

AFG Area 61 Convention Task Force Recommendations

1. Convention Name: AFG Area61 Convention
2. Recommend a yearly Convention at the same time frame.
3. Time frame: Last Week in October starting in 2016.
 1. Finding this to be the cheapest hotel rates for the year
4. 2016 in the Dells area be our first convention. We recommend the first 3 years we use the same venue.
 1. Looking at Kalahari, Chula Vista, Polynesian
5. Conventions positions to be “run” by any AI-Anon member.
6. Position Guidelines to be put in place
 1. Position Guidelines to be tweaked by our first convention team.
 2. Positions: Convention Chairperson, Convention Co-Chairperson, Convention Secretary, Convention Treasurer, Program Chair, Public Outreach Chair, Entertainment Chair, Hospitality Chair, Literature Chair, Registration Chair, Alateen Chair, AA 74 and 75 Chair, Greeters Chair, Decorations Chair, Clean Up Chair, Raffles Chair, Banquet Chair
7. Teams to be put in place 2 years prior to the convention.
8. In 2015 Create and elect an Area Convention Coordinator
 1. Gather requirements for the position
 2. Work with Convention committees
 3. Appoint Convention Chairperson
 4. Sign hotel contracts
9. Keep Assembly Coordinator in 2015-2017.
10. In 2017 have the Fall Assembly like the Spring Assembly Fri-Sat only. Stay at the Mead and create/reconvene a task force if necessary to review “how” assemblies should “look” moving forward in 2018.
11. Program Recommendations Paid speaker expenses. 3 AI-Anon Speakers (1 Fri, 1 Sat, 1 Sun morning), 2 AA speakers (1 Fri, 1 Sat. 1 Area 74, 1 Area 75). 1 Alateen speaker (Sat).
12. Tapers – Taping main speakers and panels throughout the weekend
13. Recommend Policy updates after our first convention
14. Advisory Board containing 1 past delegate elected from the policy committee for each convention year. 1 past convention person elected from the outgoing committee. Term is 2 years.
 1. Main objective is to provide E,S,H from past conventions and tradition/concept recommendations. Be on Conference meetings
15. Profits will go to Area treasurer. AA 74 and 75 will get a % of the number of attendees from their area. A % will be held in a reserve fund at the area. The balance will be given to WSO as an Area Contribution.

Why do we have to pay to attend a convention?

1. We must cover the budgets from the committee members.
2. How do we get the convention rooms for free?
 - a. We must cover the hotel room minimums
 - b. We must cover the banquet number minimums for both the Saturday night dinner and the Sunday morning breakfast

How do we do this?

- A. We cover the committee members' budgets by the attendees contributing a registration fee. As you can see when more members attend the registration fee can be lower.
- B. Attendees step up and purchase dinner and breakfast tickets to make the minimum amounts needed.
- C. Attendees step up and stay at the hotel reserving rooms for the weekend.

If these 3 things are not covered, the convention will lose money and the Area will be responsible for its losses.