

March 15, 2025 Saturday 10am-12 noon MST Zoom Meeting AWSC

Janet Drake Area Interim Chair

Cheryl Sorenson Idaho State Delegate

Lori Malin Alt. Idaho State Delegate

Jeanne Hobson Area Treasurer

Marlene Farnsworth Area Secretary

Cindy Nestell Area Ala Teen Coordinator

Nicole Rumpel District 1 Rep.

Ann Wallace District 2 Rep.

Mary Heckel District 3 Alt. Rep.

Teresa Norton District 5

Jana Melhorn District 7

Beth Peshman Forum & Literature Coordinator

Ruth Blaha Group Records Coordinator

Janet read the Serenity prayer. Beth read the Concepts. Marlene made the motion to accept the minutes of our last AWSC meeting July 20, 2024, and the Emergency meeting January 12, 2025 to elect an interim Area Chairman (Janet Drake) and Area Secretary (Marlene.) Beth seconded the motion, all in favor.

Treasurers report by Jeanne. Nicole discussed operating expenses for Zoom. Area Zoom cancelled January 2025. Jeanne showed the spread sheet that she mailed to everyone previously. Beth made the motion to Accept the treasurers report, Nicole seconded, all approved. Audit review sent out by Jeanne. Dan reviewed and said it looked good. OWL money sent to WSO. (\$500)

Janet will travel to Pocatello Tuesday March 18 through Friday March 21 to figure out the banking situation, and go through Paula's papers for Area Chair. Janet will close the Wells Fargo account.

Nicole suggests we edit the Area Assembly Guidelines since we are not doing a spring in person Assembly. These will be affirmed by GR's at the Spring Assembly. Nicole will make the Registration flyer. Nicole read the technology report by Bret, which includes a 2025 website budget analysis. The calendar portion of our website has been improved by money allocated for hosting. Nicole will make a website/ technology bucket for various expenses. She suggested we clarify where money is reallocated under "Hosting." We are not amending the budget.

Ruth would like to make it possible for people to register for assemblies online.

Janet reminded us some items are not paid until 2026; she wants to clean up the line item budget, and maybe retitle it. We need a tech support description, No hybrid meetings this year. Spring Assembly will be on Zoom, Fall Assembly will be in person only.

Delegate Report: Cheryl is planning for the WSO meeting in April. She is on the 2025 Policy and Leadership Committee. Her delegate report includes the policy change to inclusive names of AI Anon groups for new groups. For older groups, contact alanon.org for questions regarding group names. For example; a woman must now be allowed in a men only meeting. In the service manual there are no dual members above the GR level. An A.A. member may not serve at the District level or Area level. They can serve above the group level if they are not serving in A.A., and they identify as only an AI Anon member. The WSO core systems are antiquated and need an overhaul. The Risk Management Strategy is working on preventing cyberattacks, and putting protection in place. The treasurers (unaudited) report 12.31.24 is updated quarterly.

Revenue Income: (magazines, mobile app, investments) \$200,204. WSO staff salaries: \$300,084.

Conference costs, office expenses: \$572,000. Operating Surplus: \$461,000. Contributions are up by \$400,000. Expenses are down by \$100,000. Ample Reserves: \$753,000. Investment accounts are doing well.

AFG Connects: No changes are to be made to the wording (It, he, they) without the written consent of 118,000 groups.

Alateen: Cindy will put something together for the May Assembly. They are growing in Districts 6 and 7. District 2 and 5 do not have Alateen. She will read Alateen updates.

Jeanne suggests sending \$169 to WSO for the cancelled Zoom. Motion by Nicole, second by Mary, all in favor.

Jana Melhorn accidentally sent an email with all of our personal contact information to the GR's. She apologized profusely, and we all instantly forgave her.

Janet would like Bret to send out a Zoom etiquette email the night before the Assembly to all DR's and GR's. She would like us to send our reports in ahead of time, so we can keep our Zoom meeting to 2-3 hours. District Reports can be sent in ahead of the Assembly, so they can be looked over, and only discussed if there are questions. She would like to have a timer, to give gentle time reminders, to keep our meeting moving along smoothly. Start time will be 9am PST/ 10am MST. Beth will give Nicole host privileges. Zoom will open 30 minutes early in case anyone needs help, or has questions or concerns Jeanne made a motion for a \$10 registration fee for the Spring Assembly, Mary seconded the motion, all in favor, 2 opposed. Cheryl suggested we use the WSO theme, "Investing in each other to preserve our legacy." Janet suggested, "Trailblazers." No speaker for the Spring Assembly. Cheryl will give her Delegates report. Nicole suggested a five minute potty break at the end of each hour of the Zoom meeting. No GR/DR exchange at the Spring Assembly. Monday April 21, 2025 Zoom meeting to prepare for the Assembly. Fall Assembly will be at the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel. If we spend \$600 in catering fees, there is no room fee for the conference room.

Nicole explains that this location is perfect because of the cost, AV team, and great customer service.

Janet leads us in reciting "The Declaration." Cheryl leads us in "Let it begin with me."