

73rd General Service Conference Committees

Agenda Items

I. Agenda

- A. Review suggestions for the theme of the 2024 General Service Conference.
- B. Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2024 General Service Conference.
- C. Discuss workshop topic ideas for the 2024 General Service Conference.
- D. Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form, distribution process and 2022 Evaluation Summary.
- E. Discuss progress report on Conference improvement.
- F. Review feedback from Delegate Chairs on quarterly communications.
- G. Review a report and draft plan for a future Conference Inventory.

II. Cooperation with the Professional Community

- A. Review progress report on A.A.W.S. LinkedIn page.
- B. Review suggested revisions for the draft pamphlet "A.A. in Your Community."
- C. Review progress report on the development of outward facing pamphlets for mental health professionals.
- D. Consider retiring the pamphlet "A Member's-Eye View of Alcoholics Anonymous."
- E. Review content and format of C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.

III. Corrections

- A. Consider a request to include content in existing A.A. literature on sponsorship of persons in custody by outside members of the Fellowship.
- B. Review content and format of Corrections Kit and Workbook.
- C. Discuss service piece, "Safety and A.A.: Our Common Welfare" (SMF-209) and its revisions.

IV. Finance

- A. Consider request that materials produced and maintained by A.A. World Services, AA Grapevine, La Viña, and the General Service Office (GSO), clarify that the General Service Board (“GSB”) is the A.A. entity which receives all voluntary A.A. contributions and that GSO is the A.A. entity which performs the processing of all A.A. contributions.
- B. Review suggested area contribution for delegate expense for the Conference.
- C. Review the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the General Service Board from A.A. members.
- D. Review the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution of \$5,000 to the General Service Board from an individual A.A. member.
- E. Review Self-Support Packet.
- F. Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAI’s) regarding the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*.

V. Grapevine/La Viña

- A. Review AA Grapevine Workbook.
- B. Review progress report on the Grapevine and La Viña Instagram accounts.
- C. Consider the list of suggested Grapevine book topics for 2024 or after.
- D. Consider a request to provide all area alternate delegates the same Conference materials as sitting delegates.

VI. Literature

- A. Annual review of recovery literature matrix.
- B. Review draft pamphlet based on A.A.’s Three Legacies.
- C. Review draft of the revised pamphlet “The Twelve Steps Illustrated.”
- D. Review draft of the revised pamphlet “Young People and A.A.”
- E. Review progress report regarding update of the pamphlet “A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic.”
- F. Review progress report regarding update of the pamphlet “A.A. for the Native North American.”
- G. Review progress report regarding development of a Fourth Edition of the book *Alcohólicos Anónimos* - Spanish.

- H. Review progress report regarding the translation of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language.
- I. Review progress report regarding development of a Fifth Edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*.
- J. Review revised draft of the existing version of the pamphlet “Twelve Traditions Illustrated.”
- K. Review revised draft of the Literature Committee workbook.
- ~~L. Review request to update the pamphlet “Do You Think You're Different?”~~
Moved to Conference Committee on Trustees per EDW plan
- M. Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAI's) related to the Plain Language Big Book Translation.
- N. Review update on video animation for the pamphlet “The Twelve Concepts Illustrated.”
- O. Discuss cost effective media options that welcome young people to A.A. as an alternative to revising the ‘Too Young?’ pamphlet
- P. Review update on the proposal for Big Book or *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* study guides.

VII. Policy/Admissions

- A. Review GSO general manager’s report regarding General Service Conference site selection.
- B. Review dates for the 2027 General Service Conference.
- C. Review progress report on the development of a process using virtual meeting technologies for polling the GSC between meetings.
- D. Discuss report on the Equitable Distribution of Workload process.
- E. Review report of the GSB Ad-Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups in the U.S./Canada Service Structure.

VIII. Public Information

- A. Review the 2023 Public Information Comprehensive Media Plan.
- B. Public Service Announcements (PSAs):
 - 1. Review the distribution and tracking information for two video PSAs:
 - i. “Sobriety in A.A.: My Drinking Built a Wall”
 - ii. “Sobriety in A.A.: When Drinking is no longer a Party”

2. Review the 2022 report on the “Relevance and Usefulness of Video PSAs.”
- C. Review progress report on the development of a GSO Podcast.
- D. Review report on “YouTube Performance.”
- E. Review report on “Google Ads Performance.”
- F. Review report on “Meeting Guide Performance.”
- G. Review the "2022 Third Quarter Report on A.A.W.S. Board Oversight of GSO's A.A. website."
- H. Review report on “AAGV/La Viña Website, Marketing and Podcast.”
- I. Review report for “Online Business Profiles.”
- J. Review report on analytics.
- K. Review progress report on the Young People’s Video Project.
- L. Discuss feasibility research on paid placement of PSA videos on streaming platforms.
- M. Discuss Public Information pamphlets/materials:
 1. Review progress report on revision to the flyer “A.A. at a Glance”
 2. Review progress report on revision to the pamphlet “Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings”
 3. Review progress report on revision to the flyer “A Message to Teenagers”
- N. Review progress report on the request to create a new form of communication to address anonymity on social media.
- O. Review report on 2022 A.A. Membership Survey process.
- P. Review report on 2022 A.A. Membership Survey results reporting.
- Q. Review content and format of P.I. Kit and Workbook.
- R. Consider request to implement an Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. Instagram account.

IX. Report and Charter

- A. *The A.A. Service Manual, 2023-2025 Edition:*
 - 1. Review list of editorial updates.
 - 2. Consider the request to rescind the 2018 Advisory Action concerning a footnote in the resolution concerning “register” and “Groups.”
 - 3. Consider the request for specific changes to the 2021-2023 version of *The A.A. Service Manual*.
 - 4. Review progress report from A.A.W.S. Publishing on a new section to be added at the end of the *Twelve Concepts for World Service* titled “Amendments.”
 - 5. Review feasibility report of an ASL translation of *The A.A. Service Manual Combined with the Twelve Concepts for World Service*.
- B. Discuss General Service Conference *Final Report*.
- C. Consider posting an anonymity-protected Conference *Final Report* on aa.org.

X. Treatment and Accessibilities

- A. Review progress report on update to the pamphlet “A.A. for the Older Alcoholic—Never too Late.”
- B. Review progress report on Military audio interviews.
- C. Review contents and format of Treatment Kit and Workbook.
- D. Review contents and format of Accessibilities Kit and Workbook.
- E. Consider request to do an Accessibilities Inventory of Alcoholics Anonymous throughout its services and structure.
- F. Discuss carrying the message to alcoholics with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities.
- G. Review progress report on Bridging the Gap Workbook and other service materials.
- H. Review progress report on update to the pamphlet “Bridging the Gap.”
- I. Review progress report on GSO’s Guidelines for Remote Communities.

XI. Trustees

- A. Review resumes of candidates for:
 - 1. Northeast Regional Trustee
 - 2. Southwest Regional Trustee
 - 3. Trustee-at-Large/Canada
- B. Review slate of trustees and officers of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc.
- C. Review slate of directors of A.A. World Services, Inc.
- D. Review slate of directors of AA Grapevine, Inc.
- E. Review request to update the pamphlet “Do You Think You're Different?”

XII. Archives

- A. Review content and format of Archives Workbook.

XIII. International Conventions/Regional Forums

- A. Discuss selection of cities to be considered as a site for the International Convention in 2035.
- B. Discuss inviting up to twenty-one non-A.A. speakers to participate in the 2025 International Convention at A.A.'s expense.
- C. Discuss update report on methods of closing the Big Meetings at the International Convention.
- D. Discuss ways to encourage interest in Regional Forums and attract first-time attendees.