

Proposed Items for the Agenda of the 2021 General Service Conference*

As of 1/15/2021
61 Items

Below is a list of items that have been submitted for the Conference Agenda. These proposed items are not the final agenda items for the Conference committee agendas. These proposed items will be reviewed by trustees' committees, who may forward them to a Conference committee, keep them at the Board level for additional background and consideration, or route them to the A.A.W.S. or Grapevine Boards. The final list of Conference committee agenda items will be available in early February following the General Service Board meeting.

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1	6/23/19	That literature be developed sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	<p>Took No Action: The committee tabled the discussion on the request for a developing literature sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation until the February 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature Committee reviewed and agreed to continue discussions to consider developing literature sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation at their August 2020 meeting. The committee noted that Grapevine is in the process of developing a similar item.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature Committee discussed the request to consider developing literature sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation and noted that Grapevine is in the process of developing a similar item. The committee agreed to table discussion to the October 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature committee discussed the request to develop literature sharing experience, strength and hope on meditation and took no action.</p> <p>The committee noted that shared experience on the topic is available in the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, as well as a wide variety of articles available through AA Grapevine. The committee also noted that current consideration is underway for the development of a book on meditation by AA Grapevine.</p>

*May include items submitted for a previous year, but still under consideration by a trustees' committee.

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2	10/15/19	That the Conference Corrections committee review corrections related literature intended for use by members in correctional facilities and take action to removing the words "inmate" and "offender" from A.A.W.S. literature and replace these words with more inclusive terms.	Trustees' Committee on Corrections	<p data-bbox="1509 185 2024 971">Under consideration by trustees' committee: The trustees' committee had a wide-ranging discussion on language options to refer to incarcerated individuals in A.A. literature for Corrections, including discussion on a request forwarded from an area to "review Corrections related literature for use by members in correctional facilities and take action to removing the words "inmate" and "offender" from A.A.W.S. literature and replace these words with more inclusive terms." The committee considered the alternatives provided in the request, noting the relevance of providing the appropriate language for the appropriate audience. The committee suggested that a plan be considered by the trustees' Corrections Committee in August for a full review of the corrections literature with a focus on identifying the appropriate language based on the audience the corrections literature is trying to reach. The committee requested that the full background from the request received and a complete list of corrections literature, including service material, be brought to the August 2020 meeting of the committee.</p> <p data-bbox="1509 1008 2024 1295">The committee reviewed a suggestion from the trustees' Corrections Committee's February 2020 meeting to consider a full review of the corrections literature with a focus on identifying the appropriate language based on the audience the corrections literature is trying to reach. The chair asked the committee to consider alternative language and bring their ideas to the next meeting in October 2020.</p> <p data-bbox="1509 1333 2024 1468">The committee briefly discussed alternatives to the word "inmate" such as "confined member." The chair noted that corrections professionals currently use the term "offender" but that terms change. The chair</p>

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				<p>also noted that we should always consider who the audience is for each communication when considering what terms to use.</p> <p>The chair requested that the trustees' Correction committee members forward their suggestions to the chair and the committee secretary by December 16, 2020. The suggestions will be compiled for review at the January 2021 meeting.</p>

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3	10/15/19	Consider that a pamphlet be published by the General Service Office explaining YPAA (Young People of Alcoholics Anonymous) events, bid committees, state, regional and international conventions, also the ICYPAA Advisory Council.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	<p>Took No Action: The trustees' Literature Committee reviewed the request to develop a pamphlet about Young People of Alcoholics Anonymous (Y.P.A.A.) and agreed to continue discussion at their August 2020 meeting. The committee requested that the staff secretary reach out to the submitter for more information as to the goal and purpose of the request.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature The committee reviewed the request to develop a pamphlet about Young People of Alcoholics Anonymous (Y.P.A.A.) as well as the additional information received from the submitter as to the goal and purpose of the request. The committee tabled discussion to the October 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature committee discussed the request to develop a pamphlet about Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (Y.P.A.A.) and took no action.</p> <p>The committee noted the importance of inclusivity as it relates to young people in A.A. and suggested that as the Publishing department develops and updates relevant literature items to consider including general information about Y.P.A.A. The committee also suggested that the Publishing department consider including general information about Y.P.A.A. as a resource in the update underway for the pamphlets "Young People in A.A." and "Too Young," as well as exploring the idea of podcasts consisting of sharing from Y.P.A.A. members.</p> <p>The committee requested that the staff secretary look into options for including general information about Y.P.A.A. as a resource within existing service material and</p>

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				for a progress report to be provided at the January 2021 meeting.
4	10/17/19	A revised version of the pamphlet, "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings" be considered to replace the current version. This revision seeks to clarify and make more concise the message conveyed, rendering this piece a more effective tool for use by A.A. members cooperating with non-A.A. persons and entities. The current version is 24 pages in length, and while the information contained therein is valuable, a concise piece may be a more effective and practical tool.	Trustees' Committee on Public Information	<p>Under consideration by trustees' committee: The committee reviewed a request to consider a revised version of the pamphlet "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings." The committee asked that discussion on a revision to the pamphlet be continued at the August 2020 meeting. The committee also asked that a review of all Public Information pamphlets be included for discussion with a comprehensive review of the usefulness and relevancy of these pamphlets for P.I. committees and carrying the A.A. message to the public.</p> <p>The committee discussed the request that the P.I. pamphlet "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings" be revised. The committee asked that this item be discussed at the October meeting along with a comprehensive review of all Conference-approved literature under the purview of P.I.</p> <p>The trustees' PI committee reviewed a request that the P.I. pamphlet "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings" be revised.</p> <p>The committee noted the need for a comprehensive review of all P.I. pamphlets.</p> <p>The chair appointed a working group consisting of Cathy B., Christine C. and Ino F. to begin a review of all P.I. pamphlets and materials. The chair requested that working group members provide feedback to the staff secretary, and that the staff secretary compile the feedback and provide a progress report to the January 2021 meeting.</p>

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5	11/14/19	Consider the relevance and applicability of the passage in the essay portion of Concept Twelve, Warranty Two, (A.A. Service Manual, p.65) which states that neither the groups nor AA as a whole should function as a “money charity” via the practice of “selling of our books at cost or less.”	Trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee	<p>Under consideration by trustees' committee: At the February 2020 meeting, the trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee reviewed but did not forward the agenda item to the Conference Finance Committee. The committee is requesting information from the Archives department. The background originally submitted for this agenda item is being reviewed for clarity before sending to the Conference Finance Committee. Discussion will continue at the trustees' August 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The committee chair asked that this item be moved from August and placed on the agenda for discussion at the October 2020 meeting.</p> <p>At the November 2020 meeting the trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee reviewed proposed agenda:</p> <p>"Consider the relevance and applicability of the passage in the essay portion of Concept Twelve, Warranty Two, (A.A. Service Manual, p. 62) which states that neither the groups nor A.A. as a whole should function as a 'money charity' via the practice of 'selling of our books at cost or less.'"</p> <p>The committee asked that both the original background submitted by the area along with the clarification documentation provided by Archives, be sent to the trustees' committee for further review. This item will be brought back to the January 2021 board meeting for further discussion.</p>

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6	11/18/19	Consider that the words "Agenda Item" along with a definition be included in the Glossary of General Service Terms in the first chapter of the A.A. Service Manual.	A.A.W.S. Publishing Department	Forwarded to G.S.O.'s Publishing Department: For consideration in the thorough evaluation, update, and redesign of the Service Manual recommended by the 2018 Conference.
7	11/18/19	Consider that paragraphs 2 and 3 of the section "Sources of Agenda Items" in Chapter 7 of the A.A. Service Manual be updated to better state the path that a proposed agenda item takes to be included in the final agenda of a General Service Conference, and that the stated path be separated from the section "Sources of Agenda Items" with a new subtitle "The Path for an Idea to Become an Agenda Item" and a flowchart.	A.A.W.S. Publishing Department	Forwarded to G.S.O.'s Publishing Department: For consideration in the thorough evaluation, update, and redesign of the Service Manual recommended by the 2018 Conference.

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8	11/21/19	Consider a request to study the feasibility of scheduling the international conventions to correspond with A.A.'s anniversary in June versus July.	Trustees' Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums	<p>Implemented:</p> <p>The trustees' committee considered requests to discuss alternate dates for the International Convention. The committee noted that the Site Selection Guidelines for the 2035 International Convention had been updated in October 2018 to include all weekends in the month of July, and suggested that the weekends in the month of June be included as options for interested cities wishing to bid for the 2035 International Convention. The committee requested that the revised Guidelines be brought back to the August 2020 meeting of the committee for review.</p> <p>The trustees' committee also noted that the review process of the Site Selection Guidelines includes further review prior to the beginning of the 2035 International Convention site selection process in 2022.</p> <p>The request will be reviewed as part of the agenda for the Q4, October/November meeting.</p> <p>The committee reviewed the Guidelines for Site Selection for the 2035 International Convention and suggested the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 4: Dates: Revise bidding dates to include weekends in the months of June, as well as weekends in the month July. • Section 6: Bidding Process: Revise evaluation criteria to include: "historical interest to the Fellowship." <p>Site Selection Committee Composition: Revise to change "A.A.W.S. Director of Finance" to "G.S.O. CFO."</p>

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9	12/11/19	That the General Service Conference consider presenting the A.A. program of recovery as outlined in the book Alcoholics Anonymous in a digital format, (such as but not limited to podcasts), to be made available online, in accordance with all AA Traditions.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	<p>Under consideration by trustees' committee: The trustees' Literature Committee reviewed the request to present the A.A. program of recovery in digital formats and agreed to continue discussion at the August 2020 meeting of the trustees' Literature Committee. The committee requested that the staff secretary reach out to the submitter for more information as to the goal and purpose of the request.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature Committee reviewed the request to present the A.A. program of recovery in digital formats as well as the additional information received from the submitter as to the goal and purpose of the request. The committee tabled discussion to the October 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature committee discussed the request to present the A.A. program of recovery in digital formats and tabled the item until their January 2021 meeting.</p> <p>The committee requested that the 2020-21 subcommittee on Researching Issues, Possible Tools and Access to the Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, discuss this item and provide a progress report at the January 2021 meeting.</p>

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10	12/11/19	In order to maintain the historical integrity of our Fellowship, we are requesting that the General Service Conference return to the practice of not changing Bill W.'s writings.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	<p>Took No Action: The trustees' Literature Committee reviewed and agreed to continue discussions on the consideration to return to the practice of not changing Bill W.'s writings at their August 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature Committee discussed the consideration to return to the practice of not changing Bill W.'s writings. The committee agreed to table discussion to the October 2020 meeting.</p> <p>The trustees' Literature committee discussed the request to return to the practice of not changing Bill W.'s writings and took no action.</p> <p>The committee noted that past Advisory Actions reference not making changes to certain writings of Bill W. and that editorial practices as well as past Advisory Actions have resulted in certain changes to other portions of Bill W.'s writings. The committee also noted that the group conscience of one Conference is not binding on another.</p>

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11	12/12/19	Consider and recommend to the General Service Board that for all A.A. International Conventions planned and Host Cities to be considered, the Host Cities will be provided dates in addition to, or that do not include, a July Fourth weekend.	Trustees' Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums	<p>Implemented:</p> <p>The trustees' committee considered requests to discuss alternate dates for the International Convention. The committee noted that the Site Selection Guidelines for the 2035 International Convention had been updated in October 2018 to include all weekends in the month of July, and suggested that the weekends in the month of June be included as options for interested cities wishing to bid for the 2035 International Convention. The committee requested that the revised Guidelines be brought back to the August 2020 meeting of the committee for review.</p> <p>The trustees' committee also noted that the review process of the Site Selection Guidelines includes further review prior to the beginning of the 2035 International Convention site selection process in 2022.</p> <p>The request will be reviewed as part of the agenda for the Q4, October/November meeting.</p> <p>The committee reviewed the Guidelines for Site Selection for the 2035 International Convention and suggested the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 4: Dates: Revise bidding dates to include weekends in the months of June, as well as weekends in the month July. • Section 6: Bidding Process: Revise evaluation criteria to include: "historical interest to the Fellowship." <p>Site Selection Committee Composition: Revise to change "A.A.W.S. Director of Finance" to "G.S.O. CFO."</p>

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12	7/8/20	Request for the Trustees Literature Committee to develop a new General Service Conference Approved text book describing the “how to” of working the steps, which is to be written in a simplified language (no greater than a fifth grade educational level).	Trustees' Committee on Literature	<p>Took No Action: The trustees' Literature committee discussed the request to develop a simplified language workbook for the Steps and took no action.</p> <p>While the committee took no action on this specific proposed agenda item, it was noted that the item touches on what it considers to be an expressed, broader need that is reflected in similar requests. The committee is exploring this need through subcommittee efforts and by seeking wider group conscience discussions.</p> <p>The committee noted that the background provided will be helpful in these discussions related to the agenda item to consider whether a common solution can address proposed agenda items for plain language, simplified language, accessible translations and large print versions of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, as well as workbooks to help study the program of Alcoholics Anonymous.</p>
13	7/8/20	Consider adding the Long Form of each Tradition at the beginning of each essay for that Tradition in the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee: The trustees' Literature committee considered adding the Long Form of each Tradition at the beginning of each essay for that Tradition in the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions and agreed to table the item until the January 2021 meeting.

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14	7/29/20	That the LinkedIn page of Alcoholics Anonymous be discontinued.	Trustees' Committee on C.P.C./Treatment & Accessibilities	<p>Took No Action: The trustees' CPC/Treatment and Accessibilities committed considered a proposed agenda item, "Consider a request to discontinue a LinkedIn page" and took no action.</p> <p>The committee noted that the submitter's concerns mentioned in the request were included in previous discussions by the committee.</p>
15	9/14/20	Reconsider and possibly change the 1972 G.S.C. Action stating "The Conference agreed that G.S.O. should not accept contributions from clubs, listed or known as such, whether or not composed solely of A.A. members. Contributions are welcome from Groups," by sending a new questionnaire to clubs to determine if the reason for the previous Action is still the same, and if appropriate, to change the policy.	Trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee	<p>Forwarded to Conference Finance: The committee agreed to forward to the 2021 Conference Committee on Finance a proposed agenda item, with additional background, to "Reconsider and possibly change the 1972 G.S.C. Action stating 'The Conference agreed that G.S.O. should not accept contributions from clubs, listed or known as such, whether or not composed solely of A.A. members. Contributions are welcome from Groups,' by sending a new questionnaire to clubs to determine if the reason for the previous action is still the same, and if appropriate, to change the policy."</p>
16	10/4/20	That service material be developed, collecting shared experience from the AA fellowship with best practices using virtual technologies [such as Zoom, et.al.] to carry the AA message.	Group Services Staff Assignment	<p>Under consideration: Based on the nature of the request it <i>does not rise</i> to the level of a proposed agenda item for the General Service Conference due to the following reason, "G.S.O. does develop some literature that <i>does not have to be approved by the Conference</i>, such as <i>Service Material</i>, Guidelines and bulletins."</p>

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17	10/12/20	Consider that the General Service Board expand the use of the existing LinkedIn page for A.A.W.S. to include regular updated fresh content by posting existing information on a routine basis that fulfills the purposes in accordance with the 2018 Advisory Action.	Trustees' Committee on C.P.C./Treatment & Accessibilities	<p>Took No Action: The trustees' CPC/Treatment and Accessibilities committee considered a proposed agenda item, "That the General Service Board expand the use of the existing LinkedIn page for A.A.W.S. that fulfills the purposes in accordance with the 2018 Advisory Action" and took no action.</p> <p>The committee noted that a conference agenda item to discuss a progress report on LinkedIn was forwarded to the 71st Conference Committee on C.P.C. The committee requested the secretary to provide the background contained in the proposed agenda item to the 71st Conference Committee on C.P.C. to inform their discussion on the LinkedIn progress report.</p>
18	10/25/20	Consider a proposed revision and addition to the A.A. Pamphlet, "Experience, Strength and Hope. Women in A.A."	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee
19	10/18/20	Consider that the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous be scheduled and held in Mid-May of each year.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
20	7/24/20	Consider a suggestion for clarification of the Floor Action procedure at the General Service Conference.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	<p>Forwarded to Conference Policy/Admissions: The trustees' General Service Conference committee agreed to forward to the 2021 Conference Committee on Policy and Admissions for consideration a proposed agenda item to update the Floor Action Process.</p>
21	11/2/20	Consider that all service pieces should go through the conference approval process.	A.A. World Services	Forwarded to A.A.W.S.

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22	11/16/20	Consider a request to develop a pamphlet devoted to "Relocating in Sobriety."	Not Forwarded	Took No Action: Based on the nature of your request we determined that it does not rise to the level of a proposed agenda item for the General Service Conference due to the following reason, a pamphlet on "relocating in sobriety" would be akin to a pamphlet on "getting married in sobriety", or "managing debt in sobriety" or any one of a myriad of shared experience themes. This is like sharing experience on applying the principles to life's situations which could best be suited for avenues like submitting articles for the AA Grapevine. Not necessarily pamphlet material, but so useful.
23	12/2/20	Consider updating the pamphlet P-21, (A.A. for the Native North American) to reflect more current language, current stories, and populations.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee
24	11/29/20	Consider revising the Process for Polling the General Service Conference between Annual Meetings as to include virtual meeting technologies.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
25	11/27/20	Consider that the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous implement a ten year trial period alternating face-to-face with virtual General Service Conferences, to commence after current hotel contractual obligations are met.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
26	11/22/20	Consider adding an explanation of "Additional Committee Consideration" to the A.A. Service Manual in the section on the General Service Conference and including this term to the index.	A.A.W.S. Publishing Department	Forwarded to G.S.O.'s Publishing Department: For consideration in the thorough evaluation, update, and redesign of the Service Manual recommended by the 2018 Conference.
27	12/5/20	Consider implementation of new opportunities for A.A. members to provide input on the 71st or 72nd General Service Conference agenda items and Conference Committee recommendations prior to the full Conference debate and discussion.	Not Forwarded	Took No Action: On December 15, 2020 it was confirmed by the Delegate, Michelle Garcia to not move this proposed agenda item through the process. The submitter, Michael B. and she have discussed and made this request.

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28	12/7/20	Update paragraph 1 of the current Conference charter, the Purpose, to include the Concepts in addition to the Steps and Traditions as the legacies that the General Service Conference serves as guardians for. The revised text of the Purpose paragraph would read "The General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous is the guardian of the world services and of the Twelve Steps, the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous...."	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
29	12/7/20	Update the Concept XI essay to accurately describe both the Trustee Committee structure and the organization of the service corporations, Alcoholics Anonymous World Service Inc. and the A.A. Grapevine inc. The ownership of these service corporations by the General Service Board should also be clarified.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
30	12/10/20	Consider a request from a local district that recognizes "Online Groups" as voting members of the district and asks that the Conference take action to grant "Online AA Groups" the same privileges as "Brick and Mortar Groups".	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
31	12/11/20	That the theme for any event organized by the General Service Board; AAWS; the Grapevine; or any related entity, including, but not limited to, the General Service Conference; regional forums; and the international convention, be chosen and directly quoted from General Service Conference Approved literature.	Not Forwarded	<p>Took No Action: The trustees, corporate directors and staff bring together years of experience in A.A. service in making decisions about the appropriate process or disposition of proposed Conference agenda items.</p> <p>At this time we have not seen a widely expressed need or concern emanating from the Fellowship regarding the idea suggested in your proposal. We will not be moving it forward for this reason. We wanted to offer the idea that you might consider wider, local sharing on your idea. It is an encouragement for further discussion.</p>
32	12/11/20	That the General Service Conference consider allowing participation of all virtual groups, not affiliated with a physical meeting space, by creating a 94th Area to our Service Structure that will encompass those A.A. groups.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
33	12/11/20	Consider the addition of "One Day at a Time" to the set of five slogans the AA Grapevine currently has for purchase (MS-04).	A.A. Grapevine	Under consideration

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34	12/11/20	Adapt the General Service structure to recognize online-only groups as official groups. Without that recognition, members have no voice and are denied access to service opportunities.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
35	12/11/20	Consider a request that the Trustees Committee on Finance, release to the delegates and trustees the Ad Hoc Committee Progress Report on Google AdWords and the Seventh Tradition, which was submitted to them on March 31, 2020, as well as any updates since that time.	Not Forwarded	<p>Took No Action: The trustees, corporate directors and staff bring together years of experience in A.A. service in making decisions about the appropriate process or disposition of proposed Conference agenda items.</p> <p>Subcommittees and Ad hoc committees are appointed by Corporate Boards and Trustees' committees to complete specific focused scopes of work on their behalf. When the work is completed, there are established processes for how reports from Ad Hoc or Subcommittees are put together and reported out. This begins with the board or committee that appointed them.</p> <p>At this time, we do not believe that this request rises to the level of a policy item for the Conference to consider, as the work is in progress and being reported out quarterly.</p> <p>The request for this work generated from the trustees' Public Information Committee. To that end your suggestion is being forwarded to the chair and secretary for further consideration or response.</p>

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36	12/12/20	Consider the development of a pamphlet on navigating difficulties of long-term sobriety.	Not Forwarded	Took No Action: Based on the nature of your request we determined that it does not rise to the level of a proposed agenda item for the General Service Conference due to the following reason, a pamphlet on “navigating difficulties of long-term sobriety” would be akin to a pamphlet on “relocating in sobriety”, “getting married in sobriety”, or “managing debt in sobriety” or any one of a myriad of shared experience themes. This is like sharing experience on applying the principles to life’s situations which could best be suited for avenues like submitting articles for the AA Grapevine. Not necessarily pamphlet material, but so useful
37	12/12/20	Consider allowing Virtual or Online Groups to register under their respective district and area instead of the Online Intergroup.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
38	12/14/20	That the Trustees Archives Committee consider making anonymity protected Conference presentations available for viewing beyond just the Conference members.	Trustees' Committee on Archives	Under consideration by trustees' committee
39	12/14/20	Request a procedure be drafted to appeal a ruling by the Conference Chair. This procedure may include that the Chair may provide an explanation as to such ruling and the process for challenging a ruling of the Chair as defined in Robert's Rules of Order.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee:
40	12/14/20	Consider the development of a draft Fifth Edition of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, bringing a progress report to the 2022 Conference; keeping in mind the 1995 Advisory Action that: “The first 164 pages of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, the Preface, the Forewords, ‘The Doctor’s Opinion’, ‘Dr. Bob’s Nightmare’ and the Appendices remain as is”.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee

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41	12/14/20	Consider adding the stories dropped from the Fourth Edition of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous to the publication "Experience Strength and Hope" that Contains the stories dropped from the First, Second and Third Editions. (Note: use of any Fourth Edition stories would be contingent on the resolution of the question regarding the possible development of a Fifth Edition)	Not Forwarded	<p>Took No Action: The trustees, corporate directors and staff bring together years of experience in A.A. service in making decisions about the appropriate process or disposition of proposed Conference agenda items.</p> <p>Based on the understanding from the note that was provided with your submission, it is determined that is premature to deal with the update of this book now, either in trustees' committee or Conference committee. It can certainly be resubmitted in the future.</p>
42	12/14/20	Recommend the following addition to the A.A. Service Manual (S42), "Intergroups and Central Offices are integral part of A.A. service. In order for Intergroups to have a voice in the general service of A.A. in a specific geographic area, it is highly recommended that Districts and Areas appoint/elect an Intergroup Liaison."	A.A.W.S. Publishing Department	Forwarded to G.S.O.'s Publishing Department: For consideration in the thorough evaluation, update, and redesign of the Service Manual recommended by the 2018 Conference.
43	12/15/20	Statement of concern and motion to censure, from a group of delegates, to the 71st General Service Conference. We move to censure the General Service Board for the behavior observed as described in the submitted letter.	Trustees' Committee on Nominating	Under consideration by trustees' committee:
44	12/7/20	Consider including more information in the Conference Final Report to allow for an understanding of which final agenda item is being addressed by a Conference committee.	A.A.W.S. Publishing Department	Forwarded to G.S.O.'s Publishing Department: This item is being forwarded to the A.A.W.S. Publishing Department for consideration. It is more of a suggestion and does not rise to the level of a Conference agenda item.
45	12/15/20	Consider holding a discussion about how to give online only (virtual) meetings a voice and a vote in the General Service Structure and access to General Service Offices (GSO) services.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
46	12/15/20	Consider rewriting portions of "The A.A. Group" pamphlet to better express the importance of the Group as a "spiritual entity" as stated in the Long Form of Tradition Five.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee
47	12/15/20	Consider a 30-year Anniversary (2023) edition of "The Home Group – Heartbeat of AA" or similar type book(s) that includes sharing about membership in A.A. Groups that do not meet in person.	A.A. Grapevine	Under consideration

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48	12/15/20	Discuss how attention to and use of the Meeting Guide app, along with undervaluing Group Directories, has added to confusion about the difference between Groups and meetings.	A.A. World Services	Forwarded to A.A.W.S.
49	12/15/20	Discuss the current procedure of referring non-face-to-face Groups to an entity outside the A.A. service structure to be listed and consider creating a Traditions based policy that meets the needs of the Fellowship and its Groups.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
50	12/15/20	Request sharing from the Fellowship to assist A.A. Groups in finding innovative ways of carrying the message to alcoholics in correctional facilities/programs.	Trustees' Committee on Corrections	Under consideration by trustees' committee
51	12/15/20	Consider changing the New Group and Group Change forms to include listing how the Groups' meetings are accessed.	Group Services Staff Assignment	Under consideration: The trustees, corporate directors and staff bring together years of experience in A.A. service in making decisions about the appropriate process or disposition of proposed Conference agenda items. Based on the nature of your request it does not rise to the level of a proposed agenda item for the General Service Conference. This suggestion will be sent to our Group Services Assignment for consideration.
52	12/15/20	Discuss how the pamphlet "Self-Support" Where Money And Spirituality Mix" has contributed to the mechanization of Group contributions that has not worked well in these peculiar times.	Trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee	Under consideration by trustees' committee
53	12/15/20	Request sharing from the Fellowship about using various "virtual" baskets - especially in terms of our Traditions, to ensure our Conference-approved literature and service pieces reflect our Fellowship's experiences and principles.	A.A. World Services	Forwarded to A.A.W.S.: Disposition to the A.A.W.S. Board Self-support Committee.
54	12/15/20	Have a discussion around online contributions accepted by the General Service Board from individuals (either one-time or recurring).	A.A. World Services	Forwarded to A.A.W.S.: Disposition to the A.A.W.S. Board Self-support Committee.
55	12/15/20	Move the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous to secure the URL "AlcoholicsAnonymous.com."	A.A. World Services	Forwarded to A.A.W.S.

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56	12/16/20	All members of the General Service Board be provided and encouraged to utilize email addresses with the domain aa.org when conducting the business of Alcoholics Anonymous.	G.S.O. Management	Under consideration: This suggestion is an Operational suggestion, not a policy-level issue for the General Service Conference. It will be sent to GSO Administration. It has been previously discussed; should be revisited and implemented by the office, if determined to be needed.
57	12/15/20	Move A.A. Grapevine Inc., to publish a book of Grapevine stories specifically about the Twelve Concepts.	A.A. Grapevine	Under consideration
58	12/15/20	Consider adding a footnote about A.A.'s public information and cooperation with the professional community efforts at the end of the third paragraph of Bill W.'s Eleventh Tradition essay in "Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions."	A.A.W.S. Publishing Department	Forwarded to G.S.O.'s Publishing Department: This does not rise to the policy level of either board or Conference committee. It is an editorial suggestion.
59	12/15/20	Grapevine and La Viña provide the option to receive the "Daily Quotes" via text message.	A.A. Grapevine	Under consideration
60	12/15/20	Consider the implementation of new opportunities for A.A. members to submit input on the General Service Conference agenda items prior to the full Conference convening.	Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference	Under consideration by trustees' committee
61	12/15/20	Consider changing the language found in the pamphlet entitled, "The A.A. Group" (P-16) pamphlet, page 29, question 9.	Trustees' Committee on Literature	Under consideration by trustees' committee