

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS - TRUSTEE AGENDA
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA - OCTOBER 13-14, 2011**

Denis M. - Chairman
Gary B. - 1st Co-Chair
Herb B. - 2nd Co-Chair

August 26, 2011

Dear Trustees,

I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the agenda for our upcoming meeting in Los Angeles, California.

Please take the time to review the agenda before you arrive in LA. Many of our brothers and sisters have worked hard on these items and they deserve our best efforts. Please make sure to print out the entire agenda and all of the attachments and bring whatever literature will be discussed so that you can better follow and understand any changes being considered. It would also be helpful to have a copy of the Rules and Procedures with you.

On the following pages, I have listed some items of importance you should be aware of. When reviewing the information please don't hesitate to reach out for help if there is anything about which you are unclear. A lot can be accomplished before the meeting itself. You might find it helpful to contact the author of an agenda item for clarification on an issue or one of Chairs if you have any procedural questions. Also, the Trustee Line is a great way to get discussions going, so don't hesitate to share your opinions there.

I like to start each meeting with a quiet prayer that our Higher Power will express His will through us and that each of us keep in mind that we are all there for the same reason. There have been times that some of us have not been listening. Perhaps it might be even more helpful if each of us spend some time in prayer before we even get to California.

While you are in a prayerful mood, please keep your executive board in mind. Gary and Herb will need your help as they begin their term at the head table and Karen always has her hands full trying to keep a record of what we are doing. I think by now you all know that I can use all the prayers and help I can get.

Before I end I need to, yet again, give special thanks to David M. for putting this agenda together. It has become routine for the Chair to thank David for his help but I can promise you that none of you have any idea what a time and resource commitment he has made to the BOT and the fellowship at large. Take a second to thank him when you see him.

On behalf of myself and the Executive Board, thank you for your support and anticipated cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Denis M.

MEETING FORMAT

The Board of Trustees meeting is guided by Robert's Rules of Order and conducted according to the Rules and Procedures Manual, with the Guidance Code taking priority. We shall follow them as best as we can. The Chair directs the meeting, but the group is always the ultimate authority.

Trustees, former Trustees, current members of the BOR and members who have authored an item are permitted to speak. Please raise your hand to be recognized and a list will be kept at the front table. You will be called on in the order of the list, based on alternating opinions. To expedite this process, if you wish to speak on any item, please get up to a microphone prior to being called to speak.

A POINT OF INFORMATION can be raised at any time by a current or former Trustee. The person raising the point will be recognized as soon as the person holding the floor is finished speaking. This should only be used to ask a question on the item being discussed. This should only be used for clarification purposes and not to make a point or continue debate. The question is always directed to the Chair.

A POINT OF ORDER can be raised at any time, also only by current or past Trustees. However it stops the proceedings and is immediately taken. This should only be used when you feel that an improper procedure is taking place during the meeting or the chair has made some procedural error that needs to be corrected.

PROXY VOTES AND ABSENTEE BALLOTS

If you are unable to attend this meeting you may choose to appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf. A proxy allows an individual the right to cast your vote, as they see fit, on any issue that comes before the group. You **MUST** specify to whom you wish to give your proxy. Your proxy can only be voted by a current Trustee and a Trustee may only vote one proxy, therefore, I suggest you check with your choice before you notify me to make sure they have not already agreed to vote a proxy for another Trustee.

You may also choose to vote by absentee ballot. A special absentee ballot will be available under the Download Center of the Trustee website. Complete the absentee ballot by marking the agenda with your vote on each item and sending it signed to me. It is important to understand that absentee votes can only be counted on motions made exactly as written on the agenda. There can be no interpretation made on how you may wish to vote if a motion differs in any way from the agenda item itself.

If you are sending a proxy or absentee ballot via email (GAIOU@yahoo.com) it must be in my hands by 12 PM Eastern Time on Monday, October 3, 2011. (This is earlier than usual but I will be headed to California the following day). You can send them to me via snail mail to P.O. Box 9031, Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071. Also, please remember that proxies and absentee ballots can only be counted as attendance for areas outside of the United States and Canada.

CONFERENCE BIDS

Any area wishing to bid on hosting a conference must provide the Chair with a letter of permission from the local Intergroup and a proposed contract from the hotel they wish to use.

PUBLICATION CHECKLIST

Below is a checklist of the items you will need to bring with you to this conference. These items will not be available at the Trustee meeting. It is your responsibility to have them with you. Agenda items refer to these publications, which are GA approved, GA appropriate or pending approval of either a merit vote, 1st or 2nd vote. In your review of the agenda, you may feel the need to bring other GA material.

This list does not include agenda attachments, which are your responsibility to download and have with you during the discussions and votes on these items. Attachments can be found on the Trustee website in the download section.

Check Box	Publication	Latest Copy
	All Attachments from the Download Center	12 items
	By-Laws	3/05
	Combo Book	9/10
	Guidance Code	Download Center Or 7/11
	Hosting and International Conference	4/10
	Rules and Procedures Manual	Download Center

MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 13

10:00 AM to 12:30 PM - First session

12:30 PM to 1:30 PM - Lunch Break

1:30 PM to 5:30 PM - Second session

5:30 PM to 7:00 PM - Dinner Break

7:00 PM to 11:00 PM - Third session

Friday, October 14

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Fourth session

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM - Lunch Break

1:00 PM to 4:30 PM - Fifth session.

I think we should be on time but you should always be prepared to make some contingencies for a sixth session on either Friday night or Saturday morning.

AGENDA GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 13-14, 2011 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

- A) Welcome –Denis M. Chairman, Board of Trustees
- B) Remembrance of our departed members- Marshall R.
- C) Reading from “A Day at a Time Book”
- D) Reading of the ”12 Steps of Unity”
- E) Roll Call-Karen H. International Executive Secretary
- F) Approval of Minutes from Cherry Hill
- G) ISO / Lifeline - Karen H.
- H) Report from the Board of Regents – John C., BOR Chairman
- I) Conference Reports

Cherry Hill Spring '11 - Gary B.

Los Angeles Fall '11 – Herb B.

Boston Spring '12 – Gary B.

San Diego Fall '12 – Herb B.

J) Committee Reports

Blue Book Committee:

Committee Chair – Carol K. – Area 9

Co-Chair Liaison – Gary B.

Mission Statement - To undertake a comprehensive review of SHARING RECOVERY THROUGH GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS 'BLUE BOOK'. Acting in concert with the wishes and input of the fellowship, we will recommend the adoption of all revisions, updates, and deletions consistent with the findings of our review.

BOR Procedural Review Committee:

Committee Chair – Herb B. – Area 5

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement - Examine the details of the Articles of Incorporation of Gamblers Anonymous, the By-Laws, and the Guidance Code and formulate updated documents that are clear and concise in the definitions of the Board of Regents and Board of Trustees specific functions within the Fellowship.

Conference Review Committee

Committee Chair – Andre G. – Area 5B

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement - To establish financial and contractual procedures for Areas planning to host an International Conference and to help Areas in all other aspects of an International Conference.

GA / Gam-Anon Joint Committee

Committee Chair - Denis M. - Area 12

Co-Chair Liaison – Gary B.

Mission Statement - To review the relationship between the two programs regarding International Conferences.

Hotline Committee:

Committee Chair – Bill W. – Area 15

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement - To research, formulate and recommend to the Board of Trustees a National Hotline system that will achieve the objectives set forth by the previous Hotline Committee.

International Relations Committee:

Committee Chair – Martha G. – Area 28

Co-Chair Liaison – Herb B.

Mission Statement - Assist the fellowship of Gamblers Anonymous with International matters and help create a world wide united Gamblers Anonymous.

Literature Committee:

Committee Chair – Chuck R. - Area 15

Co-Chair Liaison – Gary B.

Mission Statement - To encourage the creation of new Gamblers Anonymous literature as needed and to revise, edit and or update existing Gamblers Anonymous literature.

Member Retention Committee:

Committee Chair – Vinny B - Area 12

Co-Chair Liaison – Herb B.

Mission Statement - Through an exchange of ideas, the retention committee will create a new piece of literature suggesting ways that members, meetings, Intergroups and ISO can increase retention in Gamblers Anonymous.

Online GA Meeting Committee:

Committee Chair – Jim H. – Area 8

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement - To explore the possibilities and challenges of establishing an on-line GA meeting that will be listed on the gamblersanonymous.org website.

Pressure Relief Committee:

Committee Chair – Lloyd A.– Area 6

Co-Chair Liaison – Herb B.

Mission Statement – This committee is charged with the task of formulating ways and means to assist any GA meetings that need help implementing PRGMs.

Prison Committee, US:

Committee Chair – Mike M. – Area 3D

Co-Chair Liaison – Herb B.

Mission Statement - To provide telephone, email, "snail mail", and an in person resource (as feasible) to the Trustees or their designees for the purpose of assisting when a prisoner or institutional staff member is requesting to start an "inside" meeting, or an Intergroup and its committee are outreaching to prisons, jails, etc. Also, to compile in the ISO an unpublished JIP meeting directory as a much-needed resource for federal, state, and local judges, defense attorneys, prosecutors, probation and parole officers, and clinicians.

Prison Committee, Canada:

Committee Chair – Jean-Marc L. – Area 5B

Co-Chair Liaison – Herb B.

Mission Statement - To provide telephone, email, "snail mail", and an in person resource (as feasible) to the Trustees or their designees for the purpose of assisting when a prisoner or institutional staff member is requesting to start an "inside" meeting, or an Intergroup and its committee are outreaching to prisons, jails, etc. Also, to compile in the ISO an unpublished JIP meeting directory as a much-needed resource for federal, state, and local judges, defense attorneys, prosecutors, probation and parole officers, and clinicians.

Public Relations Committee:

Committee Chair – Richard F. - Area 4

Co-Chair Liaison – Gary B.

Mission Statement - We will strive to continue to develop and encourage the use of as many public relations tools as necessary to fulfill our fellowship's primary purpose, always looking for guidance from the Recovery and Unity Steps, the Guidance Code and our higher power(s).

Trustee Area Demarcation Committee:

Committee Chair – Debb W. – Area 2G

Co-Chair Liaison – Herb B.

Mission Statement - To compile and maintain a map of every areas specific geographical boundaries and the number of Trustees assigned to each of these areas. For the purpose of possible area and or Trustee realignment based on these boundaries for the good of the fellowship.

Trustee Meeting Rules and Procedures Committee:

Committee Chair - Herb B. – Area 5

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement – To compile, maintain and amend a manual that will outline the rules and procedures for the Trustee meetings of Gamblers Anonymous.

Trustee Removal Committee:

Committee Chair – Ed E. – Area 2

Co-Chair Liaison – Gary B.

Mission Statement - To develop and recommend procedural steps to follow in the removal of any Trustee from the Board of Trustees for acts on his or her own part which are detrimental to Gamblers Anonymous as a whole.

Trustee Website Committee:

Committee Chair – David M. – Area 12

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement - To set guidelines and oversee the Trustee website.

Video Conferencing Committee:

Committee Chair – Andy R. – Area 13B

Co-Chair Liaison – Gary B.

Mission Statement -

Website Revision Committee:

Committee Chair – David M. – Area 12

Co-Chair Liaison – Denis M.

Mission Statement - To review new designs, features, enhancements and any other changes that would be demonstrated to the Board of Trustees for approval and deployment to any website approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Rules and Procedures

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••• **Bill W. - Area 15**

Rules and Procedures

① Limit the number of times that someone (excluding members of the Executive Committee) is allowed to step to the microphone during a BOT meeting to 10.

The microphone count explicitly includes:

1. questions during committee reports
2. questions during agenda items
3. points of order (regardless of propriety)
4. points of information (regardless of propriety)
5. challenges to the Chair
6. motions to amend a motion
7. requesting a microphone count from the chair/acting chair or secretary

The microphone count explicitly excludes:

1. making or contributing to a committee report
2. answering questions raised by points of information
3. answering questions directly asked by the Chair or acting Chair
4. speaking as a nominee as part of an election
5. motions to accept an item as written, submitted or spoken

For interactions not explicitly listed, the Chair or Acting Chair will rule as to whether the interaction will count as part of that individual's microphone count. The Chair or Acting Chair's ruling is final and will not be subject to challenge.

Once someone has reached their tenth counted microphone interaction he or she or will be notified by the Chair or acting Chair at the conclusion of their 10th interaction that:

- he or she has reached their limit of 10 microphone counts
- he or she is no longer allowed to come to the microphone except for items that are explicitly allowed

For

Against

Abstain

Passed

Needs 2nd Vote

Passed Merit Vote

Tabled

Failed Majority

Failed Two-Thirds

Out of Order

Discussion Only

No Discussion

New Committee

Literature Committee

Withdrawn

••• **Andy D. - Area 13B**

Rules and Procedures

② Discuss: Removing past Trustees from being allowed to raise a point of information or a point of order.

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Against

Abstain

Passed

Needs 2nd Vote

Passed Merit Vote

Tabled

Failed Majority

Failed Two-Thirds

Out of Order

Discussion Only

No Discussion

New Committee

Literature Committee

Withdrawn

••• **Andy D. - Area 13B**

Rules and Procedures

③ Guidance Code changes will only be accepted on the agenda in the Fall Trustee meeting of the even years. This procedure will start at the conference immediately following the approval of this item.

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Passed Merit Vote

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New Committee

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••• **Richie S. - Area 6**

Rules and Procedures

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All sessions of a BOT Trustee Meeting shall be open to all GA members.

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••• **Richard F. - Area 4**

Rules and Procedures

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Discuss potential ways of streamlining/automating the voting process on votes that require counts and secret ballots, such as Guidance Code changes, elections of the BOT Chair, Co-Chairs and International Executive Secretary, roll-call votes, etc. so that the BOT can make better use of our time together.

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••• **David M. - Area 12**

Rules and Procedures

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Rules and Procedures, Discussion on Item, Alternating Opinions.
Add new clause

If an eligible speaker wishes to speak on an agenda item, he/she will hold up a card to indicate whether the person will be speaking for or against the item. The International Service Office will prepare and distribute such cards for every current Trustee at all sessions of the Board of Trustees. Any past Trustee who wishes to speak on an item will utilize the appropriate card from a current Trustee to also indicate their position on the item for discussion on the floor.

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Unfinished Business

Items Up For Second Vote

••• **Paul S. - Area 17**

Items Up For Second Vote

7

Recommend the attached Treasury Guidelines be included in new group packages and be made available to all GA Groups. This item has been edited by the author and the Literature Committee.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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••• **Conchetta B. - Area 13A**

Items Up For Second Vote

8

Approve a pocket-sized card dealing with the urge to gamble. This item has been edited by the author and the Literature Committee.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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••• **Frank L. for Andy D. - Area 12**

Items Up For Second Vote

9 Suggestions for a successful 90-day room.
Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Items Up For Second Vote

10 By-Law change, Article III, Section 6.
Change in last sentence from 2 to 4

Current Version: Five (5) members of the Board of Regents shall constitute a quorum. A proxy cannot be used to determine presence at a meeting unless such Regents permanent residence is in excess of 200 miles from the International Service Office. If a board member resides within 200 miles of the International Service Office, physical attendance constitutes presence. If the board member resides more than 200 miles from the International Service Office, physical or telephonic attendance constitutes presence. A maximum of two (2) Regents residing outside of 200 miles of the International Service Office who do not physically attend meetings can be seated at one time.

Proposed Version: Five (5) members of the Board of Regents shall constitute a quorum. A proxy cannot be used to determine presence at a meeting unless such Regents permanent residence is in excess of 200 miles from the International Service Office. If a Board member resides within 200 miles of the International Service Office, physical attendance constitutes presence. If the Board member resides more than 200 miles from the International Service office, physical or telephonic or video conferencing attendance constitutes attendance. A maximum of four (4) Regents residing outside of 200 miles of the International Service Office who do not physically attend meetings can be seated at one time.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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••• **Martha G. - Area 28**

Items Up For Second Vote

11 Combo Book, Page 10, 3rd paragraph, line No. 7.
Change: wagering on the spin of a wheel or the turn of a card - to gambling.

Actual version: 3. IMMATURITY. A desire to have all the good things in life without any great effort on their part seems the common character pattern of problem gamblers. Many Gamblers Anonymous members accept the fact that they were unwilling to grow up. Subconsciously they felt they could avoid mature responsibility by wagering on the spin of a wheel or the turn of a card, and so the struggle to escape responsibility finally became a subconscious obsession.

Proposed version: 3. IMMATURITY. A desire to have all the good things in life without any great effort on their part seems the common character pattern of problem gamblers. Many Gamblers Anonymous members accept the fact that they were unwilling to grow up. Subconsciously they felt they could avoid mature responsibility by gambling, and so the struggle to escape responsibility finally became a subconscious obsession.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

64-60 roll call			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Larry B. - Area 15**

Items Up For Second Vote

12

Combo Book, Page 17, #7

CURRENT VERSION: A Pressure Relief Group Meeting may help alleviate legal, financial, employment and personal pressures. Adherence to it will aid in your recovery.

Proposed version: We encourage every Gamblers Anonymous member to have a Pressure Relief Group Meeting as it offers guidance toward a normal way of thinking and living. The PRGM may help alleviate legal, financial, employment and personal pressures. Adherence to it will aid in your recovery.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Items Up For Second Vote

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Guidance Code, Article XVII, Section 2A, 1st sentence

Current version: To request a new geographical area the following information needs to be sent to the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

Proposed version: To request a new geographical area, the following information must be received by the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees before the closing of the agenda in which the area wishes to be recognized.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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97-6 margin of 94.2%

••• **David M. - Area 12**

Items Up For Second Vote

14

Guidance Code, Article XVII, New Section 1A

Any overseas area that was newly approved by the Board of Trustees less than 5 years ago, will be allowed to request changes in the number of Trustees for that area at any Trustee meeting through an agenda item.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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99-2 margin of 98.0%

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••• **Denis M. - Area 12**

Items Up For Second Vote

15

Guidance Code Article XVI, section 9.
Change "fourteen (14) working days" to "thirty (30) days"

Current Version: The International Executive Secretary shall be the recording secretary of the Board of Trustees at all annual International Conferences and International Meetings of the Board of Trustees, and perform such other duties as required by them. The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings shall be sent to all Trustees within fourteen (14) working days of the meetings.

Proposed Version: The International Executive Secretary shall be the recording secretary of the Board of Trustees at all annual International Conferences and International Meetings of the Board of Trustees, and perform such other duties as required by them. The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings shall be sent to all Trustees within thirty (30) days of the meetings.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

98-1 margin of 99.0%

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••• **Joe B. - Area 6C**

Items Up For Second Vote

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Guidance Code - Article VII, Section 4
Add following: and military stationed overseas, after medical reasons

Current Version: Abstinence from gambling and regular attendance of at least thirty-nine (39) Gamblers Anonymous meetings (exceptions can be made, via group conscience decisions, for medical reasons) in the prior 12 months is required for pinnings and for all successive anniversaries. Date of abstinence starts from your first meeting after your last bet.

Proposed version: Abstinence from gambling and regular attendance of at least thirty-nine (39) Gamblers Anonymous meetings (exceptions can be made, via group conscience decisions, for medical reasons, and military stationed overseas) in the prior 12 months is required for pinning's and for all successive anniversaries. Date of abstinence starts from your first meeting after your last bet.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

100-2 margin of 98.0%

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••• **Steve R. - Area 2B**

Items Up For Second Vote

17

Guidance Code, Article IX, Section 3, 1st paragraph and 1st sentence.
Replace the words " twenty (20) or more votes" with the words " a majority of current Trustees".

Current Version: Board of Trustees meetings may be conducted by mail, fax or email, however twenty (20) or more votes are needed for a quorum.

Proposed Version: Board of Trustees meetings may be conducted by mail, fax or email, however a majority of current trustees are needed for a quorum.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

91-2 margin of 97.8%

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••• **David M. - Area 12**

Items Up For Second Vote

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Guidance Code, Article XI - Regional Service Offices, New Section 8

Any Regional Service Office (R.S.O.) that offers or produces non GA-approved or GA-appropriate material or utilizes Gamblers Anonymous intellectual property without the specific written approval of the International Service Office (I.S.O.), will cease to be an R.S.O. unless full compliance is achieved within 60 days of notification of the problems by the I.S.O.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

94-3 margin of 96.9%			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Denis M. - Area 12**

Items Up For Second Vote

19

Guidance Code, Article IX – Officers of the Board of Trustees, Section 3

Add: or electronically through a platform approved by the Board of Trustees.

Current: Board of Trustees meetings may be conducted by mail, fax or email, however twenty (20) or more votes are needed for a quorum. A majority vote of the quorum shall carry any measure voted upon except as provided for in Section 2 of Article XVI and Article XX.

Proposed: Board of Trustees meetings may be conducted by mail, fax or email, or electronically through a platform approved by the Board of Trustees. However a majority of current Trustees are needed for a quorum. A majority vote of the quorum shall carry any measure voted upon except as provided for in Section 2 of Article XVI and Article XX.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

96-5 margin of 95.0%			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Bob W. - Area 12**

Items Up For Second Vote

20

Change the Serenity Prayer on the Gold Embossed Serenity Prayer (5" x 6" on Heavy Stock), removing the word 'the' before the word 'Courage'.

Current Version: God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change - the courage to change the things I can - And the wisdom to know the difference.

Proposed Version: God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

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••• **Jimmy D. - Area 1A**

Items Up For Second Vote

21

Unity Step 11

Current version: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion, we need always maintain personal anonymity and the level of press, radio, films and television.

Proposed version: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion, we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films, television and Internet.

Passed 1st literature approval vote in Cherry Hill

82-12 margin of 87.2%			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
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Tabled From Cherry Hill

••• **Carol K. - Area 9**

Tabled From Cherry Hill

22

The new blue book is to include the reprinting of the "Promises" from pages 83-84 from the AA Big Book and the final draft of the blue book will be submitted to AA for their approval as to the insertion prior to printing.

Motion to accept was ruled out of order.
Motion to table passed.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Paul N. - Area 2**

Tabled From Cherry Hill

23

Guidance Code, Article VII (New Section) page 6, Section 9.

No group can be expelled from Gamblers Anonymous without approval of the Board of Trustees.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Tabled From Cherry Hill

24

Hosting an International Conference
Add the following Workshop Guidelines Acknowledgment Sheet for conference workshops to the Hosting an International Conference booklet.

Motion pending

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Jaime B. - Area 18B**

Tabled From Cherry Hill

25

Change Unity Step 2

Current version: Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Proposed version: For our group purpose, there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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Conference Bids

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Conference Bids

26

The Spring 2013 Conference is open for bids

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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Conference Bids

27

The Fall 2013 Conference is open for bids

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
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New Business

Appropriate Literature

••• **Richard F. for Dave H. - Area 4**

Appropriate Literature

28

To have approved as GA Appropriate Literature the attached Flyer on Pressure Relief

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Carol K. for Nancy K. - Area 9**

Appropriate Literature

29 Motion to approve the attached flyer as appropriate literature, allowing the local area to insert their local information as to meeting day, time and location as well as appropriate local hotline numbers.

NOTE: flyer is designed to be cut in thirds allowing it to fit in a shirt pocket for easy hand out or posted to a bulletin board.

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BOT Procedures

••• **Richard F. - Area 4**

BOT Procedures

30 Do not allow any personally identifying information of Gamblers Anonymous members, or others, on the gamblersanonymous.org website. This includes, names, telephone numbers, email addresses, photographs that show faces or partial faces, etc.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Alan J. - Area 15**

BOT Procedures

31 All future International Conferences awarded should include 5 meals per person.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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Combo Book

••• **Jimmy D. - Area 1A**

Combo Book

32 Combo book page 16
Remove last paragraph which follows question #20.

Most compulsive gamblers will answer yes to at least seven of these questions.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Paul C. for Sam S. - Area 14**

Combo Book

33

Combo Book

Remove "DON'T GAMBLE FOR ANYTHING" from Page 17, Item 3 and move to page 14 after "...for a cup of coffe." and before "This includes...";

Page 17 Current Version: 3. Don't test or tempt yourself. Don't associate with acquaintances who gamble. Don't go in or near gambling establishments. DON'T GAMBLE FOR ANYTHING.

Page 17 Proposed Version: 3. Don't test or tempt yourself. Don't associate with acquaintances who gamble. Don't go in or near gambling establishments.

Page 14 Current Version: It means exactly that. A stand has to be made somewhere and Gamblers Anonymous members have found the fist bet is the one to avoid, even though it may be as little as matching for a cup of coffee. This includes internet gambling, the stock market, commodities, options, buying or playing lottery tickets, raffle tickets, flipping a coin or entering the office sport pool.

Page 14 Proposed Version: It means exactly that. A stand has to be made somewhere and Gamblers Anonymous members have found the fist bet is the one to avoid, even though it may be as little as matching for a cup of coffee. DON'T GAMBLE FOR ANYTHING. This includes internet gambling, the stock market, commodities, options, buying or playing lottery tickets, raffle tickets, flipping a coin or entering the office sport pool.

For

Against

Abstain

Passed

Needs 2nd Vote

Passed Merit Vote

Tabled

Failed Majority

Failed Two-Thirds

Out of Order

Discussion Only

No Discussion

New Committee

Literature Committee

Withdrawn

••• **Paul C. for Roger M. - Area 14**

Combo Book

34

Combo Book, page14

Change to add "prize contests" between "raffle tickets" and "flipping"?

Current Version on Page 14: "This includes internet gambling, the stock market, commodities, options, buying or playing lottery tickets, raffle tickets, flipping a coin or entering the office sport pool.

Proposed Version on Page 14: "This includes internet gambling, the stock market, commodities, options, buying or playing lottery tickets, raffle tickets, prize contests, flipping a coin or entering the office sport pool.

For

Against

Abstain

Passed

Needs 2nd Vote

Passed Merit Vote

Tabled

Failed Majority

Failed Two-Thirds

Out of Order

Discussion Only

No Discussion

New Committee

Literature Committee

Withdrawn

••• **Jojo B. - Area 3**

Combo Book

35

Combo Book, page 15, question 1.

Current version: "Did you ever lose time from work or school due to gambling?"

Proposed version: "Did you ever lose time from work, school, family or regular responsibilities due to gambling?"

For

Against

Abstain

Passed

Needs 2nd Vote

Passed Merit Vote

Tabled

Failed Majority

Failed Two-Thirds

Out of Order

Discussion Only

No Discussion

New Committee

Literature Committee

Withdrawn

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Committee Related

••• **Bill W. - Area 15**

Committee Related

36 Discuss ideas and direction of the National Hotline.

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••• **Jimmy D. - Area 1A**

Committee Related

37 On behalf of the conference review committee we would appreciate the BOT to establish a permanent STANDING COMMITTEE. This new committee would oversee all future processes dealing with International Conferences and other responsibilities and duties outlined in upcoming committee reports.

	For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Denis M. - Area 12**

Committee Related

38 Discuss the following proposal received from Gam-Anon :
The Gam-Anon Conference Committee proposes that the Joint GA/Gam- Anon Conference Committee or a newly formed committee work together to review the current separate Conference Guidelines in their entirety and recommend a revised joint conference guidelines booklet to both the BOT and BOD that will ensure conference quality and financial success for both fellowships.

	For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Andy R. - Area 13B**

Committee Related

39 Discuss Video Conferencing.

	For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Gary S. - Area 12**

Committee Related

40 MOTION: TO MOVE 888-GA-HELPLINE / GA NATIONAL HOTLINE ENTIRE AND COMPLETE RESPONSIBILTIES BACK TO THE BOR TO REPRESENT GA AS A WHOLE.

	For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Ed E. - Area 2**

Committee Related

41 Approval of "Trustee Removal Procedures" as GA-approved literature in addition to the necessary modification of Guidance Code, Article VIII, Section 4.
Add 'as per established Trustee Removal Procedures' to the sentence that contains the topic of Trustee removal.

Current version: Any Trustee is automatically removed from office for gambling by his/her own admission. Current or past Trustees who return to gambling and subsequently come back to G.A. should not have a voice at the BOT meeting until they have 2 years of abstinence, the same qualification as becoming a Trustee. Gambling, for the compulsive gambler is defined as follows: Any betting or wagering, for self or others, whether for money or not, no matter how slight or insignificant, where the outcome is uncertain or depends upon chance or "skill" constitutes gambling. Or he or she may be removed for other acts on his or her part, which are detrimental to Gamblers Anonymous as a whole, or for not attending Gamblers Anonymous meetings. Removal requires 2/3 vote for expulsion by the Board of Trustees at the next physical meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Proposed version: Any Trustee is automatically removed from office for gambling by his/her own admission. Current or past Trustees who return to gambling and subsequently come back to G.A. should not have a voice at the BOT meeting until they have 2 years of abstinence, the same qualification as becoming a Trustee. Gambling, for the compulsive gambler is defined as follows: Any betting or wagering, for self or others, whether for money or not, no matter how slight or insignificant, where the outcome is uncertain or depends upon chance or "skill" constitutes gambling. Or he or she may be removed for other acts on his or her part, which are detrimental to Gamblers Anonymous as a whole, as per established Trustee Removal Procedures, or for not attending Gamblers Anonymous meetings. Removal requires 2/3 vote for expulsion by the Board of Trustees at the next physical meeting of the Board of Trustees.

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Committee Request

••• **Jimmy D. - Area 1A**

Committee Request

42 Discuss re-establishing literature to compact disc (CD) committee.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **David M. - Area 12**

Committee Request

43 Request a committee to come up with a procedure to pre-qualify agenda items prior to their addition to the final Trustee meeting agenda, utilizing the Trustee Poll.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Paul C. - Area 14**

Committee Request

44 Discuss forming a committee to develop a new piece of literature specific to "Anonymity".Request For Committee

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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Group Procedures

••• **Vinny B. - Area 12**

Group Procedures

45 Should people attending GA meetings, conferences, or any other sponsored functions be discouraged from wearing any sports apparel that contains a logo, a team name, or a player name/number?

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Debbie M. - Area 8**

Group Procedures

46 If a member is engaging in something illegal in a meeting room, how should it be dealt with? As an example, a member brings a gun or illegal narcotics into a meeting room.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Juan A. - Area 6B**

Group Procedures

47 Is it appropriate to voice record combined meetings (GA and GamAnon) and distribute the CD's to other members of the fellowships?

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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Guidance Code

••• **Richard C. for Frank K. - Area 2A**

Guidance Code

48 Guidance Code: Article VII, Add new Section 9

Where a conflict might arise between the Guidance Code and a group decision (a decision arrived at via "group conscience"), the Guidance Code shall prevail.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Joe B. - Area 6C**

Guidance Code

49 Guidance Code: Article IX, Section 1
Add the following: They are required to be a member of Gamblers Anonymous and meets the requirements of a Trustee. However, to run for the office of Chair of the Board of Trustees he/she must have previously served on the Executive Board of the Board of Trustees.

Current Version: The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a Chairman, #1-Co-Chairman, #2 Co-Chairman and such other officers as maybe appointed by the Board of Trustees. They are required to be a member of Gamblers Anonymous and must have two years abstinence from gambling to be eligible to serve.

Proposed Version: The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a Chairman, #1-Co-Chairman, #2 Co-Chairman and such other officers as maybe appointed by the Board of Trustees. They are required to be a member of Gamblers Anonymous and meets the requirements of a Trustee. However, to run for the office of Chair of the Board of Trustees he/she must have previously served on the Executive Board of the Board of Trustees.

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••• **Ara H. - Area 1**

Guidance Code

50 Guidance Code, Article VIII, new section 3A. Effective 2012 Spring conference...

No Trustee shall serve more than two consecutive terms as a trustee. The only exception will be if no one else runs for trustee in that trustee's area in which case the two consecutive term rule will be waived.

If one serves two terms as trustee and then does not run for the next term, at the the conclusion of that term that individual is eligible to run again and the above rule regarding the two-consecutive terms limit will apply.

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••• **Jimmy D. for Jerlene D. - Area 1A**

Guidance Code

51 Change the title of the Guidance Code of G.A. to the Rule Book of G.A

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••• **David M. - Area 12**

Guidance Code

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Guidance Code, Article IX, Section 7
Change \$7,500.00 to \$10,000.00, and make gender neutral.

Current version: The Chairman of the Board of Trustees and both Co-Chairmen have a \$7,500.00 per year expenditure total, approved by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and paid by the International Service Office (I.S.O.). The total combined annual expenditure cannot exceed \$7,500.00. The International Service Office (I.S.O.) shall supply the Board of Trustees with a detailed accounting of said expenditures within sixty days of the close of the fiscal year.

Proposed version: The Chair of the Board of Trustees and both Co-Chairs have a \$10,000.00 per year expenditure total, approved by the Chair of the Board of Trustees and paid by the International Service Office (I.S.O.). The total combined annual expenditure cannot exceed \$10,000.00. The International Service Office (I.S.O.) shall supply the Board of Trustees with a detailed accounting of said expenditures within sixty days of the close of the fiscal year.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **David M. - Area 12**

Guidance Code

53

Guidance Code, Article VII - Groups, Section 1, 1st sentence.
Add: 'at a physical location' after the word 'together', and add the end: 'No meeting organized by people or members of GA via the telephone or the Internet will be recognized as a group.'

Current version: Whenever two or more persons with a desire to stop gambling meet together on a regular, weekly scheduled basis to discuss their gambling problem, they will be known as a group, only if they commit themselves to follow Gamblers Anonymous' Guidance Code and limit their use, display and distribution to only approved and appropriate Gamblers Anonymous literature. They are also to notify the International Service Office (I.S.O.) of their existence.

Proposed version: Whenever two or more persons with a desire to stop gambling meet together, at a physical location, on a regular weekly scheduled basis to discuss their gambling problem, they will be known as a group, only if they commit themselves to follow Gamblers Anonymous' Guidance Code and limit their use, display and distribution to only approved and appropriate Gamblers Anonymous literature. They are also to notify the International Service Office (I.S.O.) of their existence. No meeting organized by people or members of GA via the telephone or the Internet will be recognized as a group.

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			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

54

Guidance Code, Article XIII, Section 3

The term of office of Regents shall be for two (2) years starting on July 1st of the odd years and ending on June 30th of the following odd year.

Remove this Section completely from the Guidance Code because it is the same in the By-Laws as Article III, Section 3

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

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••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

55

Guidance Code, Article XIII, Section 4

Any Regent is automatically removed from office for gambling by his/her own admission. Gambling, for the compulsive gambler is defined as follows: Any betting or wagering, for self or others, whether for money or not, no matter how slight or insignificant, where the outcome is uncertain or depends upon chance or "skill" constitutes gambling. Or he or she may be removed for other acts on his or her part that are detrimental to Gamblers Anonymous as a whole. Removal will require a two-thirds (2/3) vote for expulsion by the Board of Trustees at the next physical meeting.

Remove this Section completely from the Guidance Code because it is the same in the By-Laws as Article III, Section 4

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			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

56

Guidance Code, Article XIII, Section 6

Five (5) members of the Board of Regents shall constitute a quorum. Only a written proxy shall be counted in determining the number present for the purpose of a quorum.

Remove this Section completely from the Guidance Code because it is the same in the By-Laws as Article III, Section 6

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

57

Guidance Code, Article XIII, Section 9

On or before February 1st of each year any member of Gamblers Anonymous with at least 2 years of abstinence from gambling can submit their name to the I.S.O. to be included on the Board of Regents ballot. Previous service as Regent of the Corporation or as a Trustee of Gamblers Anonymous, total abstinence from gambling and home group of nominee shall be listed along side the name of each nominee. A biography not to exceed 200 words and phone number (both optional) would be included as an attachment to the ballot. Each recognized Gamblers Anonymous meeting should be contacted by their area Trustee(s) so that the groups at their option, have involvement in the voting process. Each Trustee based on guidance from their groups and their personal knowledge, will be able to select no more than nine (9) Regents from the ballot.

Remove this Section completely from the Guidance Code because it is the same in the By-Laws as Article V, Section 1

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Betty S. For George L. - Area 12**

Guidance Code

58

Guidance Code, New Section, Article IX, Section 1A

The Chairman of the Board of Trustees, #1 Co-Chairman and #2 Co-Chairman serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same position.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

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••• **Paul N. for Dave C. - Area 2A**

Guidance Code

59 Guidance Code, Article X, Section 5, Item 4. Page 14
 Replace the words "A majority of the groups must be represented before a vote can take place" with the words "It is the responsibility of each group to send a representative to their local Intergroup meeting in order to ensure that their group has input on every vote and that the majority of groups are represented".

Current Version: Any newly formed Gamblers Anonymous group shall be able to participate but not vote in the business portion of the Intergroup meeting until being in existence for a period of no less than three (3) months, assuming, of course, that the group meets all requirements of a Gamblers Anonymous group. A majority of the groups must be represented before a vote can take place.

Proposed Version: Any newly formed Gamblers Anonymous group shall be able to participate but not vote in the business portion of the Intergroup meeting until being in existence for a period of no less than three (3) months, assuming, of course, that the group meets all requirements of a Gamblers Anonymous group. It is the responsibility of each group to send a representative to their local Intergroup meeting in order to ensure that their group has input on every vote and that the majority of groups are represented.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

60 Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 7
 The International Executive Secretary shall be responsible to keep the door of the International Service Office I.S.O. open during the hours specified by the Board of Regents.

Delete and move to By-Laws Article VIII as new section 6 (1).

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

61 Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 8
 The International Executive Secretary shall attend all International Conferences and International Meetings of the Board of Trustees. His/Her expenses shall be paid by the International Service Office. (I.S.O.)

Delete and move to By-Laws Article VII as new section 8

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Passed Merit Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Out of Order	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Committee
			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

62 Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 10
 The International Executive Secretary may be paid a monthly salary and/or receive a monthly expense account if approved by the Board of Regents.

Remove, because it is covered in By-Laws Article IV Section 5

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
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••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

63

Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 11

The International Executive Secretary will be responsible for the reprinting of all approved Gamblers Anonymous literature and purchase of Gamblers Anonymous pins and keep sufficient quantity on hand at all times for the needs of our entire Fellowship.

Delete and move to By-Laws Article VIII as new Section 6(D).

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
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- Passed Merit Vote
- Tabled

- Failed Majority
- Failed Two-Thirds
- Out of Order
- Discussion Only

- No Discussion
- New Committee
- Literature Committee
- Withdrawn

••• **Herb B. - Area 5**

Guidance Code

64

Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 12

The International Executive Secretary shall be responsible to mail receipts for donations made to the International Service Office (I.S.O.) and mail Gamblers Anonymous literature and/or Gamblers Anonymous pins within five (5) business days for donations or requisitions recieved in the International Service Office (I.S.O.)

Delete and move to By-Laws Article VIII as new Section 6(E).

For

Against

Abstain

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- Tabled

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- Literature Committee
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••• **Bill B. - Area 15**

Guidance Code

65

Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 4

Present version: The International Executive Secretary may employ an office secretary and any other needed office employee providing written approval is first obtained from the Board of Regents.

Proposed version: Eliminate and add to By Laws Article VII, Section 1

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
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- Tabled

- Failed Majority
- Failed Two-Thirds
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- Discussion Only

- No Discussion
- New Committee
- Literature Committee
- Withdrawn

••• **Bill B. - Area 15**

Guidance Code

66

Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 5

Current Version: The International Executive Secretary will be solely responsible for the collecting, banking and accounting of all funds of the International Service (I,S.O.)

Proposed version: Eliminate.
See By Laws, Article VIII, Section 6(E)

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
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- Tabled

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••• **Bill B. - Area 15**

Guidance Code

67

Guidance Code, Article XV, Section 2

Current version: The operation of the International Service Office (I.S.O.) shall be the responsibility of the International Executive Secretary, who will be under the guidance of the Board of Regents and Board of Trustees. However, all business affairs of this office shall be under direct supervision of the Board of Regents.

Proposed version: Eliminate
See By-Laws, Article VII, Section 1

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			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Bill B. - Area 15**

Guidance Code

68

Guidance Code, Article XV, Section 5

Current version: The Fiscal Business Year of the International Service Office (I.S.O.) shall be from July 1st through June 30th

Proposed version: Eliminate
See By-Laws, Article VI, Section 12

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Chuck B. for Rick B. - Area 10B**

Guidance Code

69

Guidance Code, Article VII, Groups, Section 4

Current Version: Abstinance from gambling and regular attendance of at least thirty-nine (39) Gamblers Anonymous meetings (exceptions can be made, via group conscience decisions, for medical reasons) in the prior 12 months is required for pinnings and for all successive anniversaries. Date of abstinance starts from your first meeting after your last bet.

Proposed Version: Abstinance from gambling and regular attendance of a least thirty-nine (39) Gamblers Anonymous meetings (exceptions can be made, via group conscience decisions, for medical reasons) in the prior 12 months, by the member's own admission, is required for pinnings and for all successive anniversaries. Date of abstinance starts from your first meeting after you last bet.

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••• **Chuck B. for Rick B. - Area 10B**

Guidance Code

70

Guidance Code, Article VIII, Board of Trustees, Section 1

Current Version: The Fellowship shall be guided by a Board of Trustees who are members of Gamblers Anonymous and have completely abstained from gambling by their own admission for a period of two (2) years and have had regular attendance at Gamblers Anonymous meetings. Board of Trustees defines regular attendance for International officers as thirty-nine (39) meetings per year. This does not include Intergroup meetings or picnics but does include Birthday meetings. This Board shall not exceed as many Trustees as deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees.

Proposed Version: The Fellowship shall be guided by a Board of Trustees who are members of Gamblers Anonymous and have completely abstained from gambling for a period of two (2) years and have had regular attendance at Gamblers Anonymous meeting, both by their own admission. Board Trustees defines regular attendance for International officers as having attended a minimum of thirty-nine (39) meetings per year, by the member's own admission. This does not include Intergroup meetings or picnics but does include Birthday meetings. This Board shall not exceed as many Trustees as necessary by the Board of Trustees.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

••• **Stepan G. - Area 29**

Guidance Code

71

Guidance Code, Article VII, Groups, Section 1

Remove this restriction: "only if they commit themselves to follow Gamblers Anonymous Guidance Code and limit their use, display and distribution to only approved and appropriate Gamblers Anonymous literature"

Current Version: Whenever two or more persons with a desire to stop gambling meet together on a regular, weekly scheduled basis to discuss their gambling problem, they will be known as a group, only if they commit themselves to follow Gamblers Anonymous Guidance Code and limit their use, display and distribution to only approved and appropriate Gamblers Anonymous literature.

Proposed Version: Whenever two or more persons with a desire to stop gambling meet together on a regular, weekly scheduled basis to discuss their gambling problem, they will be known as a group.

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••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Guidance Code

72

Guidance Code, Article XIV, Section 6

Current version: No officer or member of the Board of Regents shall receive compensation from the International Service Office (I.S. O.) for services rendered as an officer.

Remove, because it is covered in By-Laws Article III, Section 9.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
			<input type="checkbox"/> Needs 2nd Vote	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Two-Thirds	<input type="checkbox"/> New Committee
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn

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••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Guidance Code

73

Guidance Code, Article XIV, Section 5

Current version: A copy of the minutes of each Board of Regents meeting shall be kept on file at the International Service Office (I.S.O.). Minutes of all Board meetings will be available for inspection by any member of our Fellowship during regular operating hours of the International Service Office (I.S.O.) and published in the International Service Office (I.S.O.) Bulletin.

Delete and move to By-Laws Article VIII as new Section 4(a).

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
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- Passed Merit Vote
- Tabled

- Failed Majority
- Failed Two-Thirds
- Out of Order
- Discussion Only

- No Discussion
- New Committee
- Literature Committee
- Withdrawn

••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Guidance Code

74

Guidance Code, Article XIV, Section 4

Current version: The SECRETARY of the Board of Regents shall be responsible to deliver or mail a copy of all minutes of the Board of Regents to the Board of Trustees and the International Executive Secretary.

Remove, because it is covered in By-Laws Article VIII, Section 4.

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
- Needs 2nd Vote
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- Tabled

- Failed Majority
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- New Committee
- Literature Committee
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••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Guidance Code

75

Guidance Code, Article XIV, Section 3

Current version: It will be the responsibility of the CHAIRMAN to hold meetings of the Board of Regents at least once a month.

Remove, because it is covered in By-Laws Article VII, Section 6.

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
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- Tabled

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- No Discussion
- New Committee
- Literature Committee
- Withdrawn

••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Guidance Code

76

Guidance Code, Article XIV, Section 2

Current version: The officers shall be elected by the Board of Regents in a manner approved by the Board of Regents.

Remove, because it is already covered in By-Laws Article IV, Section 3.

For

Against

Abstain

- Passed
- Needs 2nd Vote
- Passed Merit Vote
- Tabled

- Failed Majority
- Failed Two-Thirds
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••• **Pete K. - Area 13B**

Guidance Code

77

Guidance Code, Article XIV, Section 1

Current version: The officers of the Board of Regents shall consist of a CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY, ASSISTANT SECRETARY and TREASURER, plus any others deem necessary by the Board of Regents.

Remove, because it is covered in By-Laws Article IV, Section 1.

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ISO Procedures

••• **Andy R. - Area 13B**

ISO Procedures

78

To have the next printing of the Combo Book printed in a color I.S.O. would deem appropriate and every subsequent printing of the Combo book to be of a different color than the previous 3 printings.

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••• **Jim H. - Area 8**

ISO Procedures

79

To recognize any on-line meeting that adheres to Gamblers Anonymous Guidance Code as a regular meeting and add it to the gamblersanonymous.org website.

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New Literature For Merit Vote

••• **Richie S. - Area 6**

New Literature For Merit Vote

80

Approve a yellow silicon wristband, de-embossed with the words "Page 17" as approved G A Literature.

Sample to be shown in Los Angeles

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Other Literature

••• **Denis M. - Area 12**

Other Literature

81 Hosting an International Conference, Page 6, 2nd paragraph. 3rd sentence. Change percentage split of profits
Current version: In the event of a profit the proceeds are divided with 55% going to GA ISO and 45% going to Gam-Anon.

Proposed version: In the event of a profit proceeds are divided between GA ISO and Gam-Anon based on their percentage that each fellowship generates for the conference. The gross profits from the conference will be split and will be based on only those attendees who pay a conference registration fee.

A registration form will be used by all conference committees that will ask each registrant to declare if they are 1) a GA member, 2) a Gam-Anon member, 3) attending with a GA member, 4) attending with a Gam-Anon member, 5) unaffiliated.

Registrants in class 1 and 3 will be credited to GA. Registrants in class 2 and 4 will be credited to Gam-Anon. Class 5 attendees will be split equally between the two fellowships.

The registrants for each class will be tabulated against the total registrants for the conference and the split will be calculated accordingly.

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Overseas Issues

••• **Stepan G. - Area 29**

Overseas Issues

82 Moscow Gamblers Anonymous requests permission to translate and publish all existing GA literature into Russian.

For	Against	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> No Discussion
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••• **Stepan G. - Area 29**

Overseas Issues

83 Discuss author's rights regarding the community name "Gamblers Anonymous" and emblem for the purpose of allowing their usage by the whole world

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Steps

••• **Ron W. - Area 17**

Steps

84 Unity Step 11

Current: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films and television.

Proposed new: Our public relations policy is based on carrying the message to the compulsive gambler who still suffers; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films, television and the internet.

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