

District 16 Motion

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Motion:

To create the position of District Service Committee chair for Special Events that will be appointed by the DCM. The position will have a two-year term of office that would begin with the start of New Business on the agenda for the November District Meeting in odd-numbered years. The chair is allowed one (1) vote as member of District Committee. This motion would also amend the District 16 Guidelines as needed.

Intent/Purpose:

The purpose of this position is to support the Three Legacies of A.A. (Recovery, Unity and Service) and carry the A.A. message through special events. These include, but are not limited to, workshops, speaker meetings, panels, conferences and other events that support the Three Legacies. Events, and their costs, shall be approved by the District.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Plan, coordinate, and recruit volunteers for all district events.
- May create sub-committees to support events;
- Maintain inventory, i.e. cups, plates, coffee, etc. for special events when necessary.
- Submit budget at District meeting for each proposed district event and submit a summary at the conclusion.
- Report regularly at District meetings.

Current Practice:

There is no position. Events are handled on a ad-hoc basis.

Budgetary Impact:

Unknown. Some events, like speaker meetings, may cover their own expenses. Others may need to be subsidized.

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Events Committee

Composition

The Events Committee coordinates all activities related to the planning, scheduling and operation of local events that may include, but are not limited to, workshops, seminars, panels, assemblies, conferences and other special events as approved by the District.

The Events Committee is composed of a Chairperson, an Alternate Chairperson and up to three committee members. The District Committee Chair (DCM) and past DCM shall be advisory members. Chairpersons should have a minimum of two (2) years of continuous sobriety and one (1) year as a past or present General Service Representative (GSR) and is appointed by the DCM. The committee appoints an Alternate Chair. The DCM appoints committee members. All members of AA are welcome to participate as members of the committee.

The chair and alternate chair are two-year positions.

Scope

The purpose of special events is to support the Three Legacies of A.A. (Recovery, Unity and Service) and carry the AA message through events as approved by the District.

In keeping with the Seventh Tradition, these should aim to be self-supporting. If an event makes more than its' cost, those funds shall be retained by the District to fund other events.

Chair responsibilities

The Chairperson attends all District 16 business meetings and presents an oral report, providing a written copy to the Recording Secretary for inclusion in the business meeting minutes.

The Chairperson maintains records corresponding to each annual event, to be used to run all subsequent events.

Reviews the responsibilities/procedure of the position listed in the District Guidelines and if necessary provides changes at the business meeting at the end of their two (2) year rotation.

The Events Chairperson shall:

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Ideas from other districts:

Monthly speaker meeting:

Founder's Day lunch

Ice cream social

Fish fry

Gratitude breakfast/dinner

Spaghetti Dinner with silent auction, AA speaker and 50:50 raffle.

Spring Golf Tournament: not a highly profitable and difficult to coordinate.

Bingo Night - a fun family orientated event.

Moonlight Dance - an outdoor summer event with AA speaker and BBQ. Very popular.