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Second Version:

This is the 2024 Annual Business Meeting (ABM) Agenda Second Version. The Second Version contains:

- Motions and IFDs carried forward from 2023 that were not fully acted upon at the 2023 ABM.
- Motions submitted relevant to Items for Discussion (IFDs) discussed at the 2023 ABM.
- Motions/IFDs received between 7:00 pm August 1, 2023 and April 10, 2024 that have been accepted onto the 2024 ABM Agenda.

The agenda notes which Motions are related to IFDs from 2023. If a motion was not submitted related to an IFD discussed in 2023, that IFD has been removed from the ABM Agenda Second Version with a note explaining that it was removed.

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The First Version of the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) Agenda contains the Motions and Items for Discussion (IFDs) on the ABM Agenda that were not fully acted upon by the Conference at the previous ABM. It also provides an opportunity for the Fellowship members worldwide to submit Motions based upon the IFDs discussed at the previous ABM and to encourage submission of appropriate new Motions and new IFDs for the Second Version of the ABM Agenda.

Second Version:

The Second Version contains Motions/IFDs carried forward from the previous ABM that were not fully acted upon. The Second Version also contains Motions submitted relevant to IFDs discussed at the previous ABM. Finally, the Second Version contains any Motions or IFDs received between 7:00 pm August 1, 2023 and April 10, 2024 that have been accepted onto the 2024 ABM Agenda. Conference Committees have the opportunity to submit comments about Motions/IFDs appearing on this Second Version.

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Respectfully,

Austin H.
2023-2024 ARS Chair

Explanation of Agenda Item numbers:

Example: 19o#/18-#

22o#/20-# Current year's ABM Agenda Motion/IFD number is shown before the slash (/).
o designates an ABM Agenda Motion/IFD related to an ABM Agenda Motion/IFD from a previous year.
n designates a new ABM Agenda Motion/IFD submitted for the first time this year.

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Explanation of vote tallies:

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For – Against – Abstain

Explanation of the Conference Year for Conference Committees:

The 2023-2024 CCC started on the last day of the 2023 ABM and is active through all but the last day of the 2024 ABM.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES (and their abbreviations)

Anorexia	(CAC)	Literature	(CLC)
By-Laws	(CBC)	Members Retention	(CMRC)
Charter	(CCC)	Public Information	(CPIC)
Diversity	(CDC)	Service	(CSC)
Finance	(CFC)	Sponsorship	(CSPC)
Healthy Relationships	(CHRC)	Steps, Traditions, and Concepts	(CSTCC)
Intergroup Communication	(CICC)	Translation and International Outreach	(CTIOC)
Journal	(CJC)		

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24o01/23-12	<p><u>Item For Discussion:</u> This Item seeks Conference discussion on whether the current draft of the 50th Anniversary Basic Text reflects "light editing" of the Basic Text. Following discussion by the Conference in 2021, the Writing Group of the 50th Anniversary of the Basic Text undertook to lightly edit the Basic Text. A light edit would be limited to correcting spelling and grammar and adding additional stories after chapters 1 - 8.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Submitter (Greater Chicago Milwaukee S.L.A.A. Intergroup) is concerned that the editors make substantive changes to the meaning of chapters 1 - 4 of the Basic Text including the personal story of the Founder and others. 2. The current edits to the Basic Text substantially change the meaning of the Basic Text by sanitizing the voice of the original authors and deny the truth of their personal stories. This sanitization weakens the message of the Basic Text. 3. We have included examples of the editing we find are over broad and are actually editing to change the essence of the Basic Text. <p>Please see the Agenda Attachment for additional information pertinent to this Item For Discussion.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> No cost other than the time needed to hold this discussion at the ABM.</p>	Approved for the 2023 ABC/M but not discussed	<p>2023 ARS: The ARS approved this item 3-0-1.</p>
24o02/23-13	<p><u>Item For Discussion:</u> Create a Conference Technology Committee.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> This IFD is for the creation of a Conference Technology Committee. The mission of this Committee is to support the Conference Committees, the FWS office, the BOT, and the Fellowship at large as a supplement to the</p>	Approved for the 2023 ABC/M but not discussed	<p>2023 ARS: The ARS approved this item 3-0-1.</p>

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<p>24o02/23-13 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>Board Technology Committee (BTC) on technical issues for the betterment of S.L.A.A..</p> <p>Members of the S.L.A.A. Fellowship have a vast range of technical skills and knowledge and will be encouraged to bring this wisdom together to provide a source of knowledge, support, opinion, and training in technologies to support the S.L.A.A. purpose.</p> <p>Requirements: The Committee will be composed of volunteers from the Fellowship. Costs will be like other Committees.</p>		
<p>24o03/23-14</p>	<p><u>By-Laws Motion:</u></p> <p><u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u> ARTICLE VI – Board of Trustees, Section 3 – Duties and Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Board of Trustees shall act as the guardian... especially Tradition 10 and Warranty (e) of Concept Twelve regarding public controversy. b. The Board of Trustees shall act as spokesperson for... <p><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u> ARTICLE VI – Board of Trustees, Section 3 – Duties and Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Board of Trustees shall act as the guardian... especially Tradition 40Ten and Warranty (e) of Concept Twelve regarding public controversy. b. The Board of Trustees shall act as spokesperson for... c. <u>The Board of Trustees shall respond timely, reasonably, and professionally to all communications.</u> <p><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u> ARTICLE VI – Board of Trustees, Section 3 – Duties and Responsibilities:</p>	<p>Approved for the 2023 ABC/M but not discussed</p>	<p>2023 ARS: The ARS approved this item 3-0-1.</p>

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<p>24o03/23-14 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>a. The Board of Trustees shall act as the guardian... especially Tradition Ten and Warranty (e) of Concept Twelve regarding public controversy.</p> <p>b. The Board of Trustees shall act as spokesperson for...</p> <p>c. The Board of Trustees shall respond timely, reasonably, and professionally to all communications.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> There has been a disconnect between the Conference and the Board of Trustees. Requests have taken a long time to be responded to. The links on the website to contact the BOT have been broken for months and may still be broken. This has been going on since before the Technology Director resigned. This By-Laws change will induce the Board to be communicative to those they directly serve.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> Change the By-Laws. Once the Amended By-Laws are crafted by the CBC, reviewed, and verified for accuracy, the Amended By-Laws will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees to be reviewed and verified for accuracy. Then there will be a nominal amount of time needed by the Technology Director to place the Amended By-Laws on the Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.) website. Finally, the Technology Director will forward these Amended By-Laws to the Executive Director for inclusion in the Board Manual, the Delegate Binder, and any other location where the By-Laws are physically placed.</p>		
<p>24o04/23-15</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> All future ABC/Ms are required to include an online virtual option, including delegates' ability to vote, in the form of either a hybrid ABM or, if that cannot be planned and/or afforded by the fellowship, a fully virtual online ABM in its place.</p>	<p>Approved for the 2023 ABC/M but not discussed</p>	<p>2023 ARS: The ARS approved this item 3-0-1.</p>

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<p>24o04/23-15 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><u>Intent:</u> This motion aims towards full participation of all intergroups at future ABMs by ensuring the option of online digital attendance in order to make the ABM more accessible for worldwide participation from Intergroups around the globe. By including, rather than excluding, we uplift the voices in our fellowship that are otherwise being marginalized and build a healthier group conscience.</p> <p>The Covid-19 pandemic showed us that an all-virtual ABM is possible. That experience also underlined how prohibitive the costs of travel, hotel stays and catered meals have been for delegates from smaller Intergroups with less funds. With an in-person only ABM, only Intergroups with the economic ability to attend in person are able to vote, while Intergroups with lower funds remain excluded; leaving their voices unheard. In this way, in-person only ABMs limit the power of Intergroups to participate in fellowship wide decisions.</p> <p>Concept 1 states that the “Ultimate responsibility and authority for S.L.A.A. world services always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.” Yet less than one third of registered Intergroups were able to send a delegate to the in-person only 2022 ABM.</p> <p>Concept 2 states that “The Annual Business Conference, by delegation, is the voice and conscience for our world services and of S.L.A.A. as a whole.” We cannot move forward knowingly planning exclusive events that cut off Intergroups from communicating their needs and voting on matters that will affect their meetings.</p> <p>Concept 4 states that, “The ‘right of participation’ is maintained by allowing members the opportunity to cast one vote up to the level at which they are trusted servants.” Use of digital technologies (such as Zoom) will improve the ability of all Intergroups to fully participate and cast their votes. This will</p>		

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<p>24o04/23-15 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>greatly improve true knowledge of "Group Conscience" and worldwide participation.</p> <p>The decision to hold an in-person only event for the 2022 and 2023 ABM events was voted on by the BOT alone. This motion allows the fellowship-wide group conscience to be heard on the matter.</p> <p>Requirements: This motion calls for all ABC/Ms next year and after to be planned to be inclusive by offering an online virtual option for delegate participation that must include the ability to vote. This means that all future ABC/Ms will either be Hybrid events (an in-person event with virtual online participation) or if a hybrid event cannot be produced, a fully virtual event will be offered to maintain online accessibility.</p> <p>The ability to have a virtual presence at the Conference and its cost must be considered when selecting locations for future ABC/Ms. The Local Planning Committee, Board Technology Committee, and/or the FWS Office will have to arrange for delegates to attend virtually.</p>		
<p>24o05/23-16</p>	<p>Item For Discussion: The originators seek the conference discusses the implications of: adopting the following statement ("Safety within S.L.A.A. – Maintaining a Spiritual Boundary") as a recommendation to support safety in the Fellowship and making it one of the free core documents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Safety within S.L.A.A. Maintaining a Spiritual Boundary</p> <p>Twelve Step meetings are generally safe spaces, but it is essential to be aware of potential risks and to take precautions to keep the meetings safe. A person who participates in our Program agrees not to use a Meeting, the Program or Fellowship information to subject another member to unlawful acts, during or between meetings.</p>	<p>Approved for the 2023 ABC/M but not discussed</p>	<p>2023 ARS: The ARS approved this item 3-0-1.</p>

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<p>24o05/23-16 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>National and local laws regarding stalking, harassment, sexual harassment, etcetera, apply at our meetings and in society and take precedence over the Traditions, including Tradition Three. Therefore, a person who uses our meetings or our Program to commit unlawful acts during or between meetings, such as stalking, harassment, sexual harassment, etc. is not welcome to participate in Fellowship meetings. That person is asked for their safety and that of others to find other ways for their recovery.</p> <p>It is of utmost importance for our common welfare, which according to our Tradition One should come first, that meetings and Program activities are safe places with healthy boundaries where members can experience recovery without risking exposure to unlawful acts.</p> <p>The requirement not to subject another S.L.A.A. member to unlawful acts - during or between meetings - is a spiritual boundary. <i>The ultimate responsibility for respecting this spiritual boundary lies with the member themselves.</i> The boundary comes into effect the moment an unlawful act is committed (for example, an illegal crude sexual text message is sent) even before the recipient has read the message, regardless if anyone else finds out. Therefore, a person who commits unlawful acts against another member of S.L.A.A. has the personal responsibility not to attend our meetings.</p> <p>In the Program, we neither can nor should we do the work of law enforcement or the judiciary. However, we can remind each other of the spiritual boundary: it is not acceptable to attend meetings for a person who is committing unlawful act(s) towards another member. For example, if a person shares about subjecting another member to an unlawful act, the meeting leader (or another stable member) can interrupt the meeting, remind the meeting of the spiritual boundary and ask the person to leave.</p> <p>A person who has previously committed an unlawful act against one or more other members is welcome to participate in meetings again when such</p>		

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<p>24o05/23-16 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>see a need to investigate our Program, which will threaten the anonymity of all members seeking recovery.</p> <p>Reporting to the police does not solve the problem with meeting attendance (unless the lawbreaking member is immediately taken in custody and imprisoned for several years, which will rarely be the case). Experience shows the subjected member is often even more traumatized by having to leave meetings to stay clear of the perpetrator, than the original unlawful acts, even when these have been very severe, as in the case of rape. Experience also shows the predator member does not benefit from, or recover in, meetings where they are allowed to act out and harm other members.</p> <p>All the while the safety issue is passed back and forth between FWS, Intergroups and Groups, unlawful acts keep occurring, harming the safety and recovery of all. We firmly believe we need to wake up and take a stand that our Program shall not be used for committing unlawful acts, but for recovery.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The text will be published in a document format (e.g., PDF) for online access on the F.W.S. website in the Core Documents section. The CTIOC or other committees can translate the document into other languages. A passage reflecting this core document could be included in the proposed meeting format (see the example below) that is published on the F.W.S. website. The passage could be and freely edited and incorporated into meetings, Groups and Intergroups through the power of Tradition Four.</p> <p>"This meeting and the Program are for us to recover from sex and love addiction. We respect each other and do not tolerate unlawful acts committed against another member. To protect the safety of our group, we ask that if someone is currently committing an unlawful act against a</p>		

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<p>24o05/23-16 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>member of this Program, you leave the meeting and seek help elsewhere until you can safely participate in our Fellowship.”</p>		
<p>24o06/22-04</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> To publish the "Sex and Love Addiction in the Digital Age" pamphlet.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> Very little has been written on this topic and therefore there is great need for guidance in this area. This pamphlet explains how digital and online devices, sites, apps and Artificial Intelligence (AI) can accelerate and enable sex and love addiction. For those who are unsure if their online sexual and romantic activities indicate an unhealthy addictive pattern, this pamphlet can help provide clarity. This pamphlet offers practical solutions that we have found in S.L.A.A.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on ABM feedback on the previous working title being antiquated, the title has been changed to “Sex and Love Addiction in the Digital Age” to better acknowledge the evolving nature of communication technology and terminology. Sitting in front of a computer screen to view pornography, although a common pattern, is only one of many methods we use as addicts online. There is also smartphone use for sexting, compulsive use of dating apps, and addictive patterns of online dating. • More material has been included that addresses the solution to sex and love addiction via digital means. The writing group added several specific recovery suggestions but maintains our original position that this pamphlet should not include a summary of the entire S.L.A.A. program. Instead, we elected to highlight the more prominent features such as meetings, sponsorship, Steps, Higher Power, and a list of resources for further reading. A short paragraph was also added about the potential use of dating apps as part of a healthy sober dating plan. 	<p>This Motion was an IFD at the 2023 ABM.</p>	<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 4-0-0.</p>

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<p>24o06/22-04 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for the draft literature corresponding to this Motion.</i></p> <p>Requirements: Cost and labor for desktop publishing, digital publishing, printing, sales, storage, and shipping, and all other administration for this new pamphlet will be incurred by the F.W.S. Office.</p>		
<p>24o07/22-05</p>	<p>No Motion related to last year’s IFD was submitted by the deadline. This item has been dropped from the ABM Agenda.</p>		
<p>24o08/22-06</p>	<p>No Motion related to last year’s IFD was submitted by the deadline. This item has been dropped from the ABM Agenda.</p>		
<p>24o09/22-10</p>	<p>Motion: Publish the "Anorexia 10-11-12; Working the Program and Not the Problem" booklet, which was an IFD last year.</p> <p>Intent: To help all members of S.L.A.A. who are struggling with Anorexia to work Steps 10-11-12. This text is a continuation of the very successful Anorexia Twelve Step Series. and it will complete the series. This document was very favorably received at the last ABM as an IFD. There were no negative remarks. The CLC Style Committee, and the Anorexia Writing Group have worked tirelessly and collaboratively in this past year, to make this document publication ready.</p> <p><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for the draft literature corresponding to this Motion.</i></p> <p>Requirements: Cost and labor for desktop publishing, digital publishing, printing, sales, storage, and all other administration for this new booklet will be incurred by the F.W.S. Office.</p>	<p>This Motion was an IFD at the 2023 ABM.</p>	<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 5-0-0.</p>

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24o10/22-01	<p><u>Motion:</u> To approve the complete draft of the Second Edition of the Basic Text, as found in 50BTS Attachment A, to be published for the 50th anniversary of S.L.A.A. in 2026.</p> <p>Conference members are asked to decide whether the draft carries the “message of hope and recovery truthfully enough to be the [Second Edition of the] basic text of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, capable of helping those still suffering from this illness.” (<i>Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous</i>, First Edition, p. viii.)</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> The First Edition of the Basic Text was approved at the first Fellowship-Wide Services Conference in 1984 — 40 years ago. (see 50BTS Attachment B, “A Brief History of the Basic Text and the 50th-Anniversary Basic Text Project”)</p> <p>Language, culture, and understanding of sex and love addiction have changed markedly since 1984. Today, the text can seem outdated and, at times, insensitive and exclusive.</p> <p>In 2017 the Conference requested that a 50th-anniversary edition of the book be produced. Since then, a series of IFDs has led us to the draft the Conference will vote on in this Motion (detailed in Attachment B).</p> <p>The 50BTS and CLC believe the draft Second Edition meets the Conference’s stated goals and carries the S.L.A.A. message for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It keeps the “voice” of the original text but is easier to read aloud and be understood. 2. It will be easier to translate into other languages. 3. It no longer contains sexually explicit language. 4. It is more sensitive to issues of gender and race. 	This Motion was an IFD at the 2023 ABM.	<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 4-0-0.</p>

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<p>24o10/22-01 Continued from previous page</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. It contains personal stories that deal with such topics as long-term sobriety, how to work the program successfully, and how to date and build healthy relationships in sobriety. 6. It contains stories that convey messages of hope to those suffering from manifestations of our disease, such as anorexia, addictive fantasy, and recovery in the digital world. 7. It contains stories that represent more diversity in terms of nationality, race, gender identity, and sexual expression. <p>The Conference is asked to remember these points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Feedback about specific edits (see 50BTS Attachment C) is not being sought at this time. Rather, the question is whether the revised text carries the S.L.A.A. message truthfully. 2. The authors of Chapters One, Two, and Three have read and approved all edits to those chapters. 3. The content of the first eight chapters of the book was not to be updated, so modern topics are only found within the new personal stories. 4. Authors of all personal stories agreed to have their work edited. They have assigned all of their rights to the nonprofit corporation of The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc. 5. All feedback was considered carefully. 6. By retaining as much original language as possible, some of the writing may still be too complex for some readers. 7. Group conscience guided every step of the process, ever mindful of principles over personalities. <p><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for draft literature and supporting documents corresponding to this Motion.</i></p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> Conference members are asked to read the entire draft of the Second Edition of the Basic Text in order to determine if it carries the message of S.L.A.A. and can continue through the process to publication.</p>		

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<p>24o10/22-01 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>The costs of printing the book will be covered by pre-sales. Initially, this edition will be issued in a hard-cover version with a celebratory 50th-anniversary cover. At a later date, it will be published in the familiar anonymous, soft-cover version and in digital format. It is expected to be the highest-grossing piece of literature in the FWS online store – as the Basic Text has always been.</p>		
<p>24o11/23-06</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Adopt and publish the revised pamphlet, "Anorexia: Sexual, Social, Emotional" as Conference-approved literature. Two corresponding Core documents, "Am I Anorexic?", and "What is Anorexia in S.L.A.A.?" are to be updated as well in order to incorporate the revisions.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> The goal of these revisions is to help all members of S.L.A.A. understand and learn about anorexia by improving the readability of the pamphlet and making the language more accessible. No new content was added. Edits in this draft include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • replacing anorectic with anorexic • replacing and/or rewording obsolete or difficult to read words to improve reading comprehension • removing content regarding the F.W.S. office that no longer applies • updating information about finding or starting an anorexia focus meeting <p>The Clean Up and Clarify subcommittee of the CAC has worked diligently on this revision since 2019. This document was an item for discussion at the 2023 ABM and was well received. The CLC Style Committee has reviewed this draft and made additional minor edits.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for draft literature and supporting documents corresponding to this Motion.</i></p>	<p>This Motion was an IFD at the 2023 ABM.</p>	<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 4-0-0.</p>

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<p>24o11/23-06 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><u>Requirements:</u> Cost and labor for desktop publishing, digital publishing, printing, sales, storage, and shipping, and all other administration for publishing this pamphlet will be incurred by the F.W.S. Office.</p> <p>Additionally, the anorexia-related Core Documents (approved at the 2023 ABM) are based on this pamphlet and will also need to be updated to reflect the changes.</p>		
<p>24o12/23-10</p>	<p>No Motion related to last year’s IFD was submitted by the deadline. This item has been dropped from the ABM Agenda.</p>		
<p>24o13/20-04</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Approval of the book for publication, “A Framework for Living: The Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous.”</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> The project to create S.L.A.A.'s own "12 & 12" was introduced at the 2007 ABM. Input from fellowship members was encouraged and received since then. The manuscript was completed in August 2021. Comments were received at the 2022 and 2023 ABM and addressed over the last several months. Those included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed and insured consistency with the S.L.A.A. style guide • Accomplished close editing and some rewriting of the Chapters on the Concepts. • Reviewed published spiritual principles from a variety of Twelve-Step Fellowships as they relate to the Steps, Traditions, and Concepts. The text of A Framework for Living accurately reflects the spiritual principles of our three legacies. • Addressed miscellaneous individual comments. <p><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for the draft literature corresponding to this Motion.</i></p>		<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 5-0-0.</p>

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<p>24o13/20-04 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><u>Requirements:</u> Costs include desktop publishing, e-book creation, printing, and inventory management. Revenue from sales will more than exceed all costs.</p>		
<p>24n14/24-01</p>	<p><u>Item For Discussion:</u> Update the S.L.A.A. Preamble pages 125-126 of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text and as a Core Document. Changes are underlined and in red font. Deletions are struck through.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>The S.L.A.A. Preamble</u></p> <p>Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve-Step, Twelve-Tradition-oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. The only qualification for S.L.A.A. membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. S.L.A.A. is supported entirely through <u>the</u> contributions of its membership, and is free to all who need it.</p> <p>To counter the destructive consequences of sex and love addiction we draw on five major resources:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Sobriety. Our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom-line addictive behavior on a daily basis. (2) Sponsorship <u>and</u> Meetings. Our capacity to reach out for the supportive fellowship within S.L.A.A. (3) Steps. Our practice of the Twelve-Step program of recovery to achieve sexual and emotional sobriety. (4) Service. Our giving back to the S.L.A.A. community what we continue to freely receive. (5) Spirituality. Our developing a relationship with a Power greater than ourselves, which can guide and sustain us in recovery. <p>As a fellowship S.L.A.A. has no opinion on outside issues and seeks no controversy. S.L.A.A. is not affiliated with any other organizations, movements, or causes, either religious or secular.</p> <p>We are, however, united in a common focus: dealing with our addictive</p>		<p>2024 ARS: This IFD was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 5-0-0.</p>

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<p>24n15/24-02</p>	<p>Item For Discussion: Proposed edits to <i>The Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Dealing with the Media/Public Relations Opportunities</i> are shown here in a side-by-side comparison.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="367 1019 1354 1416"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="367 1019 861 1058">Current Version</th> <th data-bbox="861 1019 1354 1058">Proposed Version</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="367 1058 861 1237">The following are the <i>Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Dealing with Media/Public Relations Opportunities</i> for use at all levels of the S.L.A.A. Fellowship:</td> <td data-bbox="861 1058 1354 1237">Following are the <i>Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Working with the Media</i>, for use at all levels of S.L.A.A.:</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="367 1237 861 1347">1. We try to avoid drawing undue attention to S.L.A.A. as a whole from the public media.</td> <td data-bbox="861 1237 1354 1347">1. We try to avoid drawing undue attention to S.L.A.A. as a whole from the public media.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="367 1347 861 1416">2. S.L.A.A. has no opinions on outside issues, hence the S.L.A.A.</td> <td data-bbox="861 1347 1354 1416">2. S.L.A.A. has no opinion on outside issues, hence the S.L.A.A.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Current Version	Proposed Version	The following are the <i>Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Dealing with Media/Public Relations Opportunities</i> for use at all levels of the S.L.A.A. Fellowship:	Following are the <i>Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Working with the Media</i> , for use at all levels of S.L.A.A.:	1. We try to avoid drawing undue attention to S.L.A.A. as a whole from the public media.	1. We try to avoid drawing undue attention to S.L.A.A. as a whole from the public media.	2. S.L.A.A. has no opinions on outside issues, hence the S.L.A.A.	2. S.L.A.A. has no opinion on outside issues, hence the S.L.A.A.		<p>2024 ARS: This IFD was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 5-0-0.</p>
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	<p>8. Any S.L.A.A. members involved in responding to media/public relations offers should utilize first name pseudonyms for this purpose. Visual anonymity is strongly recommended in all media situations involving TV, film, or video. We need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, TV, film and other public media.</p>	<p>8. We need to always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, television, film, podcast, and other public media. S.L.A.A. members responding to media offers should use first-name pseudonyms for this purpose. Visual anonymity is strongly recommended.</p>		
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<p>24n16/24-03</p>	<p><u>By-Laws Motion:</u> <u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u> ARTICLE II – Place of Business</p>		<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was accepted without change onto the ABM Agenda by a</p>		

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<p>24n16/24-03 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>The principal office of the Corporation shall be located at 1550 NE Loop 410, Suite 118, San Antonio, Texas 78209, or at such location as the Board of Trustees may from time to time select.</p> <p><u>New wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, in the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u></p> <p>ARTICLE II – Place of Business The principal office of the Corporation shall be located at 1550 <u>2411</u> NE Loop 410, Suite 118 <u>122</u>, San Antonio, Texas 78209 <u>78217</u>, or at such location as the Board of Trustees may from time to time select.</p> <p><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></p> <p>ARTICLE II – Place of Business The principal office of the Corporation shall be located at 2411 NE Loop 410, Suite 122, San Antonio, Texas 78217, or at such location as the Board of Trustees may from time to time select.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> The Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.) office has moved and the address needs to be updated in the By-Laws.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> Change the By-Laws.</p> <p>If this By-Laws Change Motion is approved, the Conference By-Laws Committee (CBC) or the Board Development Committee (BDC) will craft the Amended By-Laws, review them, and verify that they are accurate. Then the Committee will forward the Amended By-Laws to the Board of Trustees (BOT) for their review and verification. Once they are verified to be correct, the Board will authorize a Trustee or staff member to post the Amended By-Laws to the Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.) website. The Executive Director will place them in the Board Manual, the Delegate Binder, and any other physical location where the By-Laws are placed. Only a nominal amount of time will be needed to address this item.</p>		<p>vote of 5-0-0.</p>

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24n17/24-04	<p><u>Item For Discussion:</u> The IFD proposes adopting and publishing a single-page document entitled “The Characteristics of Fantasy Addiction” as Conference-approved literature.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> “The Characteristics of Fantasy Addiction” seeks to briefly outline fantasy addiction, which is characterized by an excessive preoccupation with imaginary worlds, fictional narratives, or unrealistic scenarios, which can interfere with daily functioning, relationships, and well-being.</p> <p><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for the draft corresponding to this IFD.</i></p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> Conference feedback on the draft document, “The Characteristics of Fantasy Addiction.”</p>		<p>2024 ARS: This IFD was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 5-0-0.</p>
24o18/22-02	<p><u>Motion:</u> Publish the "Making the Most of Meetings" Booklet to sell as a resource for S.L.A.A. members.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> The observations, guidelines, and suggestions in this booklet are drawn from our years of attending and chairing S.L.A.A. meetings. We hope they will give members an overview of what to expect at meetings, and help members get as much as they can from attending.</p> <p>As a result of feedback received at the 2023 ABM, a piece on safety in meetings was added. Additionally, this booklet went through a rigorous editing process again, and it has been deemed by the CLC Style Subcommittee to be ready for publishing.</p> <p><i>Please see the Agenda Attachment for draft literature corresponding to this Motion.</i></p>		<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 5-0-0.</p>

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<p>24o18/22-02 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><u>Requirements:</u> Cost and labor for desktop publishing, digital publishing, printing, sales, storage, and shipping, and all other administration for publishing this booklet will be incurred by the F.W.S. Office.</p>		
<p>24o19/23-04</p>	<p><u>By-Laws Motion:</u> <u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u> ARTICLE X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS ... c. By a majority of the members, not counting as a member any member who is an interested person.</p> <p><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u> ARTICLE X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS ... c. By a majority of the <u>Delegate</u> members, not counting as a <u>Delegate</u> member any member who is an interested person.</p> <p><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u> ARTICLE X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS ... c. By a majority of the Delegate members, not counting as a Delegate member any member who is an interested person.</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> To bring the By Laws regarding Indemnification into line with Texas law regarding Permissive Indemnification. Mandatory Indemnification requires a court order, but Permissive Indemnification does not. It requires a vote of approval by the entity. This change was reviewed and verified by a subject matter expert.</p>		<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 4-0-0.</p>

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<p>24o19/23-04 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><u>Requirements:</u> Change the By-Laws.</p> <p>If this By-Laws Change Motion is approved, the Conference By-Laws Committee (CBC) or the Board Development Committee (BDC) will craft the Amended By-Laws, review them, and verify that they are accurate. Then the Committee will forward the Amended By-Laws to the Board of Trustees (BOT) for their review and verification. Once they are verified to be correct, the Board will authorize a Trustee or staff member to post the Amended By-Laws to the Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.) website. The Executive Director will place them in the Board Manual, the Delegate Binder, and any other physical location where the By-Laws are placed. Only a nominal amount of time will be needed to address this item.</p>		
<p>24n20/24-05</p>	<p><u>By-Laws Motion:</u></p> <p><u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u> ARTICLE X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS</p> <p><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u> ARTICLE X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS</p> <p><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u> ARTICLE X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS</p> <p><u>Intent:</u> To bring Board of Trustees within the Texas Code meaning of "Director." specifically, the Texas Business Organizations Code-Chapter 22 regarding Nonprofit Corporations, Section 22.223.</p>		<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 4-0-0.</p>

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<p>24n20/24-05 Continued from previous page</p>	<p>Under Texas law the term "Director" is not synonymous with "Trustee." It is the intent of this change to indicate that FWS "Trustees" are "Directors" as defined by Texas law.</p> <p>This change was reviewed and verified by a subject matter expert.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> Change the By-Laws.</p> <p>If this By-Laws Change Motion is approved, the Conference By-Laws Committee (CBC) or the Board Development Committee (BDC) will craft the Amended By-Laws, review them, and verify that they are accurate. Then the Committee will forward the Amended By-Laws to the Board of Trustees (BOT) for their review and verification. Once they are verified to be correct, the Board will authorize a Trustee or staff member to post the Amended By-Laws to the Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.) website. The Executive Director will place them in the Board Manual, the Delegate Binder, and any other physical location where the By-Laws are placed. Only a nominal amount of time will be needed to address this item.</p>		
<p>24n21/24-06</p>	<p><u>By-Laws Motion:</u></p> <p><u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u> ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF TRUSTEES</p> <p><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u> ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF TRUSTEES/<u>DIRECTORS</u></p> <p><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u> ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF TRUSTEES/DIRECTORS</p>		<p>2024 ARS: This Motion was revised by the Submitter and accepted onto the ABM Agenda by a vote of 4-0-0.</p>

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<p>24n21/24-06 Continued from previous page</p>	<p><u>Intent:</u> To bring the legal definition of Board of Trustees into line with Texas law Business Organizations Code-Chapter 22 regarding Nonprofit corporations, section 22 223</p> <p>Under Texas law the term "Director" is not synonymous with "Trustee." it is the intent of this change to indicate that FWS "Trustees" are "Directors" as defined by Texas law.</p> <p>This change was reviewed and verified by a subject matter expert.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> Change the By-Laws.</p> <p>If this By-Laws Change Motion is approved, the Conference By-Laws Committee (CBC) or the Board Development Committee (BDC) will craft the Amended By-Laws, review them, and verify that they are accurate. Then the Committee will forward the Amended By-Laws to the Board of Trustees (BOT) for their review and verification. Once they are verified to be correct, the Board will authorize a Trustee or staff member to post the Amended By-Laws to the Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.) website. The Executive Director will place them in the Board Manual, the Delegate Binder, and any other physical location where the By-Laws are placed. Only a nominal amount of time will be needed to address this item.</p>		