Inform the Delegate Assembly (ITD)

Agenda Items Reports (Not the Minutes) April 5-6, 2025 Kihei, Maui

Day 1

Archives

Panel 1 Archives Committee

VIII. Public Information

- **B. Public Service Announcements (PSAs):**
- a. Review the 2025 report on the "Relevance and Usefulness of Audio and Video PSAs."
- 1. Our committee met online 3 times, March 1, 8, 29 and in person on April 5, 2025
- Reviewed the Public Information report on PSAs. Had a discussion based on feedback from groups. We agreed with most of the suggestions in the report. We would like to see that future PSAs are produced
 - a. At a lower cost
 - b. To be more inclusive
 - c. We strongly encourage local areas, districts and groups to create their own PSAs based on the AA.org templates in their own dialects.

XII. Archives

A. Review content and format of Archives Workbook

We reviewed the relevance of the Archives workbook. We had discussions based on feedback from our groups. We agreed the format and content is useful.

- d. The inclusion of the experiences of the many different areas and districts is extremely helpful
- e. The template on how to submit a donation and how to check out national archive materials is very helpful.
- f. We would like to see more information on digital storage.

Convention

Panel 2 Convention Steering Committee
XIII. International Conventions/Regional Forums

B. Review progress report on the development of new declaration to be adopted at the 2030 International Convention.

B. we agree with the review of progress re: adding "service" statement with no time frame when it's created and shared is agreeable to our committee

C. Consider that all Sovereign States flags be a part of the Flag Ceremony at an International Convention. (PAI 10)

C. no consensus made with our group. More information needed. The committee considered the item and feels more work by trustees is necessary because we need a better estimate of time allotment regarding other nations participating

D. Discuss ways to encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums

D. We discussed ways to encourage participation in the Pacific Region Forum. We discussed informing groups and members; educating groups and members; adding to Area Agenda for more info and outreach.

FLOOR ACTION SUBMITTED BY VOTING MEMBER (please see below): #1

Cooperation with the Elder Community

Panel 3 Cooperation with the Elder Community Committee

X. Treatment and Accessibilities

G. Review contents and format of Accessibilities Kit and Workbook.

The Cooperation with the Elder Community reviewed and discussed the content of the kit, and our group conscience agreed that the format of the treatment and accessibilities kit and workbook is useful for local treatment and accessibilities committees. Face-to-face communication on how to use the kit and workbook is necessary for effectiveness.

H. Review resource lists for Remote Communities and Cooperation with Elder Community.

The Cooperation with the Elder Community reviewed the resource lists for Remote Communities and Cooperation with Elder Community, the list with the hyperlinks, and the committee agreed that the content of the resource list is useful for Remote Communities and Cooperation with the Elder Community. The list was easy to read and in order. However, the list did not include the pamphlet "How A.A. Members Cooperate with Professionals" and suggested that the pamphlet be added.

Cooperation with the Professional Community

Panel 4 Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee

II. Cooperation with the Professional Community

D. Review progress report on the effective use of CPC videos on aa.org.

- 1. We reviewed the progress report on the effective use of CPC videos on aa.org
 - a. The committee suggests to move forward with repurposing the videos to be a more effective resource for informing professionals about AA and consider consolidating the three videos into one video.

E. Discuss shared experience in informing professionals how A.A. can serve as a resource for unhoused and neurodivergent alcoholics.

- The committee discussed their shared experience in informing professionals how AA can serve a resource for unhoused and neurodivergent alcoholics
 - a. Suggests individual encounters with business and organizations that work with these populations, bringing pamphlets, meeting schedules and QR codes into their facilities where staff and clientele can utilize them.
 - b. Suggests AA lunches at business and organizations that work with this population
 - Suggests implementing AA presentations during training seminars and classes for professionals and students that work with this population

Corrections

We met separately and as a group twice.

Panel 5 Corrections Committee

III. Corrections

C. Review Data from Tablet Vendor Edovo.

- 1. We reviewed agenda item C which is Review data from tablet vendor Edovo
- Through a substantial unanimity vote we agreed with the trustee committee
 of the value of the analytics assessing the use at Correctional Facilities of
 the Edovo tablet.
 - a. We have 3 considerations
 - Consider adding a map key for clarification of words and terms
 - Consider adding more audiobooks in all 3 languages to add more variety. An emphasis on plain Lang BB being made available was noted.
 - iii. Consider adding to the data the type of facility being surveyed men's, women's or juvenile, so AA can be most useful in getting the message out

D. Review Corrections Survey.

- 3. Through a substantial unanimity vote, we agreed with the corrections committee to the surveys useful of gathering current information and shared experience on service within correctional facilities. We take no action
 - a. We didn't feel there was enough information to consider changes.

Finance

Finance Committee – Adriana G. (Area Treasurer), Sean C. (Alt. Chair), Zalyn (DCM 7), Bob (DCM 6), Johnna (DCM 2) Michelle (DCM 8)

Panel 6 Finance Committee

IV. Finance

C. Review the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the General Service from A.A. members.

C. Committee reviewed the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the General Service Board from an A.A. member and wishes to see the Finance Committee propose an increase in individual bequests to the General Service Board on behalf of A.A. members at the next GSC.

D. Review the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution of \$7,500 to the General Service Board from an individual A.A. member.

D. Committee reviewed the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution of \$7,500 to the General Service Board from an individual A.A. member and agrees the amount is currently sufficient.

E. Review Self-Support Packet

E. Committee reviewed the Self-Support Packet and agreed there is no reason to further discuss this item. The committee would like to request more information on the income and costs of online birthday contributions verses postage envelope birthday contributions.

Grapevine

Panel 7 Grapevine Committee

V. Grapevine/La Viña

F. Consider request to revise the pamphlet "Grapevine and La Vina: Our meetings in print."

The committee recommend revising the pamphlet, as it contains outdated, missing, and incorrect information. Updates are necessary to better inform both members and non-members about AA Grapevine and La Vina. The committee also urges the board to consider including DeafAA.org and the

American Sign Language Video for Deaf Alcoholics on the Grapevine & La Vina YouTube channel. This would improve accessibility for Deaf and Hard of hearing individuals as this important resource is currently not mentioned in the pamphlet.

Vote to revise pamphlet

For: 69 Opposed: 16

G. Review report on "AAGV/La Viña media platforms."

The committee reviewed and discussed the report with our home groups in our areas on the current use of AAGV and La Vina's digital platforms. The report highlighted ongoing efforts to expand engagement through podcasts, social media, and other online content.

Myna Bird

Panel 8 Mynah Bird Committee

V. Grapevine/La Viña

A. Review AA Grapevine Workbook.

The Committee reviewed the workbook thought it was great. We had 2 suggested edits:

- 1. Condense display table sections
- 2. Check all hyperlinks to ensure they work; some links led to error pages or dead pages

B. Consider the list of suggested Grapevine book topics for 2026 or after

AA Grapevine List of Suggested Titles (for production in 2026 or later) The titles were:

- **1.Women's Book II which is about** Women AA members sharing stories of experience, strength and hope.
 - **2.Best of If Walls Could Talk -** A collection of photos of AA meeting rooms from around the U.S., Canada and the world.
- **3.Amor, Unidad y Servicio (love, unity and service) (which is a La Viña book) about** Hispanic members sharing their gifts of sobriety through service in AA.

After consideration, the MB Committee recommends adopting the proposed list of books. However, we did have an AA member who was concerned about anonymity being broken with the suggested Book topic on photos of meeting rooms and the committee thought it was worth bringing to the delegate's attention.

Vote to consider printing the list of books:

For: 74 Opposed: 2

Public Information

Panel 9 Public Information Committee

VIII. Public Information

A. Review the 2025 Public Information Comprehensive Media Plan.

We found it well-detailed and did not find anything that needed improvements or changes at this moment.

B. Public Service Announcements (PSAs): 3. Consider suggestion to develop new video PSA.

We reached a consensus of unanimous support, and we do recommend that we develop a new video PSA. We discussed many other avenues to educate the public such as increased social media presence, QR codes in hotels, flyers on bathroom stalls, and more short-form videos. Ultimately, we believe that a PSA on TV will help at least one still-suffering alcoholic out there.

Vote to consider request to develop new PSA video For:87 Opposed: 0

Day 2

Treatment & Accessibilities

Panel 10 Treatment and Accessibilities Committee

- X. Treatment and Accessibilities
 - A. Review progress report on Military Outreach Project.
- B. Review progress report on shared experience from Fellowship on outreach efforts to A.A. members in the military and veterans.

The project is widely regarded as a great idea, aligning with A.A.'s principle of helping the next suffering alcoholic. A significant concern was raised regarding the difficulty in locating and reading the Military Outreach resources on the AA.org website. Some feedback from the home groups was to improve visibility, fonts and links are small. Also, providing a Military tab to the website drop down menu for direct access to military outreach landing page.

The Outreach efforts are rooted in A.A.'s tradition of attraction rather than promotion, maintaining the Fellowship's spiritual foundation while engaging with military populations.

Website Committee

Panel 11 Website Committee

- V. Grapevine/La Viña
- D. Review the progress report on a plan for a more effective La Viña subscription Procedure, fulfillment process and customer service experience.

VIII. Public Information

J. Review progress report on developing communications to address anonymity and social media.

Summary.

We support the direction of the survey. However, we recommend that there needs to be more education on anonymity literacy within AA. And collect more data over a longer period. And for wider demographic and more diverse

FLOOR ACTION SUBMITTED BY VOTING MEMBER (please see below): #2

FLOOR ACTION SUBMITTED BY VOTING MEMBER (please see below): #3

Intergroup

Panel 12 Intergroup

VI. Literature

J. Consider request that the Twelve Concepts for World Service and essays on Twelve Concepts for World Service be included in the current publication, Twelve Steps, and Twelve Traditions.

Our ITD Panel 12 is in support of considering the above request.

For: 74 Oppose: 15

K. Consider request to update the book Living Sober.

Celebration of 50 years (1975-2025) by reporting at 2026 GSC the initiation of the second edition creation process to revise/update/expand Living Sober

Our ITD panel 12 is in support of considering the above request

For: 68 Oppose: 18 Vote to Reconsider

For: 52 Oppose: 30

Reconsidered vote:

For: 40 Oppose: 44

DCMs

Panel 13 DCMs

VII. Policy/Admissions

D. Discuss the process of Simple Majority Items.

We felt that the current process needs to be amended and suggested that re-wording be looked at.

Such as Simple statement on an item passed or failed. % of votes that each item received regardless of whether an item passed or failed. That all votes be recorded and reported.

E. Consider request that a Super Majority of voting members be required to change or amend Founders Literature IV. Finance

Panel. We take no action.

F. Consider a request to remove the phrase, "A group may also decline to hear reports from a GSR at all" from page 10 in The A.A. Service Manual.

Panel. We recommend approving the request.

GSR has the right of participation along with being elected as a trusted servant. Keeping with the knowledge that a group can decide on its own. We are only talking about the request as written.

Officers

IX. Report and Charter

- A. Discuss the A.A. Service Manual, 2026-2028 Edition:
 - 3: Consider a request to remove the word "woman" from the Concept IV essay.

Our committee discussed the background and believed:

• The language of AA literature has been updated over time to reflect a broader, more inclusive understanding. This change follows that precedent without altering the underlying principle of the concept. • AA's Concepts and Traditions emphasize that the Fellowship serves all alcoholics, regardless of gender. Updating the language removes any unintentional exclusion while preserving the meaning and intent of the essay.

With that said, our committee unanimously recommends to remove the word "woman" from the Concept IV, Right of Participation, essay.

Floor Actions

1. FLOOR ACTION

All Sovereign states flags be a part of the flag ceremony at the International

Convention

For: 65 Oppose: 32

2. FLOOR ACTION

Create a pamphlet using the words thusly: "AA and Social Media"

Vote to Decline further discussion

For: 44 Opposed: 38

3. FLOOR ACTION

We recommend that a new expanded online anonymity survey be created that expands the time and scope (audience) to include all demographics in AA in regard to membership.

Vote to Decline further discussion

For: 77 Opposed: 11