

District 8 Combined DR/AISL Report

AWSC August 18 – 20, 2017 Panel 55 Report

In spring, we reviewed our remaining open projects and realized we had about 17 on our to-do list. In summer, we further assessed which projects were actively being worked on and would be finished by the end of this panel, which were in limbo and needed to be reassessed, which we might let go of, and which we might pass onto the next panel. Having these discussions as a group resulted in refining our plan for finishing out these projects well during the time we have remaining as a panel. Highlights include:

- The preparation of a survey to all D8 members seeking feedback regarding such topics as their participation in service, their attendance at our events, etc.
- Next steps for our Thought Force re: announcing A.A. events at district
- Planning for our district elections as well as transitioning information from Panel 55 Chairs to Panel 58 Chairs
- Establishing a chair for our calendar fundraiser

Of special note is a Public Outreach project which is occurring even though all three of our districts Public Outreach Chair positions are open. Members of our district volunteered to distribute information on, and to organize our attendance at, five back to school health fairs in Hillsborough County. Both Al-Anon and Alateen are being represented at the fairs by members who regularly attend our district meetings as well as members who do not. It has been a great example of how service work can be done on an as needed/available basis and without members having to make a long-term commitment **and** it is helping us achieve our #1 priority for D8 during Panel 55 of public outreach.

Our Panel 58 elections will take place in September, with D8's members having decided at our last district meeting to have current GRs vote in the elections.

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