

**Ad Hoc Committee on the Assembly  
Interim Report July 13, 2010**

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Assembly mailed a survey to all registered groups in Area 47 in March 2010. The survey is part of an effort to improve group participation in Area Assembly, and the committee wanted to ensure that all groups in the Area would have a chance to inform Area of their view on how often the Assembly should meet, whether they would prefer a single, central location, and how Area could better serve their group.

Thanks to all the groups that took the time to discuss the issue and return the survey! We really appreciate your participation. We will keep you informed about further developments. (If your group did not receive the survey, you can find it on the Area 47 website at [www.aacny.org](http://www.aacny.org).)

The survey results show that 66% of the groups in Area would like to see some kind of change in where, when and/or how often the Assembly meet – but there is no consensus about what those changes should be. The committee will make a recommendation about how to best make use of this information within the next two months, as the Assembly continues to try to make sure it is doing all it can to achieve AA's primary purpose in Area 47.

Here is a summary of the survey results:

Total surveys mailed:	500 (all registered groups in Area 47)
Total surveys received:	95
Rate of return:	19%

Monthly	30
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Less frequently	51
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7 times/year	24
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10 times/year	4
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Quarterly	22
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Meet every other month	1
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Single/central location*	30
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Miscellaneous

Does not attend Assembly	5
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Group has disbanded	3
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Meet on Saturday	1
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Other	1
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**Of those groups that participated in the survey:**

32%	Want to meet monthly
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54%	Want to meet less frequently
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32%	Want to meet in a single, central location
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66%	Want some kind of change (less frequent meetings and/or single location)
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25%	Want things to stay as they are
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9%	Other
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\* This option was in addition to the choices on how often Assembly should meet. Most of the 30 groups (24) who want to meet in a single location are distributed among all the "frequency" options.