

For financial information and additional committee considerations, please consult your Delegate.

Advisory Actions

CORRECTIONS

- Updated Singleness of Purpose text to replace the existing paragraph in the pamphlet "A Message to Corrections Professionals."
- The committee recommended that the video "Carrying the Message Behind the Walls" be discontinued.
- The committee recommended that a pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in A.A. be developed. The committee requested that a draft pamphlet or progress report be brought back to the 2025 Conference Committee on Corrections.

TRUSTEES

- The committee recommended that the following slate of trustees of the General Service Board be elected at the annual meeting of the members of the General Service Board on April 20, 2024, following presentation at the 2024 General Service Conference for disapproval if any.
- Approved the proposed slate of trustees for 2024.
- Approved the proposed slate of officers of the GSB for 2024.
- Approved the proposed slate of the A.A.W.S., Inc. board for 2024
- Approved the proposed slate of the Grapevine, Inc. board for 2024

GRAPEVINE/La Viña

- The committee recommended that the AA Grapevine Board develop a 5-year financial plan for La Viña with the goal to reduce shortfalls and increase revenue to be brought back to the 2025 Conference Committee on Grapevine and La Viña.

FINANCE

- The committee recommended that a change to the language in the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" be implemented.
- The committee recommended that the maximum annual contribution from an individual A.A. member to the General Service Board be increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500.

TREATMENT AND ACCESSIBILITIES

- The committee recommended that the draft pamphlet "Bridging the Gap" (P-49) be approved with minor editorial revisions.
- The committee recommended that the flyer "Where Do I Go from Here?" (F-4) be updated with current inclusive language and information on how to find A.A. both in person and online. The committee requested that a progress report or draft flyer be brought back to the 2025 Conference Committee on Treatment and Accessibilities.

LITERATURE

- The committee recommended that the pamphlets "It Happened to Alice" (P-39) and "What Happened to Joe" (P-38) be retired.
- The committee recommended that the draft of the revised pamphlet "A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic" (retitled "Black in A.A.: Experience, Strength and Hope") be approved with minor editorial changes.
- The committee recommended that the draft manuscript "Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous" (the proposed title) be approved with minor editorial changes to include:
 - Relocation of the "A.A. Steps Table" to constitute an Appendix (on the Twelve Steps) at the back of the new publication.
 - Replace the references to "addiction" and "addicted" with language related to alcoholism."
 - FINAL VOTE:** 129 Votes (2/3=86) Yes-91 No-38 Passed
- The committee recommended permanently suspending the "Too Young?" video adaptation project.
- The committee recommended that the word "donation" be utilized in "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated" pamphlet to state that A.A. does not accept donations from outside entities; and that the word "contributions" be utilized when referring to Seventh Tradition contributions from A.A. members, in AAWS literature as it comes up for reprint.

Advisory Actions (continued)

AGENDA

- The committee recommended the following theme for the 2025 General Service Conference: "Working Together, Increasing Trust."
- The committee recommended the following presentation theme and topics for the 2025 General Service Conference:
 - "Delegating: It Is Okay to Ask for Help."
 - "Bridging the Gap: How Do We Make the Voice of Every Group Count?"
 - "Our Financial Responsibility In Carrying the Message."
- The committee recommended the workshop topic for the 75th GSC be: "How do we address the new financial reality facing our spiritual movement?"
- The committee recommended that the General Service Conference Inventory Plan be approved and that an inventory summary (not to exceed eight pages), be included in the 2025 Final Conference Report.
- The committee recommended that a comprehensive summary of the 2025 General Service Conference Inventory be developed and distributed as an electronic version only.

REPORT and CHARTER

- The A.A. Service Manual, 2024-2026 Edition: The committee recommended that the section "The (Typical) Area Assembly" in the Area Assembly and its Activities chapter of The A.A. Service Manual be amended to add a text reference in addition to the color reference in order to address readability for members that are color blind. The committee recommended that in the draft section "Board's Custodial Oversight" in the "The Board's Operating Corporations" chapter of The A.A. Service Manual be amended.
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- The committee recommended that the order of the chapters in The A.A. Service Manual be amended to:
 - Chapter 8: The General Service Board
 - Chapter 9: The Board's Operating Corporations Chapter
 - 10: A.A. World Services, Inc.
 - Chapter 11: AA Grapevine, Inc. Chapter 12: The GSO
- The committee recommended that in Article 9, "The General Service Conference Meetings," a footnote be added to the Current Conference Charter with the following text: "In 2023 an Advisory Action was passed by the General Service Conference outlining a process for polling the General Service Conference body between annual meetings using virtual technology."
- The committee reviewed the current format for reporting on simple majority items in the Conference Final Report. The committee recommended that the items that receive simple majority be included in the Final Conference Report under the heading "Recommendations that achieved Simple Majority – These items did not receive the two-thirds majority required to pass as a Conference Advisory Action."

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- The committee recommended that the :30 English language version of the Public Service Announcement (PSA) "Since Getting Sober I Have Hope" be discontinued.
- The committee recommended that the :60 English language version of the Public Service Announcement (PSA) "Since Getting Sober I Have Hope" be discontinued.
- The committee recommended that the radio Public Service Announcement (PSA) "We Know How You Feel" :15 English language version be discontinued.
- The committee recommended that two Public Service Announcements be distributed on broadcast media, tracked and evaluated at a cost of \$17,000 which would be in addition to the \$48,000 that is planned to be spent to track the Value of Donated airtime on PSAs in 2024 per the audit requirement. The total expenditure should not exceed \$65,000.

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