

Finance Subcommittee Report Area 59 Panel 67 3/11/2018

The Finance Subcommittee has met several times and has communicated via email, text, and phone calls. The Finance meeting minutes are available from our Secretary, Andy S., DCM (D35). We met at the following events.

- ❖ Mini-Assembly Planning Meeting – 1/21/2018
- ❖ NERAASA – 2/24/2018
- ❖ Quarter Area Meeting – 3/11/2018

1. The Finance subcommittee substantially recommends that the Area pay the total cost of \$6,400 for the Delegate to attend the General Service Conference.

This is to pay the balance of the "fully allocated" General Service Conference fee. This year the cost for a Delegate to attend the GSC is \$8,200. The minimum to pay is \$1,800, which has been paid. However, Area 59 has a long-standing practice of paying the full cost to honor our 7th Tradition of self-support.

2. At the December Area Meeting, the Finance Subcommittee was given the responsibility of researching the feasibility and effectiveness of the motion made by (D45): "The DCM from District 45 proposes that Area 59 organize 4 workshops to be run, 2 workshops per weekend on two separate weekends in advance of the pre-conference sharing weekend. A budget of \$1,600 per event is requested. The events would be planned and hosted by DCM's and districts selected by the Delegate. "

The Finance Subcommittee has researched this recommendation, and at this time has chosen to take "No Action". Due to time constraints and not fully completing the research, we recommend to the Delegate, to pass this recommendation onto the next panel Delegate. This is a unanimous decision by the Finance subcommittee.

The Finance subcommittee has continued to make great progress towards meeting the responsibilities set forth by our Delegate.

IN PROCESS: Researching an adjustment to the Area's mileage expense rate and may make a recommendation in the future. The finance committee has also noticed that Subcommittees/DCMs are not submitting mileage expenses for their committee work; we have attached a blank expense report form as a reminder.

IN PROGRESS: We are revising the small green finance business card in lieu of a larger green card stock for Area. Finance Subcommittee has unanimously decided to eliminate the phrase "and in 2015-2016, you can send to: E.P.G.S.A., Treasurer, PO Box 222, Glenolden, PA 19036-0222" and refer all future donations the Area 59 current Treasurer's address on the Area 59 website on the small green card. Also, state on the card that online contributions can be submitted on the Area 59 website.

Finance Subcommittee is reassessing the pie chart on the small green card with respect to values in the "SELF-SUPPORT: Where Money and Spirituality Mix pamphlet and the previous General Service conference suggested values.

The subcommittee has been active at district meetings, workshops, and Area events, bringing displays, pamphlets, and giving talks on the 7th Tradition and Area finances, whenever possible. Due to this fact, we have purchased carrying cases for the tri-fold display boards and small rack for displaying financial literature.

Subcommittee members reported the following activities:

Traditions Workshop, Glenmoore 12/2/2017
Sponsorship Workshop, Frazer 12/9
Quarterly Area Meeting 12/10/2017
Mini-Assembly Planning Meeting 1/21/2018
Quarterly Area Meeting 3/11/2018
Meditation Workshop, York 2/10/2018
Service Workshop, Lancaster 2/17/2018
Cumberland Valley YPAA Meeting and Dance, Hershey

In conclusion, if you would like the Finance Subcommittee to attend your workshop or conduct a finance presentation at your District or Workshop, please contact us. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted by: Sue M., Chair (D48)

Finance Subcommittee Members:

Andy S., Secretary (D35), Sharon C. (D64), John Q. (D33), Kate C. (D22), Tom C. (D40) Curt C. (Area Treasurer and Finance Subcommittee Advisor)