

From Your General Service Rep, Anne D

Delegate's Request for Input on selected Proposed Agenda Items (PAI's)

The Hope Group GSR needs your input! The best way to provide input is to attend the Group Conscience Meeting at Hope on April 4 at 7:05pm where these can be discussed in depth. You may also email a response or a request for more information through the contact link on the Hope Group Website.

Also see the announcements at the Speaker Desk and on our website for two upcoming discussion meetings in March.

These and a few additional PAI's will be voted on by the General Service Conference "for AA as whole" April 26- May 2. These are not the only issues that will or could be raised. For a more complete list of issues submitted to the General Service Board, please email your request through the Hope Group Website: <https://hopegroupaa.org/> and we will get you hooked up!

Guiding questions are included but should not limit your response.

PAI's from Delegate

I. Consider a request that stand-alone audio/visual clips be created when developing any new/revised videos for professionals.

Does your group think providing these stand-alone short videos will be effective and engaging for professionals and encourage them to further explore aa.org and/or the AAWS LinkedIn page? Why or why not?

II. Review progress report on development of a pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in AA.

A pamphlet is currently being developed after the Conference in 2024 voted for this in 2024. A report will be given at the 2026 Conference. Does your group have anything to suggest to the persons reviewing the development of such a pamphlet?

III. Consider a request to update the pamphlet "The AA Member: Medications and Other Drugs."

Does your group feel that there is a need to update this pamphlet? Why or why not?
Does your group have any suggestions for updates?

IV. Consider that AA Grapevine, Inc. accept contributions. Discuss motion to add wording to Item F-3, "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix."

Does your group think AA Grapevine, Inc. should accept contributions? Why or why not?

Does your group think AA Grapevine should amend the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money & Spirituality Mix" (F-3) to read: "A.A. Grapevine and La Viña do not accept contributions. Sales of subscriptions, books, and other specialty items support them. When your group is discussing how to distribute contributions to A.A. service entities, please consider how you may support Grapevine/La Viña. Purchasing subscriptions for your group, gift subscriptions, books, or specialty items is a great way to support Grapevine/La Vina."

V. Consider a request to create a Twelve Step study guide or workbook.

Does your group think there is a need for a Conference-approved Twelve Step study guide or workbook? Why or why not?

VI. Discuss creating a "Conference Committee on Digital Communications."

Should the General Service Conference create a new standing committee for digital communications/technology, or should these matters continue to be handled by existing committees such as Public Information (PI) and Literature? Why?

VII. Consider a request to remove a quote from Dr. Bob in The AA Service Manual.

Quote: "I spend a great deal of time passing on what I learned to others who want and need it badly. I do it for four reasons: 1. Sense of duty. 2. It is a pleasure. 3. Because in doing so I am paying my debt to the man who took time to pass it on to me. 4. Because every time I do it I take out a little more insurance for myself against a possible slip."

Should this quote from Dr. Bob (made in 1950, a year before the Service Structure was created and referring to recovery sponsorship, not service sponsorship) be removed the A.A. Service Manual? Why or why not?

VIII. Consider a request to review locally produced safety-related video service material and provide input on the potential for this video service material to be adapted for use by GSO.

District 22 Safety in A.A. Video Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLFohozwCPc6BjqHFoCGwtNc9SSs30D1Dp>

Does your group think these videos would be a valuable resource to the broader Fellowship if edited and developed as AAWS service material? Should GSO consider accepting Fellowship-submitted content for possible Conference approval? Why or why not?

IX. Consider a request to produce an animated video based on the pamphlet “The Twelve Steps Illustrated.” Consider a request to produce an animated video based on the pamphlet “The Twelve Traditions Illustrated.”

Is your group in favor of developing a short-form animated video based on Twelve Steps Illustrated and / or the Twelve Traditions Illustrated? Why or why not? What potential uses does your group see for it?

X. Consider a request to define eligibility for Area-level service for members residing outside of the geographic area they want to serve.

As the U.S./Canada service structure grows to include virtual and linguistic groups and districts, how important are geographic boundaries in group participation and leadership elections? With virtual and hybrid assemblies more commonplace, what are the short- and long-term benefits /drawbacks of expanding leadership positions to members residing outside district/area/national boundaries?