

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**MAY 1 & 2, 2003**  
**CROWN PLAZA HOTEL, TORONTO, ONTARIO CANADA**

**A) Welcome and opening statements - Tom M. Chairman, Board of Trustees**

Tom M., Chairman of the Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 P.M. on May 1, 2003. Forty-one proxy's were read to be voted as follows:

Area 1 – from Lanny R. given to James B., from Laurie R. given to Denis M., from Ted K. given to Bruce R. and from Wendy B. given to Bruce R.

Area 2 – from Isamu T. given to Tom M.

Area 2B – from Terry Q. given to Paul H. and from Steve R. given to Tom M.

Area 2C – from Debbie W. given to Sam C.

Area 3A – from David F. given to Tom M. (limited to attendance and Conference Bid) and from Malcolm B. given to Gail L.

Area 3D – from Pat M. given to Keith M.

Area 5A – from Irene S. given to Klaus K.

Area 5B – from Etienne C. give to Jean Marc L.

Area 6 – from Morty F. given to Alan S. and from Sandy L. given to Richie S.

Area 6A – from Jerry A. given to Walt H. and from Nick S. given to John L.

Area 7A – from Richard B. given to Bob O. and from Chuck S. given to Tom M.

Area 8 – from Brian B. given to Scott D.

Area 8A – from Roger S. given to Michelle G. and from Kim L. given to Michelle G.

Area 8B – from Charlie O. given to Dennis C. (Area 6C)

Area 8C – from Pauline M. given to Michelle G.

Area 9 – from Jim M. given to Daryl R.

Area 10 – from Mary M. given to Glenn F.

Area 10A – from Josh S. given to Norm B.

Area 11 – from Steve J. given to Don R.

Area 12 – from Carol L. given to Denis M., from Bill S. given to Denis M. and from John D. given to Bob W.

Area 13A – from Kevin O. given to Michelle G. and from Jim D. given to Ron W.

Area 14 – from Dennis M given to Joe B.

Area 15 – from Marty D. given to Bill B., from George G. given to Chuck R. and from Marino S. given to Bill B.

Area 16 – from John N. given to Kathy S. and from Dennis C. given to Judy N.

Area 18 – from Shirley T. given to Tom M.

Area 22 – from Louis M. given to Tom M.

Rules and procedures for the meeting were explained and Tom stated we would follow Robert Rules of Order to the best of our ability and if not, then Tom's Rules of Order would be followed. Members at the head table were introduced and new Trustees were asked to stand and introduce themselves.

- B) Remembrance of our departed brothers and sisters – Marshall R. and George L.**  
Members were asked to share the names and time of abstinence of members from their areas who had passed away since the last Trustees meeting held in West Palm Beach. 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 for the Day for May 1, 2003.
- D) Reading of the “12 Steps of Unity” - Jean - Marc L.**  
Jean Marc L. read the 12 Steps of Unity.
- E) Roll Call - Karen H. International Executive Secretary**  
Karen H. took roll and there are presently 88 votes to begin the first session.
- F) Approval of the Minutes from West Palm Beach**  
The minutes of the meeting held in West Palm Beach were approved as submitted.
- G) COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. West Palm Beach Final Report (2002 Southern Fall Conference) Denis M.**  
Prior to the West Palm Beach Financial report being submitted, it was noted that the Vancouver, British Columbia Financial report had not been approved from the meeting that was held in May 2002.  
Motion to approve the Vancouver Conference Financial report as submitted with the Trustees Line.  
Passed

**2002 Spring Conference Financial Report**

**RECEIPTS**

Donations	7,083.83	
Fund Raising	9,263.45	
Loans & Float Returns	5,078.86	
Misc. Registrations	95.00	
Transportation Fees	5,467.55	
Interest Earned	5.61	
GIC's Cashed	50,164.40	
Registrations	130,221.67	
Refunds	99.05	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$ 207,479.42</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Bank Charge	177.43		
Cash Advances & Floats	4,000.00		
Hotel Deposits	34,000.00		
Misc.	0.00		
Printing and Reproduction	429.54		
Room Rental	10.00		
Travel, Bus	37.45		
GIC Investments	50,000.00		
Refunds & Hotel Transfers	10,361.56		
Hotel Charges	86,614.08		
Postage	367.15		
Misc.	30.72		
Transportation	4,763.36		
Souvenir Books	2,550.39		
Gifts	1,095.95		
Stationery	390.04		
Room Rentals	53.50		
T-Shirts and Shirts	6,321.31		
Air (Karen H. & Regina K.)	1,226.94		
Banquet	802.05		
Vancouver Tour	1,295.20		
Phone & Long Distance	28.50		
Printing	27.36		
Loan Repayments	<u>2,609.00</u>		
<b>Total Disbursements</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>207,191.53</b>
<b>SURPLUS / DEFICIT</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>287.89</b>
Gamblers Anonymous I.S.O.			158.34
Gam-Anon I.S.O.			<u>129.55</u>
<b>BALANCE</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>(0.00)</b>

Denis M. gave the final report on the West Palm Beach Conference.  
 Motion to approve the West Palm Beach Financial report as submitted.  
 Passed

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PROFIT/LOSS STATEMENT  
 SERENITY IN THE SUN FIND YOUR SOUL CONFERENCE 2002  
 SOUTH FLORIDA INTERGROUP & UNITY

**Revenues**  
**Hotel Bookings** \$ 128,280.00

Plan A		172	
Plan B		52	
Plan C		4	
Plan D		41	
Plan F		17	
Extra Nights		258	
<b>S. FL Intergroup Loan</b>	S. FL Inter		\$ 100.00
<b>Loan</b>	ISO		1,000.00
<b>Day Boat Trip</b>	30 People		1,500.00
<b>GA Golf Outing</b>	31 Golfers		1,095.00
<b>T-Shirts</b>	114 Shirts		1,140.00
<b>Total Income</b>			<b>\$ 133,115.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Hotel/Rooms/Meals			\$ (107,571.60)
Repayments S. FL Intergroup Loan			(100.00)
Repayment of Loan ISO			(1,000.00)
Day Boat Trip			(1,273.00)
GA Golf Outing			(800.00)
T-Shirts			(1,038.00)
Registration Refunds			(3,140.00)
Petty Cash			(300.00)
Canada Bank Exchange Rates			(373.00)
Conference Books			(4,123.41)
Entertainment/Band			(3,153.76)
Welcome Bag Gifts/Give Aways			(1,132.00)
Mailings Postage			(398.88)
Office Supplies/Phone/Ink/Labels/Boxes/Paper			(841.78)
ISO I.E.S. Airfare			(265.00)
Hospitality Room Food/Snacks/Soda/Water			(2,943.10)
Tips to Hotel Employees			(535.00)
			<b>\$ (128,988.53)</b>
<b>Profit Disbursement</b>			<b>\$ 4,126.47</b>
<b>Gamblers Anonymous</b>	55%		(2,269.56)
<b>Gam-Anon</b>	45%		(1,856.91)
			<b>\$ 0.00</b>

458 Brothers and Sisters attended this Conference

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- Toronto Conference Report (2003 Midwestern Spring Conference) Jim C.**  
 Elaine D. gave a report on the Conference, welcoming and thanking everyone for coming. Tom M. thanked the committee for doing such an excellent job under the circumstances.
- Los Angeles Conference Report (2003 Western Fall Conference) Denis M.**  
 Denis M. reported on the Los Angeles Conference to be held at the Marriot in

Irvine, California October 17 – 19, 2003. Everything has been submitted on a timely basis and all is going smoothly.

- 4. Montreal Conference Report (2004 Eastern Spring Conference) Jim C.**  
Larry G. reported on the Montreal Conference to be held April 30 – May 2, 2004 at the Sheraton in Laval, Quebec. Bands are booked and everything is going well.
  - 5. I.S.O./ Lifeliner Report - Karen H.**  
Karen H. gave a report and handed out a graph that showed the past two years activity. She thanked everyone for their continued support with spreading the word about Lifeliners.
  - 6. Toronto Walk-A-Thon Report – Terry**  
Klaus K. gave the report on the Walk-A-Thon to be held Saturday morning. All walkers will meet in the lobby at 7:00 A.M.
  - 7. Literature Committee Report - Chuck R.**  
Chuck reported that the new Prison Booklet is complete and on sale through the International Service Office for \$1.00 each. Also the revised Pressure Relief booklet has been worked on and is on this agenda for approval.
  - 8. Florida Restitution Report - Bill M., Chairman, Board of Regents**  
Bill M. gave a report and handed out an accounting that shows the payments made through April 30, 2003. The total receipts are \$31,445.21 and the current amount owing is \$7,498.13.
  - 9. Prison Committee Report - Luis M.**  
Luis M. gave a report explaining the J.I.P. (Jails, Institutions and Prisons) committee. He appealed to the Trustees to be a coordinator for their areas. The Prison committee will meet on Saturday in the late afternoon.
  - 10. Stock Market, I.R.A.'s 401 K's et.al Report - David M., Chair**  
David M. gave a report explaining how the 7 Committee members came up with the final booklet. This booklet is on the agenda under New Business, Item 24.
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- 11. Internet Committee Report - Alan S.**  
Alan S. is asking for members to help oversee a Chatroom. Tom M. stated that since there has been no activity with this Committee for the past several Trustees meetings, the committee has been deleted.
  - 12. Committee Report on Placing Other G.A. Literature on Tapes - Jimmy D. / Marc L.**  
Bob W. gave the report for the above committee and they will have something to present in Irvine.

13. **Hotline Committee Report - Gary S.**  
David M. gave the report for the above committee and they will have something to present in Irvine.
14. **Map Committee Report - Dan B. (Karen H. Will Report)**  
Karen H. gave the report showing a map that had been done of all the Trustee Area in United States and portions of Canada by Dan B., from Northern California. The map was passed around and Trustees were asked to verify their area and make any corrections. Since many Trustees were not present, this map will again be brought to Irvine and we will ask for input from the different areas. A special thanks to Dan B. for preparing this map.
15. **Pressure Relief Group Meeting Report - Ralph D. & Eddie L.**  
Bill B. gave the report. Tom M. thanked Ralph and Eddie for all of their work on this project.
16. **National Conferences Committee Report - Bob W.**  
Bob W. gave the report asking for any suggestions on what was handed out. This item will be handled under New Business, Item 33.
17. **Gamblers Anonymous Website Committee Report - Richard L.**  
Richard L. gave the report and stated that the committee is working on this. If any member is interested in being on the committee, please let Richard know. A report will be available in Irvine.

## H) OLD BUSINESS

1. **Combo Book, Page 17, Number 6. Delete the current language and change to:**  

**“A Pressure Relief Group Meeting may help alleviate legal, financial, employment and personal pressures. Adherence to it may aid in your recovery”. (Passed First Vote)**  
 Passed (2<sup>nd</sup> vote)
2. **Combo Book, Page 17, change “New members” to “Guide for All Members” on the inside cover. (Passed First Vote)**  
 Passed (2<sup>nd</sup> vote)
3. **Combo Book, page 14, change the definition of gambling to read: “Gambling for the compulsive gambler is defined as follows: Any betting or wagering, for self or others, or any betting or wagering by others for you, no matter how slight or insignificant, where the outcome is dependent upon chance or “skill” constitutes gambling. (Eddie W. & George W.) (Tabled from West Palm Beach)**

Motion to accept above.  
Failed

4. **Proxy Votes shall only be counted to determine the number present at any meeting for the purpose of a quorum without a vote. Guidance Code change Section 8, number 6.**

Use only the following procedures for proxy votes.

1. **Only Board of Trustee members may be appointed as a proxy.**
2. **No Board of Trustee member may be allocated more than one proxy.**
3. **A Proxy Vote should be appointed from the same area when possible.**
4. **The Trustee shall notify the International Executive Secretary and Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, as to their choice of a proxy, at least three days prior to the start of the Board of Trustee Meeting.**
5. **After being asked by the Trustee, and accepting, the proxy shall notify the International Executive Secretary and the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees at least three days prior to the start of the Board of Trustee meeting.**
6. **The International Executive Secretary, shall keep a log of the time and date that a proxy is allocated.**
7. **A proxy will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. (Passed First Vote )**

Approved: 19 Against: 57 Failed

5. **Follow Steps 4, 6 and 7 of the Unity Program, G.A. Intergroups and individual meeting websites should not display advertising or cause a relationship with an outside group. (Mike V. Montreal) Tabled from West Palm Beach)**

No discussion.

6. **Guidance Code, Page 11, # 5 Change by deleting “Other Intergroups, and the Regional Service Office”. (Passed First Vote)**

Approved: 64 Against: 0 Passed (2<sup>nd</sup> Vote)

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7. **Conference Bid for the 2004 Fall Southern Conference. This is now an open bid to any area.**

Connecticut and Louisiana presented bids for the above Conference. A vote was taken by secret ballot and the Conference was awarded to New Orleans to be held September 10 – 12, 2004 at the Radisson Hotel New Orleans.

**I) NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Election of the Board of Regents, Ballots to be collected during the first session. (Chairman Board of Trustees)**

The Ballots were turned in during the first session and at the end of the next session Tom M. asked two past members of the Board of Trustees, plus himself to count them. Sixty-eight Ballots were received. The results in alphabetical order are as follows: Ara H., Arnie B. (Chicago), Lloyd A. (Florida), Marc L., Phil K., Ray G., Robert G., Russ H. and Steve K. All members, unless otherwise noted, are from an area within 200 miles of the International Service Office. First on the replacement list from out of the 200 mile area is Liz N. (Las Vegas) and first on the replacement list for within the 200 mile area is John C.

2. **Nominations for International Executive Secretary. Election will take place during the last session. (Chairman Board of Trustees)**  
Karen H. was nominated and elected by acclamation for a two-year term.
3. **Nominations for Chair Board of Trustees. Election will take place during The last session. (Chairman Board of Trustees)**  
Bob W. from Southern California was elected to serve as Chairman for a two-year term.
4. **Nominations for Assistant Chair Board of Trustees. Election will take place during the last session. (Chairman Board of Trustees)**  
Denis M., from New Jersey was elected to serve as 1<sup>st</sup> Co-Chairman for a two-year term.  
David M., from New Jersey was elected to serve as 2<sup>nd</sup> Co-Chairman for a two-year term.
6. **Conference Bid for 2005 Spring Midwestern Conference.**  
No bid was made therefore this item will be on the agenda for Irvine and open to any area wishing to present a bid.

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6. **Change Unity Step 11, to read: "Our Public Relations Policy is based on promotion rather than attraction; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films, literature and the Internet. (Dennis M. Area 14)**  
Motion to table.  
Passed
7. **Proposal: That the following be made a required suggestion to be read at the beginning of every G.A. Meeting. "Do not borrow money from, or loan money to any member of G.A. If someone in G.A. asks to borrow money, notify your room secretary, trusted servants, and/or your Intergroup Chairperson or Trustee, immediately. (Long Island Intergroup Area 14)**

Motion to table.

Approved: 40 Against: 43 Failed

Motion to accept above.

A member asked to have this motion ruled out of order and the Chair declined the request, stating the motion was in order. The Chair was then challenged. Vote on the challenge passes and therefore the Chair is out of order and so is the motion.

- 8. A blank (no year designated) medallion be approved for groups to present to members as desired. (Richard C. Area 2A)**

Motion to accept above.

Failed

- 9. Guidance code page 9 Article IX Section 1; Change the word “Appointed” to “Elected”. (Chuck R. Area 15)**

Motion to accept above.

Approved: 24 Against: 49 Failed

- 10. Motion to change Step 12 of the Recovery Program, to read as follows, “Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to other Compulsive Gamblers, and to practice these principles in all our affairs”.(Luis M. Area 2 & Scott D Area 9)**

Motion to change Step 12 of the Recovery Program to read, “Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of practicing these principles in all our affairs, we tried to carry this message to other compulsive gamblers”.

Approved: 51 Against: 33 Failed (2/3 vote needed)

(This item is combined with item 32 of New Business.)

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- 11. Approve Attachment # 1 “The Pressure Relief Group Meeting Handbook” As submitted by the Committee. NOTE \*\*\* This also included an item Submitted by Lou W. From Area 3 B. (Ralph D. & Eddie L.)**

Motion to accept above as submitted.

Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)

(This item will replace the Green Pressure Group Meeting Handbook.)

- 12. Combo Book, Page 12 “Can a Compulsive Gambler simply use willpower to stop gambling”? Answer to change to: “ No. We believe that most people, will recognize their lack of power to solve certain problems.....(the rest would remain the same) (Justine M. Presented by Howie C.)**

Discussion only.

- 13. Motion that an English Regional Service Office be established in Canada.**

1. To distribute and sell all English Gamblers Anonymous literature to all groups including treatment centers.
2. To send starter kits and information to those interested in starting a Gamblers Anonymous Group and learning more about the Gamblers Anonymous Program in Canada.
3. To maintain a Canadian Gamblers Anonymous Website.
4. To be a positive resource for all Gamblers Anonymous Groups in Canada.
5. Gamblers Anonymous Groups in Canada would support the regional service office through donations and literature purchases. (Richard C. Area 2A)

Motion to accept above.

Failed

14. **Motion that the International Service Office sell all literature to the Canadian Regional Service Office at ISO purchase price plus shipping, for distribution and sale to all Canadian Gamblers Anonymous groups and treatment centers.**
  1. Due to the volume of anticipated sales, costs of printing and required markup, is not cheaper print all literature in Canada.
  2. Literature would be sold at ISO approved markup.
  3. Foreign G.A. groups may buy literature from the Canadian Regional Service Office, but it would be discourage
  4. Revenue from the sale of literature would be used to support the Regional Service Office and Gamblers Anonymous in Canada.(Richard C. Area 2A)

This item ruled out of order.

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15. **Motion that no inter-group in Canada should or has the funds necessary to establish an RSO and buy/print the required GA literature and that the Board of Trustees loan the Canadian Regional Service Office \$10,000 (US) start up.**
  1. The RSO submits monthly financial reports to the Board of Regents and to each Canadian Trustee and a biannual report to the Board of Trustees.
  2. The loan would be repaid to ISO within 24 months of being made.
  3. The Canadian Regional Service Office would not make any donations to the International Service Office until the startup loan was repaid in full.

This item ruled out of order. (Richard C. Area 2A)
16. **That the Canadian English Regional Service Office be located in Calgary, Alberta. (Richard C. Area 2 A)**

This item ruled out of order.
17. **Approve printing by the International Service Office of Combo Book and Towards 90 Days in languages other than English & Spanish provided that**

**the translation is done exactly as the English version and camera-ready copy is provided to the International Service Office. (Board of Regents)**

Motion to accept above.

Passed

- 18. To change Guidance Code, Article XVI, Section 12, after the words “and/or Gamblers Anonymous pins” delete the words “the same day” and replace with “Within 5 business days”. The section would now read, “The International Executive Secretary shall be responsible to mail receipts for donations made to the I.S.O. and mail Gamblers Anonymous literature and / or Gamblers Anonymous pins within 5 business days donation or requisition is received in the International Service Office (ISO).” (Karen H. I.E.S.)**

Motion to accept above.

Approved: 89 Against: 0 Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)

- 19. Can a local area profit from hosting a national conference or should all profits be turned over to ISO? (Denis M. I think?)**

Discussion only.

- 20. Does the local area take financial responsibility for any loss from a national conference or does it fall on Gamblers Anonymous as a whole?(Denis M. I think?)**

Discussion only.

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- 21. If Gamblers Anonymous as a whole is responsible for losses from a national conference should Gam-Anon share the loss to the extent that they share profits (45%). (Denis M. I think?)**

Motion made that Gam-Anon will only be entitled to 45% of profits from National Conferences if they agree to accept an equal (45%) share of any loss.  
Failed.

- 22. Does an Intergroup have a right to not support a GA room if that room does not financially support their local intergroup. (Dennis M. Area 14)**

Motion to table.

Passed

- 23. Make the Pressure Relief Group Meeting Pamphlet and Financial Forms Booklet available on line in a spreadsheet format. (David M. Area 12)**

A straw vote was taken and passed to form a committee to investigate the possibility of having the Pressure Relief Group Meeting Pamphlet and Financial Forms available on line in a spreadsheet format. David M. will Chair this committee.

24. **Discussion of Retirement Investments in the Stock Market. (David M. Area 12)**  
 Motion made to accept the booklet entitled “The Stock Market, Retirement Accounts and Gamblers Anonymous,” as submitted by the committee.  
 Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)
25. **Outline New Procedures for BOT members to view pending agenda items submitted to the Chair, prior to the cutoff for submissions before each conference. (David M. Area 12)**  
 Discussion only.
26. **Combo Book page 12, Eliminate the sentence borrowing and/or lending of money (bailouts) in Gamblers Anonymous is detrimental to our recovery and should not take place. Change to: Borrowing money or declaring bankruptcy (bailouts) to eliminate gambling debts is detrimental to our recovery and should not take place. (Larry B. Area 15)**  
 Motion to table.  
 Passed
27. **Combo Book page 13, Change the first line under the heading... Can a Compulsive Gambler ever gamble again? Add the word “Small” after the word “First” so it would read. “No, the first small bet...(Larry B. Area 15)**  
 Motion to table.  
 Passed
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28. **Combo Book page 17, Eliminate # 7 and replace it with. “Be patient! The days and weeks will pass soon enough, and as yregularlyly attend meetings, abstain from gambling, and follow the guidelines on this page, you will experience continuing recovery. (Larry B. Area 15)**  
 Motion to table.  
 Passed
29. **Combo Book page 16, Question 20 change to “Have you ever considered suicide as a result of your gambling?” (Norm B. Area 10 A)**  
 Motion to accept above.  
 Failed
30. **Recovery Program Step 5 change to read, “Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact natures of our wrong”. (Norm B. Area10A)**  
 Motion to change Step 5 of the Recovery Program to read, “Admitted to ourselves, to God and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs”.  
 Failed
31. **Recovery Program Step 2 change to read, “Came to believe that a power greater to ourselves could restore us to sanity”. (Norm B. Area 10 A)**

a Motion to change Step 2 of the Recovery Program to read, “Came to believe that power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity”.  
Failed

- 32. Recovery Program Step 12 change to read, “Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to compulsive gamblers who still suffer and to practice these principles in all our affairs. (Norm B. Area 10 A)**

This item was combined with item 10 of New Business.

- 33. Approve attachment # 2 “Hosting a National Conference” as presented by the Committee. (Bob W. Area 1 Chair)**

Motion to accept above as written and send to Literature Committee for clean-up.  
Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)

This will replace #31 on the current order form, “How To Run A Conference”.

- 34. Combo Book Page 1, line # 2, change the word “Chance” to “Unexpected”. It will now read, “...outgrowth of an unexpected meeting between two men..” (Allan S. Area 8)**

Motion to accept above.

Failed

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- 35. Combo Book, page 14, under the definition of gambling after for self or others add, “or on your behalf”. (Allan S. Area 8)**

Motion to accept above.

Failed

- 36. Combo Book, page 17, item # 3, replace the words “Commodities and Options” with “Casinos and Sports Betting”. (Daryl R. Area 9)**

Motion to accept above.

Failed

- 37. Combo Book, page 2, second sentence, third paragraph change, “No one likes to think he is different from his fellows”. (Daryl R. Area 9)**

Motion to accept above.

Amendment to add “or she” after “he” and “or her” after “his”.

Failed

On the motion.

Failed

- 38. Combo Book, page 8, third sentence third paragraph, insert the word “it” after however. (Daryl R. Area 9)**

Motion to accept above.

Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)

39. **Combo Book, page 12, second sentence, first paragraph. Replace “insolvable” with “unsolvable”. Note: Item is out of order this was defeated in West Palm Beach - 2 year rule. (Daryl R. Area 9)**  
This item is out of order. Does not meet the 2 year rule.
40. **Combo Book, page 1, second paragraph, insert commas after “concluded” and “discussions”. (Daryl R. Area 9)**  
Motion to accept above.  
Failed
41. **Combo Book, page 10, last sentence: Delete bracketed words (often of an anti-social nature). The new sentence would read, “The compulsive gambler is willing to do anything to maintain the image he or she wants others to see”. (Henry I. Area 2A)**  
Motion to accept above.  
Failed
42. **Combo Book, page 8, last word of the second paragraph change from “illness” to “disease”. (James D. Area 13)**  
Motion to accept above.  
Failed
43. **Group handbook, page 7, under suggested meeting format, between 5 and 6 add “Chairperson calls on someone to read the 20 questions on pages 15 and 16 of the combo book.” (James D. Area 13)**  
Discussion only.
44. **Combo book, page 17, number 3, eliminate everything after, “.....don’t gamble for anything”. (James D. Area 13)**  
Discussion only.
45. **Combo Book, page 17, Change from “Attend as many meetings as possible, but at least one full meeting per week. MEETINGS MAKE IT. To “Attend as many meetings as possible. Make at least one full meeting per week. MEETINGS MAKE IT”. (Ron W. Area 17)**  
Motion to accept above.  
Failed
46. **Combo Book, page 17, Number 1, Change to read, “Attend 3 or 4 meetings a week, if available in your area, during your first year of abstinence. MEETINGS MAKE IT. (Howie C. Area 3 D)**  
Discussion only.
47. **Group Handbook, page 2, number 7, after the word “Abstinence” put a coma and then add: “Providing they have attended 39 or more meetings in the previous 12 months”. (Howie C. Area 3 D)**  
Motion to accept above.

Failed

48. **Combo Book, page 2, third sentence from the bottom. Change the word “Every” to “Most” and “Gambler” to “Gamblers” (Howie C. Area 3 D)**

Motion to accept above.

Failed

49. **Any past trustee can vote to extend the time limit on a discussion item. (Howie C. Area 3 D)**

Discussion only.

50. **Big Book, page 59, under the chapter entitled “The Group Meeting: Core of the Fellowship’s Existence” change the second word “Fellows” to “Fellowship”. (Howie C. Area 3 D)**

Motion to accept above.

Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)

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51. **Combo Book, page 4, number 1, change the word “Were” to “Are” and change to word “Admitted” to “Admit”. Sentence to read, “We admit we are powerless over gambling”. (Howie C. Area 3 D)**

Discussion only.

52. **Red Book, page 14, take out the entire last sentence. It is mentioned in the group handbook on page 2, number 7, in the Guidance Code, page 5 in sections 4 & 5, section 4 on page 11 and on page 12 number 9 D.**

**(Howie C. Area 3 D)**

Motion to take out the entire last sentence on page 14 of the Red Book.

Passed (1<sup>st</sup> Vote)

## **K) GOOD AND WELFARE**

The meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer at approximately 1:30 P.M. The collection for the three (3) sessions was \$480.00.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held October 16, 2003 in Irvine, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen H., International Executive Secretary

### **ROLL CALL**

<b>AREA</b>	<b>SESSIONS</b>
1 Bruce R.	3

<b>AREA</b>	<b>SESSIONS</b>
8A Roger S.	Absent *

	James B.	3		Kim L.	Absent *
	Lanny R.	Absent *	8B	Charlie O.	Absent *
	Laurie R.	Absent *		Michelle G.	3
	Ted K.	Absent *	8C	Pauline M.	Absent *
	Wendy B.	Absent *	9	Jim M.	Absent *
2	Sandy T.	3		Daryl R.	3
	Luis M.	3	9A	Joe S.	3
	Isamu T.	Absent *	10	Glenn F.	3
2A	Henry I.	3		Mary M.	Absent *
	Cindie T.	3	10A	Norman B.	3
	Richard C.	3		Jim P.	3
2B	Terry Q.	Absent *		Josh L.	Absent *
	Steve R.	Absent *	10B	Jim G.	3
2C	Debbie W.	Absent *		Joe D.	Absent

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2D	Alan S.	3	11	Steve J.	Absent *
2G	Sharon W.	3		Don R.	3
	Richard L.	3	12	Carol L.	Absent *
3	Gail L.	3		David M.	3
	Mike P.	3		Bill S.	Absent *
	Paul H.	3		Bob W.	3
	Roger T.	3		Denis M.	3
3A	David F.	Absent *		John D.	Absent *
	Malcolm B.	Absent *	13	James D.	Absent
3B	Keith M.	3		Michael F.	Absent
3C	Sam C.	3		David S.	Absent
3D	Tom P.	Absent	13A	Kevin O.	Absent *
	Pat M.	Absent *		Jim D.	Absent *
4	Elaine D.	3	14	Dennis M.	Absent *
	Klaus K.	3		Brad B.	Absent
5	Herb B.	3		Mike A.	Absent
5A	Irene S.	Absent *		Al O.	Absent
5B	Jean-Marc L.	3	15	Chuck R.	3
	Etienne C.	Absent *		Bill B.	3
5C	John L.	3		Marty D.	Absent *
6	Richie S.	3		George G.	Absent *
	Morty F.	Absent *		Abe C.	Absent
	Sandy L.	Absent *		Ray H.	Absent
6A	Jerry A.	Absent *		Mike R.	3
	Nick S.	Absent *		Marino S.	Absent *
6B	Bob Q.	3		Larry B.	Absent
	Tom T.	3		Jerry L.	Absent
6C	Joe B.	3	16	John N.	Absent *
	Dennis A.	3		Dennis C.	Absent *

	Gary G.	3	17	Walt H.	3
	Ian S.	3		Ron W.	3
7	Kathy S.	3	18	Andy D.	Absent
	Judy N.	3		Shirley T.	3
7A	Richard B.	Absent *	18A	Richard H.	Absent
	Chuck S.	Absent *		Darryl G.	Absent
8	Allan S.	3	22	Louis M.	3
	Scott D.	3	Chairman, B.O.T.	Tom M.	3
	Bob O.	3	1 <sup>st</sup> Co-Chair, B.O.T.	Jim C.	Absent
	Brian B.	Absent *	2 <sup>nd</sup> Co-Chair, B.O.T.	Denis M.	3
			Chairman B.O.R.,	Bill M.	3
			International Executive		
* Proxy Received			Secretary	Karen H.	3