

PRAASA 2011 Registrar's Roundtable

Saturday, March 5th, 2011 from 10:00 pm

Ala Moana Hotel

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- ◆ Opened with a moment of silence in remembrance of Don A, followed by the Serenity Prayer at 10:10 pm with 9 members present.
- ◆ Please see attached contact list.
- ◆ Proposed addressing six topics:
 1. Fellowship New Vision software
 2. Sub-Districting
 3. Stats of Groups & process
 4. How much do we hold their hands?
 5. FVN/Excel
 6. Improve the time frame of input
- ◆ (1) FNV: There has been an extended hold up on certification. Are other Areas having the same difficulty?
 - ✓ Got password 3 weeks ago
 - ✓ We also did 3 online sessions @ 2 hours each prior to certification.
 - ✓ Please check your spam to be sure it's not there.
 - ✓ You can contact Karen hale at GSO the Records Manager.
 - ✓ You can also cc your delegate and the trustee. *(This idea was opposed by the bulk of the attendees. Who suggested a proposal requesting the area registrars needs be forwarded to Karen for review.)*
 - ✓ 2nd year registrars had the same problem last year.
 - ✓ Need to make sure you check the box that the group would like to be published in the Regional directory.
 - ✓ Districts do not have access to FNV, have a lot of sub-districts. FNV is not a useful tool as I need to sort info.
 - ✓ It was suggested to down load the file into excel or word to sort.
 - ✓ Several people reported that the excel file was huge and several columns needed to be deleted just to make it manageable. This was time consuming and still did not meet the needs of several of the Area Registrars.
 - ✓ Once you change the information in FNV a kit is mailed out.
 - ✓ Some Registrars faxed their paperwork to New York and their kits were sent out already.
 - ✓ One person was told by the previous registrar not to use FNV, because it was a hassle and not very useful, so he sends all his requests directly to New York.
 - ✓ Several have to enter the data at least of 2 times. Once in an excel spread sheet and again for FNV. We were wondering if this process could be streamlined. Maybe the FNV could be modified to have a few blank fields? We will follow up on this request, by creating a proposal.
 - ✓ FNV doesn't have the capabilities to sort all the necessary information.

- ✓ They have an alternate Registrar
- ✓ When new groups end info into GSO, status of New, Pending in training.
- ✓ Area 09 had a registrar workshop to complete group change forms.
- ✓ Digital form saves a lot of time, more accurate and no duplication of work.
Please provide each of us with this so we can modify and put on our websites.
- ✓ Forms are not always legible
- ✓ When making changes if you don't check the box, you won't get into the directory.
- ✓ Group treasure, send thank you letter back to the group when they give contributions
- ✓ Form for Registrars & Districts in Spanish
- ✓ As soon as you get the info sent I right away, so they will get their kits asap
- ✓ Last year I was the treasurer, and Got a lot of unknown. I then send a group change form and asked them to list their group. The treasurers us Quick books, our data base (FNV) is not available to them and not very helpful for them
- ✓ You can now create labels from FNV
- ✓ Can't use GSO data base for bulk mailing
- ✓ We don't have that much control over the system
- ✓ Fields don't work
- ✓ Maybe we could invite Karen to attend the Pacific Regional Forum
- ✓ Should be able to check the fields we would like
 - ❖ We decided to take a survey of all areas in the Pacific Region to see how effective FNV is and then create a proposal to revise as needed
- ◆ (2) Sub-Districting: There are 249 meetings in my district and no updates since 2008. How can we create a sub-district?
 - ✓ The District has to vote to create a sub-district
 - ✓ Get a current or past delegate to get info form from GSO and pass it on the GSR's in the district
 - ✓ Need a motion, 2nd and pass at the District level.
 - ✓ You can send a letter to every GSR in the district requesting a Re-Districting then forward them to the Area Registrar and GSO
 - ✓ You could start with your local Inter group as they may have contacts for each group.
- ◆ (3) Group Status:
 - ✓ Will forward all information received in the FVN training answer this question.
 - ✓ You Delegate will get new group forms from GSO and they will then forward them on the Registrars, it is suggested that the Registrar contact the DCM or DCMC and confirm that it is actually an AA meeting.
- ◆ Closed at 12:30 am