

Summary of the Business Meeting Items Decisions for 2011 ABM

# of the Motion/IFD	Motion or IFD	Result of the Vote	Pass/Fail
11o01/ 09-07	Motion: To approve the selling and distribution of S.L.A.A. Conference Approved literature via the internet in electronic format.	1 st vote: 22-17-2 2 nd vote: 14-24-3 3 rd vote: 15-23-3	Motion fails
11o02/ 10-12	Motion: To add the following sixth resource to the current list of five major resources in the Preamble: 'Self-Care - Our daily commitment to nurture well-being through top line behaviors that develop balance, meaning, and fulfillment in our lives.'	1st vote: 15-21-4 No minority opinion spoke, vote stands. Challenge to group conscience with up down vote: 35-4	Motion fails Conference voted this is group conscience.
11o03/ 10-13	Motion: Approve the amended 'Measuring Progress' text as Conference-approved literature. [See Attachment 1]	1 st vote: 34-5-2 2 nd vote: 28-8-5	Motion passes
11n01 <i>*Note: this item was submitted as a motion for the BMIS, but changed at the ABM by the submitter to an IFD</i>	Item for Discussion: Any FWS entity that collects information, personal or financial, about individuals for any reason including processing literature orders shall purge that information once it has fulfilled the purpose it was collected for.	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.
11n02	Item for Discussion: To hear from ABM members on what they think about adopting the passage below listed at the end of the 9 th step in the S.L.A.A. Basic Text as the S.L.A.A. Promises. <i>Now we were truly feeling some sense of deep release from the past! We were free of much guilt for our misdeeds, from the shame of having fallen short of our inner values. In many instances, the values we had thought were ours had turned out to be someone else's, and we had shed or changed these to allow the seeds of our own personal wholeness to take root and grow. We were indeed living new, positive, unfolding lives. Whether in partnership with others or in solitude, we had truly been granted a spiritual release from our sex and love addiction. While vigilance was still important, the choices we had to make now seemed easier. We felt increasing confidence in our developing partnership with God, and were full participants in the Fellowship of SLAA. We enjoyed solitude and were unafraid of honesty and openness with others. We could comprehend what it means to have dignity of self.</i>	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.
11n03	Item for Discussion: Discuss the text of the 'Anorexia 1-2-3: Working the Program and Not the Problem,' a Step study booklet. [See Attachment 2]	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.
11n04	Motion: Article V, Section 4 The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation. A two-thirds vote of all authorized voters who have checked in at the Annual Business Conference shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. A quorum shall consist of all the Conference members registered and seated. The number of Conference members seated shall be the number of voting members signed in at any time during the course of the ABM. This number of seated members can increase but not	1 st vote: 39-1-1 2 nd Vote: 40-1-0	Motion passes

decrease during the course of the ABM. If an alternate replaces a seated Conference member, the number of voting members does not change. However, no vote by the Conference may impair the right of the Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc., Board of Trustees to conduct business, meet legal obligations, and exercise its fiduciary obligations to the Corporation. The Board of Trustees should first consult the Conference before taking any action likely to greatly affect S.L.A.A. as a whole. The Board ordinarily reserves the right to decide which of its actions or decisions may require the approval of the Conference.

ENTER the new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed. (This is the same text as above, with a horizontal “strikethrough” of the words proposed to be removed, and with the proposed new replacement words underlined.)

Article V, Section 4

a. The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation.

b. The Conference shall consist of all authorized voters who have checked in at an Annual Business Meeting. The number of Conference members shall be the number of authorized voters checked in at any time during the course of the Annual Business Meeting. The number of Conference members can increase but not decrease during the course of an Annual Business Meeting. If an alternate replaces a Conference member, the number of Conference members does not change. A quorum shall consist of 4/5 of all Conference members.

c. A two-thirds vote of all Conference members authorized voters who have checked in at an the Annual Business Meeting Conference shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. A quorum shall consist of all the Conference members registered and seated. The number of Conference members seated shall be the number of voting members signed in at any time during the course of the ABM. This number of seated members can increase but not decrease during the course of the ABM. If an alternate replaces a seated Conference member, the number of voting members does not change. However, no vote by the Conference may impair the right of the Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc., Board of Trustees to conduct business, meet legal obligations, and exercise its fiduciary obligations to the Corporation.

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ENTER how the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted. (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)

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11n05	<p>Item for Discussion: The SLAA Board will explore either merging FWS operations with other groups that are based on the 12 Steps as originally promulgated by AA, or; outsourcing FWS operations to a for-profit or non-profit organization. For example, this could include renting office space with another organization(s), and/or having a shared director of operations.</p>	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.
11n06		withdrawn	
11n07	<p>Item for Discussion: Moving the FWS headquarters from San Antonio to Houston.</p>	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.
11n08	<p>Motion: Approve the formation of the Conference Concepts Adaptation Committee (CCAC).</p>	1 st vote: 29-6-4 2 nd vote: 26-7-7	Motion passes, not binding on the BOT
11n09	<p>Item for Discussion: To hear from the conference as to what language we would like to adopt regarding the 12 Concepts. The attached document includes the A.A. Concepts, the Al-Anon Concepts, and the S.L.A.A. draft Concepts. What are the values, criteria, and consideration to keep in mind as we revise the draft of the S.L.A.A. 12 Concepts?</p>	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.
11n10	<p>Item for Discussion: To hear from Conference members about their past year's experience, strength and hope in using the current draft of the S.L.A.A. 12 Concepts. How can we encourage and promote the use of the draft concepts by our service bodies?</p>	IFD	See minutes for summary of discussion.