

**WESTERN ONTARIO GENERAL SERVICE – AREA 86  
PRE CONFERENCE SPRING ASSEMBLY – MARCH 20, 21 & 22, 2015  
HILTON HOTEL, 300 KING STREET, LONDON, ONTARIO  
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**Friday, March 20, 2015**

**8:00 pm. Open speaker meeting** Suite 300  
**Hospitality Suite** Duke of Albany Hosted by District 11

**Saturday, March 21, 2015**

**8:00-8:45 Registration** Grand Ballroom-East Foyer (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

**8:45-9:00 Welcome, Serenity Prayer** Grand Ballroom West/Centre (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor): Dale S.

**9:05-10:15 Workshops (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor):**

Secretaries & Treasurers	Suite 300	Patricia S. & Paul M.
Cooperation w/Prof. Com.	Duke of Edinburgh	Jean C. & David T.
Treatment	Duke of Connaught	Chris S. & Andy D.
Intergroup (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor)	Grand Ballroom	Fredy M.
Remote Comm/Spec Needs	Windsor Club room	Janice F. & Jim T.
Correctional Facilities	Prince of Wales	Rob M. & Geoff T.
John P.	Boardroom II	Past Delegates

**10:15 - 10:30 Break:**

**10:30 - 11:45 Workshops (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor):**

Public Information	Duke of Connaught	Marc G. & Bob D.
Concepts (7 – 9) (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor)	Grand Ballroom	Paul H. & Percy G.
Traditions (7 – 9)	Prince of Wales	Martin A. & Dean T.
Grapevine	Duke of Edinburgh	Sandi W. & Rodger F.
Bridging the Gap	Suite 300	Ken F. & Debra G.
Newsletter/Website (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor)	Windsor Club room	Jeff S. & Bob T.
Archives	Boardroom II	John P. & Barry M.

**11:45 - 1:15 Lunch** *There is a Hospitality Suite hosted by District 11 in the Duke of Albany suite.*

**1:15 – 2:15 Open Assembly (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)** Grand Ballroom West/Centre

1. Twelve Concepts \_\_\_\_\_
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the Minutes of the 2014 Fall Assembly
4. Self-Support Collection
5. Secretary / Registrar's Report Patricia S.
6. Alternate Delegate's Report Fredy M.
7. Delegate's Report (to include C.E.R.A.A.S.A. & O.D.C.) Jim W.

**2:15 – 2:30 Break**

**2:30 – 3:30 Area Subcommittee Reports:** Written and electronic copies to Secretary

**3:30 – 4:00 Eastern Canada Region Trustee report** Richard B.

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**4:00 - 4:15     Break:**

**4:15 - 5:15     Workshops (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)**

G.S.R. School (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor)	Grand Ballroom	Percy G. & Paul H.
D.C.M. School	Duke of Edinburgh	Jim W.
Alternate D.C.M. School	Suite 300	Fredy M.
Area Sub-Com. Chair	Boardroom II	Dale S. & Paul M.
AA Video's (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor)	Windsor Club room	Dean T. & Martin A.

**5:15 –6:00     Break**

**6:00 - 7:30     Banquet (Buffet)     **Grand Ballroom East****

**7:30 - 7:45     Break**

**7:45 - 9:00     Speaker:     **Grand Ballroom West/Centre     Richard B.**  
 Eastern Canada Regional Trustee (Chaired by Panel 64 Delegate Jim W.)**

**9:00 - 9:15     Break**

**9:15 - End     ASK-IT-BASKET     **Grand Ballroom West/Centre**  
**Chairperson:** Delegate Jim W. with Panel of Past Delegates**

**SPECIAL NOTE**

***There is a Hospitality Suite hosted by District 11 in the Duke of Albany suite. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Refreshments and snacks are available. Show your support and appreciation for this service by being self-supporting.***

**Sunday, March 22, 2015**

**7:30 - 8:30     Open A.A. Meeting:     **Grand Ballroom West/Centre District 16 Hosting****

**8:00 - 9:00     Registration     **Grand Ballroom East Foyer (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)****

**9:00 - 10:00     Reconvene the Assembly     **Grand Ballroom West Centre****

**Open Meeting with Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer**

1. Twelve Concepts \_\_\_\_\_
2. Roll Call of the Assembly Patricia S.
3. Correspondence \_\_\_\_\_
4. 2014 Financial Statement Paul M.
5. Area Committee Recommends that the 2014 Financial Statement be accepted \_\_\_\_\_
6. 2015 Budget & Forecast Paul M.
7. Area Committee Recommends that the 2015 Budget & Forecast be accepted \_\_\_\_\_
8. 2015 Financial Statement Paul M.
9. Self-Support and District Announcements \_\_\_\_\_

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**10:00 - 10:15 Break**

**10:15 – 11:30 District Committee Members Reports:** Written copies to Secretary.

**11:30 - 12:00 General sharing session**

**12:00 - 1:00 Lunch** *There is a Hospitality Suite hosted by District 11 in the Duke of Albany suite.*

**1:00 – End (Breaks will be taken if and when necessary)**

**Old Business:**

1. Area Inventory Adhoc Committee Report.
2. Structure & Operating Procedures Adhoc Committee Report. (see Motions attached)
3. Update for the Eastern Canada Regions Hospitality suite at the International Convention in Atlanta 2015

**New Business:**

1. The Delegate will be responsible to select a speaker to attend 2015 Fall Assembly. Prior approval from the Area Assembly for expenses must be obtained. "Motion to approve expenses for 2015 Fall Assembly Speaker"
2. District 19 motions that the Area 86 Archives Chair records the Saturday Night Banquet Speaker at all future area assemblies. This can only be done if;  
A). The Speaker has given their permission.  
B) A personal recording device is available.
3. Roll Call for Panel 66 Area Officers to be elected at the Fall Assembly by Past Delegate Percy Graves (Panel 62)

**Other Items:**

1. Closing comments - Adjournment

**Motion to Close the Assembly**

Close with Declaration of Unity followed by the Lord's Prayer.

This we owe to A.A.'s future: to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.

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Yours in service,  
Dale S.  
Panel 64 Chairperson  
Area 86 Western Ontario

**Upcoming Area 86 Committee Meetings – 2015**

**Area 86 Committee Meeting    May 9, 2015        District 6**

Will be held at the Redeemer Lutheran Church at 271 Elm St. St.Thomas On. Meeting starts at 10am.Accommodations are at the Comfort Inn 100 Centennial Ave. St. Thomas On. N5R5B2. Rooms are booked under WOGS. Call 1-519-633-4082 Block will be held until April 8, 2015. Rates are \$93.49 plus tax. 1<sup>st</sup> floor is 97.74 plus tax.

**Area 86 Committee Meeting    August 8, 2015        District 5**

Will be held at the Grace United Church at 310 12<sup>th</sup> street Hanover Ontario. Meeting starts at 10am.Accommodations are at the Traveller's Inn 244 7<sup>th</sup> Ave Hanover Ontario Room Rates are \$74.00 1 bed & \$84.00 2 beds. Toll free 1-800-801-8398 Block is under AA 86 Western Ontario. Block will be held until July 8,2015.

**Area 86 Committee Meeting    December 5, 2015        District 12**

**Fall Assembly-October 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 2015**

Rooms are booked under Group Reservation W.O.G.? Rooms must be booked on or before October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 in order to receive the preferred room rate. (\$119.00/night + 13% HST = \$134.47) Register for rooms on the Area 86 website (area86aa.org) or Phone 1-800-210-9336 or 1-800-445-8667

**Agenda Items must be received by the Area Chairperson on or before August 25<sup>th</sup> 2014**

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Area 86 Assemblies are at the London Hilton, 300 King Street, (King St & Wellington St. N), London, Ontario, Phone 1-800-210-9336 or 1-800-445-8667

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**The Structure & Operating Procedures Adhoc and Area Committee recommends to the Area Assembly that:**

1. Throughout the document where the word: Assembly, Officer or Subcommittee Chairperson appears that it now be preceded by the word Area.

**Motion:** To insert the word Area where required.

2. Any numbers that appear in the document have the number in written form followed by numeric value in brackets.

**Motion:** To make the written and/or numeric changes where required.

**Preface** (page 1)

3. **Motion:** That the last paragraph be changed to read:

The Guidelines (Job Descriptions), which are under the purview of the Area Committee are included for information purposes only and do not form part of the Area 86, Western Ontario General Service Structure & Operating Procedures.

**Part 1 – The Area Assembly**

**Section 1 – General** (page 3)

**Motion: That** d) Area Subcommittee Chairpersons - be changed to read:

4. Area Subcommittee Chairpersons shall consist of Grapevine, Public Information, Corrections, Treatment, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Special Needs/Remote Communities, Archives, Newsletter/Website and Bridging the Gap. Area Subcommittee Chairpersons should have served as a past District Committee Member in Area 86, Western Ontario.

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**Motion:** That e) Voting Privileges - be changed to read:

5. The Area Officers, Area Subcommittee Chairpersons, District Committee Members (in the absence of the District Committee Member, the Alternate District Committee Member), and General Service Representatives (in the absence of the General Service Representative, the Alternate General Service Representative, or in the absence of the General Service Representative and the Alternate General Service Representative, an appointed member of the Group and not a member of the current Area Committee), including Treatment and Correctional General Service Representatives, shall be considered eligible to vote on all subjects brought before the Area Assembly. Past Delegates are non-moving, non-voting members of the Area Assembly.

**Section 3 – Amendments and Revisions** (page 4)

**Motion:** The second last paragraph be changed to read:

6. An Adhoc Committee, consisting of two (2) Past Delegates, two (2) District Committee Members and one (1) Area Officer (with the exception of the current Delegate), shall be appointed by the Area Assembly to review the Area 86 Western Ontario Structure & Operating Procedures and report recommendations to the January Area Committee meeting in the odd numbered years. Area 86 Western Ontario Structure & Procedures Adhoc Committee members shall not serve on consecutive committees, if possible.

**Section 4 – Responsibilities** (page 5)

7. c) Delegate - **Motion:** the last paragraph be changed to read:

The Delegate will be responsible to select a speaker to attend an Area Assembly. Prior approval from the Area Assembly for expenses, within the budgeted amount, must be obtained

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**Section 4 – Responsibilities** (page 7)

8. f) Area Treasurer - Motion: the last two paragraphs be changed to read:

A Financial Review Committee shall be appointed at the January Area Committee meeting by the Area Chairperson and approved by the Area Committee. This Financial Committee shall consist of two (2) Area 86 Past Delegates (except the immediate Past Delegate) and a currently serving Area Officer from a neighbouring Area. The Financial Committee shall review the financial records of Area 86 for the preceding year and report to the Spring Area Assembly. Financial Committee members shall not serve on consecutive committees.

Literature for Area Subcommittees will be requested by the Area Subcommittee Chairpersons, approved by the Area Chairperson and ordered by the Area Treasurer.

**Section 4 – Responsibilities** (page 7)

9. g) Area Secretary/Registrar – **Motion:** the second last paragraph be changed to read:

The Area Secretary/Registrar will develop and maintain records of all Groups in the Area for Area purposes in conjunction with the General Service Office (G.S.O.)

**Section 4 – Responsibilities** (page 8)

10. h) Area Subcommittee Chairpersons – **Motion:** the second paragraph be changed to read:

They shall also request from the Area Chairperson any pamphlets and workbooks as required. The Area Treasurer will order upon approval.

11. i) Past Delegates - **Motion:** the last paragraph be changed to read:

Past Delegates are non-moving, non-voting members of the Area Assembly, and as such should not represent their Groups or Districts in any capacity at Area Assemblies.

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**Section 6 – Election Procedures** (page 11)

(a) Regular Elections – Area Officers

12. i) Eligibility – the last paragraph be changed to read:

Before the election is held, each person standing for the office shall be requested to say a few words to a maximum of two (2) minutes. If the person is not present, the resume shall be read.

**Motion:** Where the sentence, “Before the election is held, each person standing for the office shall be requested to say a few words.” appears in this document, that the words, “to a maximum of two (2) minutes.” will be added.

(this occurs in 6 places - pages 11, 12, 14, 17, 18 & 20)

**Section 6 – Election Procedures** (page 12)

13. i) Eligibility – the second paragraph be changed to read:

If no one is prepared to stand, nominations from the floor shall be requested, excepting Past Delegates.

**Motion:** Where the sentence: “If no one is prepared to stand, nominations from the floor shall be requested” appears in this document, that the words, “excepting Past Delegates” will be added where applicable.

(this occurs in 6 places - pages 11, 12, 17, 18 & 20)

**Section 6 – Election Procedures** (page 12)

14. ii) Who Can Vote – the third paragraph be changed to read:

If the General Service Representative (GSR) is absent, the Alternate GSR is eligible to vote. If both the GSR and the Alternate GSR is absent, an appointed member of the group may vote but not a member of the current Area Committee.

**Motion:** Where the sentences: “If the General Service Representative (GSR) is absent, the Alternate GSR is eligible to vote. If both the GSR and the Alternate GSR is absent, an appointed member of the group may vote” appears in this document, that the following words, “but not a member of the current Area Committee” will be added where applicable.

(this occurs 3 times - pages 12, 13 & 14)



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(b) Election by the Area Assembly of a Trustee Nominee for the General Service Board

15. i) Eligibility – **Motion:** the second statement be changed to read:

If a candidate is not present, written permission must have been forwarded to the Area Chairperson for the name to stand; in which case, a written resume shall be provided and read by the Area Delegate in a candidate's absence.

**Section 6 – Election Procedures** (page 13)

16. (c) Filling Vacancies – Area Officers – **Motion:** the first paragraph be changed to read:

Should the Alternate Delegate resign or fade away after the General Service Conference of the odd year of the Delegate term, the Area Chairperson, if willing, will assume the duties of the Alternate Delegate for the remainder of the term. Conversely, if the Area Chairperson resigns or fades away, after the General Service Conference of the odd year of the Delegates term, the Alternate Delegate, if willing will assume the Duties of the Area Chairperson for the remainder of the term. If not, the Area Committee will appoint by consensus.

**Section 6 – Election Procedures** (page 14)

17. i) Eligibility – the second sentence be changed to read:

If no one is prepared to stand, nominations from the floor shall be requested except current Area Officers.

(this occurs 4 times - pages 14, 18 & 19)

**Motion:** Where the sentence: “If no one is prepared to stand, nominations from the floor shall be requested” appears in this document, that the words, “except current Area Officers” will be added where applicable.

**Appendices**

Appendix I

Commonly Used Motions of Procedure

Added

18. Motions: Require a mover and a seconder before discussion begins

**Motion to accept**

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Changed

19. Tabling a Motion: Postponing a discussion to a later time

- Requires a mover and a seconder
- Not debatable
- Requires a two-thirds (66⅔ %) majority to pass and then would be placed on the next appropriate agenda

**Motion to accept**

Added

20. Point of Order

- Can be made by any Voting or Ex Officio Member
- The Meeting is halted
- The Chairperson addresses the 'Point of Order'
- Once the 'Point of Order' is resolved, the Meeting resumes

**Motion to accept**

Changed

21. Sense of the Meeting: A measure of the "mood" of those in attendance.

- All voting members may raise their hands

**Motion to accept**

Addition of Appendix III a  
Expenses

22. Current Expense allowances

Accommodations will be reimbursed if the claimant has travelled One Hundred and Fifty (150) kilometres or more to the venue they are attending.

Note: An exception to this will be attending the Friday Night Area Officers meeting or at the discretion of the Area Chairperson.

Mileage shall be reimbursed at 38¢ per km. and meals reimbursed @ \$15.00 per meal up to a maximum of \$45.00 per day. Other expenses such as accommodations, printing, stationary, mailing, and long distance telephone charges as required are to be reimbursed by receipts submitted and attached to the expense voucher (Appendix III b).

**Motion to accept**

Note: Appendix III now becomes Appendix III