

2016 Area 56 Mini-Conference
“Our Spiritual Way of Life: Steps, Traditions, Concepts”
Agenda Items

II. Cooperation With the Professional Community

- A. Consider discontinuing the pamphlet “Three Talks to Medical Societies by Bill W.”
- B. Consider adding text regarding A.A. and medications to the pamphlet “If You are a Professional...”

III. Corrections

- B. Discuss the Corrections Correspondence Service (C.C.S.)

V. Grapevine

- B. Consider the list of suggested Grapevine book topics for 2017 or later.

VI. Literature

- A. Consider developing a plain language version of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous.
- H. Consider request for revision to the pamphlet “Young People and A.A.”

VIII. Public Information

- D. Review 2015 report from the trustees’ Public Information Committee on the Usefulness and Relevance of Public Service Announcements.
 - 1. Consider centralized distribution, tracking and evaluation of the English and French language versions of the video P.S.A., “Tengo Esperanza” at a cost not to exceed \$40,000, in addition to the distribution work of local public information committees.
 - 2. Consider discontinuing the video P.S.A. “I Thought.”
- E. Discuss a request to reconsider the 2011 Advisory Action regarding the “Policy on Actors Portraying A.A. Members or Potential A.A. Members in Videos Produced by the General Service Board or Its Affiliates.”

IX. Report and Charter

- A. The A.A. Service Manual, 2016-2017 Edition:
 - 3. Consider adding text in the Third Legacy Procedure chart in Chapter One.
 - 5. Consider removing endnote #4 in Concept Twelve of the Twelve Concepts for World Service.
 - 6. Consider request to revise text in the Concept Eleven essay regarding “male/female” distinctions in the Twelve Concepts for World Service.
- B. Consider A.A.W.S. recommendation regarding an alternative publishing schedule for The A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service.
- C. Discuss A.A. Directories (Canada, Eastern U.S., Western U.S., and International.)
 - 1. Consider that the category title “ONLINE MEETINGS” be changed to “ONLINE GROUPS/ONLINE MEETINGS” in A.A. Directories.

X. Treatment/Special Needs-Accessibilities

- A. Consider removing “Special Needs” from Conference Committee on Treatment/Special Needs-Accessibilities’ name and throughout the committees’ Composition, Scope and Procedure.