

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS TRUSTEES MEETING
OCTOBER 22 & 23, 2015
WESTIN RESORT & SPA, CANCUN, MEXICO**

A) Welcome –Andy R. Chair, Board of Trustees

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 A.M. on October 22, 2015 by Andy R., Chairman of the Board of Trustees who welcomed *everyone to our first International Conference in Cancun, Mexico*. New Trustees were asked to introduce themselves. He went over procedures for the meeting stating that the Board of Trustees Rules and Procedures comes first, then Roberts Rules of Order and finally the Gamblers Anonymous Guidance Code. A point of order and point of information were explained.

Fifty-three absentee ballots were received as follows:

Area 2	Diane S.	Area 8C	Marcus G.	Area 18	Gennaro S.
Area 2	Roger L.	Area 9	Paul K.	Area 18	Russell K.
Area 2H	Mary H.	Area 12	Barry H.	Area 18	Steven A.
Area 3	Bea A.	Area 12	Bob W.	Area 18A	Trevor S.
Area 3	Michael C.	Area 12	Fred D.	Area 18A	Yvonne R.
Area 3A	Karen T.	Area 12	Gary S.	Area 18B	Brian F.
Area 3B	Bill S.	Area 13	Kevin V.	Area 19	Alfredo R.
Area 3D	Vicki M.	Area 14	Maury C.	Area 19	Eduardo B.
Area 6	Lloyd A.	Area 14	Mike M.	Area 19	Miriam C.
Area 6A	Bill W.	Area 15	Joe B.	Area 20	Gabriel A.
Area 6B	William T.	Area 15	Mary R.	Area 21	Juan B.
Area 6C	Joe B.	Area 15	Mike R.	Area 25	Carlo C.
Area 7	Ray M.	Area 15	Stanley C.	Area 25	Marco Z.
Area 8	Fred L.	Area 15	Tom Z.	Area 25	Ruggero M.
Area 8	Linda S.	Area 16	George N.	Area 31	Darius L.
Area 8A	Arlene R.	Area 16	Jim A.	Area 34	Carlos D.
Area 8B	Brian J.	Area 16A	Nancy K.	Area 34	Jeysa V.
Area 8B	Linda J.	Area 17	Ronny W.		

B) Remembrance of our departed members- Steve R.

Steve R. read a list by Area of our members who have passed away since the last Board of Trustees meeting was held in Cherry Hill. A moment of silence was held.

Al G., Area 2, 22 years, passed 09/06/2015, age 88, former BOT Chair 1983-84

Bill G., Area 2B, 32 years, passed 03/31/2015, Former Trustee 2B

Sharon O., Area 2B, 14+ years, passed 04/06/2015

Mike L., Area 2B, less than 6 months, passed 10/06/2015

Charlene F., Area 2G, 1 year 11 months, passed 08/19/2015

Dwight I., Area 2G, 5 years, passed 08/08/2015

Larry B., Area 3, 18 years

Dave F., Area 3, 31 years, passed 08/21/2015, Las Vegas, Nevada, past Trustee

Mike R., Area 3A, 7 years, passed 07/08/2015, age 77

Shirley P., Area 3A, 10 years, passed 09/14/2015, age 79

David M., Area 3B, 18 years, passed 08/15/2015

Jordan B., Area 3C, 15 months, passed 01/2015, Hawthorne, Nevada

Pilar C., Area 3C, 19 months, 07/2015, Hawthorne, Nevada

Therese R., Area 5B, passed 06/2015

George P., Area 6B, 52 years, passed 06/20/2015, Florida
Kenneth T., Area 7, less than 6 months, passed 05/15/2015, Waveland, Mississippi
Barbara B., Area 7, less than 6 months, passed 09/29/2015, Monroe, Louisiana
Jackie F., Area 8, 9 years, passed 07/14/2015, Chicagoland, Illinois
Pat W., Area 8, 12 years, passed 09/11/2015, Chicagoland, Illinois
Scott D., Area 8, 21 years, passed 04/29/2015, past Trustee
Charlie N., Area 8B, passed 06/2015, age 78, Des Moines, Iowa
Chuck H., Area 9, 1 year, passed 09/19/2015, age 75
Bob B., Area 11, 21 years, passed 05/28/2015
Don B., Area 11, 28 years, passed 09/16/2015
Phil M., Area 11
Joanne M., Area 11
Joe T., Area 12, 7 years, passed 05/16/2015, Bloomfield, New Jersey
Phil A., Area 12, 38 years, passed 06/21/2015, Bloomfield, New Jersey
Bob C., Area 12, 8 years, passed 04/15/2015, Bloomfield, New Jersey
James D., Area 13B, 25 years, passed 07/03/2015, Trustee 98-07
Bruno Y., Area 16A, 29 years, passed 04/16/2015, Buffalo/Niagara Falls, New York
Luis S., Area 21, 10 years, passed 10/2015

From now on Steve R., Trustee from Area 2B will be handling “Remembrance of our departed members” and should be notified when a member from your Area passes away.

C) Reading from “A Day at a Time Book”

Chuck R., Trustee from Area 15 read the Reflection for the Day for October 22nd and October 23rd to begin the beginning sessions of the day.

D) Reading of the ”12 Steps of Unity”

Celia R., Trustee from Area 28 read the 12 Steps of Unity on October 22nd and October 23rd to start the beginning sessions of each day.

E) Roll Call-Karen H. International Executive Secretary

Karen H. took roll and there are presently 119 votes to begin the first session; 66 physically present and 53 who submitted absentee ballots.

F) Approval of Minutes from Cherry Hill

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held in Cherry Hill, New Jersey were unanimously approved as submitted.

G) ISO / Lifeliner - Karen H.

Karen H. gave a report on Lifeliners handing out a chart showing 38 states and 3 countries along with the number of members (489) who contributed over the past year. The total for this year is \$83,458.17, which is a generous increase over last year’s total of \$72,974.34 and members (434). An explanation of what a Lifeliner is and how beneficial it can be was given. Everyone was thanked for their continued support.

H) Report from the Board of Regents – Steve F., BOR Chair

Steve F. Chairman of the Board of Regents gave the report on the International Service Office which included the Board of Regents meeting Conference Call, the current financial status of the Office, Gratitude Week updates and the Board of Regents page on the Trustee Website. He also spoke about Gratitude Month which the Board of Trustees had approved in Cherry Hill.

I) Conference Reports – Conference Assistance Committee

1) Cherry Hill – Spring ‘15

Andre G. reported on the Cherry Hill Conference stating that everything had been received. Andy R. also spoke thanking all who attended making it a success with a \$7,800.00 profit with 65% going to Gamblers Anonymous I.S.O. and 35% going to Gam-Anon I.S.O.

The financial report follows:

CHERRY HILL CONFERENCE			
DESCRIPTION	INCOME	EXPENSES	COMMENTS
Registration Collected	\$21, 019.00		
Other Income Collected	\$31, 882.00		
Donations	\$ 466.00		
Organizational Meeting Collections			
Excursion	\$ 1, 082.60	\$ 850.66	
Golf	\$ 817.00	\$ 817.00	
Trustee Dinner			
Book		\$ 968.62	
Crowne Plaza		\$28, 887.12	
Decorations		\$ 521.73	
Entertainment		\$ 5, 070.00	
Hospitality		\$ 2, 172.70	
Misc.		\$ 1, 696.01	
Merchandise	\$ 1, 070.00	\$ 1, 650.58	
Refunds-Excursion			
Refunds-Golf			
Refunds-Registration		\$ 2, 969.00	
Registration		\$ 541.86	
Transportation		\$ 1, 078.00	for Excursions, only
Welcome Bag		\$ 1, 304.00	
	\$ 56,336.60	\$48, 527.28	\$ 7, 809.32

2) Cancun – Fall ‘15

Andre G. stated that all bank statements and reports have been received. Martha G. welcomed everyone to Cancun. They are expecting approximately 200 people and that all requirements with the hotel have been met. They are looking forward to a wonderful weekend.

3) Phoenix – Spring ‘16

Andre G. gave the above report stating we are waiting for some information. Robert B. spoke and said that they are looking forward to welcoming everyone to the above Conference to be held May 13 – 15, 2016 at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel in Phoenix, Arizona.

J) Committee Reports

Committees with Pete K. as Co-Chair Liaison

Blue Book Committee:

Committee Chair – Arlene R. – Area 8A | Co-Chair – Jeanne B. – Area 8A

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

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.

Blue Book Revision Committee

Committee Report October 2015

Members: Arlene R. Chair/Jeannie B. Co-Chair

Jill T. , Pam Z., Tom S., Loretta D.

All Committee members are from Area 8A.

The Committee is meeting twice a month for editing. We have completed the Introduction, a section called “How it Works” and a FAQ section. Work has begun on the Recovery and Unity Steps.

Every meeting is 2-3 hours in length. Due to the scrutiny and care taken by the committee, the Committee usually completes editing of about 4-5 pages each session. The Committee is careful to use words and terms of inclusion.

The Committee is still accepting submissions from the fellowship. Submissions can be made to: bluebookrevision@gmail.com

If any BOT member would like a flyer to distribute to his/her fellowship, please submit a request to the above email address.

The committee welcomes submissions from any GA member. There are groups from whom we would like to specifically seek submissions in order to represent the GA fellowship:

- **Stories from young gamblers in recovery**
- **Stories from those who have been working the program for 40+ years**
- **Stories from women in recovery**
- **Stories from our international fellowship**

When considering your recovery story, the committee asks that the story focus on the “how” of your recovery—how the GA program has impacted your life for the better.

Any submissions become the property of the Revision Committee and are subject to editing for grammar, length and content. The committee will contact those who have made submissions with any changes to their stories prior to inclusion in the final document.

Respectfully submitted, Jeannie B., Area 8A, Blue Book Committee

Jeannie B. gave the above report which was submitted online. Submissions are still being accepted.

Digital Media Committee:

Committee Chair – Paulette T. – Area 6B | Co-Chair – Jimmy D. – Area 1A

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

Mission Statement - The Digital Media Committee will record any/all approved GA printed literature using current technology. Additionally the committee will explore proper process for the recorded files to be placed on the GA website under the ISO store link.

Digital Media Committee Report for 2015 Fall Conference

Committee Chair – Paulette T., Area 6B

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

Committee Co-Chair – Jimmy D., Area 1A

Mission Statement - The Digital Media Committee will record any/all approved GA printed literature using current technology. Once the committee has finished recording they will submit it as an agenda item for approval BOT.

Our goal is to provide literature in a recorded format so all suffering gamblers have access to Gamblers Anonymous fellowship support. Currently, anyone who is blind, has

a learning disability which affects their ability to read, or can speak but not read English is missing out on all the benefits of membership. Additionally, this would allow members to listen to literature, rather than read it. For example, members who suffer from motion sickness while traveling would be able to listen to the "Towards 90 Days" pamphlet, rather than read it, allowing for constant reinforcement of the value of the fellowship. Our committee is currently looking for additional members. Our goal is to comprise a committee of GA Member volunteers with experience recording in both .mp3 and .wav format. Hopefully, we will have members who are familiar with the recording process as well as the digital editing process. With our limited budget, as many enthusiastic members as possible are welcome to participate in this forward thinking committee. Paulette T. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Prison Committee – Canada – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Jean-Marc L. – Area 5B | Co-Chair – André G. – Area 5B

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

Mission Statement: To provide telephone, email, 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 office 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 MEETINGS IN CANADA

Committee Report

Attached is the updated list of J.I.P. meetings in Canada.

Since our last report in Cherry Hill, there was only limited activity for our committee, mainly follow-up on existing prison and institutions meetings.

At the Centre Federal de Formation (Federal minimum security institution) in Laval, Quebec, there used to be a meeting every Wednesday night, alternating between a French meeting on a given Wednesday, followed by an English meeting the following week. The English and the French meeting are both suspended temporarily, since no inmate has asked for a GA meeting. The inmates who were attending have either been transferred or released. We know of a few that are attending regular GA meetings since their release.

The Joliette prison for women meeting is running just fine. A few members have been trained and certified by this institution to accompany inmates to local meetings as well. This program is under supervision by the institution and is very appreciated by the inmates

We are still sending our current regular meetings listing every month to most known Therapy facilities in the Province of Quebec so they can refer their patients to Gamblers Anonymous once the therapy is over. We regularly see newcomers in our regular meetings who were referred by these institutions.

If a Canadian trustee is aware that a prison meeting exists but is not on the list, please make sure to contact the committee to update our listing.

Jean-Marc L., Chair, Area 5B

André G., Co-chair, Area 5B

Jean-Marc L. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Public Relations Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Billy C. - Area 11

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

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).

PR COMMITTEE REPORT

CHAIRPERSON: BILLY C AREA 11

TEAM MEMBERS: Charmaine S, 13A; JR E,5A; Kent D, 15; Mary R, 15; Pam B, 2G; Paul N, 2A; Paul S, 17; Sue F, 3D; Terry D, 3C; Tom Z, 15; Richard C, 2K; Susan W, 2; Tom N, 13A.

As Committee chair, I am disappointed to report that the committee has not made any headway with our mandate of creating a PSA for television and/or Internet. This is through no fault of our committee members. Although the previous effort by team member Terry D has stalled due to some technical issues, in my view, to create a PSA, the committee will need to recruit members who have specific expertise or experience in this area. I intend to call for that help at our BOT meeting.

I am grateful for the participation of the current team and would like to focus our efforts on expanding our memberships understanding of our Public Relations policy and reaching out to the public to spread awareness of the problem of compulsive gambling and the program of recovery offered by Gamblers Anonymous. I intend to focus our committee on our current public relations literature and policies to effect understanding, and perhaps improvement of it. Thanks again to our liaison Andy R.

Respectfully submitted, Billy C Area 11.

Billy C. gave the above report which was submitted online.

The committee is looking for additional members with a technical background. If anyone is meets this criteria and is interested please contact Billy C.

RSO Committee:

Committee Chair – Andre G. – Area 5B | Co-Chair - Claude C. – Area 5B

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

Mission Statement: To create and assemble a comprehensive guide for Regional Service Offices. The Committee will also review Article XI of the Guidance Code (Regional Service Office-R.S.O.)

REGIONAL SERVICE OFFICE (RSO)

Cancun Committee Report

Purpose

To create and assemble a comprehensive guide for Regional Service Offices. The Committee will also review Article XI of the Guidance Code (Regional Service Office-R.S.O.)

Board of Trustees Chair Liason: Andy R.

Chair of the Committee: André G. - Area 5B

Co-Chair: Claude C. - Area 5B

Use this email address to contact the Chair of this committee

committee.rso@trusteewebsite.com

The committee is open to additional members who would like to be involved with this process.

Committee members are listed below, as of 05/08/15

Andre G., 5B; Claude C., 5B; Marie R., 1B; Sue F., 3D

The committee has submitted an item on the Cancun agenda to replace the whole Article XI of the Guidance Code. This is agenda item # 63. In previous monthly reports, we explained the reasoning behind that agenda item.

We understand that the Board of Trustees is sometimes reluctant to make significant changes to the Guidance Code, let alone replace a whole Article, but please keep in mind that this agenda item is the result of the work of a BOR committee and is for the betterment of the Fellowship.

Your acceptance or rejection of this agenda item will determine the future of the committee.

André G. , Chair, RSO committee

Andre G. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Since the passing of Rules and Procedures, Item 7 on this Agenda and Andre G. being the current the 2nd Co-Chair of the Board of Trustees, Sue F., Trustee from Area 3D is the new Chair of this committee.

Trustee Election Committee:

Committee Chair – Richie S. – Area 6 | Co-Chair – Wendy B. – Area 1B

Co-Chair Liaison – Pete K.

Mission Statement - To create a set of uniform procedures for Areas, Intergroups, and rooms to adopt and follow in their electing of International Trustees.

No report submitted.

Committees with Andre G. as Co-Chair

Intergroup Committee:

Committee Chair – Wendy B. – 1B

Co-Chair Liaison – André G.

Mission Statement – To create and assemble a comprehensive guide for Intergroups.

Intergroup Guidelines Committee

The anticipated work of completing a piece of literature for Intergroup Guidelines has not been completed. The committee members will re-group and have this literature ready for our next conference in Phoenix.

Wendy B. gave the above report which was submitted online.

International Relations Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Martha G. – Area 28 | Co-Chair – Paulette T. – Area 6B

Co-Chair Liaison – André G.

Mission Statement: Assist the fellowship of Gamblers Anonymous with International matters and help create a worldwide united Gamblers Anonymous.

International Relations Committee Report

Cancun, Mexico - October, 2015

"Assist the fellowship of Gamblers Anonymous with International matters and help create a World Wide United Gamblers Anonymous."

Our committee of 23 members presents to the Board of Trustees of Gamblers Anonymous the following report of our work and efforts done from the close of the last Trustee meeting until the 2015 Cancun Trustee meeting. This covers the period from May 2015 to October 2015.

ISO Overseas Emails

Our committee has answer 104 emails since May 2015 from 24 different countries.

Argentina, Bulgaria, Chile, Colombia, Finland, France, Ghana, Iran, Italy, Latvia, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Norway, Panama, Peru, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Ukraine and Venezuela

After had received the Group Meeting Information Forms our International Service Office has sent out 4 starter kit for new meetings (3) for México (Ensenada, BC / Leon, Guanajuato / Hermosillo, Sonora) and (1) for Petaling Jaya, Malaysia.

ISO received from (2) Group Registration forms; Paris, France and Luiv, Ukraine.

G.A. World Wide

- **Update meetings information at GA International Meeting Directory.**
- **Encourage overseas Areas to buy literature from the ISO online store and RSO.**
- **Encourage members to be Life Liners, Area's and Room's Contribution.**
- **Gratitude Week donation to Gamblers Anonymous ISO.**

Spanish Translation Literature

The Cancun 2015 BOT Agenda is available in a Spanish version and sent to all GA Hispanic recognized areas, so they will have feedback from the groups.

Overseas Trustee Sponsorship

Our committee members keep in contact with overseas Trustees; we encourage them to use the Digital version of the Absentee Ballot to reflect their Area's decisions.

Cancun IRC meeting will be held on Wednesday October 21th at 9:30 pm.

Martha G. Chairperson, International Relations Committee

Martha G. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Martha is resigning as Chair of this committee as soon as a new Chair has been found. If anyone is interested please contact Andy R.

Martha thanked all members for their help.

Literature Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Chuck R. - Area 15

Co-Chair Liaison – André G.

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

LITERATURE COMMITTEE REPORT for CANCUN AGENDA

The Literature Committee, in conjunction with the author of item #59 which passed a Merit Vote on the Cherry Hill agenda, made grammatical and punctuation changes as well as revisions (based on input from BOT members) to said item. The item and corresponding worksheets were submitted to the Cancun agenda.

The Cancun agenda will have several items regarding Combo Book changes. The Literature Committee, in cooperation with the ISO, will be updating the Combo Book after any of these changes receive a second approval vote in Phoenix.

Chuck R. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Member Retention Committee:

Committee Chair – Wendy B. – Area 1B | Co-Chair - Jimmy D. – Area 1A

Co-Chair Liaison – André G.

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.

Member Retention Report

A new piece of literature called “Suggestions for New Member Retention” was submitted at last conference as is up for a second vote at this one.

Wendy B. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Pressure Relief Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Alan J.– Area 15 | Co-Chair – Lloyd A. – Area 6

Co-Chair Liaison – André G.

Mission Statement: To provide leadership and support throughout Gamblers Anonymous by coordinating, educating, training and clarifying the Pressure Relief Group Process that will aid in fostering an atmosphere of continuity, cohesiveness and unity as well as understanding within our Fellowship which will bring about an alleviation of pressures for our Members and thus strengthen and empower Members, Groups and Gamblers Anonymous as a whole.

No report was submitted. There was no current Chair for this committee, so Steve T., from Area 14 has stepped up and is the new Chair. Pam B., Area 2G., Ira C., Area 14 and Donna K., Area 7 have volunteered to be on this committee. The Pressure Relief Committee is now looking for new members and anyone interested should contact Steve T.

Prison Committee, US – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Bea A. – Area 3

Co-Chair Liaison – André G.

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 office 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.

US JIP Committee Report –Fall, 2015

Andre' G- BOT Chair Liaison

Bea A. Area 3- Committee Co-chair

The US JIP Committee met on Saturday May 30, 2015 during the Cherry Hill conference. The committee updated outstanding Pen Pal requests, updated meeting lists and agreed to the following motion was made by Paulette T. and seconded by Hamid K.

“US JIP committee member(s) may not be removed from the committee without a 50% plus one majority vote of current committee members.”

Motion passed unanimously.

I. PEN PALS & OUTREACH PROGRAM

Thanks to Area 3A for referral of several pen pal volunteers following the Spring 2015 conference. Additional thanks to the many members who stepped up to volunteer and are awaiting pen pals. Pen Pal relationships are often the only means of connecting an incarcerated individual to the fellowship. Guidelines and feedback on the Pen Pal program (which was initiated in 2014) will be formalized once we have more feedback from committee volunteers and can develop “Best Practices” documentation. We presently have 12 active pen pal relationships coordinated through US JIP Committee. *Certainly many pen pal relationships exist that have not been coordinated through the committee.*

II. ISO CHANGE TO PRISON “SKR” (STARTER KIT REQUESTS) PROTOCOL

From mid-2014 to mid-2015, ISO had numerous Prison SKR’s returned as “undeliverable.” This is often because an inmate has been transferred, or because of Institutional Guidelines prohibiting stapled materials or other restrictions or delivery challenges. ISO now responds to inmate requests with a letter requesting material approval from Prison Authorities Before sending the SKR.

This additional step only slightly delays the process of getting information into the hands of inmate requesting information; however, we are not incurring returned/undeliverable mail and cost of returned mail has decreased considerably.

III. MEETING STARTER KIT REQUESTS

Institution Requests for Prison Starter Kits – 4

Inmate Requests for Prison Starter Kits – 8

IV. ACTIVE US MEETINGS – 22

Sincere thanks to members in AZ & NJ who have initiated 3 new meetings since the Spring 2015 conference!

V. LITERATURE REVIEW - The US JIP Committee will be reviewing GA Approved Literature “Towards Recovery in Prison” (Current edition Approved 10/02.) Feedback from ex-inmates has indicated that this literature would be more helpful if it offered guidelines specifically for recovery in an institutional setting where meetings are often not available and gambling is often pervasive. Proposing revisions of this literature will be submitted in 2016.

The above report was submitted online.

Committees with Andy R. as Co-Chair Liaison

BOR/BOT Revenue Review Committee:

Committee Chair – Bobby W. – Area 3A

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

Mission Statement: Joint Committee of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Regents to review revenues and suggest methods to increase the revenue of the I.S.O.

BOR/BOT Revenue Review Committee Report

For Cancun Agenda

The Revenue Review Committee has currently not met. A new Chair has taken over late August and will start meeting after Cancun Fall 2016 for agenda items for Phoenix Spring 2016.

A new mission statement will be rewritten reflecting the original purpose of the Revenue Review Committee which is to look at ways to generate additional revenue and ways at cutting current costs.

Bobby W. gave the above report which was submitted online. Bobby asked anyone who is interested in being on this committee to contact him. The following members are now part of this committee: Jim G., Area 6; Herb B., Area 5; Paul N., Area 2A; Cesare G., Area 9; Hamid K., Area 1A and Valarie D., Area 1A.

Conference Oversight And Assistance Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Andre G. – Area 5B | Co-Chair - Fred L – Area 8

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

Mission Statement - To oversee all processes dealing with International Conferences and to encourage and provide assistance to Areas seeking to host an International Conference as well as to provide advice and assistance after a Conference has been awarded.

CONFERENCE OVERSIGHT & ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

Purpose:

To oversee all processes dealing with International Conferences and to encourage and provide assistance to Areas seeking to host an International Conference as well as to provide advice and assistance after a Conference has been awarded.

Board of Trustees Chair Liaison: Andy R.

Chair of the Committee: André G. - Area 5B/Co-chair of the Committee: Fred L. – Area 8

Use this email address to contact the Chair of this committee:

committee.conference@trusteewebsite.com

The committee is not open to additional members.

Committee members are listed below, as of 04/04/14

Andre G./Area 5B, Bill A./Area 7A, Fred L./Area 8

COMMITTEE REPORT CANCUN 2015-10

Since our last committee report in Cherry Hill, in May 2015, the committee has been active through e-mail exchanges and telephone calls.

There will be one area bidding for the 2016 fall conference and another one for the 2017 fall conference, which will be the 60th anniversary of GA. You will discover who they are at agenda item #53 and agenda item #55. We received no documentation or request for information from any Area for the 2017 spring conference (agenda item #54).

The Committee has obtained the final statement of Revenues and Expenses from the 2015 Cherry Hill Conference. It will be detailed in item I), Conference reports, on the current Cancun agenda. The committee also had regular contacts with the Cancun and Phoenix conference committees. The committee will report on each conference under the same item I) on the Cancun agenda.

The Committee is still working on updating our “Hosting an international conference” pamphlet by adding in it the appropriate literature created by the original Conference Review Committee and the suggestions from the floor in Cherry Hill. This appropriate literature is presently available under the committee tab on the trustee website.

Finally, the Committee has completed the development of an accounting template for Conference Organizing Committees. An agenda item will be on the Phoenix trustee meeting agenda to approve this template as appropriate literature and be made available to future International Conferences through the Trustee website.

André G., Chair, Conference Oversight & Assistance committee

Andre G. gave the above report which was submitted online. Two Areas are presenting bids to host a Conference. One Area for the Fall of 2016 and one Area for the Fall of 2017 on this

Agenda. Once again, since the passing of Rules and Procedures, Item 7 on this Agenda and Andre G. being the current the 2nd Co-Chair of the Board of Trustees a new Chair has to be named. As of the end of the Trustees meeting a Chair had not been determined.

Hotline Implementation Committee:

Committee Chair – Paul S. – Area 17 | Co-Chair – Joe C. – Area 2G

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

Mission Statement: Implement and oversee a Gamblers Anonymous national hotline.

October 2015 Hotline Committee Report

Committee Members: Paul S. (Area 17), Helen Y. (Area 7), Brad B. (Area 14), Chuck R. (Area 15), Jason M. (Area 13B), Sharon E (Area 3A)

Current Areas on the Ring Central System: (currently 38, Oklahoma City added recently)

- Area 1 – Los Angeles
- Area 1A – Orange County, California
- Area 1B –Inland Empire (split from Area 1)
- Area 2 – Northern California
- Area 2B – Greater Sacramento
- Area 2E – Manitoba
- Area 2G – Oregon
- Area 2H – Washington
- Area 2K – Calgary
- Area 3 – Southern Nevada
- Area 3A – San Diego
- Area 3B – Colorado
- Area 4 – Ontario
- Area 6 – South Florida
- Area 6A – Central and Northern Florida
- Area 6B – West Coast Florida
- Area 6C – NC and SC
- Area 7 – Mississippi, New Orleans
- Area 7C – Oklahoma City, OK
- Area 8 – Chicago, IL
- Area 8A – Minnesota
- Area 8B – Kansas, Missouri
- Area 8C – Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota
- Area 8D – Missouri, Illinois
- Area 9 – Michigan, Northwest Ohio
- Area 10 – Ohio
- Area 10A – Western Pennsylvania
- Area 10B – Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Lexington, Louisville
- Area 11 – New England
- Area 12 – New Jersey
- Area 13 – Delaware Valley
- Area 13A – Maryland, DC
- Area 13B – South New Jersey
- Area 14 – Long Island, NY
- Area 15 – New York
- Area 16 – Rochester & Syracuse, New York
- Area 16A – New York
- Area 17 – Connecticut and Western Massachusetts

Status

Currently managing the system with 38 Areas on the system and answering questions and reaching out to those Areas that have not converted over to a Ring Central account.

Please Note: If your area is not on the national hotline and your current system sends all callers to a single number (volunteer or answering machine), the national system could forward calls from your area to your local number. Please contact the committee if you would like more information.

The committee is still finishing the changeover to allow for alternate area code entry. Please inform the committee via the Trustee website if you have any new area codes added in your region. This feature allows someone with a New York cell phone in Florida to select a Florida area code instead of getting routed to the New York hotline.

Our committee has lost a few members and we are looking for some additional people to join the committee to continue our work. Any hotline coordinators who are proficient at administering their local account would be greatly appreciated.

Future committee actions:

- **Work with Ring Central to maximize savings as all areas are on the new system and we get better information on how many minutes per month are needed.**

- Work with Area Hotline Coordinators to make their set up efficient and make sure callers are being connected to volunteers quickly.
- Work with Public Relations Committee to get the new number out to the public.
- Complete a survey by the Spring meeting or after first hotline coordinator newsletter to evaluate system performance, improve caller experience and simplify system setup and maintenance. NOTE: If your area is having any issues with the system or Ring Central, please let me know before I give my report at the Trustee Meeting. I will need a little time to research your issue, so I can better answer your questions.

Respectfully Submitted, Paul S., Hotline Implementation Committee Chair

Paul S. gave the above report which was submitted online. New members for this committee are needed with technical knowledge. Volunteers are Donna K., Area 7; Cesare G., Area 9 and Debb W., Area 2G. If anyone else is interested, please contact Paul S.

Rules and Procedures Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair - Herb B. – Area 5

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

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

No report was submitted.

Telephone Conference Call Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Pete K. – Area 13B

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

Mission Statement: 1) To administrate the creation, implementation and oversight of all conference call meetings from the Gamblers Anonymous website. These meetings will be sanctioned by Gamblers Anonymous, but will not carry the distinction of being classified as a group, as per the Guidance Code. 2) To formulate, implement and maintain rules and procedures covering all aspects of the telephone conference call meetings, with Board of Trustee approval. 3) To be responsible for coordinating the Gamblers Anonymous members who will administrate the individual telephone conference call meetings.

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL COMMITTEE CANCUN REPORT

The Wednesday night conference call continues to thrive. Currently, we are averaging over 50 members per week, with over 90 connections per week. We continue to use a new member room when we have at least 3 new members. This focuses on the new member, while also maintaining the integrity of the main meeting.

Wendy J.W. of Minnesota has replaced Karen E. on the committee and as an admin.

While we were unfortunate to lose Karen, due to scheduling conflicts she was becoming less available and in order to follow the procedures set forth by the committee and approved by the BOT, a replacement was necessary to continue to operate the meeting.

As of now, this is still the only recognized conference call meeting for Gamblers Anonymous. This has been a remarkable tool in that many of the same people continue to call in on a weekly basis, as well as many new members. We feel that if there were more meetings available, this phenomenon would happen on a much wider basis.

Pete K., Telephone Conference Call Committee Chair.

Pete K. gave the above report which was submitted online. Since Pete K. is the 1st Co-Chair of the Board of Trustees and can no longer be Chair of this committee; Steve T., from Area 14 is the new Chair.

Trustee Removal Merit Panel – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – Steve R. – Area 2B

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

Mission Statement: This is a standing panel with a 2-year term coinciding with the new term of Trustees. It will become active when an official action is presented to the Chair of the

Board of Trustees to request the official removal of a current Trustee due to acts thought to be detrimental to GA as a whole, as provided for by the Guidance Code under Article VIII, Section 4. There is a specific document entitled 'Trustee Removal Procedures' available to all members for reference. The panel will consist of 5 GA members, selected from 5 geographical regions, along with 1 backup Trustee for each area.

TRUSTEE REMOVAL MERIT PANEL REPORT

There has been no activation of the Trustee Removal Merit Panel by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees since we last met in New Jersey.

Steve R., Area 2B Trustee, Chairman TRMP

Steve R. gave the above report which was submitted online.

This committee has been activated by Andy R., Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Website Committee – Standing Committee:

Committee Chair – David M. – Area 12

Co-Chair Liaison – Andy R.

Mission Statement:

1) - To oversee the Trustee website.

2) - To periodically review all websites that infer or imply membership or representation of the Fellowship or Corporation of Gamblers Anonymous, and evaluate the websites for compliance with approved Local Area Website Guidelines. Trustees and area trusted servants will be made aware of any deficiencies that need to be corrected. Websites from outside entities are not included.

Trustee Website Committee Report

Cancun – October '15

Since the Cherry Hill Trustee meeting, this committee has complied with submitting monthly committee reports, even though it is a standing committee. This report will summarize those reports with members of the committee eager to answer any questions from the BOT floor.

The mobile app has not yet been completed for distribution. The ISO will be working with the committee to get App Developer status approved in order to officially release the meeting app.

The committee is working with the company that provides us with the platform for Absentee Ballots, in order to develop a form for the ISO to accept contributions online. In order to comply with Unity Step 7, this will need to be approved by the BOR, prior to any deployment.

NEW FEATURE - Email contacts for all committee chairs have been listed on the Trustee Line for the past few months in order for members to ask questions of the committee chair, while maintaining anonymity of the chairs. None of the chairs has submitted any questions from the members with any answers. Hopefully, that is a result of no questions being asked.

NEW FEATURE - The local area Q&A segment has about 4 dozen general questions that have been posed by other GA members. This is done to help those people (Areas) with questions that they can't seem to get answers. Participation by the Trustees has been virtually non-existent.

NEW FEATURE – There is a new section dedicated to the International areas. It is a result of a 2.5 hour conference call with all the Australian Trustees and their concern for not feeling that they have a voice in this Fellowship. The new feature allows them to initiate topical issues that are of particular importance to them.

NEW FEATURE – International area event flyers, separate from the existing area event flyer section.

Agenda item 57 deals with merging the Rules and Procedures committee into the Trustee Website. The website committee is already do this function.

NEW FEATURE – BOR Q&A section. Questions go directly to the BOR Chair and the questions and responses will appear on the BOR home page, as given by the BOR Chair.
David M. gave the above report which was submitted online.

Rules and Procedures

1. Rules and Procedures - Agenda

New Item - Out Of Order

An item which is found to be out of order may be so deemed out of order by the Chair or the Body, irrespective of whether it is up for a first or second vote. Having passed a first vote does not preclude an item from subsequently being ruled out of order before the second vote.

Odie B. - Area 36

Motion to accept above.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

2. Rules and Procedures – Committees

Rules and Procedures, Committees, Committee Chair.

New item - 'Replacement'

If a Committee Chair or Co-Chair is removed for any reason. The BOT Chair will first seek a qualified person from the committee to assume the open position. If no one from the committee takes the position, the BOT Chair is free to appoint a qualified person from outside the committee.

David M. - Area 12

Motion to accept above.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

3. Rules and Procedures – Committees

Rules and Procedures, Section 7- Committees, Website Updated Reports, first sentence.

Remove "that is not a standing committee,"

Current Version: Each Board of Trustees committee that is not a standing committee, must submit monthly committee updates to the Trustee Website no later than the last day of every month. Committee Chairs will have an initial minimum of 30 days from the end of Trustee meetings to accomplish this. The Chair of the Board of Trustees may remove the Committee Chair and/or Co-Chair if the deadlines for submission are not met.

Proposed version: Each Board of Trustees committee must submit monthly committee updates to the Trustee Website no later than the last day of every month. Committee Chairs will have an initial minimum of 30 days from the end of Trustee meetings to accomplish this. The Chair of the Board of Trustees may remove the Committee Chair and/or Co-Chair if the deadlines for submission are not met.

David M. - Area 12

Motion to accept above.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

4. Rules and Procedures – Conferences

Rules and procedures, Section 7, conferences (International) Final paragraph, last line;

Changing "Will be decided by the BOT" to "may be decided by the BOT by vote"

Current version: There will be a 15 minute time limit per Area bidding on an International

Conference. If additional time is needed it will be decided by the BOT to extend time. Proposed version: There will be a 15 minute time limit per Area bidding on an International Conference. If additional time is needed it may be decided by the BOT by vote to extend time.

Odie B. - Area 36

Motion that there will be a 15 minute time limit per Area bidding on an International Conference. If additional time is needed it may be decided by the BOT whether to extend time.

Approved 58 Against 49

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

5. Rules and Procedures – Confidential

Trustee Meeting Rules and Procedures, Confidential Trustee Listing, add to the end of the existing item:

The International Service Office will maintain a listing of Trustees' personal addresses which may be used in the event of a Mail Meeting. These addresses are not to be included on the published version.

Current Version:

The Confidential Trustee Listing, published by the International Service Office, is only available to current members of the Board of Trustees, officers of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Board of Regents, International Executive Secretary, and all Board of Trustees committee chairs and co-chairs.

Proposed Version:

The Confidential Trustee Listing, published by the International Service Office, is only available to current members of the Board of Trustees, officers of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Board of Regents, International Executive Secretary, and all Board of Trustees committee chairs and co-chairs. The International Service Office will maintain a listing of Trustees' personal addresses which may be used in the event of a Mail Meeting. These addresses are not to be included on the published version.

Steve T. - Area 14

Motion to accept above.

Amendment to add "street" between "These" and "addresses" in the last sentence.

Motion will now read: The Confidential Trustee Listing, published by the International Service Office, is only available to current members of the Board of Trustees, officers of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Board of Regents, International Executive Secretary, and all Board of Trustees committee chairs and co-chairs. The International Service Office will maintain a listing of Trustees' personal addresses which may be used in the event of a Mail Meeting. These street addresses are not to be included on the published version.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

6. Rules and Procedures - Discussion On Item

New item - Items affecting the Board of Regents

When any motion is made and seconded, to accept an agenda item that directly affects the Board of Regents and/or the International Service Office, the author will have the first opportunity to speak on the item. The next person to speak will be the Chair of the Board of Regents or any BOR member who replaces the Chair in his/her absence, to advise the floor of what the Board of Regents' position is on that item.

David M. - Area 12

Motion to accept above.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

7. Rules and Procedures - Executive Rules and procedures, Section 12, Executive Board

Add - No Officer of the Executive Board may serve as Chair or Co-Chair of a Committee at the same time.

Andy R. - Area 13B

Motion to accept above.

Passed

The Chair was challenged that making a motion is the same as speaking on a motion. Vote on the challenge passes therefore the Chair was ruled out of order.

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

**8. Rules and Procedures - Executive Rules and Procedures, Executive Board
Change Election Procedure to minimize number of necessary votes**

See attachment 8

Steve T. - Area 14

Motion to accept above.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

**9. Rules and Procedures - Literature Discussion item: Literature, Literature Changes
Value of simple word changes in our literature every few years because it sounds better
or a better sentence is wordsmithing.**

Discuss a longer period like 5 years to make the transitions more smoother.

Barry H. - Area 12

Motion made that Combo Book changes will only be accepted on the Agenda in the Fall Trustee meeting every five years. Rules and Procedures #18 Literature Combo Book Changes.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

10. Rules and Procedures - Motions Tabling Agenda Items

If the Executive board are in unanimous agreement that an item should be tabled, at the request of the author, in advance of being presented to the floor, after the 60 day deadline but at least two weeks before the commencement of the Trustee meeting, that item may be deemed by the Chair of the BOT as tabled and so marked, until the next meeting of the BOT. This may happen at a maximum only on the first two agendas after the item is submitted.

Odie B. - Area 36

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

Items Requiring A 2nd Vote

11. By-Laws

**By-Laws, Article XVIII - Amendments to become Article XIX and new Article XVIII to read:
Article XVIII - Donations**

Although the Guidance Code states Groups are self supporting and do not take outside donations, the International Service Office (ISO) can accept donations from family and friends of Gamblers Anonymous Members in memory of members that have passed

away.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Steve F. - Area 1

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

12. Group Handbook

Group Handbook, add new Item #10 to page 10

Proposed Version: Please do not read from, display or distribute anything other than G.A. approved or G.A. appropriate literature. Please ask a trusted servant if you are uncertain as to whether or not an item meets this standard.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Steve T. - Area 14

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

13. Guidance Code - Article III

Guidance Code, Article III, Section 1

Add the word internet, after service clubs.

Current Version: Article III - Objects

Section 1:

The specific and primary purposes for which this Fellowship is formed are as follows:

2.To carry the message of Gamblers Anonymous to the compulsive gambler who still suffers, through the medium of personal contact, telephone, mail, newspapers, films, radio, television, houses of worship, charitable organizations, service clubs, and by whatever dignified method that is approved by the Board of Trustees within the framework of the Unity Program.

Proposed Version:Article III - Objects

Section 1:

The specific and primary purposes for which this Fellowship is formed are as follows:

2.To carry the message of Gamblers Anonymous to the compulsive gambler who still suffers, through the medium of personal contact, telephone, mail, newspapers, films, radio, television, houses of worship, charitable organizations, service clubs, internet and by whatever dignified method that is approved by the Board of Trustees within the framework of the Unity Program.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Vote was 98-3

97.0% margin

Jim G. - Area 6

Approved 105 Against 4

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

14. Guidance Code - Article VII

Guidance Code, Article VII, Section 7.

To allow Intergroups to sell GA approved literature

Current Version: Article VII - Groups

Section 7:

Gamblers Anonymous approved literature is any publication or item that has been approved by the Board of Trustees and is sold or distributed by the International Service Office (I.S.O) and/or any Regional Service Office (R.S.O.). Foreign language translations

of Gamblers Anonymous approved literature are deemed to be approved if the final product has followed the necessary steps outlined by the Board of Trustees.

Proposed Version: Article VII - Groups

Section 7:

Gamblers Anonymous approved literature is any publication or item that has been approved by the Board of Trustees and is sold or distributed by the International Service Office (I.S.O) and/or any Regional Service Office (R.S.O.), and/or any Intergroup. Foreign language translations of Gamblers Anonymous approved literature are deemed to be approved if the final product has followed the necessary steps outlined by the Board of Trustees.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Vote was 95-5

95.0% margin

Jim G. - Area 6

Approved 107 Against 2

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

15. Guidance Code - Article X

Guidance Code, Article X, Section 5:

To allow Intergroups to sell GA approved literature

Current Version: Article X - Intergroup Guidelines

Section 5:

Functions of Intergroup:

1. To disseminate Gamblers Anonymous information and approved Gamblers Anonymous literature to any group or individual requesting same.

Proposed Version: Article X - Intergroup Guidelines

Section 5:

Functions of Intergroup:

1. To disseminate Gamblers Anonymous information and disseminate or sell approved Gamblers Anonymous literature to any group or individual requesting same.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Vote was 97-5

95.1% margin

Jim G. - Area 6

Approved 107 Against 3

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

16. Guidance Code - Article XI

Guidance Code, Article XI, Section 7

To allow R.S.O.s to sell GA approved literature

Current Version: Article XI - Regional Service Office (R.S.O.)

Section 7:

Suggested guidelines for the R.S.O.: Any R.S.O. that is formed shall be an arm of the I.S.O., and:

1. Disseminate Gamblers Anonymous information and disseminate or sell approved Gamblers

Anonymous literature to any group or individual requesting same.

Proposed Version: Article XI - Regional Service Office (R.S.O.)

Section 7:

Suggested guidelines for the R.S.O.: Any R.S.O. that is formed shall be an arm of the I.S.O., and:

1. Disseminate Gamblers Anonymous information and disseminate or sell approved Gamblers Anonymous literature to any group or individual requesting same.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Vote was 95-4

96.0% margin

Jim G. - Area 6

Approved 105 Against 3

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

17. Other Literature

Slogans of GA

Add two additional cards, "Get Involved and Be of Service" and "Be A Lifeliner" to the existing 7 Card Set of the slogans of GA.

Current Set of 7:

One Day At A Time

Keep Coming Back

Let It Begin With Me

I Can Only Change Myself

It Works If You Work It

Help Is As Near As My Phone

Work The Steps

Proposed set of 9:

One Day At A Time

Keep Coming Back

Let It Begin With Me

I Can Only Change Myself

It Works If You Work It

Help Is As Near As My Phone

Work The Steps

Get Involved and Be of Service

Be A Lifeliner

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Barry H. - Area 12

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

18. Other Literature

Hosting an International Conference, Page 7, Workshops and Page 10, Booklet and Other Giveaways.

Insert the following at the end of each section:

Any booklets or other printed material, including workshop handouts are not Gamblers Anonymous approved or appropriate material, unless they are designated as such by the Board of Trustees. These items must include a prominent listing on the cover of any booklet, pamphlet or all individual pages of the following:

This material is NOT Gamblers Anonymous approved or appropriate literature. It cannot be used, displayed or distributed in any Gamblers Anonymous room, or made available to any GA member outside this conference.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

David M. - Area 12

Approved 66 Against 43
Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

19. Other Literature

Let's Host a Mini-Conference, Page 21, Miscellaneous Ideas.

Insert the following after the 9th item on Conference Souvenir Programs:

Any booklets or other printed material, including workshop handouts are not Gamblers Anonymous approved or appropriate material, unless they are designated as such by the Board of Trustees. These items must include a prominent listing on the cover of any booklet, pamphlet or all individual pages of the following:

This material is NOT Gamblers Anonymous approved or appropriate literature. It cannot be used, displayed or distributed in any Gamblers Anonymous room, or made available to any GA member outside this conference.

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

David M. - Area 12

Approved 55 Against 50
Passed

2nd Vote

Chair was challenged that Absentee Ballots should not be counted. Vote on the challenge fails therefore the Chair is in order and Absentee Ballots will count.

A roll call vote was requested. Abstentions will be counted in order to properly record the vote.

If a Trustee was absent or out of the room during the vote their name will not be listed.

1	Ara H.	Yes		Vicki M.*	Yes		Paul K.*	No
	Carlos F.	Yes	3F	Dora H.	Yes	9A	Nick R.	No
1A	Jack R.	Yes	4	John H.	No	10A	Norm B.	Yes
	Hamid K.	Yes		Petru C.	No	10B	Kathy S.	No
1B	Marie R.	Yes	5	Herb B.	Yes		Steve B.	No
	Wendy B.	Yes	5B	Claude C.	No	11	Billy C.	No
2	Diane S.*	Yes		Jean-Marc L.	No		Jodi P.	No
	Roger L.*	No	6	Clark C.	No		Joe L.	Yes
	Susan W.	No		Jim G.	No	12	Barry H.*	Yes
2A	Paul N.	No		Lloyd A.*	Yes		Bob W.*	Yes
2B	Nancy R.	No	6A	Bill W.*	Yes		David M.	Yes
	Steve R.	No		Richard F.	No		Frank L.	Yes
2E	Debra B.	No	6B	Barbara S.	Yes		Fred D.*	Yes
2G	Debb W.	Yes		William T.*	No		Gary S.*	No
2H	Mary H.*	No	6C	Joe B.*	Yes	13	Kevin V.*	Yes
	Popeye E.	No	7	Donna K.	No		Phil S.	Yes
2K	Richard C.	Yes		Ray M.*	No		Ron C.	Yes
3	Bea A.*	Yes	7A	Daniel G.	Yes	13A	Bob F.	No
	Brenda R.	Yes	8	Eileen Z.	No		Thomas N.	No
	Joanne F.	Yes		Fred L.*	Yes	13B	Pete K.	Yes
	Mike C.*	AB		Larry J.	Yes	14	Ira C.	Yes
3A	Bobby W.	No		Linda S.*	Yes		Maury C.*	Yes
	Karen T.*	Yes	8A	Arlene R.*	Yes		Mike M.*	Yes
	Patrick P.	No		Ernie N.	No		Steve T.	Yes
3B	Bill S.*	Yes	8B	Brian J.*	Yes	15	Bill B.	No
	Ron G.	No		Linda J.*	Yes		Chuck R.	No
3C	Terry D.	No	8C	Marcus G.*	Yes		Joe B.*	Yes
3D	Sue F.	No	9	Cesare G.	No		Kent D.	No

	Mary R.*	Yes		Steve A.*	Yes		Marco Z.*	AB
	Mike R.*	No	18A	Trevor S.*	No		Ruggero M.*	Yes
	Stanley C.*	Yes		Yvonne R.*	No	28	Celia R.	No
	Tom Z.*	Yes	18B	Brian F.*	AB		Rafael Z.	No
16	George N.*	No	19	Alfredo R.*	Yes		Sergio C.	Yes
	Jim A.*	Yes		Eduardo B.*	AB	29	Konstantin U.	Yes
16A	Nancy K.*	Yes		Miriam C.*	Yes	31	Darius L.*	Yes
17	Paul S.	No	20	Gabriel A.*	AB	33	Gabriel V.	No
	Ron W.*	Yes	21	Joaquin C.	Yes	34	Carlos D.*	Yes
18	Gennaro S.*	Yes		Juan B.*	Yes		Jeysa V.*	Yes
	Russell K.*	Yes	25	Carlo C.*	Yes	36	Odie B.	Yes

* Absentee Ballot

Approved 66 Against 46 Abstained 5
Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

20. Other Literature

Approval of a new piece of literature called Suggestions for New member Retention.

See attachment 20

Passed 1st vote in Cherry Hill

Wendy B. - Area 1B

Passed

2nd Vote

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

Awaiting 1st Literature Vote

21. Passed Merit Vote

Accept the Fourth Step Guide and Fourth Step worksheets as new literature for a Merit vote.

See attachment 21A - 4th Step Guide

See attachment 21B - 4th Step Worksheets

Passed merit vote in Cherry Hill

Jeanne B. for Tom S. - Area 8A

Chair ruled this item out of order.

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

Tabled From Cherry Hill

22. 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.

Tabled in Cherry Hill

Gary S. for George L. - Area 12

No discussion.

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

Steps

23. Recovery 2

Change wording of Step Two:

Replace the word "normal" with "healthy"

Current version: Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to normal way of thinking and living.

Proposed version: Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to healthy way of thinking and living.

Eileen Z. for Doug K. - Area 8

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

24. Unity 5

Unity # 5

Add: "of hope"

Current: Gamblers Anonymous has but one primary purpose-to carry its message to the compulsive gambler who still suffers.

Proposed New: Gamblers Anonymous has but one primary purpose-to carry its message of hope to the compulsive gambler who still suffers.

Ron W. - Area 17

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

Combo Book

25. Combo book, page 2, first paragraph, line 4, after the word and, add the following: "through the program of Gamblers Anonymous"

Current version: Gamblers Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from a gambling problem.

Proposed version: Gamblers Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and, through the program of Gamblers Anonymous, help others to recover from a gambling problem.

Odie B. - Area 36

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

26. Combo Book - Page 3, Last Paragraph

Replace "normal" with "healthy"

Current Version: Therefore, in order to lead normal happy lives,....

Proposed Version: Therefore, in order to lead healthy happy lives,....

Eileen Z. for Doug K. - Area 8

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

27. Combo Book, Page 8, Second Question

Modify from third person to first person

Current Version: What is the first thing a compulsive gambler ought to do in order to

stop gambling?

The compulsive gambler needs to be willing to accept the fact that he or she is in the grip of a progressive illness and has a desire to get well.

Proposed Version: What is the first thing I need to do in order to stop gambling?

I need to be willing to accept the fact that I am in the grip of a progressive illness and have a desire to get well.

Larry J. - Area 8

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

28. Combo Book, Page 9, Fourth Question

Modify from third person to first person

Current Version: How does someone stop gambling through the Gamblers Anonymous Program?

One does this through bringing about a progressive character changed within oneself.

Proposed Version: How do I stop gambling through the Gamblers Anonymous Program?

I do this through bringing about a progressive character change within myself.

Larry J. - Area 8

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

29. Combo Book Page, 10; What are some characteristics of a person who is a compulsive gambler; Section 3. Immaturity; Paragraph 3; second sentence.

Delete this sentence: There is much evidence to support this theory.

Current Version: Then too, there is a theory that compulsive gamblers subconsciously want to lose to punish themselves. There is much evidence to support this theory.

Proposed version: Then too, there is a theory that compulsive gamblers subconsciously want to lose to punish themselves.

Bob F. for Dick L. - Area 13A

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

30. Combo Book, Page 10, Characteristic #2, first sentence.

Modify from third person to first person.

Current Version: 2. EMOTIONAL INSECURITY. A compulsive gambler finds he or she is emotionally comfortable only when "in action".

Proposed Version: 2. EMOTIONAL INSECURITY. I find I have been emotionally comfortable only when "in action".

Larry J. - Area 8

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

31. Combo Book, Page 11, Third sentence in answer to dream world question

Replace "philanthropic" with "generous"

Current Version: They often see themselves and quite philanthropic and charming people.

Proposed Version: They often see themselves and quite generous and charming people.

Eileen Z. for John A. - Area 8

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

32. Combo book, Page 11, 1st paragraph, last sentence.

**Remove: "Servants, penthouses, nice clothes, charming friends, yachts and world tours"
add: "Mansions, car collections, jewelry, and being debt free"**

Current Version: Servants, penthouses, nice clothes, charming friends, yachts and world tours are a few of the wonderful things that are around the corner after a big win is finally made.

Proposed Version: Mansions, car collections, jewelry and being debt free are a few of the wonderful things that are around the corner after a big win is finally made.

Kent D. - Area 15

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

33. Combo Book, Page 12, Section 1, "Isn't Compulsive Gambling basically a Financial Problem?", Sentence 6.

Remove the phrase "income is usually increased"

Current version: When a compulsive gambler enters Gamblers Anonymous and quits gambling, income is usually increased and there is no longer the financial drain that was caused by gambling, and very shortly, the financial pressures begin to be relieved.

Proposed Version: When a compulsive gambler enters Gamblers Anonymous and quits gambling, there is no longer the financial drain that was caused by gambling, and very shortly, the financial pressures begin to be relieved.

Paulette T. - Area 6B

Motion to accept above.

Approved 59 Against 55

Passed

1st Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

34. Combo Book, Page 13, last paragraph on the page.

Changing Content to bring greater meaning to it.

Current Version: Our Gamblers Anonymous experience seems to point to these alternatives: To gamble, risking progressive deterioration or not to gamble, and develop a better way of life.

Proposed Version: Our Gamblers Anonymous experience seems to point to these alternatives: To gamble, assuring progressive deterioration, or not to gamble, affording us the opportunity to pursue a meaningful life.

Steve T. for Larry B. - Area 14

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

35. Combo Book, page 13, last question, first four sentences.

Modify from third person to first person.

Current Version: Can a compulsive gambler ever gamble normally again?

No. The first bet to a compulsive gambler is like the first drink to an alcoholic. Sooner or later he or she falls back into the same old destructive pattern. Once a person has crossed the invisible line into irresponsible uncontrolled gambling he or she never seems to regain control.

Proposed Version: Can I ever gamble normally again?

No. My first bet is like the first drink to an alcoholic. Sooner or later I fall back into the

same old destructive pattern. Once I have crossed the invisible line into irresponsible uncontrolled gambling, I never seem to regain control.

Larry J. - Area 8

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

36. Combo Book, Page 13

Change "risking" to "assuring".

Current: Our Gamblers Anonymous experience seems to point to these alternatives: To gamble, risking progressive deterioration or not to gamble, and develop a better way of life.

Proposed New: Our Gamblers Anonymous experience seems to point to the alternatives: To gamble, assuring progressive deterioration or not to gamble, and develop a better way of life.

Ron W. - Area 17

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

37. Combo Book, Page 14, Section: Does this mean I can't even participate in a little penny ante game or a world series pool? Sentence three.

Insert "fantasy sports" in list of items to avoid.

Current Version: This includes Internet gambling, bingo, the stock market, commodities, options, buying or playing lottery tickets, raffle tickets, flipping a coin or entering the office sport pool.

Proposed Version: This includes Internet gambling, bingo, the stock market, commodities, options, buying or playing lottery tickets, raffle tickets, flipping a coin, fantasy sports or entering the office sport pool.

Bob F. for Tom N. - Area 13A

Motion to accept above.

Approved 61 Against 50

Passed

1st Vote

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

38. Combo book, the bold print at the top of page 14, the last three words.

Change "world series pool" to " Fantasy Sports League".

Current Version: Does this mean I can't even participate in a little penny ante game or a world series pool?

Proposed version: Does this mean I can't even participate in a little penny ante game or a Fantasy Sports League?

Kent D. - Area 15

Motion to accept above.

Failed

A hand count was requested.

Approved 51 Against 61

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

39. Combo Book, Page 14-1st Sentence.

Remove: "little penny ante game"

Add: "Super Bowl"

Current Version-Does this mean I can't even participate in a little penny ante game or a world series pool?

Proposed Version-Does this mean I can't even participate in a Super Bowl or World Series Pool?

Linda S. for Phil S. - Area 8

Motion to accept above.

The Chair was challenged that this item is out of order because we can't use the term "Super Bowl". Vote on the challenge fails therefore the Chair is in order and so is the motion.

On the motion.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

**40. Combo Book, Page 14, 1st Sentence
Change "World Series" to "Superbowl"**

Current Version: Does this mean I can't even participate in a little penny ante game or a world series pool?

Proposed Version: Does this mean I can't even participate in a little penny ante game or a superbowl pool?

Linda S. for Phil S. - Area 8

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

41. Combo book, Page 15 question #1.

Replace question.

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

Proposed Version: Have you ever neglected work, your health or school due to gambling?

Kent D. - Area 15

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

42. Combo book, Page 15, Question #2.

Add: family, friends or

Current Version: Has gambling ever made your home life unhappy?

Proposed Version: Has gambling ever made your family, friends or home life unhappy?

Kent D. - Area 15

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

43. Combo Book. Page 15, question 9.

Replace "your last dollar" with "all your money"...

Current version. Did you often gamble until your last dollar was gone?

Proposed version. Did you often gamble until all your money was gone?

Ara H. - Area 1

Motion made to read: Did you often gamble until all your resources were gone?"

Failed

Motion to accept original proposed version above; Did you often gamble until all your money was gone?

A point of order was made that this motion is similar to the first motion and should be ruled out of order. The Chair accepted the challenge and rescinded his decision.
The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

44. Combo Book, Top of page 17

Remove the words written in bold, "PARTICULARLY THE NEW GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS MEMBERS"

Current version: TO ALL GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY THE NEW GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS MEMBERS:

Proposed version: TO ALL GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS MEMBERS:

Ara H. for Rob J. - Area 1

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

45. Combo Book, Page 17, Question 1

Delete: "per week" Add: "but at least one full meeting per week."

Current Version: Attend as many meetings as possible per week, Meetings Make It.

Proposed Version: Attend as many meetings as possible, but at least one full meeting per week. Meetings Make It.

Linda S. for Phil S. - Area 8

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

46. Combo book, Page 17, #2.

add: "and text".

Current version: Telephone other members as often as possible between meetings. Use the telephone list!

Proposed version: Telephone and text other members as often as possible between meetings. Use the telephone list!

Kent D. - Area 15

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

47. Combo Book, Page 17

Capitalize & BOLD FACE

5 after UNITY STEPS

6 PRESSURE RELIEF GROUP MEETING(TWICE)

Ron W. - Area 17

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

48. Combo Book, page 17, #6

Change the phrase GET A SPONSOR, IT IS DIFFICULT TO RECOVER ON YOUR OWN to bold.

Bobby W. - Area 3A

Motion to accept above.

Approved 56 Against 50
Passed

1st Vote

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

49. Combo book, page 17, item 6.

Change "GET A SPONSOR" to GET A SPONSOR OR TEMPORARY SPONSOR"

Hamid K. - Area 1A

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

50. Combo Book, page 17, #7

Change the phrase, Pressure Relief Group Meeting, to bold capitalized.

Bobby W. - Area 3A

Motion to accept above.

Amendment to change first phrase "Pressure Relief Group Meeting" to Bold/Capitalized.

Failed

On the motion.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

51. Combo Book, page 17.

New number 8 will read " Become a life-liner support the ISO." current number 8 will become number 9.

Hamid K. for Jimmy D. - Area 1A

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

52. Combo book, Page 17

Add number 9 to the list.

9. Participate in GA event. Quality in recovery increases as you attend and getting to know other members and supporters.

Hamid K. - Area 1A

Motion to accept above.

Failed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

Conference Bids

53. The Fall 2016 Conference is open for bids

Motion was made to accept Area 3A's bid to host the Fall 2016 International Conference to be held October 7 – 9, 2016 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in San Diego, California.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

54. The Spring 2017 Conference is open for bids

No bid was presented therefore this item will be on the Phoenix agenda and will be open to any Area wanting to present a bid.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

55. The Fall 2017 Conference is open for bids

Motion was made to accept Area 1B's bid to host the Fall 2017 International Conference to be held October 27 – 29, 2017 at the Double Tree by Hilton Ontario Airport in Ontario, California.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

Committee Related

56. Add #4 & #5 to the Telephone Conference Call Committee Mission Statement

See attachment 56

Andy R. - Area 13B

Motion to accept as submitted.

Approved 49 Against 16

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

57. Trustee Website Committee

Add additional item to propose:

3) Amend and maintain the Rules and Procedures for the Trustee Meetings of Gamblers Anonymous.

David M. - Area 12

Motion to accept above.

Amendment to change the word "Amend" and replace with "To update".

Passed

On the amended motion which will now read, "To update and maintain the Rules and Procedures for the Trustees Meetings of Gamblers Anonymous.

Passed

The Rules and Procedures Committee is now disbanded.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

58. To combine the Trustee Election Committee with The Intergroup Committee

Richie S. - Area 6

Item ruled out of order.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

59. To request the Chairman to form a new committee to liaise with every area in the Fellowship, with the purpose of Authoring a new literature item, to replace the current Day at a time book, ownership, copyright and editing control over which would rest with our fellowship.

Odie B. - Area 36

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

60. Discussion Item: Is there a need to establish a committee to address issues of gambling and veterans?

Bob F. - Area 13A

No discussion.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

61. Have the BOT form a committee to price and evaluate available types of electronic vote tabulators for use at meetings. Results to be presented for consideration at future BOT meeting.

Bill S. - Area 3B

No discussion.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

62. Form a committee to compile viewable suggested meeting procedures, using any modality that does not violate any aspect of the Unity Program or any decisions of the Board of Trustees.

David M. - Area 12

Motion to accept above.

Passed

David M., Area 12 will Chair this committee and the committee members follow: Kent D., Area 15; Brenda R., Area 3; Steve R., Area 2B; Hamid K. and Jack R., Area 1A; Paul N., Area 2A; Carlos F., Area 1; Kathy S., Area 2B and Tom N., Area 13A

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

Guidance Code

63. Guidance Code, Article XI Regional Service Office (R.S.O.)

Replace completely Article XI of the Guidance Code.

See attachment 63

André G. - Area 5B

Motion to accept above.

Approved 67 Against 15

Passed

1st Vote

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

64. Guidance Code. Article XIV, officers of the Board of Regents.

New section 5a

Proposed version: The minutes of the Board of Regents meeting will reflect accurately all items submitted for inclusion on the Agenda of the board of Regents meeting, with clear indication of any items rejected or deferred, including the reason for rejection or deferment.

Odie B. - Area 36

Item withdrawn.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

By-Laws

65. By-Laws: - Article XVII - Order of Business, Section 2

Add... "telephonically or electronically" to the first sentence

Current version: At all meetings of the Regents of the Corporation, the order of business, except when otherwise determined by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Regents present in person, shall be:

(A) Election of officers (if required)

(B) A reading of the minutes of the previous meeting

(C) Report of officers

(D) Consideration of budget (if required)

(E) Old Business

(F) New business

Proposed version: At all meetings of the Regents of the Corporation, the order of business, except when otherwise determined by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Regents present in person, or telephonically or electronically shall be:

(A) Election of officers (if required)

(B) A reading of the minutes of the previous meeting

(C) Report of officers

(D) Consideration of budget (if required)

(E) Old Business

(F) New business

Bill B. - Area 6

Motion to accept above.

Passed

1st Vote

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

New Literature Up For Merit Vote

66. New Literature - GA Unity Step group study Handbook

See attachment 66

Susan W. - Area 2

Motion to accept as a merit vote.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

Other Literature

67. One Day At A Time

Area 25 - Italy, asks permission to write and print a book of daily reflections in Italian due to the refusal of Hazelden to have an Italian edition of One day at a Time. This book will be written by a committee elected by the Italian GA groups and once ready and approved by the Italian GA Assembly will be sent to the BOT and the ISO for the final approval.

Carlo C. - Area 25

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

68. Red Book

Discussion Item - Discuss the types of Gamblers Anonymous meetings (open, closed, combined, etc) and the conflict between the various definitions in the New Beginnings book and the ISO website.

Paul S. - Area 17

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Pete K., 1st Co-Chair.

B.O.T. Procedures

69. Request permission to rename Area 36 Ireland and to increase allocation of Trustee positions to 5 to cater for the 5 natural areas which exist in the Island of Ireland.
Odie B. - Area 36

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

Group Procedures

70. Discussion item on how other Intergroups are doing on bank account? Under what names, how they do name changes? do they have executors or just signers? Etc...

Hamid K. - Area 1A

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

71. Discussion Item: Room Greeter

To increase retention of new members coming into the room I would like to propose establishment of a Trusted Servant who can take a position of Room Greeter who will call on each new member for 1 month a few times each week.

Barry H. - Area 12

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

72. Discussion regarding the Abuse and Harassment pamphlet and its usage in the GA rooms

David M. - Area 12

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

73. Discussion: A member is the treasurer for three rooms in CT. Steals all three treasuries. Puts all three meetings out of business losing quite a few members. One of the Meetings has re-opened and apparently the member goes there once in a while now. In addition the member borrowed a large amount of money from members with no intent of ever paying them back. Should this member be banned from G.A.?

Ron W. - Area 17

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

74. Discussion item on combo book for Spanish speaking members. Combo books are small size they like to large sizes of the book, but they have difficulty to get them from inner group bookstore. What are the other Spanish speaking in the US are doing about it?

Hamid K. for Javior P. - Area 1A

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

75. Discussion item on temporary sponsorship. Is any area doing it? How you are doing it? Is this working? How important is it for new comers? Should we have a pamphlet on temporary sponsorship?

Hamid K. - Area 1A

Motion to table to Phoenix.

Passed

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

Intergroup Procedures

76. Discussion item: Adhering to Article X of the Guidance Code (Intergroup Guidelines), sections 1 and 2. What is/would be the appropriate response if/when a local room in the geographical area of the intergroup desires to leave that intergroup and become part of a different intergroup?

Ira C. for Mike A. - Area 14

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andre G., 2nd Co-Chair.

I.S.O. Procedures

77. Discussion regarding unauthorized use of GA approved literature on social media and smartphone apps.

Martha G. - Area 28

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

78. Discussion about the spread of unofficial GA meeting on social media and the dangers they provide.

Martha G. - Area 28

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

79. Discussion Item: What should be done about outdated literature sent out by the ISO? Some literature, particularly the Guidance Code and Step Changes need to be kept current.

Billy C. for Doug K. - Area 11

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

Items Omitted From the Agenda

80. Why was the turnout for this Trustee Meeting and Conference in Cancun so low?

Discussion only.

The above item was chaired by Andy R., Chair.

The meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer at 12:15 P.M. on Friday, October 23, 2015.

The collection for the four (4) sessions was \$659.00.

The next physical meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. in Phoenix, Arizona.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen H.

Karen H.,
International Executive Secretary

			ROLL CALL		
AREA		SESSIONS	AREA		SESSIONS
1	Ara H.	4		Lloyd A.	Abst.*
	Carlos F.	4	6A	Bill W.	Abst.*
	Len K.	2		Richard F.	4
1A	Hamid K.	4	6B	Barbara S.	4
	Jack R.	4		Paulette T.	4
1B	Marie R.	4		William T.	Abst.*
	Wendy B.	4	6C	Joe B.	Abst.*
2	David R.	Abst.	6D	John M.	Abst.
	Diane S.	Abst.*		Steve S.	Abst.
	Roger L.	Abst.*	7	Donna K.	4
	Susan W.	4		Ray M.	Abst.*
2A	Paul N.	4	7A	Daniel G.	4
2B	Nancy R.	4		Petra O.	Abst.
	Steve R.	4	8	Eileen Z.	4
2E	Debra B.	4		Fred L.	Abst.*
2G	Debb W.	4		Larry J.	4
	Pamela B.	4		Linda S.	Abst.*
2H	Mary H.	Abst.*	8A	Arlene R.	Abst.*
	Popeye E.	4		Ernie N.	4
2K	Richard C.	4	8B	Brian J.	Abst.*
3	Bea A.	Abst.*		Linda J.	Abst.*
	Brenda R.	4	8C	Marcus G.	Abst.*
	Joanne F.	4	9	Cesare G.	4
	Mike C.	Abst.*		Paul K.	Abst.*
3A	Bobby W.	4	9A	Nick R.	4
	Karen T.	Abst.*	10	Paulette M.	Abst.
	Patrick P.	4	10A	Norm B.	4
3B	Bill S.	Abst.*	10B	Kathy S.	4
	Ron G.	4		Steve B.	4
3C	Terry D.	4	11	Billy C.	4
3D	Sue F.	4		Jodi P.	4
	Vicki M.	Abst.*		Joe L.	4
3F	Dora H.	4	12	Barry H.	Abst.*
4	John H.	4		Bob W.	Abst.*
	Petru C.	4		David M.	4
5	Herb B.	4		Frank L.	4
5A	JR E.	Abst.		Fred D.	Abst.*
5B	Claude C.	4		Gary S.	Abst.*
	Jean-Marc L.	4	13	Kevin V.	Abst.*
6	Clark C.	4		Phil S.	4
	Jim G.	4		Ron C.	4

13A	Bob F.	4		Yvonne R.	4*
	Thomas N.	4	18B	Brian F.	4*
13B	Michael R.	Abst.	19	Alfredo R.	4*
	Pete K.	4		Eduardo B.	4*
14	Ira C.	4		Miriam C.	4*
	Maury C.	Abst.*	20	Gabriel A.	4*
	Mike M.	Abst.*	21	Joaquin C.	4
	Steve T.	4		Juan B.	4*
15	Bill B.	4	25	Carlo C.	4*
	Chuck R.	4		Marco Z.	4*
	Joe B.	Abst.*		Ruggero M.	4*
	Kent D.	4	28	Celia R.	4
	Mary R.	Abst.*		Javier G.	4
	Mike R.	Abst.*		Martha G.	4
	Stanley C.	Abst.*		Rafael Z.	4
	Tom Z.	Abst.*		Sergio C.	4
16	George N.	Abst.*	29	Konstantin U.	4
	Jim A.	Abst.*	31	Darius L.	4*
16A	Nancy K.	Abst.*	33	Gabriel V.	4
17	Paul S.	4		Rodrigo A.	Abst.
	Ron W.	Abst.*	34	Carlos D.	4*
18	Gennaro S.	4*		Jeysa V.	4*
	Russell K.	4*	35	Leodegario R.	Abst.
	Steve A.	4*	36	Odie B.	4
18A	Trevor S.	4*			

* Absentee Ballot Received

Chair BOT – Andy R.	4
1st Co-Chair BOT – Pete K.	4
2nd Co-Chair BOT – Andre G	. 4
Chair BOR – Steve F.	4
I.E.S. – Karen H.	4