

**2021 General Service Conference (GSC)
Agenda Item Summaries for
Roundtables in Southern NV – SAGSC**

Area 42 Southern Nevada Roundtables

March 14, 2021

Attached are the five (5) GSC Agenda Items to be presented at the Area 42 Southern Nevada Roundtables. GSC Background information is available upon request.

Your Delegate wants to hear all comments and feedback from you and your groups on these GSC Agenda Items. Please utilize the feedback time during the Roundtables. After the Roundtables, please bring back a report to your group for discussion and possible group conscience to bring back to the Area Assembly in March

Disclosures: The materials in this document are only summaries of the background. Information presented in the summaries are carefully distilled or extracted to be concise and provide enough information so that all districts and members in Area 42 can fully participate. The summaries do not reflect the opinions of the Area 42 officers.

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2021 Agenda Topic Presentations

The following is a list of the agenda topic presentations for Nevada Area 42. The summaries for the topics presented in the South are included in this document. Please see the “Area 42 - 2021 Summarized Agenda Items” for the summaries of the topics presented in the North and to prepare for the Assembly. The entire background which is the basis for the summaries, is available on the password protected section of the nevadaarea42.org webpage. The password is available to any member of Nevada Area 42 of Alcoholic Anonymous.

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III. Corrections – B. Discuss innovative ways of carrying the message to alcoholics in correctional facilities/programs.

IV. Finance – D. Discuss Concept XII, Warranty Two and the practice of “selling of our books at cost or less.”

VI. Lit – M. “The Twelve Traditions Illustrated” pamphlet:

1. Discuss draft update of the pamphlet “The Twelve Traditions Illustrated.”
2. Consider not retiring the existing version of the pamphlet “The Twelve Traditions Illustrated.”

VIII. PI – B. Review the 2020 trustees’ Public Information Committee progress report on Google Ads performance.

VIII. PI – E. Consider draft plan to develop podcasts.

SAGSC Roundtables

III. Corrections – A. Consider request for a review of all correction related literature to replace terms such as "inmate" and "offender" with less stigmatizing language.

IV. Finance – C. Reconsider the 1972 G.S.C. Advisory Action stating “G.S.O. should not accept contributions from clubs, listed or known as such, whether or not composed solely of A.A. members. Contributions are welcome from groups meeting in clubs as long as they are sent in the name of the group.”

IV. Finance – H. Review the “Google Grants and the Seventh Tradition Report.”

VI. Lit – V. Consider adding the Long Form of each Tradition at the beginning of each essay for that Tradition in the book, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.

VIII. PI – G. (1) Discuss Public Information pamphlets.

1. Consider revising the pamphlet “Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings.”

Assembly – Preconference

II. CPC – A. +Discuss progress report on LinkedIn page implementation.

II. CPC – B. +Consider a request to create a pamphlet for mental health professionals.

II. CPC – D. Review draft update of the pamphlet “Members of the Clergy ask about Alcoholics Anonymous.”

IV. Finance – A. The pamphlet “Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix.”

2. Discuss mechanization of group contributions.

VI. Lit – U. Consider if proposed agenda items for plain language, simplified language, accessible translations and large print versions of the book Alcoholics Anonymous, as well as workbooks to help study the program of Alcoholics Anonymous, can be addressed with a common solution.

VII. Policy/Admissions – H. Discuss the revised proposed process for equitable distribution of workload.

VII. Policy/Admissions – J. Consider requests regarding participation of online groups in the General Service structure.

Conference Committee: III. **Corrections — Item A**

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| Agenda Topic | Consider request for a review of all correction related literature to replace terms such as “inmate” and “offender” with less stigmatizing language. |
| Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda? | This item is on the agenda because current language in the literature such as “inmate” and “offender” could be considered derogatory and offensive. Suggestions to replace such terms include, but are not limited to: inside member, inside AA member, member on the inside, and AA member on the inside. |
| What does the Delegate want to hear from you? | Does your group support the review and replacement of text within correction literature? |

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Conference Committee: IV. **Finance — Item C**

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| Agenda Topic | Reconsider the 1972 G.S.C. Advisory Action stating “G.S.O. should not accept contributions from clubs, listed or known as such, whether or not composed solely of A.A. members. Contributions are welcome from groups meeting in clubs as long as they are sent in the name of the group.” |
| Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda? | A district in Illinois feels that things may have changed since 1972 (50 years ago) and that the decision based on not being able to tell if club funds are specifically from AA groups & members should be reevaluated to ensure it is still valid. |
| What does the Delegate want to hear from you? | Does your group want the G.S.C. to reconsider the Advisory Action “not to accept contributions from clubs”? Why? Why not? |

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Conference Committee: IV. **Finance — Item H**

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| Agenda Topic | Review the “Google Grants and the Seventh Tradition Report. |
| Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda? | TFC (Trustees Finance Committee) subcommittee thought it was important to give a factual account without opinion or conjecture, by providing specific details and examples relating to our 7th Tradition and AA’s status as a nonprofit corporation chartered to support AA’s singleness of purpose. The TFC gave deliberate attention to the spiritual principle of Tradition 7 and accepting any benefit that is offered to all with nonprofit designation. |
| What does the Delegate want to hear from you? | Discussions from your group around the “Google Grants and the Seventh Tradition Report.”. |

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Conference Committee: VI. **Literature** — **Item V**

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| Agenda Topic | Consider adding the Long Form of each Tradition at the beginning of each essay for that Tradition in the book, <i>Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions</i> . |
| Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda? | This item was submitted by an A.A. member. Currently, the “short form” of each Tradition precedes the essay for each Tradition in the book <i>Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions</i> . This item requests that the book <i>Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions</i> be revised to include the “long form” of each Tradition preceding the essay on each Tradition. |
| What does the Delegate want to hear from you? | Does your group want the Long Form added at the beginning of each essay? |

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Conference Committee: VIII. **Public Information — Item G (1)**

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| Agenda Topic | Discuss Public Information pamphlets. 1. Consider revising the pamphlet “Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings.” |
| Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda? | February 2020 TPIC (Trustees Public Information committee) reviewed revisions done to the pamphlet “Speaking at Non-AA Meetings.” The request for revisions was made in 2019. In October 2020 the TPIC noted a need for a comprehensive review of all PI pamphlets and materials. A working group was appointed by the TPIC secretary. January 30, 2021, the TPIC agreed to send the request to revise the “Speaking at Non-AA Meetings” to the Conference Committee. The goal of the revision was to retain as much information from the current pamphlet as possible, add vital information and useful material, re-organize and condense. For copyright purposes, the new pamphlet is only available to PI Committee Members. |
| What does the Delegate want to hear from you? | Does your group want the pamphlet revised? |

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