

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS TRUSTEES MEETING
MAY 3 & 4, 2001
RADISSON HOTEL GREENTREE, PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

- A) **Welcome and opening statements - Tom M., Chairman of the Board of Trustees**
Tom M., Chairman of the Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. He thanked Norm B. and his committee from Pittsburgh for the fine job that they did. Procedures for the meeting were explained including that we would try to follow Roberts Rules of Order, and if that fails, we'll follow Bill B.'s Rules of Order. Tom welcomed all the Trustees and thanked them for their calls, questions, guidance and input. He stressed the importance of participating in the meeting and all new Trustees were asked to stand and introduce themselves. Everyone at the head table was also introduced.
- B) **Remembrance of our departed brothers and sisters - Marshall R.**
Marshall R. read names of members who had passed away since our last Board of Trustees meeting in Montreal. Time of abstinence and where they were from were also read. A moment of silence was observed in their memory.
- C) **Reading from "A Day at a Time" book - Henry I.**
Henry I. read the Reflection of the Day for May 3, 2001.
- D) **Reading of the "12 Steps of Unity" - Marc L.**
Marc L. read the 12 Steps of Unity.
- E) **Roll Call - Changes - Karen H., International Executive Secretary**
Proxy's were opened and handed out just prior to roll call as follows: Area 3B, from Jane C. given to Keith M.; Area 18A, from Jenni K. given to Jim C.; Area 6B, from Teddy R. given to Rick B.; Area 8B, from Charlie O. given to Dan B.; Area 6, from Sandy L. given to Richie S.; Area 8, from Arnie B. given to Scott D.; Area 8B, from Patrick N. given to Geoff M.; Area 18, from Carol S. given to Tom M.; Area 1A from Tom B. given to Tom M. and Area 22 from Louis M. given to Tom M. Karen H. took roll while changes to the Confidential Listing of Trustees were simultaneously made. There are presently 91 eligible votes at the beginning of the first session.
- F) **Approval of the Minutes from Montreal, Canada**
The minutes of the meeting held in Montreal were approved as follows:

Approved: 78 Against: 0
- G) **Committee Reports**
1. **Montreal (Laval) Final Conference Report - Dan B.**
Dan B. gave the final report on the Montreal Conference held at the Sheraton Laval in Quebec, Canada. The Financial Statement follows.

The Year 2000 Fall Conference

Revenues: N.B. All Revenue and expenses are in Canadian Dollars

Reservations	144,344.59	
Tours	2,860.00	
Book Sales	64.00	
Literature Sales G.A.	1,815.40	
Literature Sales Gam-Anon	493.82	
Bank Interest, Exchange & Charges	957.12	
 Total Revenues		\$ 150,534.93

Expenses:

Hotel Rooms, Meals etc.	120,935.97	
Mail & Telephone	616.00	
Music	2,971.05	
Film & Equipment	486.00	
Printing & Photocopies	1,336.99	
Kosher Food	245.00	
Conference Bags	420.00	
Name Tags & Supplies, etc.	651.60	
I.S.O. Secretary	1,230.03	
Workshop Expense	398.40	
Skit	410.00	
Hospitality	1,961.00	
Laval Tourism Tours	2,688.69	
I.S.O. for Literature	1,815.40	
Gam-Anon Literature \$318.59 US	493.82	
Refunds Can.	200.00	
Refunds US \$3,542 @ 1.49 avg.	5,274.44	
 Total Expenses		\$ 142,134.39
 Net Profit		\$ <u>8,400.54</u> Can\$

G.A. - 55%	4,620.30
Gam-Anon - 45%	3,780.24

US \$ Totals	
G.A.	2,999.22
Gam-Anon	2,453.90

Total attendees = 406 including drop-ins and day visitors.

Hotel:		
Meals 4 Banquets		45,035.97
Rooms 619 Nights	77,280.00	
Less credits	1,380.00	75,900.00
Total		\$ 120,935.97

2. **Pittsburgh Conference (2001 Midwestern) Report - Jim C.**
Jim C. gave a report on the Pittsburgh Conference. They have complied with rules and requirements. Norm B. welcomed everyone to Pittsburgh and stated that there should be a small profit for this Conference. He went over some of the highlights of the Conference and stated that there will be 440 to 450 people in attendance.
3. **San Francisco Conference (2001 Western) - Jim C.**
Jim C. also gave the report on the San Francisco Conference to be held September 14 - 16, 2001 at the Westin Hotel, San Francisco Airport. All requirements have been met and looks like everything is in order. Geoff M. and Tom M. both spoke on the Conference and strongly suggested that reservations be made by July 10th so no one will be turned away. If you register by that date you will be guaranteed a place. Seed money has been returned to the I.S.O. and everything is in place. They look forward to seeing everyone in September.
4. **Vancouver Conference Report (2002 Eastern) - Dan B.**
Dan B. gave a report on the Vancouver Conference to be held May 3 - 5, 2002 at the Harrison Hot Springs in British Columbia. Reports and bank statements have been forwarded as required. Henry I. reported that so far 14 reservations have been received for Mountain Magic II. He also stated that transportation from the airport to the Resort will be provided for a nominal fee.
5. **I.S.O./Lifeline Report - Karen H.**
Karen H. handed out her semi-annual Spring Lifeline graph. She thanked Chuck R. for his idea and help with a letter that went out to all G.A. groups explaining what a Lifeline is, along with Lifeline cards and return envelopes. These were sent out the beginning of March and to date we have received 27 new Lifelines from that mailing. Marshall R. explained what a Lifeline is and how, by becoming a Lifeline you are helping G.A. to grow.
6. **Pittsburgh Walk-A-Thon Report - Norm B./Marc L.**
The Walk-A-Thon report was given during the Pittsburgh Conference report. Everyone will meet in the lobby Saturday at 6:30 A.M.
7. **Internet Report - Allan S. (Chair)**
Allan S. stated they will make their presentation under the agenda item that is part of New Business.

8. **12 Step Audio Tape Committee Report - Ralph D.**
Ralph D. gave a report on the Audio Tapes that were given out at the last Conference. One change has been made to Step 11. Ralph has received a lot of positive feedback. Will refer further discussion to item 3 of Old Business.
9. **Literature Committee Report - Chuck R.**
Chuck R. gave a report on the Literature Committee. New piece of literature, Beyond 90 Days, has been formatted, printed and is now available.
10. **Florida Restitution Report - Bob W., Chairman B.O.R.**
Bob W. gave a report on the Florida Restitution. An accounting as of April 30, 2001 was handed out. Bob explained to those who did not know, what had happened. Restitution is being made and payments are up to date. A little over \$16,000.00 is owed out of the original \$35,000.00.
11. **Prison Committee Report - Rick B.**
Rick B. gave the Prison Committee report. The Prison committee is now called Jails, Institutions and Prisons Committee or the JIP committee. They do have an email address; jipcommittee@aol.com. The I.S.O. is averaging about 15 letters per month from prisons and jails. We are relying on the prison liaisons from the Trustee areas for help. During roll call Karen asked each area who their prison liaison was. JIP committee meeting will be held this Saturday at 5:00 P.M. Also another email/snail mailing will be going out soon after the Conference.
12. **Pressure Relief Committee Report - Ralph D.**
Ralph D. reported on the Pressure Relief Committee. He explained the Pressure Relief Corner each month in the Life-Line Bulletin with articles from various members of the fellowship. Looking into possibly recommending to the Board the combining the two current Pressure Relief pamphlets someday.
13. **Stock Market, I.R.A.'s, 401 K's, et. al Report - Jim C. (Chair)**
Jim C. gave the report on the Stock Market committee. The committees report was read. A new piece of literature regarding the Stock Market will be submitted in San Francisco.

H) OLD BUSINESS

1. G.A. in addition to having pins available for anniversaries also have a G.A. medallion available through the I.S.O. that could be given out. Tabled from Montreal.

Motion is G.A., in addition to having pins available for Anniversaries, also have Gamblers Anonymous medallions for years 1 to 40 for sale. On the front side of the coin will read: "Gamblers Anonymous - One Day At A Time" - around the edge and in the center, in Roman Numerals, the year. The Serenity Prayer will be on the back side of the coin.

Amendment to add "I'm a miracle."

Approved: 6 Against: 63 Failed

Amendment to phase the purchase of the coins 1 - 10 years in 1st year; 11 - 20 years in the 2nd year; 21 to 30 years in the 3rd year and 31 to 40 years in the 4th year.

Approved: 25 Against: 50 Failed

On the motion.

Approved: 58 Against: 25 Passed (1st Vote)

2. Board of Regents election Guidance Code, Article VIII, add section 27 to read, "The Board of Trustees shall elect the members of the Board of Regents at the Spring Conference. The term of office shall be for a period of (1) year commencing July 1 and ending June 30. The Trustees should seek the guidance of the meetings in their area prior to the election". (Chair) (Passed first vote 80-3)

Approved: 71 Against: 6 Passed (2nd Vote)

3. Audio Tapes.

Motion to accept the 12 Step Audio Tapes.

Motion to table to San Francisco.

Approved: 61 Against: 4 Passed

Motion is pending.

I) NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve as G.A. Literature "Yesterday Today and Tomorrow" poem (attachment #1) (Area 2A)

Motion to accept above.

Approved: 26 Against: 55 Failed

2. Eliminate Lifeline spread sheet passout during Committee Reports from I.S.O. (Area 2)

Motion that the Lifeline spreadsheet be eliminated as a tool to illustrate the source of Lifeline contributions.

Approved: 37 Against: 39 Failed

Recount was taken.

Approved: 39 Against: 39 Failed

3. Combo Book, page 8, "What is compulsive gambling". Change ...with a gambling or compulsive gambling problem. To ..."with a compulsive gambling problem." Eliminating the words gambling or. (Area 2)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 4 Against: 81 Failed
4. Combo Book, page 13, 3rd line from the bottom. Change progressive deterioration, to, progressively deteriorating. (Area 17)
Motion - Combo Book page 13, 3rd line from the bottom, change risking progressive deterioration, to progressively deteriorating.
Approved: 9 Against: 76 Failed
5. Combo Book, page 2, 3rd sentence from the bottom. Change the word every to most. And the word gambler to gamblers. (Area 3)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 17 Against: 60 Failed
6. Any past Trustee can vote to extend the time limit on discussions. (Area 3)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 12 Against: 63 Failed
7. Red Book, page 15, section titled "Pins" 4th sentence eliminate the words "or mentioned" (Area 17)
Motion - Red Book page 14, section titled "PINS", 4th sentence, eliminate the words "or mentioned".
Approved: 22 Against: 47 Failed
8. Any approved G.A. literature where 39 meetings are mentioned, change to 39 full meetings. (Area 17)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 12 Against: 69 Failed
9. Discuss should non G.A. literature be put out on display during an open G.A. meeting. (Area 17)
Motion - Only G.A. literature be put on display during an open G.A. meeting.
Approved: 38 Against: 37 Passed
Recount was taken.
Approved: 43 Against: 44 Failed
A roll call vote was requested and then taken with the results as follows:

AREA	TRUSTEE	VOTE	AREA	TRUSTEE	VOTE	AREA	TRUSTEE	VOTE
1	Marc L.	YES	6	Richie S.	YES	12	Carol L.	YES
	Marvin F.	YES	6A	Jerry A.	NO		Bob W.	NO
	Jimmy D.	YES		Frank M.	YES		David M.	YES
	Ted K.	NO	6B	Lenny L.	YES		Marshall R.	YES
	Laurie R.	YES	6C	Mike B.	ABSTAIN		Denis M.	YES
	Manny E.	YES		Regina H.	YES	13	James D.	YES
1A	Tom M.	NO		Joyce J.	YES		Neil F.	YES
2	Ed E.	NO	7	Charlean S.	YES		David S.	YES
	Dan B.	NO		Kathy S.	YES		Mike L.	YES
	Chris C.	NO	7A	Richard B.	NO	13A	Kevin O.	YES
	Sandy T.	NO		Chuck S.	YES		Jim D.	YES
2A	Henry I.	NO	8	Allan S.	NO	14	Joe B.	NO
	Cindie T.	NO		Scott D.	YES		Dennis M.	NO
2B	Frank H.	NO		Scott D.	YES		David J.	NO
2G	Sharon W.	NO		Frank K.	NO	15	Chuck R.	NO
	Bill C.	NO	8A	Brian B.	NO		Ray H.	YES
3	Jan A.	NO		Janae L.	NO		Bill B.	YES
	Howie C.	NO	8B	Dan B.	NO		Marty D.	NO
3A	Deborah R.	NO		Geoff M.	NO		George G.	YES
	Larry D.	NO	8C	Marty J.	NO		George A.	YES
3B	Keith M.	NO	9	Joe C.	NO		Mike R.	YES
	Keith M.	NO		Jim M.	NO		David M.	YES
3C	Marcene W.	NO	10	Glenn F.	NO		Abe C.	YES
3D	Gerry M.	NO		Mary M.	NO	16	John N.	NO
4	Marguerite P.	NO	10A	Norm B.	NO		Sal S.	NO
5	Jerry T.	YES		Jim P.	NO	17	Walt H.	YES
5A	Mark D.	YES		Josh L.	NO		Ron W.	YES
5B	Andre G.	NO	10B	Jim G.	NO	18	Tom M.	NO
	Jean-Marc L.	ABSTAIN	11	Jim C.	YES	18A	Jim C.	YES
6	Richie S.	YES		Bob G.	YES	22	Tom M.	NO

Approved: 40 Against: 48 Abstained: 2 Failed

10. Big Book, page 59, change fellows to fellowship.
(Area 3)

No Discussion.

11. Big Book, page 61, 3rd paragraph 4th to last sentence,
the word prison is missing...add the word prison.
(Area 3)

Motion to accept above.

Approved: 86 Against: 2 Passed

Only one vote is needed as it was an omission and is not
an actual change in literature.

12. Combo Book, page 17, #1. Change to read: "Attend 3 or
4 meetings per week if available in your area, otherwise
always attend one full meeting per week. Meetings make
it".
(Area 3)

Motion to accept above.

Approved: 4 Against: 79 Failed

13. Combo Book, page 17, #1. Change to read: "Attend as many meetings as possible, if available attend 3 to 4 meeting per week during your first year of abstinence, but always attend one full meeting per week. Meetings make it". (Area 3)
 Motion to accept above.
 Approved: 1 Against: 87 Failed
14. Combo Book, pages 4 and 5, add the word "step" in front of the numbers 1 thru 12. (Area 8B)
 Motion to table.
 Approved: 46 Against: 36 Passed
15. Guidance Code amend so that the requirement shall be that a member must attend 39 meetings and that they must be at the rate of one meeting per week to count as the 39 meeting. Thus a member could not go to 39 meeting in a row night after night and have them count as the 39 meetings. (Area 16)
 Motion - A member must attend 39 meetings and that they must be at the rate of one meeting per week to count as the 39 meeting. To be placed in Article 7, Section 4 of the Guidance Code.
 Approved: 5 Against: 81 Failed
16. Combo Book, page 14, eliminate the definition of gambling from that page. Then change page 17, number 3 to read, "Don't test or tempt yourself. Don't go in or near gambling establishments. Don't gamble for anything. 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 depends on chance or "skill" constitutes gambling. (Area 16)
 Motion to accept above.
 Approved: 3 Against: 79 Failed
17. Discuss Step number 11 as it relates to various government programs that deal with people that have a compulsive gambling problem. (Area 16)
 Discussion only.
18. Area 18 Australia requests that Queensland be given one Trustee and become 18B and that New Zealand be removed from Area 18 and be given a Trustee and become area 18C (Area 18B)
 Motion to table to next realignment (Spring 2002).
 Approved: 75 Against: 3 Passed

19. **Nomination and election of the International Executive Secretary. (Nomination during session 1, election during the last session)** (Chairman)
 Two nominations for International Executive Secretary were received during the first session. Karen H. and George G. Karen H. accepted and George G. declined. A vote was taken during the last session and Karen H. was re-elected for a two year term.
20. **Election of the Chairman, the 1st Assistant Chairman, and the 2nd Assistant Chairman of the Board of Trustees.** (Chairman)
 Tom M. from Northern California was re-elected to serve as Chairman for a two year term through the Spring 2003 Conference.
 Jim C. from New Hampshire was elected to serve as 1st Co-Chair for a two year term through the Spring 2003 Conference.
 Denis M. from New Jersey was elected to serve as 2nd Co-Chair for a two year term through the Spring 2003 Conference.
21. **Discuss attachment #2 as it relates to translation of G.A. literature into Portuguese. (attachment #2)** (Karen H.)
 Motion to allow Brazilian G.A. groups to translate all literature into Portuguese.
 Amendment that copies of all translations be sent to the I.S.O.
 Approved: 77 Against: 1 Passed
 On the motion.
 Approved: 73 Against: 2 Passed
22. **Discuss having a yearly memorial meeting in each state to remember our departed brothers and sisters. Discuss how this has happened in other states and the results.** (Area 12)
 The Chair ruled this item out of order as it does not meet the two year rule.
23. **Make it mandatory for all first meeting members to read and answer the 20 questions.** (Area 1)
 A motion was made to accept above and was determined by the Chair to be out of order.
24. **Combo Book, page 17 #8 that would state that we should not enter into a business proposition with another Gamblers Anonymous member.** (Area 1)
 Motion that we stress that no one should lend money or enter into a business financial situation, until getting opinion from trusted servants or sponsors. If passed should be entered on Page 17, #8.
 Approved: 2 Against: 77 Failed

25. STEAW

25. Discuss may an open G.A. group discriminate against a class of people (i.e. media, students, etc.) and band only them or close the meeting to that class of people? (request a straw vote after discussion) (Area 1A)
Discussion was held. A straw vote was taken and it is the consensus of this Board (62 - 7) that an open G.A. meeting does not have the right to discriminate against a certain class of people (i.e. media, students, etc.).

26. Approve placement of the G.A. web site address, or URL www.gamblersanonymous.org on G.A. approved literature "custom slides or video tapes for T.V." for use in media Public Service Announcements. (Area 2)
Motion to accept above.
Amendment to add "http://" before "www" and add email address.
Approved: 13 Against: 69 Failed
On the motion.
Approved: 78 Against: 0 Passed

27. Guidance Code, Article VII, section 4 remove "and regular attendance of at least thirty-nine (39) Gamblers Anonymous meetings in the prior 12 months." (Area 1)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 33 Against: 43 Failed

28. Approve an 18 month key chain as Gamblers Anonymous literature. (Area 1)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 27 Against: 49 Failed

29. Is it appropriate for trusted servants to attend meetings outside of the program at gambling establishments? (Area 1)
Chair ruled this item out of order.

30. Recovery program, change Step five to: Admitted to a Higher Power, ourselves and another human being the exact nature of our wrongs. (Area 1)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 34 Against: 49 Failed

31. Combo Book, page 16, remove the statement that says, "most compulsive gamblers will answer yes to at least seven of these questions". (Area 1)

32. Combo Book, page 16, add the following statement to the bottom of the page. "These 20 questions are a guide to assist you. Only you can decide if you are a compulsive gambler". (Area 1)

The above two items (31 and 32) are being combined.
 Motion to accept above.

A member asked, if we could find out where the number "seven" came from. The Chair said, "No". The Chair was then challenged.

Vote on the challenge fails (25 - 31) and the Chair is in order, therefore the question is not answered.

On the motion.

Approved: 42 Against: 41 Passed

A roll call vote was requested and then taken with the results as follows:

AREA	TRUSTEE	VOTE	AREA	TRUSTEE	VOTE	AREA	TRUSTEE	VOTE
1	Marc L.	YES	6	Richie S.	YES	11	Bob G.	NO
	Marvin F.	YES		Jerry A.	NO	12	Carol L.	NO
	Jimmy D.	YES		Frank M.	NO		Bob W.	YES
	Ted K.	YES	6B	Lenny L.	YES		David M.	NO
	Laurie R.	YES		Rick B.	NO		Marshall R.	NO
1A	Tom M.	YES	6C	Mike B.	NO		Denis M.	YES
2	Ed E.	NO		Regina H.	NO	13	James D.	YES
	Dan B.	NO		Toni M.	NO		Neil F.	NO
	Chris C.	YES		Joyce J.	NO		David S.	NO
	Sandy T.	YES	7	Charlean S.	NO		Mike L.	YES
2A	Henry I.	NO		Kathy S.	YES	13A	Kevin O.	NO
	Don M.	NO	7A	Richard B.	NO		Jim D.	NO
2B	Frank H.	YES		Chuck S.	NO	14	Joe B.	YES
2G	Sharon W.	YES	8	Allan S.	YES		Dennis M.	YES
	Bill C.	YES		Scott D.	YES	15	Chuck R.	YES
3	Ron D.	NO		Scott D.	YES		Ray H.	YES
	Gail L.	NO		Frank K.	NO		Bill B.	NO
	Jan A.	NO	8A	Brian B.	YES		Marty D.	YES
	Howie C.	YES		Janae L.	NO		George G.	NO
3A	Larry D.	YES	8B	Dan B.	NO		George A.	YES
3B	Keith M.	YES		Geoff M.	NO		Mike R.	YES
	Keith M.	YES	8C	Marty J.	YES		David M.	YES
3C	Marcene W.	YES	9	Joe C.	YES		Abe C.	NO
3D	Gerry M.	NO		Jim M.	YES	16	John N.	NO
4	Marguerite P.	NO	10	Glenn F.	NO		Sal S.	NO
5	Jerry T.	YES		Mary M.	NO	17	Walt H.	NO
5A	Mark D.	YES	10A	Jim P.	NO		Ron W.	NO
5B	Andre G.	NO		Josh L.	YES	18	Tom M.	YES
	Jean-Marc L.	YES	10B	Jim G.	YES	18A	Jim C.	NO
6	Richie S.	YES	11	Jim C.	NO	22	Tom M.	YES

Approved: 46 Against: 44 Passed (1st Vote)

33. Discuss putting some or all Gamblers Anonymous literature on audio tape. (Area 1)

Tom M. appointed a committee consisting of Jimmy D., Toni M., Mike L. and Charlean S. to check into the above.

34. Combo Book, page 17, number 6 change, from "for you and your spouse (if married)" to "for you (and your spouse if married)" (Area 1)
 Motion - Combo Book page 17, # 6 remove "spouse (if married)" and replace with "your significant other".
 Approved: 19 Against: 48 Failed
35. Step one, change the word "were" to "are" so the Step would say...are powerless... (Area 8)
 Motion to accept above.
 Approved: 8 Against: 67 Failed
36. Discuss what to do if you have a member that is a born again Christian and can neither say they have a desire to stop gambling or that they are a compulsive gambler by their religious beliefs. (Area 8)
 Motion to allow a person to be in a closed G.A. meeting if that person states their first name, their first initial of their last name and says they are a member of Gamblers Anonymous.
 The Chair was challenged that the motion was in violation of the Unity Program. Vote on the challenge passes (57 - 28) and the Chair is determined out of order, therefore the motion is ruled out of order.
 A member then asked if the discussion could be continued since there was still time on the clock. The Chair said "No." and the Chair was again then challenged. Vote on the challenge fails (24 - 46), therefore the Chair is in order and the topic is over.
37. Guidance Code, Article VII, section 4. Change by adding the word "full" after (39) and before G.A. This would also necessitate a Guidance Code change in Article VII, section 1 where the same change would be made. (Area 8)
 Motion to accept above.
 Approved: 2 Against: 84 Failed
38. Any area having a National Conference should be allowed to keep at least 25% of the profits from the Conference and that money should be utilized for Trustee expenses by the Trustees in that area. (Area 8)
 Motion to allow the area to keep 25% of profit from a National Conference before the G.A./Gam-Anon 55/45 split.
 Approved: 5 Against: 81 Failed
39. Limit the amount that can be charged to attend the workshops at a National Conference to \$40.00. (Area 8)
 Motion to accept above.
 Approved: 7 Against: 73 Failed

40. Internet Committee requests to proceed forward with the establishment of a chat/meeting room, with a cost of \$99.00 initially. Room to operate 3 days per week with an approximate time limit of 1 hour per session. Days and times to be determined by the committee. (attachment to be handed out) (Area 8)
 Motion to accept above with report and recommendations to be made in San Francisco.
 Approved: 54 Against: 19 Passed
41. Australia is requesting permission to print a book about Gamblers Anonymous in Australia. (refer to attachment #3) (Area 18)
 Motion to allow Australia to proceed with writing of literature about Gamblers Anonymous in Australia.
 Approved: 77 Against: 3 Passed
42. Discuss what you do if a member comes to a meeting and admits that he gambled the day before. He states that he has a winning lottery ticket in his pocket. What suggestions should be given him? Are the suggestions the same for a five hundred dollar ticket as for a five million dollar ticket? (Area 12)
 Discussion only.
43. Guidance Code: In accordance with Article XIX, section 6 add: "A Trustee who is unable to attend a meeting may appoint a person to act as his/her proxy at the meeting provided that the Trustee advises the Chairman of the B.O.T. as to the name of the person to serve as proxy. In order to be designated as a proxy the person named must be a member of Gamblers Anonymous and must be someone who would otherwise qualify to serve as a Trustee but who does not currently serve as a Trustee". (Area 12)
 Motion to accept above.
 Amendment to add "necessarily" and "the member can have no more than two votes".
 Amendment is ruled out of order.
 Chair was then challenged that proxy's are out of order. Vote on the challenge fails (9 - 64) therefore the Chair is in order.
 Amendment that no member can have more than two votes.
 Approved: 18 Against: 55 Failed
 On the motion.
 Approved: 9 Against: 66 Failed

44. Guidance Code, Article XIX, section 6 add: "Under no circumstance shall anyone ever have the right to cast more than one vote when voting on an issue before the B.O.T. (Area 12)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 15 Against: 67 Failed
45. Election of the Board of Regents (Chairman)
The Ballots were turned in during the first session and during the next session Tom M. asked three past members of the Board of Trustees to count them. Seventy-five Ballots were received. The results in alphabetical order are as follows: Al N., Bill M., Bob W., Gary G., Grant M., Lanny R., Lloyd A. (Florida), Ray G. and Walt D. The first on the replacement list is Sherri B.
46. Request from the Palm Spring to be allowed to disband their Intergroup 9/2 vote and that they further be allowed to return to the Los Angeles Intergroup. If approved the Trustee from Area 1A will resign.
Motion to table until next realignment (Spring 2002).
Approved: 73 Against: 2 Passed
47. Site selection for the Southern Conference Fall 2002. (Chairman)
Chicago, Montreal, Houston and South Florida presented bids for the above Conference in the order stated. A vote was taken by secret ballot. Since a majority of the vote was needed and not obtained during the first or second votes, a third vote was taken and South Florida was awarded the Conference to be held October 11 - 13, 2002 at the Sheraton West Palm Beach Hotel.
48. Site Selection for the Midwestern Conference Spring 2003. (Chairman)
Toronto and Chicago both presented bids for the above Conference in that order. A vote was taken by secret ballot and Toronto was awarded the Conference to be held May 2 - 4, 2003 at the Crowne Plaza Toronto Don Valley Hotel.
49. Combo Book, page 17, #1 change to read. "Attend 30 meetings in your first 90 days, then as many meetings as possible, but at least one full meeting per week. Meetings make it". (Area 10B)
Motion to accept above.
Approved: 12 Against: 61 Failed

J) ANYTHING OMITTED FROM THE AGENDA

50. Website - use of gamblersanonymous name for purposes other than helping compulsive gamblers.

Bob W. gave a report regarding individuals using the gamblersanonymous.com address for something other than Gamblers Anonymous information. The Board of Regents is asking for authorization to move forward and try to get this issue taken care of.

Motion to approve up to \$10,000.00 to hire attorney to solve problem with the Internet.

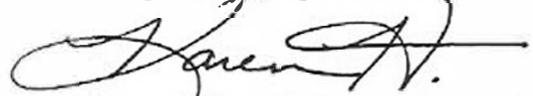
Approved: 85 Against: 3 Passed

K) GOOD AND WELFARE

The meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer at approximately 5:00 P.M. The collection for the four (4) sessions was \$741.00.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held September 13, 2001 in San Francisco, California.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen H., International
Executive Secretary

			ROLL CALL		
AREAS		SESSIONS	AREAS	SESSIONS	SESSIONS
1	Marc L.	4	8	Allan S.	4
	Marvin F.	4		Scott D.	4
	Jimmy D.	4		Arnie B.	Absent *
	Ted K.	4		Frank K.	4
	Laurie R.	4	8A	Brian B.	4
	Manny E.	4		Janae L.	4
1A	Tom B.	Absent *	8B	Charlie O.	Absent *
2	Ed E.	4		Patrick N.	Absent *
	Dan B.	4	8C	Marty J.	3
	Chris C.	4	9	Joe C.	4
	Sandy T.	4		Jim M.	4
2A	Henry I.	4	10	Glenn F.	4
	Cindie T.	3		Mary M.	4
	Don M.	3	10A	Norm B.	4
2B	Bernie A.	Absent		Jim P.	4
	Frank H.	4		Josh L.	4
2C	Gerry M.	Absent	10B	Jim G.	4
	Debbie W.	Absent	11	Jim C.	4
2G	Sharon W.	4		Bob G.	4
	Bill C.	4	12	Carol L.	4
3	Ron D.	4		David M.	4
	Gail L.	4		Marshall R.	4
	Jan A.	4		Bob W.	4
	Howie C.	4		Denis M.	4
3A	Deborah R.	3	13	James D.	4
	Larry D.	4		Neil F.	4
3B	Keith M.	4		David S.	4
	Jane C.	Absent *		Mike L.	4
3C	Marcene W.	4	13A	Kevin O.	4
3D	Steve M.	Absent		Jim D.	4
	Gerry M.	4	14	Joe B.	4
4	Marguerite P.	4		Dennis M.	4
5	Jerry T.	4		Ira C.	Absent
5A	Marlene O.	Absent		David J.	4
	Mark D.	4	15	Chuck R.	4
5B	Andre G.	4		Bill B.	4
	Jean-Marc L.	4		Marty D.	4
6	Richie S.	4		George G.	4
	Sandy L.	Absent *		George A.	4
6A	Jerry A.	4		Ray H.	4
	Frank M.	4		Joseph O.	Absent
6B	Lenny L.	4		Mike R.	4
	Teddy R.	Absent *		David M.	4
6C	Mike B.	4		Abe C.	4
	Regina H.	4	16	John N.	4
	Toni M.	3		Sal S.	4
	Joyce J.	4	17	Walt H.	4
7	Charlean S.	4		Ron W.	4
	Kathy S.	4	18	Carol S.	4
7A	Richard B.	4	18A	Jenni K.	4
	Chuck S.	4		Richard H.	Absent
7B	Rocky M.	Absent	22	Louis M.	4

Chairman, B.O.T
Tom M. 4
1st Co-Chair, B.O.T
Dan B. 4
2nd Co-Chair, B.O.T
Jim C. 4
Chairman, B.O.R.
Bob W. 4
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Karen H. 4

*Proxy or Absentee
Ballot Received