

Area 42 Assembly 2024 General Service Conference (GSC) Agenda Item Summaries for Assembly

Area 42 Pre-Conference Assembly

April 5th - April 7th, 2024

Attached are three (3) GSC agenda items to be presented at the Area 42 Assembly. And the ten (10) GSC agenda items that will be presented at the Roundtables in the North and South. 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 Pre-Conference Assembly.

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2024 Conference Theme: “**Connecting with Love, Unity and Service**”

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Presentations at the Area Assembly

* 2024 EDW distribution

+Carryover from a previous EDW plan

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

Agenda Topic	Consider a request that the General Service Board develop supplemental reporting focused on the actual and evolving costs of various services provided by the GSB.
Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda?	This PAI was sent to the GSB from Area 47, with several requests regarding cost, budget changes, various online internet development and server fees, background info on the reasoning, and materials included for the various expenses incurred. The proposal requested an initial draft to be submitted to the 75th. CFC. Because of the many considerations involved, the TFC is forwarding this PAI to the 74th. General Service Conference, requesting their input.

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Presentations at the Area Assembly

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

Agenda Topic	Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in A.A.*
Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda?	<p>This proposal was discussed at Queer Femmes: a group in Oakland, and then forwarded to the District, where discussion occurred for the better part of 2018 and passed the District with substantial unanimity.</p> <p>At the suggestion of the Area Chair, members of District 07 waited to present this motion to the Area until the revised pamphlet for the LGBTQ alcoholic (published in 2018) was available for their review. After the pamphlet was published, members of the District strongly felt that there was still a need for a separate pamphlet.</p> <p>The motion was then presented at our Pre-Conference Assembly in California Northern Coastal Area 06 in April 2019. The Area had fruitful discussions over the course of the next two years at four separate assemblies. Because of the pandemic, the discussion stretched over two years. The motion passed with substantial unanimity in April 2021; There was no motion to reconsider after the minority opinion. The Delegate at the time submitted a proposed agenda item, at which point the Trustee's Literature committee discussed the proposed agenda item and took no action.</p> <p>The committee agreed that due to the overwhelming number of pamphlets currently in development or in revision, as well as the projects carried over from the 70th and 71st General Service Conferences, new pamphlet requests cannot be addressed at this time. The trustees' Literature Committee invited the submitter to consider resubmitting in the future for consideration.</p> <p>The proposal was submitted again last year, again resulting in no action.</p> <p>The Area Grapevine/Literature/La Vina sharing session discussed this proposal again this year and requested a sense of the room at our most recent assembly in August 2023 on whether to re-submit this proposal for a third time, emphasizing the continuing need for this pamphlet. The Area (6) voted again with substantial unanimity to submit this proposed agenda item.</p>

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Presentations at the Area Assembly

Conference Committee: IV. Finance — Item C

Agenda Topic	Review progress report reflecting shared experience from the Fellowship on possible future changes to literature written by A.A.’s founders.+
Historical Context: Why is it on the Agenda?	<p>In response to a Committee Consideration from the 73rd General Service Conference suggesting that the trustees’ Literature Committee seek input from the Fellowship (including but not limited to Area delegate feedback) regarding any possible future changes to literature written by A.A.’s Founders, the trustees’ Literature Committee met to discuss and subsequently developed a list of suggested questions for discussion.</p> <p>List of suggested questions for discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do you think that A.A. Founders would object to or embrace revisions to their writings? If yes, why? If not, why? 2. Do you think the Founders’ writings are effective in reaching new members? If not, what measures do you think can be taken to resolve this issue? 3. What reasons would you consider for changing our Founders’ writings? 4. How do you feel about changing A.A. Founders’ writings to replace outdated references? 5. What suggestions do you have for preserving the Founders’ writings, along with keeping pace with our current A.A. Society and its future? 6. Should there be a special Conference process for approval of changes to our Founders’ writings? (e.g., super, or qualified majority – 75%, and/or two-year consideration process.) 7. What additional ideas, thoughts, or suggestions can you share about changing or not changing the Founders’ writings?

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Five Items that were presented at the Southern Roundtables (SAGSC)

Conference Committee: **V. Grapevine and La Viña — Item C.** Discuss the cost effectiveness and sustainability of continuing to print La Viña.

(See summarized agenda items: Pg. 8)

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Conference Committee: **VI. Literature — Item K.** Consider a request that the words "Donation" and "Contribution" be swapped under Warranty One in “The Twelve Concepts Illustrated” pamphlet.

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Conference Committee: **VII. Policy/Admissions — Item D.** Review report of the GSB Ad-Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups in the U.S./Canada Service Structure.

(See summarized agenda items: Pg. 13-14)

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Five Items that were presented at the Southern Roundtables (SAGSC)

Conference Committee: **VIII. Public Information – K.** Consider revised proposal to develop an AAWS Instagram account.

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Conference Committee: **XIII. Int’l Conventions/Regional Forums — Item E.** Discuss ways to encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums.

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Five Items that were presented at the Northern Roundtables (NAGSC)

Conference Committee: **V. Grapevine and La Viña — Item D.** Explore the services provided by AA Grapevine and how they should be funded.

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Conference Committee: **II. CPC — Item E.** Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the unhoused alcoholic in A.A.*

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Conference Committee: **VIII. Public Information — Item N.** Review results of A.A. Membership Survey convenience sample pilot.

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Five Items that were presented at the Northern Roundtables (NAGSC)

Conference Committee: **V. Grapevine and La Viña — Item E.** Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the Asian and Asian-American alcoholics in A.A.*

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Conference Committee: **XIII. Int’l Conventions/Regional Forums — Item C.** Discuss a report concerning virtual programming for the 2025 International Convention.

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