

January 2013

2013 General Service Conference Committees

Preliminary Agenda Items

Below are the preliminary agenda items for the 63rd Conference committees. During the January meetings of the trustees' committees, additional items received by the January 15th deadline may be assigned to appropriate Conference committees. Please keep in mind that this is a *preliminary* list and agenda items may be added or subject to change by the trustees' committees at the February board weekend.

Please Note: Agenda items listed with a clear bullet (○) indicate that the item originated from an Advisory Action and are currently "works in progress." The item may be forwarded to the Conference committee by the trustees' committee at their February Board meeting.

I. Agenda

- Review suggestions for the theme of the 2014 General Service Conference.
- Discuss presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2014 General Service Conference.
- Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form and suggestions from the trustees' Conference committee.

II. Cooperation With the Professional Community

- Discuss suggestion to revise text in the section *Referrals From Court and Treatment Facilities* in the pamphlet "If You Are a Professional..." to reflect current A.A. experience.
- Review contents of C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.

III. Corrections

- Review contents of Corrections Kit and Workbook.

IV. Finance

V. Grapevine

- Review Grapevine Workbook.

VI. Literature

- Review the revised draft pamphlet “Circles of Love and Service.”
- Consider a request to replace language in the second paragraph of the dust jacket of the 4th Edition of *Alcoholics Anonymous*.
- Consider a request to change wording in the pamphlet “Questions and Answers on Sponsorship” regarding “*When newcomers resist the ‘spiritual side of the program.’*”
- Review progress report from the trustee’s Committee on Literature on the development of literature which focuses on spirituality that includes stories from atheists and agnostics who are sober in Alcoholics Anonymous.

VII. Policy/Admissions

- Review dates for the 2016 General Service Conference.
- Review request regarding eligibility of the alternate chair of a primary Conference committee to serve as chair of a secondary Conference committee.
- Review suggestion to revise the “Guidelines for Electronic Device Users at the General Service Conference.”
- Review report from the trustees’ Committee on the General Service Conference on the role of the Conference Committee on Policy/Admissions in granting international observers admission to the General Service Conference.
- Consider changing the deadline for the submission of Conference Agenda Items from January 15th to December 15th.

VIII. Public Information

- Review report from trustees’ P.I. Committee on establishing a Public Information Social Media Page.
- Review 2012 annual report from the trustees’ P.I. Committee regarding G.S.O.’s A.A. Web site.
- Public Service Announcements (P.S.A.s):
 1. Review report from trustees’ P.I. Committee on A.A. Video P.S.A.s.
 2. Review current video P.S.A.s for relevance and usefulness.
 3. Consider production of new video P.S.A.s.
- Review interim report on the centralized distribution, tracking and evaluation of the video P.S.A. for the Spanish-speaking community, “Tengo Esperanza.”
- Review contents of P.I. Kit and Workbook.

IX. Report and Charter

- *The A.A. Service Manual*, 2013-2014 Edition:
 1. Review revisions from the General Service Board.
 2. Review list of editorial updates.
 3. Consider suggested text from Publications Department on the “spirit of rotation.”
- Discuss A.A. Directories (Canada, Western U.S., and Eastern U.S.).
- Discuss General Service Conference *Final Report* and consider request regarding editing Area Highlights.

X. Treatment/Special Needs-Accessibilities

- Review report on Spanish and French translations of the video *Hope: Alcoholics Anonymous*.
- Review contents of Treatment Kit and Workbook.
- Review contents of Special Needs/Accessibilities Kit and Workbook.

XI. Trustees

- Review resumes of candidates for:
 1. East Central Regional trustee
 2. Southeast Regional trustee
 3. Trustee-at-large/U.S.
- Review slates of trustees and officers of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc.
- Review slate of directors of A.A. World Services, Inc.
- Review slate of directors of A.A. Grapevine, Inc.

XII. Archives

- Consider proposal to revise the video *Markings on the Journey*.
- Review Archives Workbook.

XIII. International Conventions/Regional Forums

- Discuss selection of three cities to be considered as a site for the 2025 International Convention.
- Discuss ways to encourage interest in Regional Forums and attract first-time attendees.