct a Service Workshop at the 2023 RI Fall Assembly in

order to drive increased Assembly attendance and Area service.

o Terry will estimate the cost of covering their travel and its feasibility within the 2023 budget forecast.

o There was a proposal to conduct an annual appeal letter to include specifically requesting donations to

cover the visiting Delegates

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjured at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry L,

Treasurer estimate the cost of covering their travel and its feasibility within the 2023 budget forecast. o There was a proposal to conduct an annual appeal letter to include specifically requesting donations to cover the visiting Delegates Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjured at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Terry L, Treasurer