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Alaska Regional Service Committee GSR Assembly

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Introduction: Kathy W.

Welcome!!! Open with a moment of Silence to reflect on why we are here and who we serve....

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Robert's Rules of Order will be used for questions, discussions and comments. Honor, respect and unity will be encouraged today. Please be courteous and raise your hand when you wish to address the presenter.

Please turn off cell phones, take side conversations outside and children should be seen and not heard. This is a business assembly and should be treated as such. If you are not sure what this means please raise your hand and I will explain.

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A Vision for NA Service:

All of the efforts of Narcotics Anonymous are inspired by the primary purpose of our groups. Upon this common ground we stand committed.

Our Vision is that one day:

- Every addict in the world has the chance to experience our message in his or her own language and culture and find the opportunity for a new way of life;
- Every member, inspired by the gift of recovery, experiences spiritual growth and fulfillment through service;
- NA service bodies worldwide work together in a spirit of unity and cooperation to support the groups in carrying our message of recovery;
- Narcotics Anonymous has universal recognition and respect as a viable program of recovery.

Honesty, trust and goodwill are the foundation of our service efforts, all of which rely upon the guidance of a loving Higher Power.

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What/Why have an Assembly: (From the Guide to Local Services) "...Regional assemblies bring representatives of NA groups together with the RCMs and the regional delegate for the purpose

of developing a collective conscience concerning issues affecting Narcotics Anonymous worldwide. The direct contact between the groups and the conference helps keep our world services attuned to the needs of our fellowship. Without the kind of primary foundation provided by the regional assemblies, it would be much more difficult for the World Service Conference to effectively address the concerns of the NA groups. Regional assemblies are a key ingredient to the maintenance of the NA groups' final responsibility and authority for our fellowship's service, spoken in our Second Concept.

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The 2nd Concept:

The final responsibility and authority for NA Services rests with the NA groups.

The service structure at ALL levels is answerable to the groups. While groups might learn something from this Assembly this services body must keep their ears and minds open. The Region wants to find how we may better serve our members, areas and groups.

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The 8th Concept:

Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications.

We seek to promote unity through communication.

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Disclaimer: This is a trial run!!! Most Regions conduct a GSR assembly every other year as part of the conference. That Agenda is the Conference Agenda Report. Regions differ whether the assembly votes the Regional conscience or whether the groups do. We may choose to hold a pre-conference Assembly

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What is the purpose for today: Our purpose is to raise membership awareness of Regional issues. The agenda includes service structures, services performed by Region, Regional expenditures and budget information and a report regarding our NA World Service.

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ALL service is subordinate to our Primary Purpose. The service structure is established first and foremost to help us carry the message of recovery to the still suffering addict. We keep it by giving it away. We are here that we might better give it away.

Why do we have a service Structure: Alan M.