

**70TH GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE  
AGENDA ITEMS FORWARDED TO THE 71ST GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE**

**Agenda**

1. Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form, process and 2019 Evaluation Summary.
2. Review the 2019 January conference call participant survey results.
3. Discuss report on the Conference Agenda Process from the trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference.
4. Discuss the General Service Conference schedule.

**Archives**

1. Review Archives Workbook.

**Cooperation with the Professional Community**

1. Discuss progress report on LinkedIn page implementation.

The committee noted for the 71st General Service Conference the following information regarding their discussion:

- The progress report clarifies the utility of the LinkedIn page and noted the samples that provide digital resources to professionals.
- Additional samples are welcome to be considered for the LinkedIn page that support informing professionals about A.A.
- Continue to provide activity data in future progress reports and include the utility of posted content.
- The committee reaffirmed its desire that future changes and updates, which amount to additional page content, be vetted through the Conference process.
- Content on the LinkedIn page should not be contrary to the Traditions, noting that comments following a post may not be consistent with A.A. principles.
- Content on the LinkedIn page, intended for professionals who help alcoholics, should be modernized, and reach different settings.
- Continue an ongoing consideration of other platforms, as needed, to sustain the A.A. message to professionals as times change.

- Consider posting content on the LinkedIn page that describes the role of a nonalcoholic trustee.
  - Consider posting videos and webinars on the LinkedIn page about C.P.C. committees, which are intended to introduce A.A. and to share ways that A.A. can cooperate with professionals.
2. Consider a request to create a pamphlet for mental health professionals.

The committee noted for the 71st General Service Conference the following information regarding their discussion:

- Input from a comprehensive set of people including professional peers and C.P.C. committee members.
  - Effective ways to reach modern working environments of mental health professionals.
  - Within the field of mental health professionals, language and attitudes about alcoholism can vary from setting to setting and might be distinct from what is familiar among A.A. members.
  - Expanding the scope of other pamphlets to include a message to mental health professionals.
3. Review contents of C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.

### **Corrections**

No items forwarded.

### **Finance**

1. Review Self-Support Packet.
2. Review the pamphlet “Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix” and consider a request regarding contribution percentages to service entities.

### **Grapevine**

1. Review progress report on AA Grapevine Workbook revisions.
2. Review progress report on actions taken from the findings of the AA Grapevine Fellowship Feedback Survey.
3. Consider a request to develop an A.A. Grapevine pamphlet on how the AA Grapevine can be utilized to carry the A.A. message.

## **International Conventions/Regional Forums**

No items forwarded.

## **Literature**

1. The pamphlet “A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic” be updated to include fresh stories and a new title that is respectful and inclusive.
2. Review proposed “A.A.W.S. Policy on Conversion of Written Conference-approved Literature and Service Material into Video Format.”
3. Consider requests to revise the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*:
  - a. Add pages 3 through 41 of the pamphlet “The A.A. Group” as an appendix in the next printing.
  - b. Revise the first 164 pages.
4. Consider proposals related to possible Fifth Edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*:
  - a. Develop a Fifth Edition.
  - b. Develop a Fifth Edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* with updated stories and revisions to Appendices III and V.
  - c. Add a proposed addendum to a Fifth Edition foreword of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* at the time it is published.
5. Consider development of a draft Fourth Edition of the book *Alcohólicos Anónimos*.
6. Consider requests to revise the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*:
  - a. To remove the phrase “opposite sex” from paragraph two on page 117 in the chapter “Step Twelve.”
  - b. To reconsider use of the phrase “lustful enough to rape” in paragraph one on page 66 in the chapter “Step Six.”
7. Consider request to add a subtitle to the booklet *Living Sober*.
8. Consider requests to revise text related to open meetings in the pamphlet “The A.A. Group.”

9. Consider request to revise text related to self-support in the pamphlet “Frequently Asked Questions About A.A.”
10. Consider revising the pamphlet “Questions & Answers on Sponsorship”:
  - a. Change the suggestion that sponsor and newcomer be of the same sex.
  - b. Expand the section on “Service Sponsorship” and retitle the pamphlet to include service sponsorship.
11. Consider request to include a G.S.R. preamble in the pamphlet “G.S.R.: Your Group’s Link to A.A. as a Whole.”
12. Review recovery literature matrix.

### **Policy/Admissions**

1. Review G.S.O. general manager’s report regarding General Service Conference site selection.
2. Consider a proposed process for how a Conference committee could review, discuss and act on proposed agenda items not forwarded to a Conference committee.
3. Review the Floor Action process.

### **Public Information**

No items forwarded.

### **Report and Charter**

1. Discuss General Service Conference *Final Report*.
2. Discuss A.A. Directories (Canada, Eastern U.S., and Western U.S.)

### **Treatment & Accessibilities**

No items forwarded.

## **Trustees**

1. Consider the revised "Procedures for a Partial or Complete Reorganization of the General Service Board, the A.A.W.S. or AA Grapevine Boards."

The committee noted for the 71st General Service Conference the following information regarding their discussion:

- The Conference Committee on Trustees agreed to include a memo for the 71st General Service Conference proposing consideration of alternate trustees.