The Augustine Fellowship, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, Fellowship-Wide Services



SUMMARY REPORT OF SUBSTANTIVE MOTIONS ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING JUNE 11-14, 1992 PENN TOWER HOTEL, PHILADELPHIA, PA

MOTION #61 from Prison Outreach Committee (P.O.C.)

MOTION suggesting and encouraging Intergroups to participate and give service as a regional outreach to the P.O.C.

MOTION PASSED.

Finance Committee

MOTION for Conference to accept consensus of Conference Finance Committee on Motions 91-27, 91-28, 92-9, 92-1.

TO REJECT:

MOTION 91-27: That F.W.S pay for the conference for all delegates.

MOTION 91-28: That F.W.S. provide \$150 travel expenses for delegates traveling over 1,000 miles to the Conference, and \$50 for delegates traveling less than 1,000 miles.

MOTION 92-9: That affirmation through prayer address our financial issues in F.W.S, and that we affirm the availability of financial resources needed to carry the message to sex and love addicts, as stated in the Twelfth Step.

TO PASS:

MOTION 92-1: That F.W.S include three versions of a treasurer's report with new meeting packets, and to existing meetings, to encourage their use by the groups.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #100 We affirm that maintaining F.W.S staff current service levels has priority over in-person Board of Trustee meetings.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #92-2 That groups consider a contribution plan to Intergroup and F.W.S that is based upon a regular monthly amount, rather than 60/40 of the surplus.

MOTION FAILED.

Bylaws Committee

MOTION to adopt the following MOTIONS: (2,5,9,10,13,16,20,21,23) Please Note: Deletions are bracketed and insertions underlined!

MOTION 2{05}. Change IV.1.b. as shown:

b. [Each country, state, or locality may have at least one Intergroup.] In [a country, state, or] any locality having only one group, that group may function as an Intergroup.

MOTION 5{14}. Change V.3 as shown:

Section 3 - Conference Relation to S.L.A.A.

The Conference will provide direction and constancy to Fellowship-Wide Services, and it will also be the primary channel through which [a fellowship-wide] the widest possible group conscience can be formulated. [Group] Delegates are free to:...

MOTION 9{22). Change V.5.b. as shown: b. [Countries, states or l]Localities without Intergroups which seek representation at the Conference shall have at least one delegate, the exact number determined using the same proportionate system as described above. dispute concerning the number of delegates the Board of Trustees shall make the determination, subject to appeal to the Conference.

MOTION 10{25}. Change V.5.e. as shown:

e. Each delegate may be elected for a term of one or two at the discretion of the electing group or Intergroup, and in addition to attending the Annual Business Conference, should serve the Fellowship-Wide Services Conference in its year-round business for such term. Terms may be abridged by the electing body for lack of participation or for cause.

MOTION 13{31}. Change V.7.a as shown:

The Conference will:

a. [Hear] Review written financial and policy reports of the Board of Trustees[;]to help ensure the maintenance of sufficient operating funds plus a prudent reserve, taking care that the Conference never becomes wealthy or powerful; MOTION 16{40}. Change VI.2 as shown: (the sentence staggering elections)

Section 2 - Number, Tenure and Qualifications

The number of Trustees shall be nine. No Trustee shall serve more than two consecutive three-year terms, nor more than three consecutive terms, including partial terms, at which time such Trustee must stand down for at least one Trustee terms shall be staggered so that one-third of the Trustees are scheduled to be elected each year. Those Trustees who are not qualified members of the corporations shall be persons from the community at large who have made substantial contributions to the purposes of the Fellowship principles stated in the Twelve Traditions.

All other Trustees must have one year of continuous sobriety as of the date of their election and must maintain that sobriety during their tenure.

MOTION 20{45}. Change VI.9 as shown:

Section 9 - Action at Meeting

When a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote or concurrence of a majority of the number of Trustees <u>in office</u> [as fixed by the members] shall be required to decide any matter or take any action except to the extent that a greater proportion is required, by law, by the Articles of Organization or these By-Laws.

MOTION 21{47}. Change VI.11 to allow delegation of

authority.

Section 11 - Committees

The Trustees may elect such committees as they determine to be necessary and may delegate thereto some or all of their powers except those which, by law, the Articles of Organization or these By-Laws they are prohibited from delegating. Except as the Trustees may otherwise determine, any such committee may make the rules for the conduct of its business, but unless otherwise provided by the Trustees or in such rules, its business shall be conducted as nearly as may be in the same manner as is provided by these By-Laws for the Trustees. Each committee shall report to the Trustees and , except as authorized by the Trustees and recorded in the minutes thereof, shall have no powers to bind the corporation.

MOTION 23{55}. Change XI as shown:

ARTICLE XI - POWERS OF TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS TO CONTRACT WITH THE CORPORATION

No contract or transaction between the corporation and one or more of its Trustees or Officers, or between the corporation and any other corporation, firm, association or other entity in which one or more of its Trustees or Officers are Trustees or Officers or are financially interested, shall be either void or voidable for this reason alone provided that such common directorship, officership or financial interests, if material, is disclosed or known to each of the Trustees voting or concurring on the matter of the approval of such contract or transaction. Any resolution authorizing such a contract shall specifically state the nature of the potential conflict of interest of the Trustee(s) or Officer(s) involved.

MOTION to adopt all of the MOTIONS outlined above with the changes as shown above PASSED.

MOTION #91-58 NAME CHANGE - Change name of S.L.A.A. to Sex, Relationships and Romance Addicts Anonymous

MOTION FAILED.

MOTION #91-59 Drop "Augustine Fellowship" from our name.

MOTION FAILED.

Intergroup Committee

MOTION #91-57 Intergroup Committee

Intergroup Committee.....to form a working group to study document --- Service Manual --- being put together by the Office Operating Committee. (not exact wording)

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #92-50 Intergroup Committee

Encouraging the election of alternate delegates... to take over when delegates end term. (not exact wording)

MOTION FAILED.

Public Information Committee

MOTION #92-104

The Conference Public Information Committee (P.I.C.) recommends the creation of a brief written reminder to encourage adherence to the <u>Twelve Recommended Guidelines</u> to be developed by the P.I.C, to accompany the <u>Twelve Recommended Guidelines</u> for annual distribution at the first of the year to Intergroups and lone groups via established communication mechanisms (e.g., F.W.S Newsletter).

MOTION PASSED.

Literature Committee

MOTION #92-9

To accept the Anorexia Pamphlet.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #92-34

To erase "God" from all literature.

MOTION FAILED.

Diversity Committee

MOTION #4

To create an atmosphere of equality, harmony and unity at next year's A.B.M... with the chairs in the room in a circle and the tables in front of us....(not exact wording)...

MOTION PASSED.

B.O.T. Legal Committee

MOTION to require more than a 50% vote for elections at the 1992 A.B.M.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTIONS REGARDING THE 1992 B.O.T. ELECTIONS:

MOTION to allow floor nominations PASSED.

MOTION to allow write-in votes PASSED.

MOTION to allow absentee ballots PASSED.

MOTION that delegates be allowed to vote on any number of candidates up to 3 PASSED.

MOTION that vote count be shown to whoever of Conference membership would like to see it without an announcement to the full Assembly PASSED.

ELECTIONS:

LIST OF NOMINEES:

Don B., CA

Bob F., MA

Daniel L., CA

Jon L., MO

Sheila P., MA

John M., PA

Claire S., MA (non-SLAA member)

Al S., MA

ELECTION RESULTS:

Bob F., John M., and Jon L. were elected to the Board of Trustees to serve a three-year term through 1995.

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