**Area 40 Assembly Evaluation Report**
**Fall 2026**
***The purpose of the evaluation is to provide information that all can hear, see and participate.**

1. **How did you attend Area Assembly?** 62 in person 3 zoom
2. **Did you have access to the background information prior to Assembly?** 60 yes 5 no*information came from my District by email on Thursday September 24th.
3. **Did you attend a Committee meeting?** 45 yes 14 no

**Which one? Comments?**

**Finance**—6 *it was odd having the Delegate and Alt-Delegate in the same committee *zoom worked great * my first opportunity and experience of the finance report/budget. It was informative and enlightening *I was moved to observe trusted servants practicing the principles under stress *it was a great experience

**Archives**—6 *well organized *information delivered in a succinct manner *Jody led very well *Jody T did an amazing job informing us about the business at hand *very crowded in hotel sleeping room

**Grapevine**—5 *good experience *went well, a lot of information *great experience, as I plan to stand for Grapevine at the District level, plus I learned how to introduce an agenda item properly

**PI**—4 *Mark did a fabulous job of providing information and his passion for AA and PI was very inspiring *simple, helpful, passionate folks, loved it *tech committee was not present when we entered the room but tech responded immediately

**Corrections**—5 *good *great, Daniel did a great job leading it

**CPC**—3 *impressed with new website district 81(I believe) for practitioners to send patients information and desire for AA to contact them, amazing

**Treatment/BTG**—6 *maybe consider having corrections committee join for half of the session

**Hotline**—3

**Literature**—5 *thanks Andrew for pinch-hitting this chair *good discussion *our group was interested in the process of changes made to the Big Book

**4. Did you attend a past Delegate breakout session instead of a committee meeting?** 13 yes 33 no **Which one? Comments?** *2 both *part of Earls, grateful for the opportunity to attend, good information on registered online groups and how they facilitate carrying the message and their structure *interesting discussion on how to better serve and be of service to the online community *I myself have not used online meetings but was better informed with what is done with 7th Tradition, Anniversary's, sponsorship, anonymity, etc.

**5. Could you hear in the Main meeting room and the committee breakout rooms?** 42 yes 2 no **Comments**? *not having a button on mics created issues, maybe wasting a little time *no problems *IT is amazing *most of the time *past delegate wasn't worth listening to *there were some minor issues *teaching people to use a microphone would be helpful *As long as you can ask Earl F. to speak into the microphone, everyone else was great *teaching people to use a microphone would be helpful *IT people are amazing! *I could hear great the entire weekend *main room was good, Holly on zoom in Literature could not hear us at all *none, great job tech team!

**6. Were there any barriers for seeing the content in the main room or breakout rooms?** 5 yes 3 no **Comments?** *it was really cold *not from my seat *we had such good participation online, could spotlight the people speaking would be better*not really, personally it was sometimes sad not to be able to see all the zoom attendees but there is probably no answer to that *is it possible to get a screen at the back of the room for the chairs to see *yes, if tables were turned perpendicular it would be easier to see main table instead of being turned to always turn heads sideways and look over people ahead of me *the camera wasn't always on the speaker *distance to screens, not sure you can do anything to make it better *speakers blocking some of the screens

**7. Did you feel you could participate throughout the Assembly?** 42 yes 0 no **Comments?** *still nervous *I feel the DCM and chair have a hidden agenda of their own *I feel like you did a wonderful job! *my first assembly and it was a great experience

**8. What District are you representing?** District 11—121. District 31—1. District 41—4. District 42—2. District 51—1. District 61—12. District 71—4. District 72—8. District 81—8. District 91—4. District 93—5. *2 with no answer *1 visitor

**9. Is there anything else we could do to improve on? Comments?** *put early bird meeting on the agenda *everything ran smoothly *can we do anything to avoid amenity fees and credit card fees *I need to learn the policy and procedures better, great job *maybe helping stay focused and more efficient with service history for elections *thank you for all you do *coffee was terrible this time, promote committees more, go through committee items on the floor in a more streamlined way *no and thank you for a great job *work on business before a quorum is lost, establish quorum at every vote *great job, continue being awesome *no *more business less fluff *great experience, thank you for all the hard work and making it so accessible *it was fine * pre-set up with tech team to avoid time delays *some people insist on constantly speaking at microphones, past delegates are the largest offenders or a user of this privilege * no *good *the bell warning should be used as much as possible during Saturday am and pm sessions to persons at the microphone *the meet and greet could use an energizer and I couldn't hear 3 individuals as they had very soft voices, perhaps sending the groups to rooms and return to the main room *this was the first time I had an opportunity to attend and participate in the election process, each time I attend area assembly (twice) I learn, grow spiritual, learn the business process and most important enjoy and felt the love from the membership and people from many areas *no, I was very satisfied with assembly *over all great job *Friday mixer was great, although having 12 conversations going on at one time was difficult to hear, I like the idea but it was too loud in the main room

*I appreciate I was able to bring my very small, quiet well-trained dog with me, as I lost dog-sitting care at the last moment. I am concerned that people bringing an untrained or disruptive dogs will prevent the option when truly needed *each assembly seems to go smoother than the last as we figure our technology out, but the bathrooms in this facility are awful for the number of people trying to use them *nope, it was great *this was actually was my absolute favorite assembly *more cow bell, better coffee, a little later start or earlier night Saturday *the space between tables was tight and uncomfortable, maybe 2 water stations, one on each side of the room *thank you all for your service *great job, good assembly, smooth although election years are tough because we often do not have time for business(assembly and agenda items) *as someone new to AA and the assembly I appreciate all the time and energy everyone involved has provided, I think that everything was well thought out and planned, the "how the conference operates" handout was very helpful to understand how things were done *What is with all the dogs? Should they be allowed at the conference during business? Members can bring pets (but we are doing business during conference meeting and they should not be allowed *please put the early meeting on the agenda so people will know about it *all good *too many dogs, maybe just one dog each