

We, the Ad hoc Assembly Committee make the motion that SENY does not rotate hybrid Assemblies.

Background:

The tasks assigned to the Ad hoc Assembly Committee are found in the motion this Body, the SENY Assembly, passed in September 2025. We held 17 Committee meetings, and like any AA committee, worked in between meetings. Our first meeting was October 26 and our last was June 2. At our second committee meeting on November 4, we knew the basic tech requirements for rotation of hybrid assemblies. We collected an enormous amount of background materials, reviewed it all, had thoughtful principled discussions and by substantial unanimity agreed to forward the motion that SENY does not rotate hybrid assemblies noting the following rationales:

- We revised the Assembly Planning Toolkit and contacted 55 venues throughout Southeastern NY Area 49. One of those 55 met needed requirements. This does not count WCC.
- The responsibility for the DCMC to find and secure an appropriate venue given tech requirements would be extraordinary.
- Tech team - for the tech team to trudge around all 12 Counties and wake up at all hours and enter a new venue every time with unknown difficulties is too much to ask, despite their willingness to serve.
- The lift expected of the county chairs to find venues while heavy, is outstripped by the requirements that would be added to the area chairs who would have to ensure the appropriateness of 5/6 venues a year, not only one.
- Any increase in participation in the host county would be countered by a decline in participation from the farthest flung county.

Lovingly submitted on behalf of this Committee for the Area 49 SENY Area Assembly of August 8, 2026.

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