

## **VISION STATEMENT**

SUPPORTING THE NEEDS OF FLORIDA NORTH AREA 9 AFG AS IT CARRIES THE MESSAGE OF HOPE FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THE DISEASE OF ALCOHOLISM.

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MANAGING THE ASSETS, BUSINESS, AND LEGAL AFFAIRS OF FLORIDA NORTH AREA 9 AFG AS IT SERVES ITS MEMBERSHIP, IN A MANNER THAT IS TRANSPARENT AND GROUNDED IN AL-ANON'S SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES.

September, 2019

Dear NFA AFG Area 9 Al-Anon and Alateen Members,

I've started off this Chairperson of the Board letter with you showing the Vision and Mission Statements the Board of Directors approved at our most recent Board of Directors' Meeting on September 21, 2019. This is a huge step for the corporation to be able to identify both its vision and mission in support of Florida North Area 9 AFG. They are clear and concise statements of purpose so the members of Area 9 will be able to easily identify and understand much like WSO's Board of Trustees have set forth.

As we move forward in Panel 58, we will continue to provide informational and educational sessions much as our Director/Secretary presented at the last AWSC Meeting in February. We are hoping to have somewhat of a similar presentation for the full Assembly in June of 2020.

## **REPORTS**

The Director/Secretary gained approval of the minutes of our last Board Meeting in March, 2019 and provided updated information about our Corporate Documents. The Director/Secretary and Director/Technology then presented a plan to have a dedicated Google Account for NFA AFG, Inc. documents. This will enable the information to be passed from panel to panel seamlessly. The Director/Secretary will manage the account which includes updates and sharing permissions for the Board Members.

The Director/Treasurer presented the new accounting classification system she has initiated working with our CPA. This system allows her to more accurately classify our income and expenditures, make our financial reports easier to read and less time consuming to determine the total costs of our Area AWSC meetings and Assemblies. The system does much of the manual adding and subtraction that had been extremely labor intensive.

Director/Lily N presented the research she has done with regard to having a third party keep track of background checks for AMIASs working with the FDLE to ensure our Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements are being met properly. This would include retention and re-screening. It was tabled at this time since there is a Task Force looking at the overall Area 9 Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements and we thought it prudent to await the results of that Task Force's final report in early 2020.

Director/Pat A presented and trialed with the Board Members at the meeting, potential software for electronic voting. This is planned to be trialed at AWSC in February 2020 with a long-range plan to enable Area 9 members to vote at Assemblies in the future.

Director/Kathy S reported on the success of Convention 2019 and is in the process of closing the contract with the hotel, reviewing outstanding expenses and closing the bank account along with the Director/Treasurer since that falls into the Director's oversight responsibility.

Director/Cindy J although not at meeting provided in writing, potential job descriptions for the Board Members. These will be reviewed and approved at the next Board Meeting.

Director/Pat E gave an update on Convention 2020. She was welcomed as an At-Large member for the length of the 2020 Convention responsibility. The Hotel contract is in effect and the Convention Bank Account is open and operating with the oversight of the Director/Treasurer in coordination with the Convention 2020 Treasurer.

Director/Michelle S was welcomed as a permanent Board Member and will be the point of contact for all Public Outreach for Area 9 requiring Board approval as well as the point of contact for all SPOP proposals that will be brought before the Board. As an aside, there will be a Task Force established to look at the role of SPOPs in Area 9.

Director/Diane C reviewed two insurance quotes with regard to liability insurance for Board Members. One of the quotes was approved and Diane, as Chairperson, will follow up with the Insurance Carrier to obtain that coverage.

Diane will, in addition, follow up with the two active Task Forces looking at the purchase of a projector for Area 9 and what do the members of Area 9 want to be done with respect to Social Media in our Area. Diane will also establish a Task Force as to what the Area wants in connection with the use of SPOPs as was mentioned before.

Discussion took place as to how many BOD meetings were needed in 2020. The consensus was that we would have three: a face-to-face meeting in the Spring, a video conference call before the Fall Assembly and a turnover meeting (face-to-face) sometime in November after the elections.

We continue to hope that the COB letter will serve as open information and input for the whole Area. It is meant to apprise you as to what your Board of Directors is currently working on and what it is looking at remaining within the parameters of our Vision and Mission statements; as a "committee directly responsible to those they serve," from Tradition 9.

With much gratitude,

Diane C

Chairperson, NFA AFG, Inc.

## Attendees:

Diane C	Director/Chairperson	Llew E	Director/Treasurer
Mark F	Director/Secretary	Elsa C	Director/Alt. Delegate
Pat A	Director/Technology	Lily N	Director/Alateen-AAPP
Michelle S	Director/Public Outreach	Kathy S	Director/Convention 2019

Pat E Director/Convention 2020

Not in Attendance: Cindy J Director/Delegate