Conference Committee on the AA Grapevine and La Viña The New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge

April 24, 2023, 9 a.m. – Noon April 25, 2023, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

The Conference Committee on the AA Grapevine and La Viña met separately two times following the two joint meetings with the AA Grapevine Corporate Board on March 16, 2023 (virtual) and April 23, 2023. The Committee accepted reports from the AA Grapevine Board chairperson and the Publisher, and considered the following agenda items:

A. Consider a request to provide all area alternate delegates with the same Conference materials as sitting delegates.

<u>Note:</u> As a result of the 2022-23 Equitable Distribution of Workload plan, this item was moved to the Committee on AA Grapevine and La Viña from the Conference Committee on Policy and Admissions.

The committee <u>recommended</u> that alternate delegates be provided access to the same Conference materials as their sitting delegates, except for materials shared during Conference week.

Additional Committee Considerations:

- The committee reviewed the AA Grapevine Workbook and provided some editorial suggestions and ways to access the workbook more easily.
- The committee reviewed the progress report on the Grapevine and La Viña Instagram accounts and provided some suggestions.
- The committee agreed to forward to the AA Grapevine Board the suggestion that AA Grapevine, Inc. produce in the year 2024 or later:
 - Grapevine Cartoons & Jokes III (working title) (GV book)
 Original members' cartoons, jokes, and humor of the past few years, previously published in Grapevine.
 - 2. Emotional Sobriety III (working title) (GV book) Members share how they have changed after years of being in the A.A. program and how they have found peace and serenity in sobriety. Stories previously published in Grapevine.
 - 3. Veteranos Hispanos en AA (Voices of Oldtimers) (working title) (La Viña book) Members who have been in A.A. a long time share their experience, strength, and hope. Stories previously published in La Viña.

- 4. Cómo llegamos a creer (How We Came to Believe) (working title) (La Viña book) A.A. members share stories about their own personal journey with Step Two, how they found their Higher Power and what helped them. Stories previously published in La Viña.
- 5. Spiritual Awakenings (La Viña book) (GV book translated into Spanish) A.A. members share stories about their journey with Step Two and connecting with a Higher Power.

The committee elected Rick Weaver, delegate for Area 65, Northeast Texas, chairperson, and Julie Reilly, delegate for Area 51, North Carolina, alternate chair.

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