

# Area Highlights January 2026

## Voting Item from the January Assembly:

**2024-07-13 008** Area 41 to provide audio and text translation for all Area 41 Business Meetings (English to Spanish and Spanish to English) for current rotation. Costs not to exceed \$2500.00 per year. A review of the effectiveness of the translation service and a recommendation of how to proceed going forward is to be provided to the Area no later than the April Assembly of the second year.

- Vote 52 for and 19 opposed (71). Item passed. Minority voice was heard

## Items moved to vote (4)

**Agenda Item 2026-01-10 009 Agenda:** Area 41 submit a proposed agenda item for the 77th General Service Conference to consider changing the policy for how the Conference agenda is set to give Conference committees the ability to have a formal role in setting their agenda, instead of the General Service Board having exclusive authority to set the General Service Conference agenda.

**Agenda Item 2026-01-10 001 Finance:** Amend Area 41's Financial Guidelines to update the dollar amounts set for what expenses can be approved by the treasurer, from \$100 to \$150 and the Finance Committee, from \$400 to \$500 as outlined in Section 4, paragraph 1, sections a, b, and c.

**Agenda Item 2026-01-10 003 Finance:** To remove any "Sponsorships or Incentive" payments from outside venues when considering hotel bids. Area 41 will not accept such offers.

**Agenda Item 2026-01-10 010 Agenda:** Area 41 submit a proposed agenda item for the 77th General Service Conference to consider requiring candidates for new Non-Trustee Director and General Service Trustee positions to have been rotated out for at least one year from previous Conference or Board-level service.

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**Next Area Assembly is April 11-12** <https://www.area41.org/2025/07/26/agenda-october-2025/>  
**Area 41 State Convention is June 5-7** <https://www.area41.org/service/committees/convention/>

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Char S. is our Treasurer for this rotation. Please send Seventh Tradition to:  
Area 41 Treasurer, 920 W 3rd St., North Platte, NE 69101

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More information will be available in the April Newsletter and at [area41.org](https://www.area41.org) If you want to have this emailed to you or if I can be of further assistance, please contact me at [secretary@area41.org](mailto:secretary@area41.org). Thank you for allowing me to serve!

Yours in service,  
Zach I. Area 41 Secretary