

**The Region 5 Media Committee (MC) Report**  
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**Committee business since Fall Assembly:**

1. Completed the 2019 Fall Newsletter based on the World Service Convention theme of the 60th anniversary, looking into the future. We will base our themes for Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 on this general idea.
  - a. 2019 Fall Article Assignments:
    - **Joel** – Virtual Region
    - **Kevin** – Gratitude of Recovery (perhaps with Big Book & Bill W, Rosanne, then his own story)
    - **Darlene** – Spiritual Gift of Abstinence
    - **Christina** - New and young in OA
    - **CJ** – 60 years and looking into the future, but staying in the present
    - Belinda - Why I keep coming back
    - **Deanna** - Beyond our wildest dreams, book by Rosanne
    - **Susan** (previous R5 secretary) - Requested to write an article for the Fall newsletter. Keri emailed her the deadline.
    - **Keri** – Designed the newsletter and worked with the R5 board to get it approved and published to the website by 12/6. Keri will bring copies or Fall newsletter and out meeting minutes to review at Spring Assembly.
2. The group asked the board for permission to move the Agenda view to its own page with a direct link in the main tool bar on the R5 homepage. We also agreed to pay our webmaster for the extra charges this work will cause. Joel worked with the webmaster to get this updated on the website after the board approved.
3. Due to scheduling problems early in the year, Keri worked with Joel (he did all the work, she helped proof and edit) to create the new R5 website FAQ/Help instructions that include screen captures (to illustrate the instructions) that will explain the calendar, agenda, search features, etc. to help people navigate the pages. Keri will bring copies to Spring Assembly.

4. Keri assigned MC members sections of the Website to review functionality on 2/21/20. She asked the members to have any problems to her via email before Spring Assembly on 3/13.

**Items to revisit at Spring Assembly:**

1. Create a Website blog with personal stories like Lifeline. Things to consider about Blog options at our next Assembly:
  - a. May not be needed now with newsletter length extended.
  - b. We would need a log in to do it without our web master.
  - c. Would need regular uploads, weekly, to keep interest.
  - d. Will discuss next time.
  - e. Would newsletter be administrative, and blog be recovery and personal stories?
2. Joel is going to edit audio files from Sun morning meetings, when there are speakers and will have then added to the Region 5 website. Possibly the resources page. This will start in December.
3. Joel's secretary job may possibly get split to lighten the load. Will be discussed at a later time with the board and then in the MC. R5 Zoom Host and Reg Fox responsibilities could be passed on to someone else. A new possible position. Postponed for later discussions.