72ND GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE NEVADA AREA 42 – 2022

A.A. Comes of Age 2.0: Unified in Love and Service

Nevada ~ Area 42 2022

Saturday – April 23, 2022 – Pre Conference Session

1728 Meeting: Concept III

- ✓ Allows our trusted servants to do their work
- ✓ Leaders have to be able to lead
- ✓ Leaders need to be able to make decisions
- ✓ We communicate rather than "report"
- ✓ If we don't trust our leaders, aren't we hamstringing them?

Remote Communities

- ✓ AK & NW Territories/Alberta/Nunavut Extreme remote conditions with limited physical access
- ✓ NM 19 unique tribal languages; only Navajo has a verbal translation
- ✓ NV Remote areas with poor/no broadband and poor cellular service. Question: In trying to reach more people are we inadvertently excluding people without specific skills?

THE REMOTE COMMUNITIES

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72ND GSC DAIS

Definition of dais:

A raised platform (as in a hall or large room)

Where our Board Chair, Linda
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 Manager, Bob W presided
 over the Conference.



Sunday – April 24, 2022

- ✓ Roll Call
- ✓ Keynote Address: Kathi F Pacific Region Trustee
- ✓ Your Third Legacy Workshop
- ✓ International
 - REDELA (Meeting of the Americas): Marita R U.S. Trustee-at-large
 - A.A. Around the World: Trish L Canadian Trustee-at-large
- ✓ Joint Meeting with our Trustees Committee

CONFERENCE? WHO MAKES UP THE CONFERENCE

THIS YEAR THERE ARE 133 VOTING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE ACTING TOGETHER AS GUARDIANS OF A.A.'S WORLD SERVICES AND OF THE STEPS AND TRADITIONS. THEY ARE COMPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

70%

93 Delegates

FUNCTION: Represent A.A. groups in fulfilling the ultimate responsibility for A.A.'s World Services.

Traditionally, Delegates constitute at least two-thirds of the voting membership.

20%

26 Trustees, A.A.W.S. Directors, GV Directors.

FUNCTION: Responsible for policy and implementation.

10%

14 General Service Office and Grapevine Staff

FUNCTION: Carry out policies of and report to the General Service Board and Conference.



Monday – April 25, 2022

Conference Committee Meeting: (C.P.C.)

Board Reports

- ✓ General Service Board
 - ✓ A.A.W.S. Board
 - ✓ A.A. Grapevine
 - ✓ Finance Report

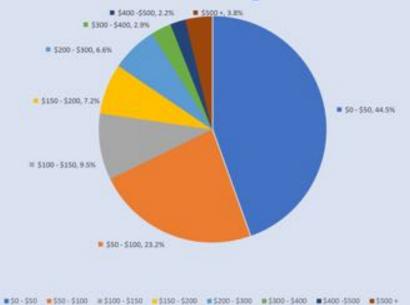
IMPACT OF PANDEMIC ON GSO REVENUE DISTRIBUTION



AAWS - PUBLISHING - 2021 ACTUAL vs 2021 BUDGET

\$ in Thousands	2021 ACTUAL	2021 BUDGET	(DECREASE)
Gross Sales – Literature	11,712	11,400	312
Discounts	(759)	(342)	417
Shipping Charges	399	0	N/A
Net Sales - Literature	11,352	11,058	294
Cost of Literature Sold - Printing	5,054	4,218	836
Gross Profit	6,298	6,840	(542)
Gross Profit Percentage	55.5%	61.9%	(6.4%)

2021 Contributions by Dollar Value



GRAPEVINE - 2021 ACTUAL VS 2021 BUDGET

AVERAGE CIRCULATION - PRINT	63,397	60,970	(4,889)
ONLINE & APP	5,175	6,595	2,377
	2021 ACTUAL	2021 BUDGET	Increase (Decrease)
Magazine Revenue	1,820,737	1,862,137	(41,400)
Magazine Direct Costs	729,298	728,421	877
Gross Profit on Magazine	1,091,439	1,133,716	[42,277]
Other Publishing Revenue	703,318	549,297	154,021
Cost of Goods Sold	292,458	249,379	43,079
Gross Profit on Other Publishing Items	410,860	299,918	110,942
Total Gross Profit	1,502,300	1,433,634	68,666
Costs and Expenses			
Editorial Costs	910,458	901,739	8,719
Circulation and Business	814,405	793,608	20,797
General and Administrative	84,065	122,512	(38,447)
Total Costs and Expenses	1,808,928	1,817,859	(8,931)
Interest and Miscellaneous Income	194,011	30,000	164,011
Net Income	(112,618)	(354,225)	241,607

GRASS ROOTS CHALLENGE





2021 GSO FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- ☐ 7th Tradition of Self-Support \$10.78 million set another record, up 5.07% from \$10.26 million in 2020
- ☐ Operating Expense \$15.28 million down 31.6% from \$22.34 million in 2020
- ☐ Program Service Expense \$7.59 million down 38.7% from \$12.39 million in 2020
- ☐ Supporting Services Expense \$7.70 million down 22.6% from \$9.95 million in 2020
- □ Self-Support covered 70.5% of operating expense and 142.0% of program service exp.
- □ AAWS publishing gross profits \$6.30 million down 4.3% from \$6.58 million in 2020
- ☐ Operating surplus of \$1,697,141 but operating cash increase of only \$53,177

2021 GRAPEVINE FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- ☐ Grapevine paid print subscriptions decreased 11.5% in 2021. Subscriptions for the online and mobile app magazine increased 73.3%
- □ 2021 Grapevine results were a gross profit of \$1.091M on the magazine and a gross profit of \$411K on other published items. Operating expenses of \$1.808M resulted in an operating loss of \$112,618 compared to a loss of \$298,699 in 2020.
- ☐ General Fund support of La Viña service activity was \$388,646 in 2021, almost the same as \$385,771 in 2020.
- ☐ La Viña magazine circulation decreased by 12.4% in 2021 compared to a 36.6% decrease in 2020 after several prior years of growth.

2022 GSO BUDGET

- ☐ Total revenue \$16,761,400 compared to \$17,377,021 in 2021.
 - Contributions \$10,000,000 compared to \$10,775,871 in 2021.
 - * Literature gross profit \$6,534,000 compared to \$6,297,678 in 2021.
- ☐ Total operating expense \$18,111,969 compared to \$15,282,198 in 2021.
- ☐ Operating deficit of \$1,350,569 compared to \$1,697,141 surplus in 2021.
- □ 2022 deficit to be paid for with 2021 surplus.

2022 GRAPEVINE BUDGET

- ☐ Print magazine circulation to increase to 62,000 from 56,081 in 2021.
- □ Online and e-Pub circulation to decrease to 8,842 from 8,972 in 2021.
- ☐ Gross profit on subscriptions \$1,236,434 compared to \$1,091,404 in 2021.
- ☐ Grapevine net operating surplus of \$19,234 compared to \$112,618 deficit in 2021.
- ☐ La Viña magazine circulation to increase to 7,500 compared to 6,312 in 2021.
- ☐ General Fund La Viña support of \$402,067 compared to \$388,646 in 2021.

Tuesday – April 26, 2022

Presentation/Discussion Topics

- ✓ How do A.A.'s go to any lengths to Recover, Unify, and Serve?
- ✓ Going Beyond Fear
- ✓ How to Reach Anyone, Anywhere

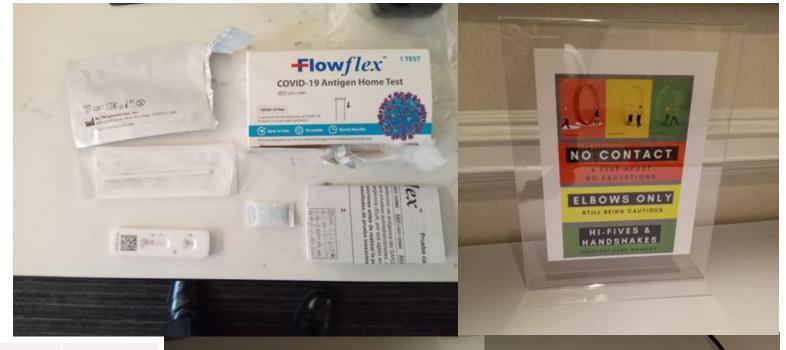
Workshop

✓ The Warranties – Our Promise to the Fellowship and the World

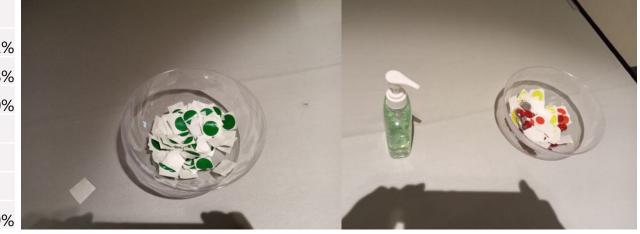
These are wonderful AA topics that can be talked about and discussed throughout the Fellowship, in assemblies, districts, intergroups/central office gatherings, and in groups.



COVID AND THE CONFERENCE



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Delegates	93	10	83	69.2%	
Board	27	2	25	20.8%	
Staff	14	2	12	10.0%	
	134	14	120		
				Quorum	
				88.9%	



Wednesday – April 27, 2022 thru Friday – April 29, 2022

Committee Reports and Discussion – Voting begins

Election of new Pacific Region Trustee: Reilly K, Oregon

General Sharing Sessions

Publishing Highlights

Floor Actions

Farewells by 2nd year delegates

Saturday – April 30, 2022 – Farewells by Trustees and trip to G.S.O.

PACIFIC REGION

NEW PACIFIC

REGION TRUSTEE

REILLY K

OREGON AREA 58



VOTING PROCEDURES

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Brandon from DOTS



SOUTHERN AREA (SAGSC)

Conference Committees on
Corrections and Finance
discussed their Agenda Items
and made no recommendations.

CORRECTIONS

B. Reconsider the use of the term "person in custody" in AA Literature. Regarding reconsideration of the use of the term "Person In Custody" in AA literature.

Consideration: The committee affirmed the actions and inclusive non-stigmatizing language expressed by the 71st Conference and noted it would be premature at this time to reconsider the action.

SOUTHERN AREA (SAGSC)

There is no discussion from the floor on *Committee*Considerations – just questions for clarity.

FINANCE

B. Consider request to add a historical disclaimer to the front of the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*.

Consideration: The committee agreed that the current introduction in the book already addresses concerns regarding language in the book.

SOUTHERN AREA (SAGSC)

Committee consideration —

An item that as discussed by a
Conference committee, but with
no action taken or
recommendation made to the
Conference as a whole. Serves
as a suggestion to the
corresponding trustees'
committee.

LITERATURE

Review progress report regarding requests to develop study guide workbooks for AA.

Consideration: The committee reviewed the Subcommittee Report on Tools to Access the Big Book (TABB) and several requests for development of study guides from the Fellowship. The committee also reviewed the minutes of the discussions on this item by the trustees' Literature Committee. The committee noted that additional information would be needed in order to provide direction on these requests. The committee requested that the trustees' Literature Committee provide further information regarding the purpose of the proposals and examples of what Big Book or Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions study guides would look like.

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SOUTHERN AREA (SAGSC)

Advisory Action — When a recommendation, whether from a committee or through a floor action, is approved in full session with substantial unanimity it becomes an Advisory Action.

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POLICY & ADMISSIONS

E. Discuss report on the Equitable Distribution of Workload process.

Advisory Actions: The compilation of all Conference committee background be made available simultaneously in English, French, Spanish.

PASSED

Consideration: The committee noted the plan allowed fifty more delegates to participate in the Conference committee process and appreciated the spiritual aspect of that accomplishment. Also noted the challenges documented in the report, as well as the significant challenges to areas and to the group conscience process caused by moving up the deadline for submitting proposed agenda items to September 15.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SOUTHERN AREA (SAGSC)

- J. Discuss PI Information pamphlets/materials
 - 1. Consider suggestion to revise the flyer "AA At a Glance"

Consideration: The committee requested that the trustees and staff secretary focus on improvements based on suggestions – Keep most of the content messaging and modernize the look and language. Remove any reference to the words "hopeless drunks" to focus more on the solution and to update contribution and self-support language.

NORTHERN AREA (NAGSC)

Conference Committees on
Finance discussed their Agenda
Items and made no
recommendations.

FINANCE

C. Consider request that all proposed changes to the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* be handled in footnotes.

Took No Action

Consideration: The committee agreed that they did not want to mandate a specific format for possible changes to a future Conference. The committee noted that future proposals for changes should be considered by the group conscience of each Conference.

NORTHERN AREA (NAGSC)

There is no discussion from the floor on *Committee*Considerations – just questions for clarity.

LITERATURE

S. Consider an update of the book Experience, Strength and Hope.

Recommended: A second volume of the book Experience, Strength and Hope be developed with the stories dropped from the Fourth Edition of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous. *Failed*

NORTHERN AREA (NAGSC)

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PUBLIC INFORMATION

- J. Discuss PI Information pamphlets/materials
 - 4. Consider request to retire and replace the "A.A. Fact File."

Recommended: The outdated "AA Fact File" be retired. **Passed**

Consideration: Request to replace the "A.A. Fact File" with a service material version of a new digital P.I. Press Media Kit. The committee reviewed the new digital P.I. Press Media Kit and offered suggestions to the "Who are A.A. members" and the "24-hour plan" sections.

NORTHERN AREA (NAGSC)

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no action taken or
recommendation made to the
Conference as a whole. Serves as
a suggestion to the
corresponding trustees'
committee.

REPORT & CHARTER

E. Consider requests that the chapter titled "The Doctor's Opinion" be returned to page one, as it was in the First Edition.

Took No Action

Consideration: Bill W. was involved in the repagination of Alcoholics Anonymous for the second edition. Such a change would impact other pieces of A.A. literature that reference pages in the book Alcoholics Anonymous. The committee added that they did not recognize a strong "spiritual need" to revert to the original pagination.

Service Manual Glossary

NORTHERN AREA (NAGSC)

TRUSTEES

J. Discuss the revised "Procedures for a Partial or Complete Reorganization of the General Service Board, the A.A.W.S. or AA Grapevine Boards."

Recommended: the "Suggested Procedure to Reorganize the General Service Board and the boards of A.A.W.S., Inc. and AA Grapevine, Inc." be approved as one acceptable pathway to a whole or partial reorganization of the Boards, understanding that, as provided by the Conference Charter, the final process will be determined by whichever General Service Conference might be considering reorganization. Passed

AREA WIDE ASSEMBLY

CPC – B. Review suggested revisions for the draft pamphlet "A.A. in Your Community." **Consideration**

CPC – D. Consider creating a new pamphlet designed to help C.P.C. committees reach as many doctors as possible. **Consideration**

Literature – K. Review progress report regarding the translation of the book Alcoholics Anonymous (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language. **Consideration** – May have draft for 2023

AREA WIDE ASSEMBLY

Corrections – D. Discuss request to make A.A. literature changes slowly and with A.A.'s primary purpose in mind. **Took No Action**

Grapevine and La Viña – D. Discuss the wide-ranging impact the Preamble change has had on our A.A. Fellowship. **Took No Action** - Premature

Literature – R. Discuss changes to the text of the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions as directed by the 71st General Service Conference. **Took No Action** – No consensus on the changes among A.A. members at the local level.

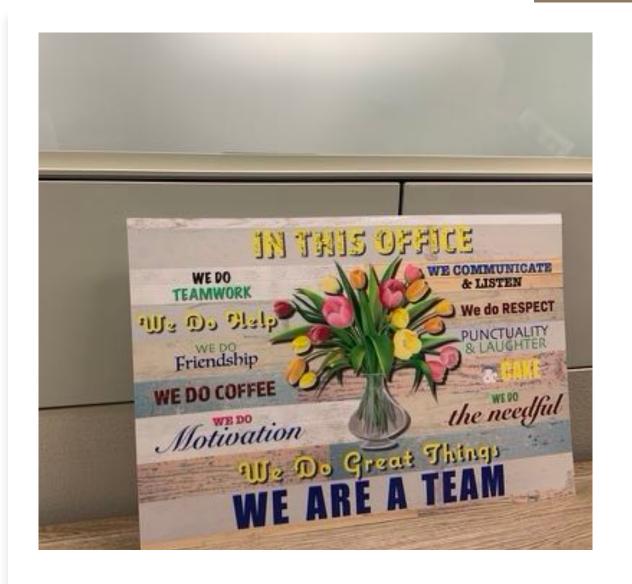
OTHER NOTABLE RECOMMENDATIONS

LITERATURE

- Animated video of the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated"
- Updated pamphlets

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- New Membership Survey
- Understanding Anonymity updated for the digital age



9 FLOOR ACTIONS

Floor Actions - The committees are not the only source of recommendations for the body to consider and vote on. During the general sessions, members may make recommendations directly from the floor that may not have passed through a particular Conference committee.

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Unfinished Business from 72nd GSC Advisory Actions

- 1. Recommit Twelve Steps Illustrated
- 2. Final Editorial Review of the approved Membership Survey Both Passed

Disagree with Committee, which Took No Action

1. Add GSR Preamble to "Your Group's Link to A.A. as a Whole" Declined to Consider

71st GSC

- 1. Rescind the Plain and Simple Translation of the 4th Edition
- 2. Reverse the two changes to text in the 12X12
- 3. Reaffirm the 1995 Conference Advisory Action not to change the first 164 pages.....

First two Declined to Consider; Last one Failed after 3 hour discussion

New Items

- 1. Moratorium on new agenda items for one year.
- 2. Create a plan for a new non-geographic Area for online/telephone groups.
- 3. Evaluate the current process for developing background for the GSC.

First one Failed Declined to Consider; Last two Failed

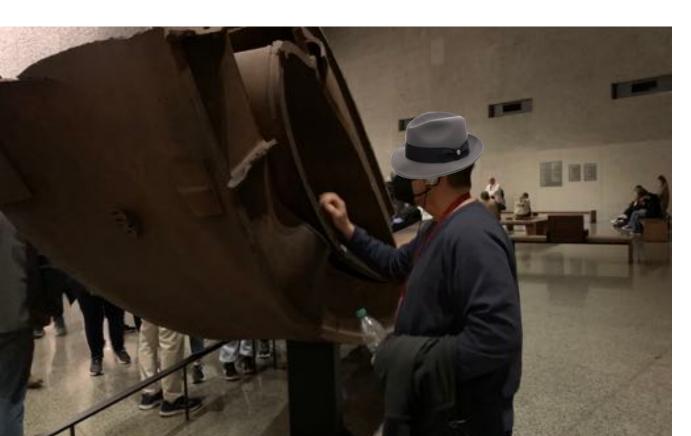
UNITY: Moments that touched my Heart

- ❖ Joking about "throwing us in the car" is inappropriate, in countries where there are kidnapping and police states.
- ❖ The delegates from Poland provided interpretation for a Polish speaking district in NJ – moved by the death from the Ukrainian War.
- ❖ There are meetings in Ukrainian in the Polish subways.
- ❖ Eritrea in East African: A member with 6 years wants to be the contact and translate the book.

"Diversity is having a seat at the table, inclusion is having a voice, and belonging is having that voice heard." -LIZ FOSSLIEN

Sept 11th

Ironworkers





Upcoming Events in 2022

June 24 – 26 NACYPAA

July 16 North/South Virtual Forum

July 22 – 24 La Viña 26

Aug 18 – 21 Native American

Sep 16 – 18 Pacific Region Forum

Sept 23 – 25 Election Assembly







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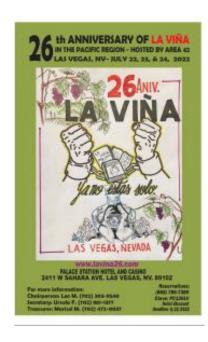
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North/South Connections Virtual Special Forum – A.A. in Remote Communities

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Suggestions for content

- . Share your homelown, your community. The view from your window.
- . Your group's meeting places.
- Senior Committees that participate in reacting out to remote communities sould share their committee's projects.

See the program overview on the next page for kines and a better understanding of this eve

Be creative and have fun!

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Events in English & Spanish