

2022 ASSEMBLY MOTIONS
WESTERN WASHINGTON AREA 72 ASSEMBLY
OCTOBER 7-9, 2022
Hyatt Regency Lake Washington at Seattle's Southport
1053 Lake Washington Blvd North Renton, WA 98056
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MOTIONS

Motion 1

We move to create a new Spanish Linguistic District:

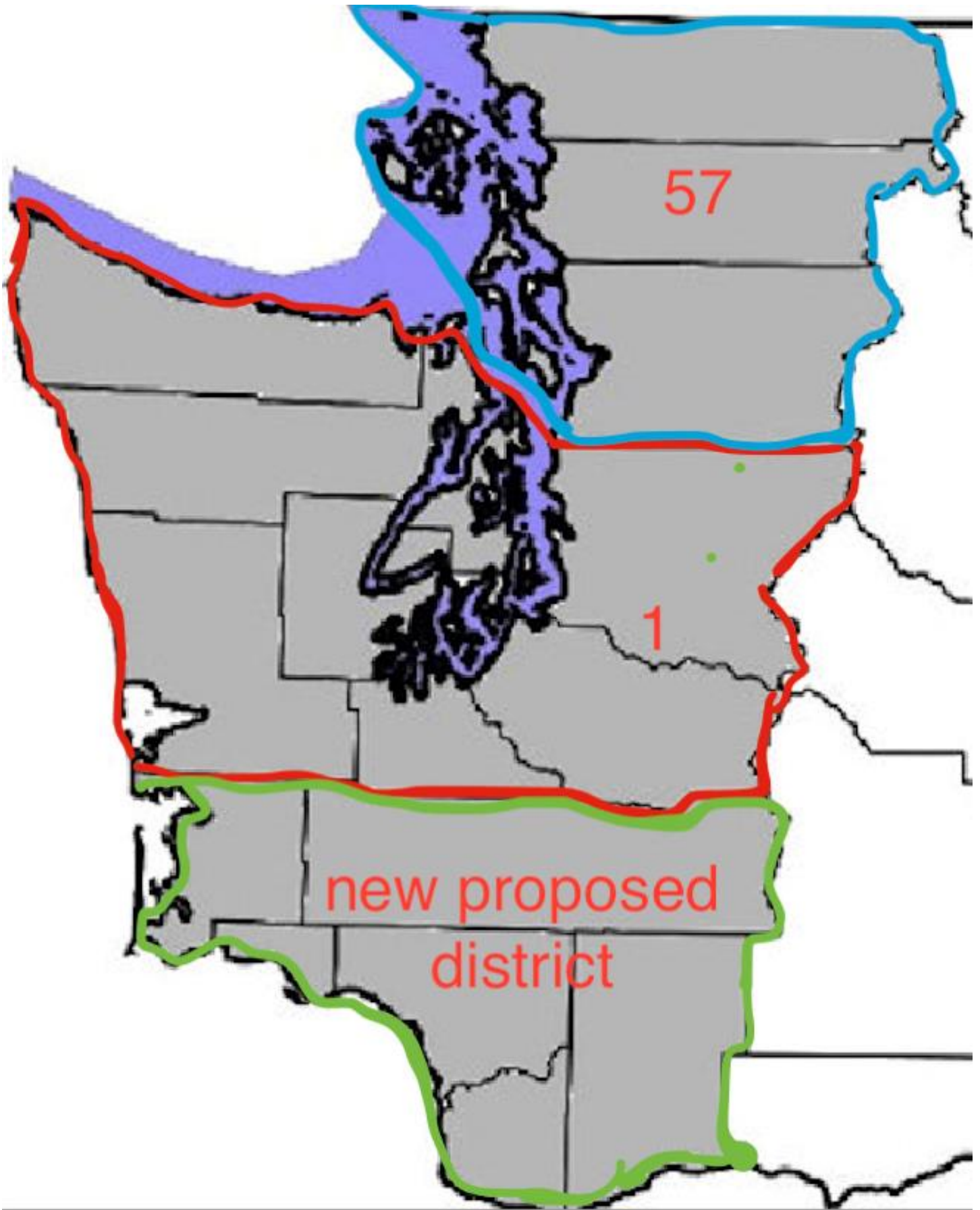
- There are currently two linguistic districts in Area 72: District 1 & District 57.
- District 1 covers south of the King/Snohomish County line to Vancouver.
- District 57 covers north of King/Snohomish County line to Canadian border.
- Travel for DCM 1 to attend and facilitate district meetings is a challenge.
- There are several groups in Vancouver and a person is interested in stepping up as a DCM.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **Is there a cost to the area?**
Minimal to include new badges and other administrative materials.

- **Is there a minimum number of groups to create a new district needed?**
The new service manual just says if there's a need, not a specific number. Previously it said five.

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Motion 2

We move the Area Archivist is an Appointed Trusted Servant and shall have full Right of Participation, as defined in Concept IV, in Area 72 Quarterlies and Assemblies.

Selection of Area Archivist will be as follows: The Archives Steering Committee (ASC) will follow internal guidelines on selection of Area Archivist, forward selection to elected Trusted Servants for approval and inclusion on the slate of candidates to be approved at the first Area 72 Committee Meeting following the election of a new panel.

BACKGROUND

Per the Area 72 Handbook, the current job description for the Area Archives Chair is: The Area Archives Chair participates in the Area Assembly and Area Quarterly Meetings as an Appointed Officer, chairs quarterly Archives Committee meetings, chairs monthly Archives Steering Committee meetings, facilitates Repository site-selection decisions, and produces articles for the WWA72 Newsletter. (Selected by the Area electeds and confirmed at the January Quarterly of new rotation. It's a two-year term).

The current selection of Area Archivist is: The Archives Steering Committee will select, replace, or reappoint an Archivist using the currently established process, which requires ratification by the Area Committee at the first Area Quarterly Meeting of each rotation. The Archivist serves a four to eight-year term (nominally 6 years) if reconfirmed by the Archives Steering Committee every two years.

Duties of Area Archivist: The Archivist will have archival experience and will manage archives work parties, coordinate archives training efforts, maintain the digital catalog, maintain a consistent filing system, manage our repository, represent the Area at National AA Archives Workshops, and manage collections such as artifacts, paper, audio information, photographs, and videos.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **The Archivist doesn't vote in my District or past Areas I've been in. Why should they have Right of Participation in Area72 Business?**

We could not find another District or Area that handles the Archivist separately from their other Trusted Servants, such as Newsletter Editor, Registrar, Secretary, Treasurer, Web Servant, etc.; we found that either all received the Right of Participation... or none did. By approving motion 11.2, Area 72 Appointed Trusted Servants were given full Right of Participation, as defined in Concept IV, in Area 72 Quarterlies and Assemblies.

- **If the Archivist participates in Area Committee business meetings, who will tend to the Archives Traveling Display?**

The Archives Traveling Display is maintained and displayed by a dedicated ASC member and, to ensure its safety, generally accompanied by additional ASC members. The Traveling Display must always be contained within a room that can be securely locked, including at the Area Assembly. This room is locked whenever the Traveling Display cannot be monitored by an authorized person (ASC member).

- **What about future archivists, who might not wish to fully participate in Area Business?**

Each of our current ASC members are united in their interest and support of full Right of Participation should they one day serve as our Area Archivist. Our perception is that we need to trust all Trusted Servants, including our Area Archivist, to be at the right place at the right time.

- **Why is this coming up now?**

As is true elsewhere in the world and Area 72, our Archives have evolved over the past years since motion 12.1 was presented and passed. All current ASC members are united in their belief that the Area Archivist position should be a voting member of the Area Committee. Each ASC member already stays informed about Area Business, understands the work involved in the Area Archivist position, and is eager to participate as a full voting member, should they one day be selected to serve as our Area Archivist. The ASC consists of six rotating members plus the Area Archivist and Area Archives Chair and meets the 3rd Sunday of every month. Area Archivists

generally first serve on the ASC, during which time they learn about the Area Archives and what is involved in the Area Archivist position.

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Motion 3

Move for Western Washington Area 72 to create a technology steering committee. The technology steering committee shall consist of Sound System Operator, Webmaster, and at least three AA member volunteers. Additional volunteers may be appointed for periods of time to assist with additional tasks at the discretion of the steering committee. The technology steering committee is charged with meeting the technical needs of Area, including but not limited to making Area business meetings hybrid, managing the area email/cloud storage system, online meeting platforms, and assisting with technology education/workshops.

Background:

In 2002 and 2004 when the positions of Area Web Servant and Area Sound System operator were adopted by motion, the technology needs of the Area were very different than they are now. Each rotation the Area Web Servant and Area Sound System Operator has taken on more and more responsibilities. Resumes of members that are available to fill these positions becomes less and less. With the rapid advancements we have made over the past few years, the jobs that we are now asking the Web Servant and Sound System Operator to perform is a lot for a single position.

This would not replace the Web Steering Committee, and they would still be the stewards of the Area’s online presence and content information. This would also allow for better collaboration and coordination for the Area Committee needs without increasing the workload of the Web Steering Committee or diverting them from their primary focus.

Below are the original motions to create Website Committee, Web Servant and Sound System Operator along with the job descriptions in the current handbook.

Motion to create Website Committee 02.1: We move that Western Washington Area form a Website Committee, composed of the Alternate Delegate, the Alternate Chairperson, The Public Information Chair and the Cooperation with the Professional Community Chair, to create and provide oversight for an Area Website. The committee would be responsible for a domain name, finding a server, and the content of the Website.

Motion to create Web Servant: 02.2: We move that the Western Washington Area create the appointed position of Area Web Servant. This person would become a member of the Area Website Committee, would be responsible for the input of content, and the maintenance of the website. This position would include funding for

communications and expenses incurred to attend the 3 Western Washington Area Quarterly meetings and the Western Washington Area Assembly.

Current job description of Web Servant: Chair of the Area Website Steering Committee which holds four committee meetings a year and is a member of the Web Standing Committee. Follows the A.A. Guidelines for the Internet, all A.A. literature pertinent to our online presence, and ensures that A.A. Traditions are followed. The Webmaster is responsible for the input of content, maintenance, and security of the area website and mobile applications. Is also responsible for the maintenance of and support for the Area email, online document system, video conferencing services. The Webmaster also serves as tech support to Area Officers and participates in the Area Assembly and Area Quarterly Meetings as an Appointed Officer. Attends the National A.A. Technology Workshop (NAATW) annually.

Motion to create Sound System Operator 04.4: We move that the Western Washington Area (WWA-72) include in its selection process the position of WWA-72 Sound System Operator. The process of selection/replacement of the WWA-72 Sound System Operator will be identical to that used for the current WWA-72 Appointed Servants.

Current job description of Area Sound System Operator: Area Sound Equipment Operator & Video Conference Meeting Coordinator is responsible for the coordination of the Area meetings/events held through the video conference meeting platform, the coordination of the tech team for Area video conference events, point person for the Area video conference business account, responsible for the storage and maintenance of Area sound equipment. Works together with Alternate Chairperson to coordinate the use of this equipment with Quarterly and Assembly Host Committees. Transports, assembles, and disassembles equipment before and after each Area meeting, and operates equipment during the meeting. Records Area Quarterly, Assembly and other Area meetings as requested to assist the Area Secretary in creating minutes. Responsible for forwarding a copy of the recordings to the Area Secretary and the Area Archivist.

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