

2024 Mini Conference Committee Forms

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Area 53

Central & Southeast Ohio General Service

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Finance and Grapevine/La Vina



2. What is the Agenda Item? *

(Enter the name of Agenda Item)

A: Review suggestions for the theme of the 2025 General Service Conference.

3. Background Notes *

In the early years of the Conference (1951 through 1961) the theme of each Conference became defined following the Conference itself, from taking a "sense of the meeting." Advance themes came into being beginning with the 1962 General Service Conference. Letters mailed to speakers/presenters prior to the Conference reveal that a definite theme was selected before the start of the Conference.

Conference theme and presentation topics revolve around basic principles of A.A. and can spark thought-provoking discussion. Regions, areas and districts often incorporate these topics into workshops, meetings, pre-Conference assemblies, etc., allowing for broad discussion throughout the Fellowship.

4. Background Documents *

1. Suggestions for 2025 Conference Theme
 2. List of Conference Themes 1951-2024
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5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Chair asked each of us to write our first choice on a paper. Top 2 are in the Recommendation

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

N/A

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

N/A

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

Top choices. Number of people voted - 15

- 8. Service: When We Get Busy, We Get Better (4 votes)
- 10. Service: Our Great Responsibility (3votes)

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B: Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2025 General Service Conference

3. Background Notes *

None

4. Background Documents *

1. List of 2025 Conference presentation/discussion topic ideas.
2. List of Conference presentation/discussion topics recommended by Conference 1985-2024.

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Chair asked that we give our top 3

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

N/A

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

N/A

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

20 people voted

- 9. Service: When We Get Busy, We Get Better (10 votes)
 - 15. The A.A. Group: Delivering an Informed Group Conscience (8 votes)
 - 13. Communication: The Key to an Informed Decision (7 votes)
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Item C: Review progress report reflecting shared experience from the Fellowship reflecting on possible future changes to literature written by A.A.'s founders.*

+Carryover from a previous EDW plan

3. Background Notes *

Conference Background: pages 12-13

4. Background Documents *

1. Sharing on Founders Writings - Proposed Questions, Document from the Trustees' Literature Committee (November 2023)
 2. February 2024 Correspondence from Trustees' Literature Committee
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5. Committee Discussion Recap *

How Should we Treat AA Founders's Writings survey

1. Yes = 9 No = 6 Pass = 1

Many said founders wanted clarity so they might not mind changes, but we still think the first 164 shouldn't be changed. Message is carried by one alcoholic talking to another so use a sponsor. We surrender to the program, not the other way around. Minimal changes only, like "To the Wives"

2. Yes= 15 No = 2 Pass = 2

It's effective when you have a sponsor guiding you. The Plain Language Big Book will solve the problem for people who don't understand it. But there are some words / areas that might offend some people and these should be changed.

3.

Yes = 10

- Use same criteria as used for 12 & 12 changes
- Changes should maximize effectiveness of the message
- Changes should focus on the 5th tradition
- Make changes that will bring in new people
- Our text needs to be credible

No = 2 Don't change it.

Pass = 8

4. Covered by previous responses

5.

Preserve spirit of the message, but change language = 3

Preserve first 164 pages and use other means (like footnotes in BB, or pamphlets, PLBB, workbooks, etc, reference guide) to assist understanding = 9

Have a home group discussion about questions and issues with Big Book = 1

Pass = 3

6

The current process works. Need really good communication = 12

Like the 2 year approach. Gives time for the minority opinion to be voiced and for others to hear it. = 3

Pass = 4

7.

- Always keep 5th tradition in mind
- Provide a way for the groups to be part of process. Communicate.
- We resist change, but then accept it. For example, the Traditions were resisted but are now embraced.
- Fellowship needs to have issues to consider earlier than we get them.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

later

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

later

8. Pass/Fail *

Pass

Fail

No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

See discussion notes.

Thinking about first 164 pages, most people said don't change. Okay to change other writings along the line of 12 & 12 changes.

Minority opinion reminded us that we need to consider what the newcomer needs; that our connection to BB is emotional, as we don't seem as upset with changes to other founders's writings. Need to also consider how people outside the program see the program, so they will recommend our program.

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ITEM D: Explore the services provided by AA Grapevine and how they should be funded.

3. Background Notes *

Conference Background: pages 17-19

4. Background Documents *

1. Trustee's Finance & Budget Committee Memo
 2. GV Services and Funding Report
 3. Section of GSB Bylaws
-

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Ideas to save cost:

1. Cease print books (offer ebooks only)
2. Allow app users to organize saved articles and print a book via Amazon (or something else)
3. Make print Grapevine smaller and put more content online.
4. Bring more of the digital services in-house to reduce cost.

Ideas to create revenue:

1. Change charter to allow donations
2. Charge for podcast and other online content
3. Encourage GSRs to lobby for Grapevine Rep at home group
4. Encourage groups to buy subscriptions, or give Grapevine to Corrections or Treatment Centers

Committee recognizes need for print. Print is still valuable.

Question: The "gray pages" seem to come and go, does that affect subscriptions?

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

N/A

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

N/A

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
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9. Committee Recommendation *

See the Recap

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K. Review proposal for an AAWS Instagram Account

3. Background Notes *

The committee discussed a request for AAWS to establish an Instagram account in line with the Twelve Traditions and encouraged Communication Services to continue with planning for the account.

4. Background Documents *

2023 AAWS Instagram proposal

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Concerns: Anonymity in comments; Expense, including cost of staff to manage the daily posting, HootSuite expenses; Account security, hackers, etc.; Tradition 11 - Is this promotion rather than attraction?; Large platform, how do we specify target audience? Could this discourage in-person or person to person contact? Can AAWS/GSO afford this?

Pros: Public communications more easily accessible; so many young people are using Instagram, great way to reach that target audience; other information out there on recovery that can be misleading, AA needs to have a presence there to counteract these messages; Non-alcoholics can learn more about AA. Just another way to carry the message.

Recommendations: Most agreed that comments should be turned off, though some said they were encouraged by comments on FB groups from other alcoholics. Grapevine has an Instagram account, could AAWS combine with Grapevine? Do not spend money on tracking and analytics. Can this be done as a pilot? Provide more info on costs before moving forward.

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For*

(Total number of Votes For.)

No vote was required.

7. Votes Against*

(Total number of Votes Against.)

No vote was required.

8. Pass/Fail*

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- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation*

Continue to plan and provide more information, especially around expenses.

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ITEM C: Discuss report on the Equitable Distribution of Workload process.

3. Background Notes *

The committee recommended to the General Service Board that the Equitable Distribution of Workload plan be implemented for the 2024 General Service Conference.

4. Background Documents *

EDW Year Three Report to 74th GSC

PAI Form

CAR Form

EDW Year Three Survey Summary

EDW Year Two Report to 73rd GSC

EDW Year One Report to 72nd GSC

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Diane from GSO gave an explanation of what this process entailed. This was a long reading, and a little difficult to comprehend, and some said there was not enough time to review all the materials. There was also some discussion with regard to the timelines for when PAIs would be due so that the committees had time to review these agenda items prior to the conference. The conference is asking whether this plan should be implemented for the 2024 General Service Conference. Most agreed that this should be put in to place for the next General Service Conference.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

No vote was taken.

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

No vote was taken.

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

Committee recommended that the EDW plan be implemented for the 2024 General Service Conference.

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ITEM B: Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2025 General Service Conference

3. Background Notes *

N/A

4. Background Documents *

List of 2025 Conference presentation/discussion topic ideas

List of conference presentation/discussion topics recommended by Conference 1985-2024

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Went around the room and voted on our top 2 picks.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

N/A

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

N/A

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

Top 3 Picks:

- 8. Dual Sense of Belonging, Recovery and Services
 - 14. Ultimate Responsibility: Where is the missing AA Group's Conscience?
 - 11. Service: Our Great Responsibility
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ITEM A: Review suggestions for the theme of the 2025 General Service Conference

3. Background Notes *

In the early years of the Conference (1951 through 1961) the theme of each Conference became defined following the Conference itself, from taking a "sense of the meeting."

4. Background Documents *

Suggestions for 2025 Conference Theme
List of Conference Themes 1951-2024.

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Went around the room and shared our top 2 themes.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

N/A

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

N/A

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

Top 3:

- 7. Shoulder to Shoulder: Our Common Journey
 - 19. The AA Group Voice: Responsibility, Accountability and Participation
 - 18. The Informed Group Conscience: Defined, Practiced and Reported
 - 8. Service: When We Get Busy, We Get Better
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Agenda



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Item E- The Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference (TCGSC) forwarded to the agenda committee the 2023-2024 Subcommittee on Conference Improvements (SCI) Progress Report

3. Background Notes *

The committee was appointed with the following scope in mind. (See Background Documents)

4. Background Documents *

1. 73rd GSC Evaluations, Post Conference Sharing Session Notes, a summary evaluation from the Conference Coordinator to GSO's Conference Management Team - REVIEW

2. Draft 2024 Conference Week Schedule - REVIEW

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Each committee member discussed his/her interpretations of ITEM E:

Agenda Item E language "Review" indicates that the committee can decide whether ITEM E requires a vote, or if a brief overview of the Agenda Committee discussion may be given when reporting out by the chairperson.

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda discussed the changes to the conference week schedule and made suggestions:

1. Discussed interpreters; specifically a sign language interpreter.
2. Discussed secondary operations committees.
3. Discussed the cost of the conference. \$74,000 daily. The budget is \$1,200,000 for the week.
4. Discussed additional costs for which the delegates would be responsible. It was discussed that virtual meetings have been added to alleviate costs.
5. The trustees have oversight of the finances, and created a report on an evaluation of the costs.

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda suggested that there be a cost savings report and/or a financial summary provided to the 2025 conference committee on Agenda.

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda reviewed the information regarding the Trustee's committee "2023-2024 Subcommittee on Conference Improvements Progress Report" and appreciates and understands that the 2023 evaluations were considered, and actionable items regarding conference updates and cost savings were detailed. The 2024 conference committee on Agenda suggested that a financial summary/report be provided to the 2025 conference committee on Agenda for complete transparency.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

0

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda reviewed the information regarding the Trustee's committee "2023-2024 Subcommittee on Conference Improvements Progress Report" and appreciates and understands that the 2023 evaluations were considered, and actionable items regarding conference updates and cost savings were detailed. The 2024 conference committee on Agenda suggested that a financial summary/report be provided to the 2025 conference committee on Agenda for complete transparency.

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ITEM G- Review Conference Inventory Plan for the 2025 General Service Conference

3. Background Notes *

Excerpts from the January 2024 Trustees' General Service Committee Meeting (pg.1)

Excerpts from the July 2023 Trustees' General Service Conference Committee Meeting (pg.1)

Excerpts from the January 2023, Trustees' General Service Conference Committee meeting. (pg. 2)

4. Background Documents *

Conference Inventory Plan for the 2025 General Service Conference- REVIEW

July 2023 Progress Report- Subcommittee Inventory - REVIEW

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Each committee member discussed his/her interpretations of ITEM G:

Agenda Item G language "Review" indicates that the committee can decide whether ITEM G requires a vote, or if a brief overview of the Agenda Committee discussion may be given when reporting out by the chairperson.

The Background Notes were briefly reviewed and discussed.

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda discussed Inventory Plan for the 2025 General Service Conference and made suggestions:

1. The subcommittee on Conference Inventory forwarded the 2025 Conference Inventory Plan to the 2024 Conference Committee on Agenda.
2. Discussed the understanding of all 36 principles to be of maximum service to the AA structure and the newcomer.
3. Discussed the timeline and process of the updated inventory.
4. Suggested to discuss a regularly scheduled inventory; thus, keeping the investment of time to a concise minimum and accuracy at a maximum
5. Julie made a motion to vote to maintain a 2 year review on inventory for the General Service Conference:
Allison second the motion
Voting- 15 committee members
Simple majority- All 15 members in favor

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda's committee report reflects the committee's discussion summary and action items requested for review by the 2025 conference committee on Agenda.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

0

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda reviewed the conference inventory plan and we appreciate the work of the Subcommittee on Inventory. The 2024 conference committee on Agenda suggested, and voted based on simple majority, to maintain a 2 year review on inventory for the general service conference; thus, keeping the investment of time at a minimum and inventory accuracy at a maximum.

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ITEM A- Review suggestions for the theme of the 2025 General Service Conference:

3. Background Notes *

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Advance themes came into being beginning with the 1962 General Service Conference. Letters mailed to speakers/presenters prior to the conference reveal that a definite theme was selected before the start of the Conference.

Conference theme and presentation topics revolve around basic principles of A.A. and can spark thought-provoking discussion. Regions, areas and districts often incorporate these topics into workshops, meetings, pre-Conference assemblies, etc., allowing for broad discussion throughout the fellowship.

4. Background Documents *

Suggestions for 2025 Conference Theme- REVIEW

List of Conference Themes for 1951-2024- REVIEW

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Each committee member discussed his/her interpretations of ITEM A:

Agenda ITEM A language “Review” indicates that the committee can decide whether ITEM A requires a vote, or if a brief overview of the Agenda Committee discussion may be given when reporting out by the chairperson.

Each committee member was provided time to review the suggestions of the theme for the 2025 General Service Conference.

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda’s committee reflects the decision from the committee’s vote, which was decided by simple majority. A period for discussion was opened after the motion was made to voice any objections.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.**6. Votes For** *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

0

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda reviewed the suggestions of the themes for the 2025 General Service Conference. It was requested by the Area 53 Delegate to move to a vote on the recommended themes. After a review of the top three themes, counted by votes per committee member, the committee voted to submit the top three themes which are "Service: When we get busy, We get better", "The "U" in unity- How service work brings us together", and "Inventory- The key to the future".

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Literature



2. What is the Agenda Item? *

(Enter the name of Agenda Item)

H Review Progress report on the video animation of the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated."

3. Background Notes *

see page 34

4. Background Documents *

see pp 34-35

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

There was question about the itemization that was answered. Series of questions: What % of the AAWS budget is \$10,000? What is the purpose of creating this? How many people will be impacted? Discussion followed that \$10,000 is small portion of budget. In general it is good. Some commented that it was clearer than a Concept Study session they attended recently. There was a question about why English, French, and Spanish - answer GSO does everything is English, French and Spanish. Consensus, go with option 1. Concern shared was that this was going to cost more than \$10,000

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

0

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
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9. Committee Recommendation *

Consensus to choose option 1

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ITEM B- Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2025 General Service Conference

3. Background Notes *

N/A

4. Background Documents *

List of 2025 Conference presentation/discussion topic ideas

List of Conference presentation/discussion topics recommended by Conference 1985-2024

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Each committee member discussed his/her interpretations of ITEM B:

Agenda ITEM B language "Review" indicates that the committee can decide whether ITEM B requires a vote, or if a brief overview of the Agenda Committee discussion may be given when reporting out by the chairperson.

Each committee member was provided time to review the suggestions for the 2025 presentation/discussion topic ideas.

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Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

0

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

The 2024 conference committee on Agenda reviewed the suggestions on the presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2025 General Service Conference. It was requested by the Area 53 Delegate to move to a vote on the recommended presentation/discussion topic ideas. After a review of the top three presentation/discussion topic ideas, counted by votes per committee member, the committee voted to submit the top three presentation/discussion topic ideas which are "Improving our Unity by Taking an Inventory", "Communication- The key to an Informed Decision", and "Where the Legal Meets the Spiritual".

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Literature



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K Consider a request that the words "Donation" and Contribution" be swapped under Warranty One in "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated."

3. Background Notes *

See p. 49

4. Background Documents *

see pp. 49-51

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Concern that the actual wording of item K was incorrect with respect to the spirit of the question. Since the wording appeared incorrect, the committee voted it down. However, the committee voted to recommend the following wording that is from the "TO Statement" in the background (p.51) and the statement in the Nov. 3, 2023 letter (p. 53) Here is the wording: "So long as we refuse to take outside donations and limit individual member's contributions, we shall not become wealthy in any perilous sense." The vote for this language was approved Yes 11, NO 2.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

11

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

The committee voted this down because they thought the wording of Item K was incorrect. However, it did provide suggested wording as stated in previous entry. We trust that this will be enough information to help delegate at the conference.

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E Review progress report on the development of the 4th edition of the Spanish Big Book

3. Background Notes *

see p. 26

4. Background Documents *

see pp. 26-27

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

General question, why are we reviewing this when none of us speak Spanish? It was explained that current translation is weak and that they are looking for new stories. Then it was understood that this was just an update on the process. Committee was grateful there is a new chair and that a timeline will be established. Thankful for being kept in the loop.

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

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8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
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9. Committee Recommendation *

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Area 53

Central & Southeast Ohio General Service

1. What is the name of your Committee? *

(Enter the name of the Committee)

Literature



2. What is the Agenda Item? *

(Enter the name of Agenda Item)

Item A from the Agenda Committee: Topic for 2025 Conference

3. Background Notes *

see first page of document

4. Background Documents *

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5. Committee Discussion Recap *

Committee members chose their top three and we tallied the results. Here are the top 3. They all received 5 votes. #7. Shoulder to Shoulder: Our Common Journey. #8. Service: When We Get Busy, We Get Better. #13 The "U" in Unity - How Service Work brings us together.

Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

0

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
- Fail
- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

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Item B from Agenda Committee: Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for 2025 GSC.

3. Background Notes *

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4. Background Documents *

see p. 2

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

The committee members chose their top 3 and the result were tallied. Here are the chosen ones: #15. The AA Group: Delivering an Informed Group Conscience - received 6 votes. #11 Service: our Great Responsibility - received 5 votes. There was a tie for third place with 4 votes but #7 won the run off.

Committee Voting Results

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(Total number of Votes For.)

0

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

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Treatment and Accessibilities and Trustees ▼

2. What is the Agenda Item? *

(Enter the name of Agenda Item)

1. Trustees Item XI- F.

3. Background Notes *

2. Item XI- F. of the 5 agenda items, we were given F
 - a. **Madam Chair found a discrepancy between agenda item description (discuss) vs background item description (consider). The Delegate (thank you so much) confirmed an update on onboarding software.
 - b. guidelines or parameters regarding the deadlines to submit Conference agenda items.
3. Background Notes
 - a. The people in the memos are AA'ers. Available to us. GSO is a part of us.
 - b. Disagreement is on when deadline should be.
 - c. History includes that regardless of language or region, the items and their backgrounds should be produced by a certain date. From last panel.
 - i. Translation takes time. Part of moving back.
 - d. Is pushing back the date cutting the timeline for delegates to review and gather Area conscience.
 - e. Does censure items have to conform to that deadline.
 - f. There is a lengthy history on dates all material is submitted.
 - i. Several times there have been proposed deadline date change.
 - g. The answer is not in the background.
 - h. What are the needs of panel 74?
 - i. Motion Move regarding Item F discuss and vote
 - i. Gary second
 - ii. 19 favor
 - iii. 0 opposed
 - iv. No abstaining
 - j. Helpful to hear from delegate.
 - k. issues that could happen after the deadline but should be addressed and not until next year
 - l. there was no real discussion seems to be a fear based, "what if" something happens after deadline.
 - m. Has been censures- possibly 4 up to last year- is a reality including trustee resignation and Covid
 - n. There is a precise vote they want us to consider
 - o. We can not change the language of the proposed agenda item
 - p. Was already moved (pointing from archivist)
 - q. Background info supports that it DOES include censure and reorganization
 - r. Gives the board the ability to make decisions prior to the floor action at the conference
 - i. A floor action at the conference may be undone on a board vote
 - s. Time is a factor and could be the difference in a informed decision- include but not limited to censorship
 - t. Sometimes things are imminent for changes in case a person needs
 - i. Deadline Good for agenda items
 - ii. As written
 - iii. Deadline Should include censorship
 - u. Is not clear that it (censor and organize) is currently in in our bylaws
 - v. Should be created for a floor action. Is it being handled procedural.
 - w. Having adequate time for proposals outweighs need for immediate censorship
 - i. Board already has power to immediate make changes
 - ii. How many times (quarterly)

4. Background Documents *

see report

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

5. Committee Discussion Recap
 - a. We discussed in detail deadline does not apply to motions for censure and reorganization.
 - i. How do we proceed. There has been thorough research.
 - ii. There has never been a vote (during a General Service Conference) to specify whether Sept 15 includes censorship and reorganization.
 - b. Call to question-Proposed agenda item: Confirm the September 15th deadline for conference agenda items does not include motions for censure or reorganization
 - i. Yay 14- does not apply to motions of censorship and reorganization
 - ii. Nay 1- Does apply-
 1. Minority opinion delay is dangerous
 - iii. 4 abstain
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Committee Voting Results

Enter the Voting Information Below.

6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

14

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

1

8. Pass/Fail *

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9. Committee Recommendation *

does not apply to motions of censorship and reorganization

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2. What is the Agenda Item? *

(Enter the name of Agenda Item)

2. X Item F-1

a. Review report on inventory of resources currently available on from the GSO and Grapevine- to meet accessibility challenges and how those are communicated

3. Background Notes *

3. Background Notes (discussion from committee on background notes)
 - a. Committee recap of what's available
 - b. Things on list or materials that people can't read.
 - c. Many disabilities and special needs-there are so many. Keep broad.
 - d. need for diversity in disabilities.
 - e. Should learning disabilities be a category?
 - f. "Many factors include" but does not list alcohol as a factor that influences.
 - g. Where did the categories come from, is there a source that was used.
 - h. Who is our audience?
 - i. Is this over stepping the responsibility of a sponsor. But issues arise comprehension.
 - j. ASL and braille availability
 - k. Communication is critical for all AA and not just disability. Who and Where
 - i. Area53 accessibilities committee is not provided.
 - ii. Referral system
 - l. Be careful to only consider the- literature has been reviewed.
 - m. Would like to discuss the pamphlet- 60 age word usage.
 - n. Established these are the titles of what is available in relation to accessibility resources.
 - o. While reviewing should the braille option be in other translations
 - p. Our assignment was to review, if there are specific questions about actions that need taken, there is typically a representative to answer questions during the questions.
 - q. Not a lot of digital representation. The list does not include how to navigate electronically.
 - r. AI should be in the discussion.
 - s. We do not know what is being worked on.
 - t. Resource suggestions below
 - u. Sensory needs as a baseline of what to provide and who to provide it- should go further into literature creation.
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4. Background Documents *

see report

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

5. Committee Discussion Recap
 - a. There should not be broad sweeping generalities for the category in the agenda item language.
 - i. The intro language of item:
 - ii. "Including these but not limited to" referencing the categories of disabilities.
 - iii. Find a way for all-inclusive nature.
 - iv. Could there be language "as examples"?
 - v. Site sources, citations
 - vi. "Such as including these but not limited to"
 - vii. Sensory needs as a baseline of what to provide and who to provide it- should go further into literature creation.
 - b. Resources that are available: "Do you need a reasonable accommodation." Is not in any material.
 - c. Every alcoholic is autonomous. We must be careful not to classify someone's disability in any such literature.
 - d. Resources that are missing
 - i. Should digital resources be listed?
 - ii. Request of stories with different disabilities for Grapevine so that more literature is produced.
 - e. Bridge is the material communication connector piece between those with a need and those that can provide it.
 - i. connector is The Call for Articles to get a pulse on what's needed.
 - ii. Area53 accessibilities committee is not provided.
 - iii. People who live in a digital world- how can reach

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

no action

7. Votes Against *

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no action

8. Pass/Fail *

Pass

Fail

No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

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2. What is the Agenda Item? *

(Enter the name of Agenda Item)

2. Item B. Review topic ideas for 2025 GSC

3. Background Notes *

3. Background Notes
 - a. Looked at Topics
 - b. We made our selectin by trusting group conscience vs in depth discussion
 - c. Committee decided to choose top 3 each
 - i. For the reason of supporting three legacies opportunity for each to be included

4. Background Documents *

see report

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

5. Committee Discussion Recap
 - a. 17 suggestions but background had duplication committee found 16 suggested
 - b. For the reason of supporting three legacies opportunity for each to be included. The body of this committee feels:
 - i. 13 Communication: The key to an informed decision
 - ii. 16 2nd place
 - iii. 5 6 7 8 9 15 tied for 3rd place

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

na

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

na

8. Pass/Fail *

- Pass
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- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

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2. What is the Agenda Item? *

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1. Treatment/Accessibilities & Trustees
2. Item A.

3. Background Notes *

3. Background Notes
 - a. Looked at themes
 - b. We made our selection by trusting group conscience vs in depth discussion
 - c. Committee decided to choose top 3 each
 - i. For the reason of supporting three legacies opportunity for each to be included

4. Background Documents *

see reports

5. Committee Discussion Recap *

5. Committee Discussion Recap
 - a. For the reason of supporting three legacies opportunity for each to be included. The body of this committee feels:
 - i. 19 The AA Group Voice: Responsibility Accountability and Participation
 - ii. 17,13 and 11 tied for 2nd place
 - iii. 7 8 15 tied for 3rd place

Committee Voting Results

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6. Votes For *

(Total number of Votes For.)

na

7. Votes Against *

(Total number of Votes Against.)

na

8. Pass/Fail *

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- No Action

9. Committee Recommendation *

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