

DR Meeting Report Area Assembly, May 22, 2021

The DR meeting went very well. We had thirteen members in attendance, eight DR's, one Alt. DR, our Area Secretary, Alt. Delegate, Delegate, Convention Chair and a Past Delegate. We always appreciate the attendance of our officers and their depth of knowledge. Thank you for your attendance! We still have six districts with no representation. Please encourage your GR's to consider stepping up to DR in those areas. We filled our assignments for the August Assembly. We reiterated the importance of taking care of ourselves by attending meetings, using a sponsor and a service sponsor. We held an information forum where each DR brought several topics of concern to the meeting. We all contributed to solutions sharing our own experience, strength and hope, always using the Traditions, Concepts and Service Manual as a guide. There were two common topics of concern – the first was the tensions felt around changes to our meetings. How to hold a group conscious and make decisions with some members attending in person and others attending only on zoom. Fear, control, flexibility and keep an open mind were mentioned. Tammy reminded us that no decision has to be made now, we have a year for our groups to come to these decisions. She offered to attend any of our district meetings and share her knowledge from WSO. We were reminded that DR's are not decision makers for groups within our districts. The groups make their own decisions. We as DR's help withhold the principles of the program again reminding groups to turn to our service manual, traditions and concepts for answers. We discussed possible solutions to lack of District meeting attendance. We stressed the importance of keeping our groups informed and keeping in touch with each group in our district by visiting each of our groups, monthly newsletters, personally phone calls, notices sent out in advance followed by a reminder. Lastly, we decided that at the August Assembly we would again hold a meeting using an information forum format.

Respectfully submitted by Susan A., Alternate Chair

