



BC Yukon Area 79

General Service Committee

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B.C. YUKON AREA 79 QUARTERLY

July 9, 10 and 11, 2021

OnLine Please use this link to register

https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZEgcuCsqTKoHNBnm_Gz3SrJCufQvBPpopsr

Hello DCMs and GSRs,

May 29th 2021

My name is Rodney and I'm an alcoholic. It is my honour and privilege to serve as your BC Yukon Area 79 Panel 71 Chair. This is the agenda package for the upcoming Quarterly to be held July 9-11, 2021 online. Enclosed you will find the agenda for the weekend, business procedures, DCM committee assignments as well as motion template and guidelines. You will also find attached voting flowchart, the motions guide for submitting a motion to Area 79 as well as the motion submittal form.

Since this Quarterly is open to all members and GSRs I will be inviting the GSR with this invitation. If you have new GSRs that you think may not get this please forward it to them so they can also attend if they wish.

The Quarterly begins on Friday night with a Service Orientation presented by our Delegate, Bob, and Alt. Delegate Rio. This orientation will focus on some conference actions that need attention. Following that, there will be a sharing session for the Area Committee (that is DCMs and the General Service Committee), and at the same time, the GSRs, Alternate DCMs and guests will be in their own sharing session. The topic "Service opportunities on a virtual platform and online etiquette" was chosen at the last sharing session back in April.

On Saturday, we will be addressing the business of Area 79 and breaking into Committees. Of special interest for Saturday evening, our Delegate, Bob, will be giving us his report from the 71st General Service Conference. Area business will continue Saturday night and start again Sunday morning.

DCMs will be giving their reports verbally at this Quarterly but copies are required for the minutes, which will be printed in our Area 79 Newsletter, Grassroots Forum, available on our. It is easiest for your Area 79 Secretary, Carol H., if these reports can be emailed prior to the Quarterly to secretary@bcyukonaa.org. Please be mindful of the agenda timing when preparing your reports to be included in Grassroots. Reports must be in to the secretary by July 18th.

Under new business, there is an opportunity to present Notices of Motions in preparation for our October Voting Assembly (the motions will not be voted on until the Voting Assembly in October). If you have a Notice of Motion, please send a copy to me by email or give me a call. Please note that the deadline for any motions for inclusion in the October Voting Assembly agenda package is July 31, although motions can be made in writing on a Motion form until 11am on the Saturday of the October Voting Assembly. These motions will be treated as Floor Actions. (Exception - motions regarding financial matters (other than budgets) in excess of \$2000, and be submitted no later than July 31, so they are included in the Voting Assembly agenda package). A motion template and guidelines are attached. We will also be considering bids for the 2024 Regional Forum as well as any of the Assemblies and Quarterlies in 2022.

At this Quarterly, there will be a sharing session Saturday afternoon on: **A.A. in a Time of Change** and on Sunday morning a presentation and discussion on: **Safe reopening of our meeting and assemblies.**

Please do get in touch with me if you have any questions, via email at chair@bcyukonaa.org or call me directly at 604-358-7751. See you in July!!!

Yours in service,



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Rodney S., Chair, Panel 71
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FRIDAY, July 9, 2021

6:00 PM VIRTUAL ROOM OPENS

7:00 to 7:45 PM July Quarterly Opening Comments – Rodney S.
Area 79 Service Orientation - Conference Floor Actions– Bob K & Rio D.

7:45 to 8:00 PM BREAK

8:00 to 9:45 PM Area Committee (General Service Committee and District Committee Members)
Chair: Drew W.

8:00 to 9:45 PM General Service Representatives, Alternate GSRs, Alternate DCMs and Guests
Chair: Diane O. – Service opportunities on a virtual platform and online etiquette

SATURDAY, July 10, 2021

8:00 AM VIRTUAL ROOM OPENS

8:30 AM QUARTERLY OPENS

- Anonymity Statement
- Moment of Silence followed by Declaration of Unity

***“This we owe to AA’s future:
To place our common welfare first;
To keep our Fellowship united.
For on AA unity depend our lives
And the lives of those to come.”***

- Housekeeping Issues
- Reading of the 12 Traditions (Long Form) – Michael W DCM District 73
- Concept III Presentation – Al G – DCM District 8
- Introduction of Guests and Past Delegates
- Introduction of new GSRs, DCMs, and Alternates
- Reading of Business Procedures – (Attached) – Eileen M., DCM District 37
- Approval of minutes of April 2021 Assembly held online, as printed in the April 2021 issue of Grassroots
- Ratification of 2 GSC positions

10:15 10:30 AM Break

- Chairperson’s Report
- Treasurer’s Report & Financial Statements
- Delegate’s Report
- District and General Service Committee Reports



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- 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM** **LUNCH BREAK**
- 1:00 PM to 2:45 PM** COMMITTEE MEETINGS (District Committee Members: Please attend the Committee you are assigned to on the “Committee Assignment” page, which follows. General Service Representatives Alt. DCMs, Alt. GSRs and guests will be assigned a committee randomly at the event.
- 2:45 PM to 3:00 PM** **BREAK**
- 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM** **SHARING SESSION: A.A. in a Time of Change**
Moderated by Jennifer K past delegate Panel 65.
- 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM** District and General Service Committee Reports (continued)
- 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM** **DINNER BREAK**
- 6:00 PM**
- Delegate’s Conference Report (Bob K.)
 - Committee Meeting Report-Backs
 - Old Business: None at the time of agenda distribution

SUNDAY, July 11, 2021

- 8:00 AM** **VIRTUAL ROOM OPENS**
8:30 AM **(earlier if necessary)**

- New Business:
 - Notices of Motion (Motions will be voted on at the October Assembly)
 - Presentation and voting on 2024 General Service Forum bids
 - Presentation of any 2022 Quarterly and Assembly bids

Sharing Session : Pauline D; Arnie G **TOPIC – Safe reopening of our meeting and assemblies**

- Ask it Basket
- First-Timer Sharing
- Closing Remarks by Guests
- Motion to Adjourn
- Close with the Responsibility Statement:

***“I am responsible...
When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,
I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.
And for that: I am responsible.”***

Followed by the **Serenity Prayer**



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BUSINESS PROCEDURES & RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Floor discussion and presentation on any motion will be limited to two minutes. A two-minute light system will be used to register the time left. Yellow light: warns 30 seconds left. Red light: two minutes up, the speaker will immediately take their seat.
2. No one will speak for a second time until everyone who wishes to speak has been heard.
3. The Minority voice will always have the opportunity to be heard after the vote has been counted.
4. A show of hands will be sufficient for declaring the outcome of motions, unless it is deemed too close, then a count will be made. Substantial unanimity is sought on all non-housekeeping issues.
5. FOR QUARTERLIES: DCMs or Alternates acting for the DCMs, and the General Service Committee Members are eligible to vote or present a motion.
6. FOR ASSEMBLIES: DCMs or Alternates acting for the DCMs, GSRs or Alternates acting for the GSRs, and the General Service Committee Members are eligible to vote or present a motion.
7. All motions or presentations will require a copy (written or electronic) for the Area Secretary to include in records of the meeting.
8. “A Housekeeping Issue” will be defined as any issue not affecting groups in Area 79 or AA as a whole. When there is a disagreement as to whether an issue is a “housekeeping” issue, the matter will be decided by a vote of the Area Committee members present. This vote will be by a show of hands and require a simple majority. This definition of a “housekeeping” issue and the above procedure for handling the designation of “housekeeping” issues shall be read at each Quarterly and Assembly after the Business Procedures are read.

From the service manual

AREA PROCEDURES: Uniform practices throughout the Fellowship are in no way obligatory, or even practical in many cases. It is important for the area to agree upon a set of procedures, and each individual assembly is the best judge of whom it will seat. Several areas have developed written procedures for all aspects of area operations. (Pg. S-37 Chapter 4, The A.A. Service Manual)

Article 6 of the Conference Charter: Area Assemblies, Purpose of: Area assemblies convene every two years for the election of area committee members, from which are elected delegates to the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous. Such area assemblies are concerned only with the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Footnote: Area assemblies still meet every two years in order to elect a delegate to the General Service Conference, but they typically meet far more frequently in order to conduct on-going area business. (Pg. S-106, The A.A. Service Manual *2018-2020 Edition*)

Approved at the 2011 Voting Assembly



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District Committee Member Committee Assignment 2021-2022

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>DCMs Assigned</u>					
Archives	Chia S.	Districts	4	10	19	32	47
Corrections	Pauline D.	Districts	12	28	43	61	68
CPC	Diane O.	Districts	6	9	18	56	73
Finance	Monica M.	Districts	1	14	26	46	70
Grapevine	Drew W.	Districts	5	37	50	64	
Literature	Rio D.	Districts	24	30	36	59	75
Public Information	Dan F.	Districts	7	38	40	44	66
Remote Connections	Christina M.	Districts	15	45	51	52	62
Treatment & Accessibilities/Grassroots	Alex P.	Districts	3	34	42	54	71
Website	Caleb W.	Districts	8	39	41	60	



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MOTIONS GUIDE – BC/YUKON AREA 79

This Guide is intended to provide assistance to the Fellowship in drafting motions, it is not intended to be definitive. In keeping with our Traditions and Concepts, there may be motions that are unacceptable for presentation to the Fellowship (for example, a motion that is personally punitive would be contrary to Concept 12, Warranty 5).

The General Service Committee will work with anyone requesting assistance in the preparation of a motion. All motions must be submitted in a written or electronic form. This form can be found on the login side of the website under services, then service materials.

Only a voting member may present a motion. The presenter will have an opportunity to speak to it, once the motion has been seconded. That being said, the motion must stand on its own.

BEST PRACTICES FOR DRAFTING A MOTION:

- Needs to be clearly stated and answered with a “yes” or “no.”
- Needs to be understood without reference to any other material, including the background material.
- Present one motion at a time. Two-part motions may fail, if the fellowship supports one part and not the other.
- Consider reviewing the most current BC/Yukon Area Book of Motions for examples.
- Ensure the motion does not conflict with our Traditions or Concepts.
- Plain language is the most effective.

HISTORY OR CURRENT PRACTICES:

- This is intended to help understand the context of the motion.
- What are we doing now?
- Has this kind of motion been considered before? (see current BC/Yukon Area 79 Book of Motions)
- It is preferable not to refer to what someone in A.A. says or does.
- Are we correcting something inconsistent with past A.A. practice?
- Consult with your group, district and/or area.

IF CARRIED:

- What will change?
- How will A.A. be impacted?
- Is there any negative effect?
- Why should we do this? Why is this motion needed?

IF DEFEATED:

- How will A.A. be impacted?

FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION:

- Any other useful information. Again, not referring to what any individual says or does

Please note:

Motions must be submitted to the Area Chair by July 31 in order that they may be included in the agenda package for the Voting Assembly, giving groups the opportunity to consider the motion. All motions regarding financial matters (other than budgets) in excess of \$2,000.00, must also be submitted no later than July 31. Motions received after this date will be presented to the Voting Assembly as floor actions. The deadline for submitting a floor action is 11am on the Saturday morning of the October Voting Assembly. All financial matters (other than budgets) in excess of \$2,000.00 cannot be brought forward as a floor action.

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