

Video Conferencing Committee

Purpose:

Feasibility of video conferencing of the Trustee meetings to Trustees outside of North America

Fellow Trustees,

For the first time in our 54 year history, the Board of Trustees (BOT) has voted to partake in a trial run of broadcasting the Trustee Meetings in L.A. to our Trustees outside of North America.

The Video Conferencing Committee is dedicated in assuring the anonymity of our members. Although we are using a secure site and password protected login, we will be utilizing a white board with still shots of the proceedings. Using still shots will allow us to be certain that all pictures being broadcasted will be in a blurred state and nobody's face will be shown.

Attached, you will find a copy of the letter and questionnaire that is being sent to all Trustees outside of North America that will not be in physical attendance at the B.O.T. meetings in Los Angeles. These Trustees will receive an additional letter explaining how to log into the site along with any necessary passwords required.

It is our hope that this trial run will prove to be an asset to our fellow Trustees outside of North America that were unable to join us in L.A.

Yours in Recovery,

Video Conferencing Committee

Video Conferencing Committee Questionnaire

Fellow Trustees,

You are receiving this letter because we were informed by the International Relations Committee (IRC) that you will be unable to attend the physical meeting of the Board of Trustees meeting in Los Angeles, California.

We are very pleased to inform you that for the first time in GA's 54 year history, we will have a live feed from the B.O.T. meetings. The live video feed will be broadcasting via the internet and can be viewed from your personal computer.

This invitation is being sent to all CURRENT Trustees living outside of North America only.

Our intent is to keep you as informed as possible. As a committee, we felt it vital to the growth of our fellowship that our International Community should have the opportunity to experience firsthand the B.O.T. proceedings as they happen. Given the positive vote in Cherry Hill, the B.O.T. shared the same beliefs.

You will receive another email from us with instructions on how to log into the broadcast. You will also be given a time chart for all the meetings.

At the conclusion of the meetings, please take some time and fill out the following questionnaire. This will help the committee in learning how to better serve our International GA community.

Yours in recovery,

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Questionnaire for the Video Conference link from Los Angeles 2011

1) Did you participate in the webcast?

2) If you were unable to participate, please explain why.

3) How long did you listen/watch?

4) What did you find most beneficial and why?

5) Do you feel web-based technology is a good way to enhance international relations?

6) Due to varying time-zones, would you like to have a re-broadcast of the proceedings available for a few days following the Trustee Meetings?

7) How was the quality of the sound and visual?

8) Would you recommend this to other Trustees?

9) Would you be inclined to view upcoming conferences in the same manner?

10) Did you use an interpreter? If so, what language do you speak.

11) Did you incur any problems viewing, listening or logging onto the webcast?

12) Would you like the opportunity to participate in the future with the ability to ask questions during the Trustee meeting?

13) Are you more or less likely to make an attempt to go to a physical meeting of the B.O.T. based upon this experience?

14) What would you recommend we do to improve upon the webcast?

15) Did participating give you a better understanding of GA?

16) Would you have preferred an audio feed only?

17) Do you plan on sharing what you viewed with your Intergroup and local rooms?

18) What did you like least about the webcast?

Please list below any further comments or suggestions you may have.