

# S.L.A.A. INDEX OF MOTIONS — 1980 - present

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## Abbreviations

<b>P</b>	<b>= Passed</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>= Withdrawn</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>= Failed</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>= Amended</b>
<b>Floor</b>	<b>= Item came from the floor</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>= Tabled</b>
		<b>R</b>	<b>= Removed</b>

ABC	= Annual Business Conference	CIFC	= Conference InterFellowship Committee
ABM	= Annual Business Meeting	CJC	= Conference Journal Committee
BOT	= Board of Trustees	CLC	= Conference Literature Committee
F.W.S.	= Fellowship-Wide Services	MRBOTC	= Member Relations to BOT/F.W.S. Committee
CAC	= Conference Anorexia Committee	CMRC	= Conference Members Retention Committee
CCAC	= Conference Concepts Adaptation Committee	CPIC	= Conference Public Information Committee
CBC	= Conference By-Laws Committee	CPOC	= Conference Prison Outreach Committee
CCC	= Conference Charter Committee	CSTC	= Conference Steps and Traditions Committee
CDC	= Conference Diversity Committee	CSC	= Conference Service Committee
CFC	= Conference Finance Committee	CSPC	= Conference Sponsorship Committee
CHRC	= Conference Healthy Relationships Committee	CTC	= Conference Translation Committee
CIC	= Conference Internet Committee		
CICC	= Conference Intergroup Communications Committee		

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## ANOREXIA

1991	1991		P	The Literature Committee is welcome to submit a revised draft of "Anorexia" for conference approval by 2/3 mail vote of the delegates.
1992	1992		P	To accept the "Anorexia" pamphlet.
1997	1999	97-11 #4	P	4) Provide the following statement to other "S" fellowships to be used in referral and information work: "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve Step, Twelve Tradition-oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. One of the resources we draw on is our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom line addictive behavior on a daily basis. In addition, members reach out to others in the fellowship, practice the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and seek a relationship with a Higher Power to counter the destructive consequences of one or more addictive behaviors social and emotional anorexia. We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant.
1997	2000	97-14	F	To include in the Basic Text no less than (25%) 1 in 4 stories about love addiction and anorexia when next revised.
1998	2000	98-3	W	Upon next printing, add the SLAA Twelve Traditions to the following pamphlets: <i>Questions Beginners Ask</i> , <i>40 Questions for Self-Diagnosis</i> , <i>Sponsorship</i> , <i>Addiction and Recovery</i> , <i>Anorexia</i> .
1998	2000	98-4	W	Upon the next printing, revise the Anorexia pamphlet per the following: Add the SLAA Twelve Steps; Remove the seven vertical bars and the FWS address and phone number on the last page; and space permitting, add the SLAA Preamble.
1998	2005	98-18	W	That the ABM approve as Conference-Approved Literature the [attached] rewrite of Chapter 4 from our <i>Basic Text</i> and the <u>Anorexia</u> pamphlet, for publication as a separate booklet.
1999	2000	99-05	F	That Patrick Carne's book, <i>Sexual Anorexia</i> , be on the approved literature list.
2002	2002	Floor	P	The Conference approves (confirms) the concept of a Conference Anorexia Committee to be formed at such time as two or more persons form this committee.
2003	2003	Floor	F	Remove the rewrite of Chapter 4 of our Basic Text and the Anorexia pamphlet from the BMIS until it is completed by the CLC.
2005	2005	05-02	P	To add the word "contact" and remove the words "...will give you the phone number of an anorectic in the Fellowship you can call." in the <i>Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional</i> pamphlet so that page 11, 3 <sup>rd</sup> full paragraph reads as follows: "If you are hesitant to go to a meeting, or if you simply want to speak to a fellow anorectic, contact Fellowship-Wide Services to get meeting information."
2005	2005	05-03	P	To remove the word "below" in the Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional pamphlet so that page 11, 4th full paragraph reads as follows: "If there isn't an anorectic meeting near you, you may want to start one. When you contact the Fellowship-Wide Services office, we will send you a start-up kit, an anorexia meeting format, and a person to contact who can tell you what their experience

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				has been in starting a meeting.”
2005	2005	05-04	P	To add the words “ <b>you can purchase a starter kit which includes</b> ” and “ <b>list of people and/or groups</b> ” and removing the words “we will send you a start up kit,” and “...person to contact” in the <i>Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional</i> pamphlet so that page 11, 4th full paragraph reads as follows: “If there isn’t an anorectic meeting near you, you may want to start one. When you contact the Fellowship-Wide Services office, you can purchase a starter kit which includes an anorexia meeting format and a list of people and/or groups who can tell you what their experience has been in starting a meeting.”
2012	2012	12-01	P	Approve the ‘Anorexia 1-2-3: Working the Program and not the Problem’ text as Conference-approved literature.
2022	2022	22n26/ 22-08	T	To adopt the following as Core Documents of S.L.A.A.: "What is Anorexia in S.L.A.A." excerpted from the Anorexia Sexual, Social, Emotional pamphlet, and the 50 Questions from the "Are You Anorectic" section of the Anorexia pamphlet.
2023	2023	23o05/ 22-08	P Group Conscience challenged.	To adopt the following as Core Documents of S.L.A.A.: "What is Anorexia in S.L.A.A." excerpted from the Anorexia Sexual, Social, Emotional pamphlet, and the 50 Questions from the "Are You Anorectic" section of the <b>Anorexia pamphlet.</b>

## **BASIC TEXT**

1980	1980		P	A book describing the S.L.A.A. history, Fellowship, and program of recovery and containing the personal stories of present members will be published by the fellowship: the book has been tentatively titled <i>Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous</i> . All rights and copyrights for this book will be owned by the Fellowship.
1984	1984		P	The manuscript of a proposed basic text for S.L.A.A. was approved and endorsed to finalize publication based on four fronts: 1) Copy editing of the manuscript would be undertaken to achieve greater evenness of style and readability and the content of the eight chapters would be frozen with no further textual changes 2) S.L.A.A. members would be encouraged to write their own personal stories of sex and love addiction and recovery for inclusion in the story section of the book 3) A "royalties committee" would be appointed to determine amounts and forms of payment due to writers and editors of the book. This committee would be appointed by the Board of Trustees and would function independently of the Board 4) Fundraising efforts, in accordance with longstanding Fellowship-conscience agreements dating from October 1981, would be undertaken. Grant proposals would be written and filed to raise money to enable S.L.A.A. to publish its own book.
1990	1990		P	F.W. S. to undertake translations of the Basic Text into languages other than English, providing funds for professional translation, as needed, outside the Fellowship, subject to the financial approval of specific projects by the board of Trustees.
1995	1997		W	To edit the Basic Text so that it is clearer, easier to understand, and more inclusive in scope.

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1997	2000	97-1	P	To change the cover of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text so that it is non-descript and supports anonymity.
1997	2000	97-14	F	To include in the Basic Text no less than (25%) 1 in 4 stories about love addiction and anorexia when next revised.
1997	2000	97-18	F	Edit the page layout to remove the page/chapter headers for any future editions of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text.
1998	2000	98-7	F	Reject "I would like our Fellowship to have written out in either pamphlet form or in an updated version of our big book ( <i>S.L.A.A. Basic Text</i> —added by Business Meeting Items editor) a full description of the Traditions and how to apply them to our program."
1998	2005	98-18	W	That the ABM approve as Conference-Approved Literature the [attached] rewrite of Chapter 4 from our <i>Basic Text</i> and the <u>Anorexia</u> pamphlet, for publication as a separate booklet.
2001	2003	01-08	W	Change the sentence in second paragraph of Page 259 of the SLAA <i>Basic Text</i> from "...I swore revenge and tried to humiliate him by accepting as a sex partner every black man who called me..." to "...I swore revenge and tried to humiliate him by accepting as a sex partner every man..." (Remove word "black").
2002	2004	02-02	W	Have two versions of the <i>Basic Text</i> . One anonymous – one not. BOT will create a version of the <i>Basic Text</i> (SLAA) that does not draw attention to itself: remove colors and page /chapter headers from this version only. Perhaps let this replace the 2001 brightly colored, embossed title version.
2002	2005	02-04	A	Add to future publications of the SLAA <i>Basic Text</i> and all pamphlets a SLAA recovery term index (see 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary bookmark). Until this can happen, include index as insert with book orders. On pamphlets only include reference items that pertain to that pamphlet.
2002	2005	02-04 A	F	Upon the next printing of each version of the Basic Text, the topic index taken from the topic bookmark created for 2001 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary International Recovery Convention (attached photocopy of 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary bookmark) will be incorporated as a topic index page in the Basic Text. Until the next printing of the text which includes the topic index, each purchaser order of the Basic Text would include a bookmark for each book at no charge.
2003	2003	Floor	F	Remove the rewrite of Chapter 4 of our Basic Text and the Anorexia pamphlet from the BMIS until it is completed by the CLC.
2009	2010	09-07	P	Consistent with the unanimous positive response to the 2009 item for discussion titled Widening Publication Channels for Conference-approved Materials, it hereby is moved that the Conference permit the distribution of our basic text, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, through online stores and physical chains in the interest of improving outreach effectiveness and increasing F.W.S. revenue, provided <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no exclusive sales agreements are entered into and</li> <li>• the S.L.A.A. name or logo is not used by the distributor outside of its mention in the product description. Examples of such distribution channels are Borders, Amazon, and Barnes &amp; Noble, and there are many others.</li> </ul>
2009	2010	09-14	R	Change the second-to-last sentence of the S.L.A.A. Preamble from: "We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant."

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				<p>To: "We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns, honoring any personal differences of sexual orientation or gender identity." (Conference Diversity Committee)</p> <p>Motion, as amended: Change the second-to-last sentence of the S.L.A.A. Preamble from:</p> <p>"We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant." To:</p> <p>"We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns, accepting any personal differences of sexual orientation or gender identity."</p>
2012	2012	12-05	A	<p>The CDC asks the Conference to approve a revision of the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence in the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph in <i>The S.L.A.A. Preamble</i>. Current Sentence: "We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant." <u>Proposed revision (with friendly amendment)</u>: "We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns, which transcends any personal differences of sexual orientation and gender identity."</p>

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT)**

1984	1984		P	In accordance with the By-laws, the Board of Trustees expanded from four to seven members.
1985	1985		P	The Board will appoint a replacement Board member to fill one of the vacant seats. Each year thereafter three Board seats will be elected for terms of three years, to be continued on a yearly basis for this coming year forward. This will eventually result in a Board consisting of nine members, of which one-third will be elected in any given year, thereby creating a rotating structure with more orderly transition. A mandatory "step-down" period would occur for any Board member who has served two 3-year terms consecutively.
1990	1990		P	The Board of Trustees to be individually identified on every F.W.S. newsletter, listing the respective areas of responsibility, and that the names of all Board Committees also be listed.
1991	1996		W	In support of this Committee's purpose as stated: Purpose of the Member's Relationship with the Board of Trustees Committee: "To demystify the function of the Board of Trustees; to learn who the Board members are and on what committees they work; to inform the delegates and the Fellowship at large how to communicate with the BOT and how the BOT communicates with the Fellowship; and to promote unity." We recommend the creation of a Board Handbook, committee job descriptions; that Board members' names be published in the F.W.S. Newsletter; that summaries of the Board committees' be available through the F.W.S. office; and that all this is done by the appropriate committees.
1991	1991		P	No trustee shall serve more that two consecutive 3-year terms, nor more than three consecutive terms, including partial terms, at which time such Trustee must stand down for at least one year.
1991	1991		P	The Board of Trustees publish summaries of the BOT minutes in the Delegate Newsletter.
1991	1991		F	The Board of Trustees publish a full report of all actions, with a brief summary of anonymous arguments, pro and con, in the Delegate Newsletter as soon as it is practical.

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1996	1996		W	That, whenever practical, the Board of Trustees announce in advance in the Delegate Newsletter that it will be considering amendments to the By-laws, allowing the opportunity for comment.
1996	1996	96-8	P	That the BOT update the By-laws of S.L.A.A. based on changes voted on and passed at past ABMs to-date.
1996	1998	96-7	P	The 1996 Conference of the ABM requests that the Board of Trustees of S.L.A.A. support the 5/9/92 "F.W.S. Policy on International F.W.S. Convention Planning" in its entirety.
1997	1997	97-9	P	To include in the 1997 World Directory complete information on groups who have responded to FWS' request for update in the October, 1996 bulk mailing.
1997	1997	97-6	W	Request the BOT publish a request to remove from circulation all copies of the "Daytona Promises," also titled "S.L.A.A. Promises" in some areas, for reasons of legality (plagiarism).
1997	1998	97-12	P	The F.W.S. Newsletter shall become a real link between S.L.A.A. groups, service BOT boards, committees and service centers on all levels fellowship wide. Therefore additionally, to the current contents it shall contain information and news about events and activities on all levels, for instance; the announced but not yet born Intergroup Newsletter; a summary of the important items of the Annual Business Conference (ABC); a summary of the financial report for the ABC; reports of the services about the activities throughout the year; information about the conference activities throughout the year (CCC), e.g. the votes on the welcome pamphlet and the length of the ABC.
1997	2000	97-13	P	The ABC event be a four-day schedule.
1997	2000	97-15	A	To add to the S.L.A.A. Preamble and S.L.A.A. publications the following statement or amended version maintaining the intention of the statement: "Participating in doing service, recognizing that we can only keep for ourselves that which we give away to others."
1997	2000	97-15 A	F	To amend "To add to the S.L.A.A. Preamble and S.L.A.A. publications the following statement or amended version maintaining the intention of the statement: "Participating in doing service within the S.L.A.A. community, recognizing that we can only keep for ourselves that which we give away to others" to say, "Participating in doing service within the S.L.A.A. community, recognizing that we can best keep for ourselves that which we give away to others."
1997	1998	97-20	P	Prison Outreach Committee special funding be discontinued and the Committee submit budget requests the same as all other committees.
1997	1998	97-21	W	Add the organization's e-mail address to all of the pamphlets. Implementation: start with a rubber stamp, phase in to include when printed.
1997	2000	97-23	F	Remove "voting member" status from Journal Editor role. See By-law Article V, Section 2.
1999	2003	99-06	P	To add the following key words (noted in <b>bold italics</b> ) to the list of major resources in the Preamble and order the list of resources as follows: 1) <b><i>Sobriety</i></b> . Our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom-line addictive behavior on a daily basis. 2) <b><i>Sponsorship/Meetings</i></b> . Our capacity to reach out for the supportive fellowship within S.L.A.A. 3) <b><i>Steps</i></b> . Our practice of the Twelve Step program of recovery to achieve sexual

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				<p>and emotional sobriety.</p> <p>4) <b>Service.</b> Our giving back to the SLAA community what we continue to freely receive.</p> <p>5) <b>Spirituality.</b> Our developing a relationship with a Power greater than ourselves which can guide and sustain us in recovery.</p>
2000	2003	00-03	W	List on the official SLAA Website and in the FWS World Directory the "official" telephone numbers and URL's of other "S" fellowships. Add a disclaimer on the SLAA website and in the FWS World Directory (with it's next printing) noting "SLAA neither endorses nor recommends the following organizations, their sites and central office phone numbers are identified only to provide individuals with the opportunity to learn about other 12-Step, 12 Tradition recovery groups dealing with addiction to sex, love and relationships."
2002	2004	02-14	F	Create 2 more BOT positions (for a total of 11) to serve the fellowship.
2004	2004	04-02	W	<p>That the Bylaws be changed for Article X – Indemnification of Directors and Officers to read as follows in the last paragraph:</p> <p><i>"The Board of Trustees may from time to time authorize the payment by the corporation of expenses incurred by any such person in defending any such action, suit or other proceeding in advance of the final disposition of such action suit or other proceeding, upon receipt of an undertaking from such person to repay such payment if she or he shall be adjudicated to be not entitled to indemnification under this Article X, or if the matter involved shall be disposed of by a compromise payment with respect to which she or he shall not be entitled to indemnification under this <del>Title</del> Article X."</i></p>
2004	2004	04-03	A	For the accountability of all conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and its progress reviewed at each Annual Business Meeting. The full conference then confirms the continuation and financing of the project/charter.
2004	2004	04-03 A	P	For the accountability of all Conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. Conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and an evaluation of each project done annually. Based on these reports and the status of each project, Conference members will be invited to provide feedback to the Conference Finance Committee (CFC) regarding continued funding of each committee and to the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) for activity accountability. If members have concerns about either CFC or CCC accountability they may direct comments to the Board of Trustees (BOT).
2004	2004	04-05	F	The Board of Trustees shall implement any motion that passes by a simple majority vote of the Conference and is then deemed to be group conscience by a simple majority vote of the Conference. The Board may decline to implement a motion passed by the Conference and deemed to be group conscience of the Conference if and only if implementing the motion would expose the Fellowship to a grave legal, financial, or Traditions-based risk. The Board may decline to implement a motion passed by the Conference and deemed to e group conscience of the Conference for Traditions-based reasons if and only if implementing the motion would involved an action or actions that violate a specific Tradition or Traditions.
2004	2004	04-06	F	If the Board of Trustees decides not to implement a motion passed by a simple majority vote of the Conference and deemed to be group conscience by a simple

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				majority vote of the Conference, then the Board of Trustees must communicate the grave legal, financial, or Traditions-based reasons for overriding the group conscience of the Conference to the Conference within thirty days of the decision, but in no case later than 195 days prior to the next scheduled ABC/M. When giving Traditions-based reasons for overriding the group conscience of the Conference, the Board of Trustees must identify the specific Tradition that would be violated by implementing the group conscience of the Conference and how that Tradition would be violated.
2004	2004	04-09	P	Change Article VII to more accurately reflect current BOT Practices as follows: <i>"ARTICLE VII – CORPORATION OFFICERS Section 1 – Designation</i> <i>The Corporation officers shall be a President, a Treasurer, a Clerk and such officers as the Trustees may determine."</i>
2005	2005	05-06	F	To change the S.L.A.A. bylaws, Article VI – Board of Trustees, Sections 2 and 4, as follows (relevant paragraphs reproduced only): The number of Trustees shall be <b>seven</b> . No Trustee shall serve more than two consecutive <b>elected</b> terms, nor more than three consecutive terms, including <b>a combination of elected and appointed/confirmed</b> terms, at which time such Trustee must stand down for at least one year. Trustee terms shall be staggered so that <b>three</b> Trustees are scheduled to be elected each year, <b>two each for a three-year term and one for a one-year term</b> . Those Trustees who are not qualified members of the corporation 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 three years of continuous sobriety as of the date of their election and must maintain their sobriety during their tenure. Section 4 – Election Voters shall be asked to vote for a maximum of three candidates: <b>two for a three-year term and one for a one-year term</b> . The top <b>two</b> candidates <b>for the three-year terms</b> receiving a vote from at least 50% of the eligible voters shall fill the full three-year vacant Board seats. <b>Additionally, the top candidate for the one-year term receiving a vote from at least 50% of the eligible voters shall fill the full one-year vacant Board seat</b> . In the event that there are any members of the Board that have been appointed as interim Trustees under Article IX, these names shall then be voted upon as to whether they should be retained in office for the remainder of the unused term.
2005	2006	05-10	A	To create a scholarship fund to pay for the food, lodging, and other registration costs for one delegate to the ABC/M from each of the following countries/regions: Argentina/Uruguay, Australia/New Zealand/Singapore, Brazil, Denmark/Sweden, German/Netherlands, Ireland/England, Italy/Spain, and South Africa to the ABC/M 2007.
2005	2006	05-10 A	P	The BOT shall, as promptly as practicable, establish an international Delegates Funds (IDF) to supplement the total registration, travel and lodging expenses of international delegates attending Annual Business Meetings (ABM). The IDF shall supplement, not replace, the Travel Equalization Fund (TEF). The IDF may receive financial contributions from S.L.A.A. individual members, Intergroups, lone groups and F.W.S. general fund. After consultation with the F.W.S. ED and interested Conference members, the BOT shall make all final decisions on the policies, guidelines and implementation of the IDF.
2010	2010	10-10	P	To amend the Romantic Obsession text passed by the Conference in 2009 as submitted.

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2010	2010	10-15	P	To approve the idea of developing an S.L.A.A. Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions Book.
2011	2011	11-04	P	<p>That the By-laws Article V, Section 4, be changed to:</p> <p>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 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.</p> <hr/> <p><b><u>ENTER the new wording, using "strikethrough and underline" format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed.</u></b> (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.)</p> <p>Article V, Section 4</p> <p><u>a.</u> The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation.</p> <p><u>b.</u> 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.</p> <p><u>c.</u> A two-thirds vote of all <u>Conference members</u> <del>authorized voters who have checked in at an the Annual Business Meeting</del> Conference shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. <del>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.</del> 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.</p> <p><u>d.</u> 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.</p>

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				<p><b><u>ENTER how the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted.</u></b> (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)</p> <p>Article V, Section 4</p> <p>a. The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>c. A two-thirds vote of all Conference members at an Annual Business Meeting shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. 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.</p> <p>d. 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.</p>
2013	2014	13-07	P	<p>To change the By-Laws in <b>Article VI</b> - Board of Trustees:</p> <p><b>Section 13</b> - be amended so that instead of a Board Finance and Operating Committee there be a Finance Committee consisting of at least two members of the Board of Trustees and other persons as designated by the Board. The Board Finance Committee shall have responsibility for preparing the financial statements and recommending appropriate accounting practices by the Board of Trustees.</p> <p><b>Section 14</b>, requiring a Board Governance and Nominating Committee and <b>Section 15</b>, requiring a Board Public Relations Committee be stricken from the By-Laws. <b>Sections 16</b> – Reimbursement of Trustees, and <b>Section 17</b>—Finances, are renumbered to Section 14 and Section 15, respectively.</p>

## **BY-LAWS**

1988	1988		P	The By-Laws were changed to reflect Massachusetts state laws.
1989	1989		P	The Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Recommended Guidelines incorporated into the existing By-laws.

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1991	1991		P	Correct a minor contextual error in Step Twelve as it appears in the By-laws from "...as a result of these Steps..." to "...as the result of these Steps..."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law III.3 to "Delegate members are persons who are elected by the Intergroup and General Members to attend the Fellowship-Wide Services S.L.A.A. Conferences and vote as representatives of the Intergroup and General Members at such conferences. Each member shall hold membership as long as she or he remains qualified for membership, as described in Article V. Section 5 of these By-laws."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law IV.4 to "Two or more groups may form an Intergroup for the purpose of providing service and representation to the groups of which they are composed, and acting as the guardian of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. Each Intergroup should be composed of all groups within its locality when feasible."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law IV.5.b to "In a country, state, or locality having only one group, that group may function as an Intergroup."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law IV.2 to "Each Intergroup may be duly registered with Fellowship-Wide Services of S.L.A.A. by submitting information on those groups it represents."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law IV.4.a to "a. Intergroups may conduct their business by any method they choose, and with any frequency they choose."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law IV.4 b. to "b. The one exception to this is that, with prior notice to all member groups, Intergroups wishing to elect delegates shall convene as least once a year for selection of delegate(s) and alternate(s) to the Fellowship-Wide Services Conference."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V. 1 to "The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference of S.L.A.A. is the guardian of the World Services and of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Guidelines of S.L.A.A. The Conference shall serve the Fellowship only; it is not meant to be a government for S.L.A.A., in keeping with the Second and Ninth Traditions."

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1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.2 to "The Conference shall be composed of delegate members and members of the Board of Trustees, senior staff as interpreted by the Board of Trustees, members of the F.W.S. administrative staff, and the Journal editor."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.3 to "The Conference will provide direction and constancy to Fellowship-Wide Services, and it will also be the primary channel through which the widest possible group conscience can be formulated. Group delegates are free to..."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.3.b to "b. Decide what questions should be taken to the Intergroups or group level for information, discussion or direct instruction."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.3.c to "c. Participate in agenda making decisions."
1991	1991		P	Strike the last sentence of By-law V.4.
1991	1991		P	Substitute "likely" for "liable" in By-law V.4.
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.5.a to "a. Each Intergroup shall be entitled to one delegate for up to the first five groups it represents, and one for each additional five groups or fraction thereof."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.5.b to strike "Countries, states or"
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.5.b to "b. 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. In any dispute concerning the number of delegates, the Board of Trustees shall make the determination, subject to appeal to the Conference."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.5.c to "Wherever possible, delegates and alternates shall be selected at least 120 days before the annual Conference and their names forwarded immediately to Fellowship-Wide Services."

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1991	1991		P	Change by-law.5.e to, "e. Each delegate may be elected for a term of one or two years 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."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V. 5.i to "Delegates may be instructed as to the desires of the Intergroup they represent."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.5.k to "Communication concerning the Conference to the Intergroups shall be both direct and through the delegates."
1991	1991		P	By-law V.6 is recommended for long-term study that a procedure, with safe-guard, be established to present issues for Conference vote by mail or otherwise between Annual Business Conferences "
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.7.a to "Review financial and policy reports of the Board of Trustees, to ensure the maintenance of sufficient operating funds plus a prudent reserve, taking care that the Conference never becomes wealthy or powerful:..."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V. 7.i to "Draft a full report of such proceedings to be supplied to all delegates and a condensed report sent to all S.L.A.A. groups and Intergroups."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law VI.8 to "When a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote or concurrence of a majority of the number of Trustees in office shall be required to decide any matter or take any action except to the extent that a greater proportion is required, by the Articles of Organization or these By-laws."

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1991	1991		P	Change By-law VI. 11 to "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 rules for 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, shall have no powers to bind the corporation."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law VI. 13 to "There shall be an Office Operating Committee consisting of at least two members of the Board of Trustees and other persons as designated by the Board. The Office Operating Committee shall have general responsibilities for the daily activities of the Corporation."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law VII.2 to "The President, Treasurer, and Clerk shall be elected by the Trustees at their first meeting following the Annual Business Meeting. Other officers may be chosen by the Trustees at such meeting or at any other meeting."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law VII.5 to "Subject to law, to the Articles of Organization and to these By-laws, each office shall have, in addition to the duties and powers herein set forth, such duties and powers as the Trustees may from time to time designate..."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law X to "If the office of any Officer or Trustee becomes vacant for any reason, the Trustees may elect a successor to hold office until the next Annual Business Meeting."

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1991	1991		P	Change By-law XI to "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 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 contact shall specifically state the nature of the potential conflict of interest of the Trustee(s) of Officer(s) involved."
1991	1991		P	Change By-law XIV to "The Conference may make, amend or repeal these By-laws, in whole or in part, by a two-thirds vote at any regular or special meeting. In event of a legal emergency, the Trustees may make, amend, or repeal these By-laws, in whole or in part, at any regular or special meeting if at least five days written notice is given of the intention to alter, amend, or repeal, or to adopt new By-laws at such meeting. Any By-law adopted by the Trustees may be repealed by majority vote of the Conference."
1992	1992		P	Change By-law IV.1.b to "In any locality having one group, that group may function as an Intergroup."
1992	1992		P	Change By-law V.3 to "The Conference will provide direction and constancy to Fellowship-Wide Services, and it will also be the primary channel through which the widest possible group conscience can be formulated. Delegates are free to..."
1992	1992		P	Change By-law VI.2 to "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 year. 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 corporation 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 their sobriety during their tenure."

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1992	1992		P	Change By-law VI.9 to "When a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote or concurrence of a majority of the number of Trustees in office 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."
1992	1992		P	Change By-law VI.11 to "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 the Trustees 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."
1992	1992		P	Change By-law XI to "No contract 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 or are financially interested, shall either be 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 contact 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."
1996	1996	96-8	P	That the BOT update the By-laws of S.L.A.A. based on changes voted on and passed at past ABMs to-date.
1996	1996		P	To resurrect the By-laws Committee.
1996	1998	96-11	P	By-law V.5.e shall be changed from "Each delegate may be elected for a term of two years..." to "It is suggested that each delegate be elected for a term of two years..."
1997	2000	97-16	F	To delete the word "addicts" from the name of the Fellowship, so that the Fellowship would be called "Sex and Love Anonymous."

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1997	2000	97-23	F	Remove "voting member" status from Journal Editor role. See By-law Article V. Section 2.
1998	2001	98-8	Chang ed to  IFD	Change the qualification for delegates to the ABM. It currently reads: "Whenever possible, a delegate should have a minimum of six months of continuous sobriety prior to the date of submitting qualifications and continue to the date of the conference." We suggest replacing it with: "Whenever possible, a delegate should have at least two years in the fellowship and have experienced at least three months of continuous sobriety.
1998	2004	98-20	Revise d to       98- 20A, B & C	Change By-laws Article V, Section 4 and 6I to read as [listed below]: <i>"The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service corporation. A two-thirds vote of a Conference quorum shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. A quorum shall consist of two-thirds 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. 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 ordinarily reserves the right to decide which of its actions or decisions may require the approval of the Conference."</i>

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1998	2004	98-20A	P	Change By-laws Article V, Section 4 to read as [listed below]: <i>“The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service corporation. A two-thirds vote of a Conference quorum shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. A quorum shall consist of two-thirds 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 no decrease during the course of the ABM. If an alternate replaces a seated conference member, the number of voting members does not change...”</i>
1998	2004	98-20B	P	Change By-laws Article V, Section 4 to read as [listed below]: <i>“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...”</i>
1998	2005	98-20C	P	Change By-laws Article V, Section 6 to read as [listed below]: <i>“The Conference will meet yearly at a predetermined site. Special delegate meetings can be called by the Board in case of an emergency. However, in no instance may a special delegate meeting be convened on less than six weeks written notice delivered to all delegates of record. At any such special meetings, a response from two-thirds of the voting members seated at the close of the most recent ABM shall constitute a quorum. A two-thirds consensus of the quorum is necessary to mandate an issue. Mail or telephone polls may also be used at any time to render advisory opinions.”</i>
1999	1999	99-01	P	The address contained in Article II be automatically changed if the Fellowship-Wide Services Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous office relocates.
2000	2003	00-02	W	Permit invited observers from other “S” fellowships to voice opinions/make public statements on any proceeding at SLAA’s 2000 ABM. Invited observers from other “S” fellowships are not authorized to vote on any motions at the committee or General Assembly levels.

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2000	2001	00-06	P	Make [the following] corrective changes to Article VI, Section 3a of the Bylaws:  REMOVE: <i>“relationship of the corporation to others”</i>
2000	2002	00-08	P	Make [the following] corrective changes to Article VI, Section 8 of the Bylaws:  REMOVE: <i>“When a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote or concurrence of a majority of the number of Trustees in office shall be required to decide any matter or take any action except to the extent that a greater proportion is required by the Articles Of Organization or these Bylaws.”</i>
2000	2003	00-09	P	The Bylaws be changed for Article VI, Section 2, 4, and 8 to read as (italics indicate change):  ARTICLE VI, Section 2 WILL READ: <i>“The regular number of trustees shall be nine, but may be twelve during the overlap period of term completion for the three exiting trustees and the beginning term for the three new trustees.”</i>  ARTICLE VI, Section 4 WILL READ: <i>“All BOT terms and related powers and responsibilities shall commence upon formal announcement of the aforementioned election results. The term shall continue through the conclusion of the Annual Meeting, or meeting in lieu of said Annual Meeting, three years after the commencement of the term-regardless of whether the trustee fulfill the term from its commencement or was appointed and confirmed to the term at a later date.”</i>  ARTICLE VI, Section 8 WILL READ: <i>“A majority of the number of Trustees constituting the full Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum, except during the overlap period, when the number of Trustees may exceed nine. During the overlap period, the majority of the nine Trustees prior to that year’s election of Trustees shall constitute a quorum. The vote of all Trustees shall be equal to all other Trustees votes.”</i>
2001	2001	7-Jan	P	That the Conference confirm the BOT decision to establish the following as the correct version of the SLAA 12 Traditions:  1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon SLAA unity.  2. For our group purpose, there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as this Power may be expressed through our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.  3. The only requirement for SLAA membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. Any two or more persons gathered together for mutual aid in recovering from sex and love addiction may call themselves an SLAA group, provided that as a group they have no other affiliation.

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				<p>4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or SLAA as a whole.</p> <p>5. Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the sex and love addict who still suffers.</p> <p>6. An SLAA group or SLAA as a whole ought never endorse, finance, or lend the SLAA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.</p> <p>7. Every SLAA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.</p> <p>8. SLAA should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.</p> <p>9. SLAA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.</p> <p>10. SLAA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the SLAA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.</p> <p>11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, TV, film, and other public media. We need guard with special care the anonymity of all fellow SLAA members.</p> <p>12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.</p>
2002	2002	7-Feb	P	<p>Amend the by-laws approved by the BOT April 18, 1999 to correct typographical errors. A listing of the suggested corrections [are below.]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In the Table of Contents, the entry “Article VII – Corporation Officers, Section 3 – General Powers and Duties”, is incorrect. The required correction is to renumber “Section 3” to “Section 5”.</li> <li>▪ On page 2, Article II, line 1, the word “principle” is misspelled. The required spelling is “principal.”</li> <li>▪ On page 4, Article V., Section 4, line 7 the wording “...actions of decisions...” is incorrect. The required wording is: “...actions or decisions...”.</li> <li>▪ On page 4, Article V, Sections 5, subsection “I” is mismarked. The required marking is “i”.</li> <li>▪ On page 5, Article V., Section 7, subsection “I” is mismarked. The required marking is “i”.</li> </ul>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ On page 9, Article X, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, line 6, "...reasonable..." is misspelled. The required spelling is "...reasonably...".</li> <li>▪ On page 9, Article X, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph, lines 4 and 5, "...Article IX..." is incorrect. The required wording is "...Article X...".</li> <li>▪ On page 10, Article XIV, line 1, the wording "...vatted any regular..." is incorrect. The required wording is "...vote at any regular..."</li> </ul>
2002	2002	8-Feb	P	<p>Amend the by-laws approved by the BOT April 18, 1999 to describe delegates and members as delegate members where suggested by the attorney. A listing of the changes [are below].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ On page 3, Article III, Section 3, line 3, change "Each member..." to "Each delegate member..."</li> <li>▪ On page 3, Article IV, Section 4.b, line 1, change "...delegates..." to "...delegate members...", and line 2, change "...delegate(s)..." to "...delegate member(s)..."</li> <li>▪ On page 4, Article V., Section 2, line 2, change "Delegates..." to "Delegate member(s)..."</li> <li>▪ On page 4, Article V, Sections 5.a thru k., throughout, change "...delegate(s)..." to "...delegate member(s)..."</li> <li>▪ On page 5, Article V., Section 6, throughout, change "...delegate(s)..." to "...delegate member(s)..."</li> <li>▪ On page 5, Article V., Section 7.l (sic), throughout, change "...delegate(s)..." to "...delegate member(s)..."</li> <li>▪ On page 5, Article V., Section 8.a thru c., throughout, change "...delegate(s)..." to "...delegate member(s)..."</li> <li>▪ On page 8, Article VI, Section 17.b, line 1, change "...delegate..." to "...delegate member..."</li> </ul>
2002	2002	9-Feb	P	<p>Amend the by-laws approved by the BOT April 18, 1999 to incorporate wording changes suggested by the Conference By-Laws Committee. A listing of the changes [are below].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Page 2, Article II – Place of Business, line 1, the address is incorrect. The required address is "1275 Providence Highway, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062".</li> <li>▪ Page 6, Article VI, Section 4, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, line 1, two places, change "...Annual Meeting..." to "...Annual Business Meeting..." to correctly identify the event.</li> <li>▪ Page 6, Article VI, Section 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, line 1, change "Delegates..." to "Voters...", and line 2, change "...delegates..." to "...voters..." because the voting body (as defined in V.2) includes more than delegates.</li> </ul>

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2002	2002	10-Feb	P	<p>Amend the by-laws approved by the BOT April 18, 1999 to incorporate two wording changes suggested by the Conference By-Laws Committee. A listing of the changes is attached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ On page 7, Article VI, Section 11, line 3, change "...make the rules..." to "...make rules..."</li> <li>▪ On page 7, Article VI, Section 11, line 5, change "...as nearly as may be in the same manner as is provided..." to "...in a manner to closely approximate the methods/procedures as are provided..."</li> </ul>
2002	2004	13-Feb	P	Make the BMIS available in electronic format.
2004	2004	1-Apr	W	That the Bylaws Article II – Place of Business be changed to read as follows: The principle office of the corporation shall be located at 1504 Providence Highway, Suite 9, Norwood, MA 02062, or at any such other location as the Board of Trustees may from time to time select.
2004	2004	2-Apr	W	<p>That the Bylaws be changed for Article X – Indemnification of Directors and Officers to read as follows in the last paragraph:</p> <p><i>"The Board of Trustees may from time to time authorize the payment by the corporation of expenses incurred by any such person in defending any such action, suit or other proceeding in advance of the final disposition of such action suit or other proceeding, upon receipt of an undertaking from such person to repay such payment if she or he shall be adjudicated to be not entitled to indemnification under this Article X, or if the matter involved shall be disposed of by a compromise payment with respect to which she or he shall not be entitled to indemnification under this <del>Title</del> Article X."</i></p>
2004	2004	9-Apr	P	<p>Change Article VII to more accurately reflect current BOT Practices as follows:</p> <p><b>"ARTICLE VII – CORPORATION OFFICERS Section 1 – Designation</b></p> <p><i>The Corporation officers shall be a President, a Treasurer, a Clerk and such officers as the Trustees may determine."</i></p>

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2005	2005	6-May	F	<p>To change the S.L.A.A. bylaws, Article VI – Board of Trustees, Sections 2 and 4, as follows (relevant paragraphs reproduced only): The number of Trustees shall be <b>seven</b>. No Trustee shall serve more than two consecutive <b>elected</b> terms, nor more than three consecutive terms, including <b>a combination of elected and appointed/confirmed</b> terms, at which time such Trustee must stand down for at least one year. Trustee terms shall be staggered so that <b>three</b> Trustees are scheduled to be elected each year, <b>two each for a three-year term and one for a one-year term</b>. Those Trustees who are not qualified members of the corporation 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 three years of continuous sobriety as of the date of their election and must maintain their sobriety during their tenure. Section 4 – Election Voters shall be asked to vote for a maximum of three candidates: <b>two for a three-year term and one for a one-year term</b>. The top <b>two</b> candidates <b>for the three-year terms</b> receiving a vote from at least 50% of the eligible voters shall fill the full three-year vacant Board seats. <b>Additionally, the top candidate for the one-year term receiving a vote from at least 50% of the eligible voters shall fill the full one-year vacant Board seat</b>. In the event that there are any members of the Board that have been appointed as interim Trustees under Article IX, these names shall then be voted upon as to whether they should be retained in office for the remainder of the unused term.</p>
2006	2006	1-Jun	P	<p>Change Article XIV to read as: “The Conference may make, amend or repeal these By-Laws, in whole or in part, by a two-thirds vote of all authorized voters who have checked in at the Annual Business Conference. In event of a legal emergency, the Trustees may make, amend, or repeal these By-Laws, in whole or in part, at any regular or special meeting if at least five days written notice is given of the intention to alter, amend, or repeal, or to adopt new By-Laws at such meeting. Any emergency By-Law change adopted by the Trustees must be confirmed by a two-thirds vote of all authorized voters who have checked in at the Annual Business Conference.”</p>
2009	2009	9-Sep	P	<p>Amend the By-Laws as follows: <b>Capitalize the following words:</b> Corporation, General Members, Delegate Members, Officer, Trustee; <b>and consistently use the following terms:</b> Annual Business Meeting, By-Laws, Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Twelve Recommended Guidelines, Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions.</p>

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				<p><b>Specific changes as follows: Article I, Section 3:</b> capitalize and italicize the title of the Twelve Recommended Guidelines pamphlet; <b>Article IV:</b> clarify definition of Intergroup; <b>Article V: Section 4:</b> correct spelling; <b>Section 8:</b> clarify that the editor of the Journal is a member of the Conference, and recognize that the Board Conference Committee no longer exists and its duties have been assigned to the Board Governance and Nominating Committee; <b>Article VI: Section 2:</b> clarify how a Trustee's partial term counts toward the three consecutive-term limit, and amend incorrect reference to "member" of a corporation; <b>Section 3:</b> specify the reference to Tradition 10; <b>Sections 6, 8, and 9:</b> delete redundancy, and clarify the requirement for a majority of the Trustees who are actually serving; <b>Sections 13 to 15:</b> update the committee name, and correct grammar; <b>Section 17:</b> correct subject-verb error; <b>Article VII, Section 4:</b> change references to Annual Business Meeting; <b>Article X:</b> separate paragraphs into subheadings (summary of motion by CSM Revision Work Group).</p>
2011	2011	4-Nov	P	<p>That the By-laws Article V, Section 4, be changed to:</p> <p><b><u>ENTER the new wording, using "strikethrough and underline" format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed.</u></b> (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.)</p> <p>Article V, Section 4</p> <p><u>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.</u></p> <p><u>d. 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.</u></p> <p><b><u>ENTER how the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted.</u></b> (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)</p>

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				<p>Article V, Section 4</p> <p>a. The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>c. A two-thirds vote of all Conference members at an Annual Business Meeting shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. 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.</p> <p>d. 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.</p>
2013	2013	13-04	P	<p>To adopt the attached as the By-Laws of the newly incorporated "The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc.", a Texas non-profit Corporation, which "mirror" the By-Laws of the existing Massachusetts Corporation, except in the title of the Corporation, the references to "Clerk" which have been replaced with "Secretary," and the references to the Articles of "Organization" which have been replaced with Articles of "Corporation." (see Attachment 2)</p>
2013	2013	13-05	P	<p>To change the By-Laws, to incorporate the "12 Concepts for World Service" into <b>Article 1 – Purpose, Section 4.</b></p> <p><b>Section 4 - Twelve Concepts for World Service</b></p> <p>The following are the <i>Twelve Concepts for World Service</i> for use at the Fellowship-Wide service level:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ultimate responsibility and authority for S.L.A.A. world services always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.</li> <li>2. The Annual Business Conference, by delegation, is the voice and conscience for our world services and of S.L.A.A. as a whole.</li> </ol>

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				<p>3. To insure effective leadership, each element of S.L.A.A. - the Conference, the Board of Trustees, staff, and committees - all possess the "Right of Decision."</p> <p>4. 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.</p> <p>5. The "Right of Appeal" prevails so that minority opinion is heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.</p>
				<p>6. The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the Board of Trustees.</p> <p>7. The Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Fellowship are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. Although the Conference Charter is a legal document; it also relies on tradition and the power of the S.L.A.A. purse for final effectiveness.</p> <p>8. The trustees are the principle planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, including their ability to hire staff.</p> <p>9. Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership must be assumed by the Board of Trustees.</p> <p>10. Every service responsibility is matched by equal service authority – the scope of this authority is always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and by-laws.</p> <p>12. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, systems of rotation, and rights and duties are always matters of serious concern.</p> <p>13. The Conference observes the spirit of S.L.A.A. Tradition,</p> <p>a. taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power;</p> <p>b. that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle;</p> <p>c. that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others;</p> <p>d. that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity;</p> <p>e. that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy;</p> <p>f. that it never perform acts of government, and that, like the Fellowship it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.</p>

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2013	2013	13-06	P	<p>1. To change the By-Laws in <b>Article V – The Fellowship-Wide Services S.L.A.A. Conference Charter, Section 8 – Definitions:</b> Deletion of the word “Conference” from “Board Conference Committee” and change the word “Committee” to the plural form to correct an error intended to reference Board Committees.</p> <p>2. <b>Article VI – Board of Trustees, Section 5 - Regular Meetings:</b> add that regular Board meetings are also held by “telephone conference.”</p> <p>3. <b>Article VI – Board of Trustees, Section 7 - Notice of Meetings:</b> remove notice to Board Members by telegram, and include email notice.</p>
2013	2013	13-07	T	<p>To change By-Laws in <b>ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES</b></p> <p><b>Section 2 - Number, Tenure and Qualifications</b></p> <p>That the numbers of Trustees change to twelve instead of nine.</p> <p><b>Section 13 - Board Finance and Operating Committee</b></p> <p>That the Board Finance and Operating Committee become the Board Finance Committee and consist of at least two members of the Board of Trustees and other persons as designated by the Board. The Board Finance Committee would have responsibility for preparing the financial statements and serve as the audit committee.</p> <p>That sections 14 and 15 be stricken from the By-laws:</p> <p><b>Section 14 - Board Governance and Nominating Committee</b></p> <p><b>Section 15 - Board Public Relations Committee</b></p>
2015	2015	15-01	P	<p>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads. (This is the EXACT text of the By-Laws as it appears prior to any proposed change.)</p> <p><i>ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES</i> <i>Section 4 - Election</i></p> <p><i>The Trustees shall be elected at the Annual Business Meeting of the members or the special meeting in lieu of said Annual Business Meeting by such members as have the right to vote thereon from the candidates presented by the Board Governance and Nominating Committee. Candidates may also be nominated from the floor of the Annual Business Meeting by voting members.</i></p> <p>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted. (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)</p> <p><i>ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES</i> <i>Section 4 - Election</i></p> <p><i>The Trustees shall be elected at the Annual Business Meeting of the members or the special meeting in lieu of said Annual Business Meeting by such members as have the right to vote thereon from the candidates presented by a Board of Trustees committee delegated with the task by the board with presenting nominations and conducting elections. Candidates may also be nominated from the floor of the Annual Business Meeting by voting members.</i></p>

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2015	2015	15-06	P	<p><b><u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads.</u></b> (This is the EXACT text of the By-Laws as it appears prior to any proposed change.)</p> <p><b>ARTICLE V - THE FELLOWSHIP-WIDE SERVICES S.L.A.A. CONFERENCE CHARTER</b>  <i>Section 2 - Composition</i>  <i>The voting body of the Conference shall be composed of delegate member(s) and members of the Board of Trustees, senior staff as interpreted by the Board of Trustees, members of the F.W.S. Administrative Staff and the Journal editor.</i></p> <p><b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted.</u></b> (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)</p> <p><b>ARTICLE V - THE FELLOWSHIP-WIDE SERVICES S.L.A.A. CONFERENCE CHARTER Section 2 - Composition</b>  <i>The voting body of the Conference shall be composed of delegate member(s) and members of the Board of Trustees, senior staff as interpreted by the Board of Trustees, members of the F.W.S. Administrative Staff, the chair of the Conference Charter Committee, and the Journal editor.</i></p>
2016	2016	16-04	P	<p>To change By-Laws in <b>ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES</b> to read as follows:</p> <p><b>ARTICLE IV – INTERGROUPS</b>  <b>Section 1 - Composition</b></p> <p>Two or more groups may jointly form an Intergroup for the purpose of providing service and representation to the groups of which they are composed, and acting as the guardian of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of S.L.A.A. World Service (“Twelve Concepts”). Each Intergroup should be composed of all groups within its locality when feasible.</p> <p><b>ARTICLE V - THE FELLOWSHIP-WIDE SERVICES S.L.A.A. CONFERENCE CHARTER</b>  <b>Section 1 - Purpose</b>  The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference of S.L.A.A. is the guardian of the world services and of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts and Twelve Guidelines of S.L.A.A. The Conference shall serve the Fellowship only; it is not meant to be a government for S.L.A.A., in keeping with the Second and Ninth Traditions as well as the First Concept and Warranty (f) of Concept Twelve.</p> <p><b>Section 5 - Conference Delegates</b></p> <p>g. The delegate member(s) should be selected for judgment, experience, stability, willingness and for faithful adherence to the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts and Twelve Recommended Guidelines of S.L.A.A.</p> <p><b>Section 7 - The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference: General Procedures and Practices</b></p> <p>The Conference will:</p> <p>Discuss and recommend appropriate action respecting violations of the Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts and the Twelve Recommended Guidelines;</p> <p><b>ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES</b></p> <p><b>Section 2 - Number, Tenure and Qualifications</b></p>

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				<p>The number of Trustees shall be nine. No Trustee shall serve more than two consecutive three-year elected terms, nor more than three consecutive terms, including partial terms by appointment under Section 4, at which time such Trustee must stand down for at least one year. Trustee terms shall be staggered so that one-third of the Trustees is scheduled to be elected each year. Those Trustees who are not qualified members of the Fellowship 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 and Twelve Concepts. All other Trustees must have three years of continuous sobriety as of the date of their election and must maintain their sobriety during their tenure.</p> <p><b>Section 3 - Duties and Responsibilities</b>  The Board of Trustees shall act as the guardian of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts, ensuring that there are no alterations except by action of the Fellowship-Wide Services S.L.A.A. Conference, as set forth in these By-Laws. This guardianship shall in no way infringe on the right of any individual to personal interpretation of the Twelve Steps, the autonomy of the individual groups as set forth in the Traditions, or the prohibition against personally punitive actions as set forth in the Concepts, but the Board of Trustees may call to the attention of any group or individual a violation of the Twelve Traditions it determines has been made. The Board, however, shall have no power or control over any group or individual and shall act only in an advisory capacity on matters affecting the Fellowship as a whole. The principle to be followed in all matters regarding the relationship of the Corporation to others is to be in accordance with the spirit of the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts, especially Tradition 10 and Warranty (e) of Concept Twelve regarding public controversy.</p>
2017	2017	17-06	P	<p>To amend (Friendly Amendment 17-06A) By-Laws in <b>ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP</b> to remove reference to addition of 12 Concepts to By-Laws as already approved by Conference at the 2016 ABM.</p>
2018	2018	18n07/ 18-06 18n07/ 18-06A	F	<p>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</p> <p><b>Article VI, Section 2.</b>  Section 2 - Number, Tenure and Qualifications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The number of Trustees shall be nine.</li> <li>No Trustee shall serve more than two consecutive three-year elected terms, nor more than three consecutive terms, including partial terms by appointment under Article VI, Section 4, at which time such Trustee must stand down for at least one year. Trustee terms shall be staggered so that one-third of the Trustees is scheduled to be elected each year. For the purposes of this Section 2, the final year of each term shall conclude at the completion of an election process at the Annual Business Meeting or at a Special Meeting in lieu of an annual Business Meeting. A partial term or the final year of any term may include a period of less than one year. The Trustees who are present and not elected shall be allowed to continue as voting members of the Conference through the end of the Annual Business Meeting. Newly elected Trustee members will maintain the voting status that they had at the beginning of the Conference.</li> <li>Those Trustees who are not qualified members of the Fellowship shall be persons from the community at large who have made substantial</li> </ol>

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				contributions to the purposes of the Fellowship principles stated in the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts. All other Trustees must have three years of continuous sobriety as of the date of their election and must maintain their sobriety during their tenure.
2019	2019	19n04/ 19-03	F	<p><b>ENTER how the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads. (This is the EXACT text of the By-Laws as it appears prior to any proposed change.)</b></p> <p>Article VII - CORPORATION OFFICERS ... Section 3 - Qualification Each Officer shall be a member and a Trustee. So far as is permitted by law, any two or more offices may be held by the same person. A registered agent shall be designated by the Board of Trustees consistent with Texas Law and may be an accountant or an attorney retained by the Board of Trustees.</p> <p><b>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.)</b></p> <p>Article VII - CORPORATION OFFICERS ... Section 3 - Qualifications Each Officer shall be a member and a Trustee. In accordance with the Traditions and Concepts, no two offices may be held by the same person. A registered agent shall be designated by the Board of Trustees consistent with Texas Law and may be an accountant or an attorney retained by the Board of Trustees.</p>
2019	2021	21o07/ 19-04	P	<p><b><u>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.)</u></b></p> <p><b>Article III – MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <p><b>Section 3 – Delegate Members</b> Delegate members are persons who are elected by the Intergroup and general members to attend the Fellowship-Wide Services Conferences and vote as representatives of the Intergroup and general members at such Conferences. Each delegate member shall <del>hold membership</del> <u>continue as delegate</u> as long as <del>she or he</del> <u>this member person</u> remains qualified <del>for membership to serve as delegate</del>, as described in Article V, Section 5 of these By-Laws.</p> <p><b>Article X – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS</b></p> <p>"Any person threatened with or made a party to any action, suit or other proceeding by reason of the fact that <del>she or he</del> <u>this person</u>, <del>her or his</del> <u>their</u> testator or <del>in-testate</del> <u>intestate</u>, is or was a Trustee, Officer, employee or other agent of the Corporation or is or was Trustee, Officer, employee or other agent of another organization in which the Corporation directly or indirectly owns or owned shares or of which the Corporation is or was a creditor and in which <del>she or he</del> <u>this person</u>, <del>her or his</del> <u>their</u> testator or <del>in-testate</del> <u>intestate</u>, served at the request of the Corporation, shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all liabilities and expenses, including counsel fees reasonably incurred by <del>her or him</del> <u>this person</u> in connection therewith, except that no indemnification shall be provided for any person with respect to any matter as to which <del>she or he</del> <u>this person</u> shall have been adjudicated in any proceeding not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that the action was in the best interest of the Corporation; provided, however, as to matters disposed of by a</p>

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				compromise payment by such person, pursuant to a consent decree or otherwise, no reimbursement either for said payment or for any other expenses in connection with the matter so disposed of, shall be provided unless such compromise shall be approved: ... The Board of Trustees may from time to time authorize the payment by the Corporation of expenses incurred by any such person in defending any such action, suit or other proceeding in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or other proceeding, upon receipt of an undertaking from such person to repay such payment if <del>she or he</del> <u>this person</u> shall be adjudicated to be not entitled to indemnification under this Article X, or if the matter involved shall be disposed of by a compromise payment with respect to which <del>she or he</del> <u>this person</u> shall be entitled to indemnification under this Article X.
2021	2022	22o17/ 21-05	P	<b>Article III – MEMBERSHIP Section 3 – Delegate Members</b> <b>Delegates members are <del>persons</del> <u>members</u> who are elected by the Intergroup and <del>general members</del> <u>or Group acting as an Intergroup</u> to attend the Fellowship-Wide Services Conferences and vote as representatives of the Intergroup and <del>general members</del> <u>or Group acting as an Intergroup</u> at such Conferences..</b>
2022	2022	22n21/ 22-03	P	<b>ARTICLE VIII - REMOVALS</b> <b>Trustees, including persons elected by Trustees to fill vacancies in the Board, may be removed from office with cause by the members or Trustees. Officers elected or appointed by the Trustees may be removed from their respective offices with cause by the Trustees. A Trustee or Officer may be removed for cause only after a reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard before the body proposing to remove said Officer. The Trustees may terminate the authority of any agent.</b>
2022	2022	22n25/ 22-07	T	<b><u>Article V – The Fellowship-Wide Services S.L.A.A. Conference Charter, Section 6 - The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference Meetings (only the last sentence):</u></b> <b>The Conference will ... pass an issue... Mail or telephone polls may also be used at any time to render advisory opinions.</b>
2023	2023	23o04/ 22-07	P	<b><u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u></b>  Article V – The Fellowship-Wide Services S.L.A.A. Conference Charter, Section 6 - The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference Meetings (only the last sentence): The Conference will ... pass an issue... Mail or telephone polls may also be used at any time to render advisory opinions.  <b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></b>  Article V – The Fellowship-Wide Services S.L.A.A. Conference Charter, Section 6 - The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference Meetings (only the last sentence):  The Conference will ... pass an issue... Mail, telephone, and email polls may also be used at any time to render advisory opinions.
2023	2023	23n16/ 23-03	P	<b><u>How the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads:</u></b>  <b><u>Article XIV – Amendments, last sentence:</u></b> “Any emergency By-Law adopted by the Trustees must be confirmed by a two-thirds vote of all authorized voters who have checked in at the Annual Business Conference.”  <b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></b>  <b><u>Article XIV – Amendments, last sentence:</u></b> “Any emergency By-Law adopted by the Trustees must be confirmed by a two-thirds vote of all authorized voters who have checked in at the next Annual Business Conference/Meeting.”

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2023	2023	23n17/ 23-04	W	<p><b><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u></b></p> <p>Article X – Indemnification of Director and Officers [Paragraph ‘c’ only]  c. By a majority of the <del>members</del> Trustees, not counting <del>as a member</del> any <del>member</del> Trustee who is an interested person’.</p> <p><b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></b></p> <p>Article X – Indemnification of Director and Officers [Paragraph ‘c’ only]  c. ‘By a majority of the Trustees, not counting any Trustee who is an interested person’.</p>
2023	2023	23n18/ 23-05	P	<p><b><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u></b></p> <p>ARTICLE VIII - REMOVALS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trustees, including persons <del>elected</del> <u>appointed</u> by Trustees to fill vacancies in the Board, may be removed from office with cause by the members or Trustees.</li> <li>Officers elected or appointed by the Trustees may be removed from their respective offices with cause by the Trustees.</li> <li>A Trustee or Officer may be removed for cause only after a reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard before the body proposing to remove said <u>Trustee or</u> Officer.</li> <li>The Trustees may terminate the authority of any agent.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></b></p> <p>ARTICLE VIII - REMOVALS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trustees, including persons appointed by Trustees to fill vacancies in the Board, may be removed from office with cause by the members or Trustees.</li> <li>Officers elected or appointed by the Trustees may be removed from their respective offices with cause by the Trustees.</li> <li>A Trustee or Officer may be removed for cause only after a reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard before the body proposing to remove said Trustee or Officer.</li> <li>The Trustees may terminate the authority of any agent.</li> </ol>
2023	2023	23n21/ 23-08	F	<p><b><u>The new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u></b></p> <p>ARTICLE V - THE FELLOWSHIP-WIDE SERVICES S.L.A.A. CONFERENCE CHARTER</p> <p>Section 2 - Composition</p> <p>The voting body of the Conference shall be composed of delegate member(s) and members of the Board of Trustees, senior staff as interpreted by the Board of Trustees, members of the F.W.S. Administrative Staff, the Chair of the Conference Charter Committee, <del>and the</del> <u>Journal editor-, and the Conference Literature Committee Representative.</u></p> <p>Section 8 – Definitions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"Annual Business Meeting" refers to the actual full-assembly business meetings at the Annual Business Conference of the Conference (Trustees, delegate members, F.W.S. Administrative staff, Conference Charter Committee Chair, <del>and the</del> <u>Journal editor-, and the Conference Literature Committee Representative</u>).</li> <li>"Annual Business Conference" refers to the once a year event at which the Conference (Trustees, delegate members, F.W.S. Administrative staff, Conference Charter Committee Chair, <del>and the</del> <u>Journal editor, and the Conference Literature Committee Representative</u>)</li> </ol>

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				<p>convenes to conduct the Annual Business Meeting.</p> <p><b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></b></p> <p>ARTICLE V - THE FELLOWSHIP-WIDE SERVICES S.L.A.A. CONFERENCE CHARTER</p> <p>Section 2 - Composition</p> <p>The voting body of the Conference shall be composed of delegate member(s) and members of the Board of Trustees, senior staff as interpreted by the Board of Trustees, members of the F.W.S. Administrative Staff, the Chair of the Conference Charter Committee, the Journal editor, and the Conference Literature Committee Representative.</p> <p>Section 8 – Definitions</p> <p>a. "Annual Business Meeting" refers to the actual full-assembly business meetings at the Annual Business Conference of the Conference (Trustees, delegate members, F.W.S. Administrative staff, Conference Charter Committee Chair, the Journal editor, and the Conference Literature Committee Representative).</p> <p>b. "Annual Business Conference" refers to the once a year event at which the Conference (Trustees, delegate members, F.W.S. Administrative staff, Conference Charter Committee Chair, the Journal editor, and the Conference Literature Committee Representative) convenes to conduct the Annual Business Meeting.</p>
2023	2023	23n22/ 23-09	P	<p><b><u>The new wording, using “striketrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed:</u></b></p> <p>ARTICLE I – Purpose, Section 3 – Twelve Recommended Guidelines, number 4:</p> <p>The following are the Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Dealing with Media/Public Relations Opportunities for use at all levels of the S.L.A.AA. Fellowship:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. We try to avoid...</li> <li>2. S.L.A.A. has no opinions...</li> <li>3. Our public relations policy...</li> <li>4. Any unilateral action, by any S.L.A.A. member acting on <del>his/her</del> <u>their</u> own, to place S.L.A.A. before the public media, at any level is expressly discouraged.</li> <li>5. Group conscience-based...</li> </ol> <p><b><u>How the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted:</u></b></p> <p>ARTICLE I – Purpose, Section 3 – Twelve Recommended Guidelines, number 4:</p> <p>The following are the Twelve Recommended Guidelines for Dealing with Media/Public Relations Opportunities for use at all levels of the S.L.A.AA. Fellowship:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. We try to avoid...</li> <li>2. S.L.A.A. has no opinions...</li> <li>3. Our public relations policy...</li> <li>4. Any unilateral action, by any S.L.A.A. member acting on their own, to place S.L.A.A. before the public media, at any level is expressly discouraged.</li> <li>5. Group conscience-based...</li> </ol>

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## **COMMITTEE FORMATION**

1987	1987		P	Conference Literature Committee formed.
1988	1987		F	Forming a committee to consider changing the word "Fellowship" in our name because of sexist undertones.
1988	1988		F	Forming a committee for young addicts.
1988	1988		F	Forming a committee to establish contacts with other 12-Step groups for sex addicts.
1988	1988		P	Prison Outreach Correspondence Program established.
1988	1988		P	The Conference Charter Committee was created without any specific definition or delegated responsibilities.
1990	1990		P	The Conference Charter Committee defined as planning and facilitating the Annual Business Meeting.
1990	1990		P	Committee to explore the relationship and possible unification of S.L.A.A. with other 12-Step Program(s) dealing with sexual and/or relationship addiction formed.
1990	1990		P	Intergroup Committee with the purpose of exchanging information and news of recovering events to other Intergrups and Fellowship at large formed.
1990	1990		P	The Finance Committee to develop F.W.S. budget to involve and inform delegates regarding Fellowship financial matters formed.
1990	1990		P	Prison Outreach Committee to become a standing committee of F.W.S.
1990	1990		P	Conference Public Information Committee to be formed.
1991	1991		P	The Conference approves formation of a new committee open to all interested Conference members, tentatively to be named the "Diversity Committee."
1994	1994		P	The Conference approved the deletion of three committees: Intergroup Communications Committees, Conference Public Information Committee, and Conference Traditions Committee.
1995	1995		P	Form a Steps and Traditions Committee.
1996	1996		P	To resurrect the By-laws Committee.
2002	2002	Floor	P	The Conference approves (confirms) the concept of a Conference Anorexia Committee to be formed at such time as two or more persons form this committee.
2003	2003	Floor	P	The 2003 Conference confirms the Conference Public Information Committee retroactively in full capacity to the close of the 2002 ABM, including financial aspects as reported in the committee reports.
2003	2003	Floor	P	The 2003 Conference confirms the Conference Intergroup Communication Committee retroactively in full capacity to the close of the 2002 ABM, including financial aspects as reported in the committee reports.

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2003	2003	Floor	P	A confirmation of all Conference Committees, including Conference Service, Conference Sponsorship, and Conference Relationship to FWS/Trustees.
2004	2004	04-03	A	For the accountability of all conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and its progress reviewed at each Annual Business Meeting. The full conference then confirms the continuation and financing of the project/charter.
2004	2004	04-03 A	P	For the accountability of all Conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. Conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and an evaluation of each project done annually. Based on these reports and the status of each project, Conference members will be invited to provide feedback to the Conference Finance Committee (CFC) regarding continued funding of each committee and to the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) for activity accountability. If members have concerns about either CFC or CCC accountability they may direct comments to the Board of Trustees (BOT).
2004	2004	04-04	F Group Conscience challenged.	Create a Conference-level Globalization committee.
2004	2006	04-15	Changed to IFD	Create a Conference Writing Teams Committee (referred to as "WT" or "WTs"). The CWTC will operate parallel to the CLC but will not replace it nor operate as a subcommittee of it.
2009	2009	09-05	P	That a Conference Translation Committee be created.
2011	2011	11-08	P	Approve the formation of the Conference Concepts Adaptation Committee (CCAC).

### **CONFERENCE CHARTER COMMITTEE**

1990	1990		P	The conference site selected for the next year to be announced at the prior year's conference.
1990	1990		P	The conference site bids be submitted two years in advance of a conference, and that the Board of Trustees invite such bids two years in advance.
1991	1991		P	Meeting and relaxation times to be fully integrated into the schedule of the Annual Business Conference (ABC); that the conference begin with sharing in order to ground and unify us as a group before beginning work.
1991	1991		P	Each Conference Committee is requested to develop by October 31, 1991, a written description of its functions, subcommittees, internal and external procedures. These descriptions shall be circulated to the delegates for comments. Revised descriptions shall be submitted for delegate vote by January 31, 1991. The Delegate Newsletter shall be made available for discussion of issues relating to these descriptions during this conference.
1991	1996		W	The Annual Business Meeting to be separate from the Convention.

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1991	1996		W	F.W.S. to begin the education of individual meetings as to the committees, F.W.S. and Board issues; regularly and in writing; to be sent to delegates and alternates.
1991	1996		W	Each Committee approved at the ABM for F.W.S. work be reinstated by majority vote, on an annual basis at the ABM, and not continue on without such an annual reinstatement. Included with the motion shall be the approved budget for said committee.
1991	1996		W	Whereas, those who attend the ABM are attracted by a balance of recovery workshops rather than all business issues; Whereas, the working committees ideally need a full day to concentrate on committee business; and Whereas, the membership of the Fellowship is geographically scattered; therefore, the Conference and the Board are asked to consider scheduling a Recovery Convention and the ABM within a week of each other, at sites to be rotated through North America.
1991	1996		W	Items for consideration by delegates and groups be postmailed no later than thirty days before the Conference.
1991	1996		W	The Conference shall appoint a committee to explore the responsibility of single joint committees in each area of responsibility, rather than the present structure of overlapping separate Board and Conference committees. The appointed committees shall be equally composed of Board and delegate members.
1991	1996		W	The Conference pay the Conference for all delegates.
1991	1996		W	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.
1991	1991		P	The ABM adopt the Board's "Third Tradition" statement.
1991	1991		P	The budgets for each of the conference committees be submitted to the CFC for review and recommendation to the Board Finance Committee and that such submittal be made prior to July 21, for subsequent submittal by the CFC to the BFC by August 15.
1992	1992		P	To create an atmosphere of equality, harmony and unity at next year's ABM with chairs in the room in a circle and the tables in front of us.
1992	1992		P	To require more than a 50% vote for election at the 1992 ABM.
1993	1993		P	To accept the process called "The Interactive Method" for doing business during the 1993 ABM.
1993	1993		P	Within 30 days of the close of the upcoming 1993 ABM in Boston, F.W.S. and Board of Trustees give a written account to all Intergroups concerning: a) the amount of money spent on the ABM, b) the amount of money spent on the ABM by individuals; c) how many hours of staff time in the F.W.S. office in Boston (which have recently been cut back) could be funded by the total of a) + b).
1993	1993		F	That the Annual Business Conference be held once every two years instead of yearly; this motion would take effect stating in 1994, with subsequent ABCs to be held in 1996 and 1998.
1995	1995		P	The ABC and the Recovery Convention be combined in 1996, which is S.L.A.A.'s 20th anniversary, with the details to be left to the BCC and the Board Convention Committee to work out.

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1995	1995		F	To make an amendment to the previously voted on motion regarding the combination of the Recovery Convention and the ABM that the two be run consecutively, not concurrently.
1995	1997	95-3&4	F	To make a deadline for submitting motions to ABM four months before the ABC and to send the Business Meeting Items Summary to Intergroups three months before the ABC.
1997	1997		F	Motion to amend the motion to make a deadline for submitting motions to the ABM four months before the ABC and to send the Business Items Summary to Intergroups three months before the ABC.
1995	1996		F	To reduce ABMs to 15 minutes, have a full-blown ABM every five years and to refocus energy into an annual Recovery Conference.
1995	1996		F	To make available S.L.A.A. Steps/Traditions wall hangings.
1995	1996		P	To distribute written guidelines informing S.L.A.A. members on how to bring issues before the ABM.
1995	1996		P	To create and distribute "job descriptions" explaining committee and trusted servant functions.
1996	1996		F	We recommend the standard term (for a delegate) be three years.
1996	1996		P	In the spirit of unity and diversity within S.L.A.A., the Conference approves of and accepts the Travel Equalization Fund Plan, created by the BOT and the CCC, as a means of financial support to ABC attendees.
1995	1998	95-11	P	By-law V.5.e shall be changed from "Each delegate may be elected for a term of two years" to "It is suggested that each delegate be elected for a term of two years."
1996	1996		P	Reestablish the Conference Newsletter (CN) for year-round communication for Conference members.
1996	1997	96-8	P	That the BOT update the By-laws of S.L.A.A. based on changes voted on and passed at past ABMs to-date.
1996	1998	96-13	F	There shall be no brainstorming in the beginning of the ABC. All motions, issues and items for discussion must be submitted by the deadline. Each motion, issue and item submitted after the deadline and at the ABC will only be discussed, if the majority of the delegates vote for it.
1996	1998	96-14	P	The CCC shall prepare the ABCs as follows: 1) All motions, issues and items shall be checked, whether there are previous resolutions on the same or similar subjects. 2) Suggestions shall be made to the Conference which subject applies to which Committee. 3) The results shall be mailed to the delegates together with the motions, etc., before the ABC.
1997	2000	97-13	P	The ABC event be a four-day schedule.
1998	2001	98-8	Changed to IFD	Change the qualification for delegates to the ABM. It currently reads: "Whenever possible, a delegate should have a minimum of six months of continuous sobriety prior to the date of submitting qualifications and continue to the date of the conference." We suggest replacing it with: "Whenever possible, a delegate should have at least two years in the fellowship and have experienced at least

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				three months of continuous sobriety.
1998	1998	98-11	W	It is moved that the Conference Charter Committee request a presentation by a member of Dallas, TX to share with the 1998 Annual Business Conference the origins and effectiveness of the SLAA Clubhouse concept which they have successfully implemented over the past eight years to house daily SLAA meetings.
1998	1998	98-12	W	It is moved that the Conference Charter Committee authorize the Colorado Service Group to bring its display of 12-Step Literature for Sex and Love Addiction-- all of the Literature of all of the Fellowships to share with attendees of the 1998 Annual Business Conference.
1998	2002	98-21	Changed to IFD	FWS fund up to nine committee service positions to attend the ABC/M in an amount equal to the funding for the BOT. This will be administered jointly by FWS and the CCC.
2000	2003	00-02	A	Permit invited observers from other "S" fellowships to voice opinions/make public statements on any proceeding at SLAA's 2000 ABM. Invited observers from other "S" fellowships are not authorized to vote on any motions at the committee or General Assembly levels.
2000	2003	00-02 A	W	Replace all wording of Motion in Item 03o05/00-01 with the following text: Issue for Discussion, Recommendation Required: ABM observers are typically permitted to speak in General Assembly but not to vote. Observers are also permitted to attend and speak in Conference Committee meetings. Shall an observer from another "S" fellowship be permitted to speak in S.L.A.A.'s ABM General Assembly and Conference Committee meetings? If so, what would be the nature of such speaking: commentary, responses to questions, etc.?
2001	2003	01-11	A	Create a fast track for a completed literature title to be addressed by the Conference. After the CLC produces its final draft, let them submit it to the CCC for placement at the top of the next ABM agenda, or for decision-making between ABMs.
2001	2003	01-11 A	F	During the interim and until the CCC and the Conference bring about changes that eliminate the many year backlog of motions and discussion items, let us create a fast-track for literature projects finalized and approved by the CLC so they will be addressed by the next conference.
2002	2004	02-05	A	Subject to adequate FWS resources for any given ABM, fund the travel cost for 2 international delegates from different points outside North America (U.S., Canada, Mexico). Other Conference fees to be raised by delegate's region. Delegates funded like this will not participate in the TEF (Travel Equalization Fund). Recipient delegates defined jointly by Conference and FWS.
2002	2004	02-05 A	P	To increase the TEF subsidy in Category 8 as follows: <i>"For Delegates traveling between 4000 and 8000 miles, a subsidy of up to \$1000.00 will be paid, on a pro-rated basis of funds received."</i>
2002	2002	02-06	W	In order to improve group conscience at the F.W.S. level, the deadline for agenda items to the ABM shall be February 15, and agendas shall be mailed out by March 15. This will give members of the Fellowship time to consider issues on the agenda and provide feedback to their delegates.
2002	2004	02-11	F	Include in the ABM business process the Prioritization of Business Items instead of only considering items by order of submission date.

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2002	2004	02-12	F	Limit the number of Issues for Discussion in any one year or limit the overall total time for discussions so more motions can be addressed. For example, have 1 day of discussion items, which equal 5 hours, or have 5 discussion items lasting 1 hour each.
2002	2004	02-13	P	Make the BMIS available in electronic format.
2002	2002	Floor	P	Add an agenda item to the ABC/M schedule that permits lengthy discussion on the topic of special interest meetings.
2004	2004	04-03	A	For the accountability of all conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and its progress reviewed at each Annual Business Meeting. The full conference then confirms the continuation and financing of the project/charter.
2004	2004	04-03 A	P	For the accountability of all Conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. Conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and an evaluation of each project done annually. Based on these reports and the status of each project, Conference members will be invited to provide feedback to the Conference Finance Committee (CFC) regarding continued funding of each committee and to the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) for activity accountability. If members have concerns about either CFC or CCC accountability they may direct comments to the Board of Trustees (BOT).
2004	2004	04-13	F	To require that upon Board of Trustees override of Conference simple majority vote, the BMIS item overridden be submitted to the Conference no later than the next ABM for second, binding, simple majority vote by the Conference.
2004	2004	04-15	Changed to IFD	Create a Conference Writing Teams Committee (referred to as "WT" or "WTs"). The CWTC will operate parallel to the CLC but will not replace it nor operate as a subcommittee of it.
2005	2005	05-08	A	Waive the registration fee for ABC/M delegates from outside the United States and Canada for the ABC/M 2006
2005	2005	05-08	P	Registration fees may be waived for delegates outside the U.S. and Canada who would not otherwise be able to attend the 2006 ABC/M Conference.
2005	2006	05-09	P	With regard to the Travel Equalization Fund (TEF) policy, to pay the same percentage travel allowance for international delegates and North American delegates.
2007	2007	07-01	P	Any previous motions notwithstanding, the CCC shall not be bound to create a Conference (Delegate) Newsletter.
2009	2010	9-16	P	The Fellowship shall fund the expenses of the CCC Chair to the ABC/M. (Conference Committee Chairs) 10o03/09n16: A friendly amendment was accepted by a vote of 41/5: "The Fellowship shall fund the expenses of the CCC chair to the ABC/M if not attending as a delegate
				That the By-laws Article V, Section 4, be changed to:

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2011	2011	11-04	P	<p>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 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.</p> <hr/> <p><b><u>ENTER the new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed.</u></b> (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.)</p> <p>Article V, Section 4</p> <p><u>a.</u> The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation.</p> <p><u>b.</u> 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.</p> <p><u>c.</u> A two-thirds vote of all <u>Conference members</u> <del>authorized voters who have checked in at an the Annual Business Meeting</del> <u>Conference</u> shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. <del>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.</del> 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.</p> <p><u>d.</u> 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.</p> <p><b><u>ENTER how the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted.</u></b> (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)</p>
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				<p>Article V, Section 4</p> <p>a. The Fellowship-Wide Services Conference will act as advisor to the Board of Trustees and its related service Corporation.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>c. A two-thirds vote of all Conference members at an Annual Business Meeting shall be considered binding upon the Board of Trustees. 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.</p> <p>d. 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.</p>
2011	2011	11-08	P	Approve the formation of the Conference Concepts Adaptation Committee (CCAC).

#### **CONFERENCE (DELEGATE) NEWSLETTER**

1991	1991		P	The Delegate Newsletter print in full the minutes of the Annual Business Meeting in the issue immediately following the ABM or as soon thereafter as feasible.
1991	1991		P	The Delegate Newsletter print a Table of Contents at the beginning of the newsletter to advise delegates in shorthand fashion what items are being discussed in that issue.
1991	1991		P	The Delegate Newsletter to print all submissions from Board of Trustees members, F.W. S. staff, delegates or alternative delegates in their entirety unless the writer requests otherwise or if, for technical reasons, the editor(s) deem it impractical to do so.
1991	1991		P	Notwithstanding the forgoing motion, where possible, the editor(s) are to group together all letters which address the same issue unless a contributor specifically requests that his/her letter not be separated.
1991	1991		P	All submissions to the Delegate Newsletter have the author's first name, last name initial, city and state, set out at the beginning of the submission, i.e. "By Julie B., Lakewood, OH."
1991	1991		P	The Delegate Newsletter editor's opinions and/or comments all be kept in one section called the "Editor's Corner" and that the editor's first name, last name initial, city and state, be set out at the beginning of this section.

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1991	1991		P	The Delegate Newsletter's editor(s)' term of office shall be for two years, staggered, or until duly replaced by the election of the members of the Conference Charter Committee, for the sake of continuity.
1991	1991		P	The Delegate Newsletter print all responses to all polls published in the Delegate Newsletter by number, instead of percentage, i.e., 7 voted for; 12 voted against.
1991	1991		P	A brief mission statement be set out at the beginning of each Delegate Newsletter, which will include the following points: "This Delegate Newsletter is published to inform conference members of the ongoing business issues within S.L.A.A. as a whole and to provide them with the opportunity to voice their and their group's opinions on the various issues being discussed, as well as the opportunity to raise issues to the fellowship as a whole. It also serves to publish the full minutes of the ABM."
1991	1991		P	The Conference recommends that F.W.S copy, stuff, and mail the Delegate Newsletter on a schedule negotiated with the CCC, which should solely be responsible for content except when F W. S. may wish to limit the weight of the mailings to control expenses. The mailing list should include all Conference members and other S.L.A.A. members who so request.
1991	1996		W	The Delegate Newsletter print all submitted S.L.A.A. announcements regarding conferences, resignations, F.W.S. business, etc.
1991	1996		W	The editor(s) of the Delegate Newsletter publish his/her opinion on any given topic at once, avoiding immediate (same issue) responses to contributions and that he/she be prohibited from responding to responses to his/her opinions.
1991	1996		W	That editor(s) may make immediate responses to contributions when that response is informational only.
1991	1991		P	The Board of Trustees publish summaries of the BOT minutes in the Delegate Newsletter.
1991	1991		F	The Board of Trustees publish a full report of all actions, with a brief summary of anonymous arguments, pro and con, in the Delegate Newsletter as soon as it is practical.
1993	1993		F	That the F.W.S. budget include funding for five delegate newsletters costing an estimated \$500. This amount would be separate from the Conference Charter Committee's regular operating budget allocation.
1996	1996		W	That, whenever practical, the Board of Trustees announce in advance in the Delegate Newsletter that it will be considering amendments to the By-laws, allowing the opportunity for comment.
1996	1996		P	Reestablish the Conference Newsletter (CN) for year-round communication for Conference members.
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## **DELEGATES**

1985	1985		P	The Board of Trustees has been charged with the responsibility of devising and implementing a delegate structure for S.L.A.A. and to make appropriate changes
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				in the "qualified voting member" provisions of the Corporation's By-laws to conform to whatever the delegate structure for S.L.A.A. is to be.
1988	1988		P	The delegate structure was implemented.
1992	1992		F	Encourage the election of alternate delegates to take over when the delegates end term.
1996	1996		F	We recommend that the standard term (for a delegate) be three years.
1997	1998	96-11	P	By-law V.5.e shall be changed from "Each delegate may be elected for a term of two years..." to "It is suggested that each delegate be elected for a term of two years..."
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				delegates.
2009	2010	9-16	P	The Fellowship shall fund the expenses of the CCC Chair to the ABC/M. (Conference Committee Chairs) 10o03/09n16: A friendly amendment was accepted by a vote of 41/5: "The Fellowship shall fund the expenses of the CCC chair to the ABC/M if not attending as a delegate
2021	2022	22o18 /21-06	P	The Conference asks the Board of Trustees to consider the following: Increase total democratic involvement in ABC/M by eliminating the delegate registration fee and instead establishing a suggested donation. This item includes a formula to calculate the suggested donation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Intergroup should be prevented from having representation at the ABC/M due to cost.</li> <li>• Improve our alignment with the democratic intent of the Concepts</li> </ul>

## **DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**

1993	1993		P	That S.L.A.A. develop an outreach committee for underrepresented groups, similar to the Prison Outreach Committee, consistent of volunteers from the Diversity Committee, an optional BOT Liaison and volunteers from the delegates and general membership.
1995	1997		P	To amend the motion to discourage the use of non-Conference approved literature.
1995	1997		W	Do some youth outreach; create literature/meetings.
1995	1997	95-9	W	To edit the S.L.A.A. Basic Text so that it is clearer, easier to understand, and more inclusive in scope.
1996	1996		F	S.L.A.A. meetings should not be open to children.
1997	1997	97-6	W	Request the BOT publish a request to remove from circulation all copies of the "Daytona Promises," also titled "S.L.A.A. Promises" in some areas, for reasons of legality (plagiarism).
1997	1999	97-2	P	The World Wide Directory be sold to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction, mental health counselors and physicians as well as international offices of other "S" fellowships. Addendum: That the following letter be inserted into World Directories purchased by health care professionals, therapists or doctors: "Dear Health Care Professional, Therapist, or Doctor; Thank you for requesting a copy of the S.L.A.A. World Directory. In order to make the meetings available to newcomers while at the same time protecting the anonymity of members, we ask that you first share with your client some of the literature of our program and some of your own sense of what S.L.A.A. is all about. We also suggest newcomers get to at least six meetings in a short period of time before deciding if S.L.A.A. is of value. Thank you again. Sincerely, F.W.S. P.S. Literature is available at a nominal cost by calling 617-332-1845.

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1998	2004	98-18	W	That the ABM approve as Conference-Approved Literature the “attached” rewrite of Chapter 4 from our Basic Text and the Anorexia Pamphlet, for publication as a separate booklet.
2002	2003	02-01	F	Add “Thy will, not mine, be done.” To the end of the Serenity Prayer wherever it appears in conference approved literature, if it does not already exist.
2002	2002	Floor	P	Add an agenda item to the ABC/M schedule that permits lengthy discussion on the topic of special interest meetings.
2002	2004	02-02	W	Have two versions of the <i>Basic Text</i> . One anonymous – one not. BOT will create a version of the <i>Basic Text</i> (SLAA) that does not draw attention to itself: remove colors and page /chapter headers from this version only. Perhaps let this replace the 2001 brightly colored, embossed title version.
2002	2004	02-03	W	Suggest that an “Issue for Discussion” at ABMs be handled in a significantly different manner from “Brainstorming Items” in order for the delegates who so desire to be given a 1, 2, or 3 minute turn (at the discretion of the chair) to “discuss” an issue in <u>the style most often used in their intergroups and home group business meetings</u> .
2002	2004	02-05	A	Subject to adequate FWS resources for any given ABM, fund the travel cost for 2 international delegates from different points outside North America (U.S., Canada, Mexico). Other Conference fees to be raised by delegate’s region. Delegates funded like this will not participate in the TEF (Travel Equalization Fund). Recipient delegates defined jointly by Conference and FWS.
2002	2004	02-05 A	P	To increase the TEF subsidy in Category 8 as follows: “ <i>For Delegates traveling between 4000 and 8000 miles, a subsidy of up to \$1000.00 will be paid, on a pro-rated basis of funds received.</i> ”
2003	2003	Floor	F	Remove the rewrite of Chapter 4 of our Basic Text and the Anorexia pamphlet from the BMIS until it is completed by the CLC.
2004	2004	04-04	F Group Conscience challenged.	Create a Conference-level Globalization committee.
2008	2009	08-09	F	The People of Color Pamphlet is submitted for approval by the Conference at the 2009 Annual Business Meeting. The CLC approved the document, as is, at its January 10, 2009, meeting. The document has been in preparation for several years.
2009	2010	09-14	R	Change the second-to-last sentence of the S.L.A.A. Preamble from: “We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant.” To: “We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns, honoring any personal differences of sexual orientation or gender identity.” (Conference Diversity Committee) Motion, as amended: Change the second-to-last sentence of the S.L.A.A. Preamble from: “We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant.” To: “We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns, accepting any personal differences of sexual orientation or gender identity.”
2010	2011	10-12	F Group Conscience challenged.	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.’

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2012	2012	12-05	A	The CDC asks the Conference to approve a revision of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> sentence in the 4 <sup>th</sup> paragraph in <i>The S.L.A.A. Preamble</i> . <u>Current Sentence</u> : "We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant." <u>Proposed revision (with friendly amendment)</u> : "We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns, which transcends any personal differences of sexual orientation and gender identity."
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## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

1991	1991		P	That the CFC review software packages including "Quicken" or better, with ability to write checks on line and track budget vs. actual expenses. The CFC shall be asked to recommend how the F.W.S. office may best report to each committee quarterly its budget vs. actual expenses by category (e.g. telephone, mail, travel, printing). The CFC will forward to the Office Operating Committee its software acquisition (recommendation) and notes that since the F.W.S. office staff has limited resources, committee accounting details need to be maintained by the committees themselves.
1991	1991		P	That the Board of Trustees reimburse the Inter-Fellowship Committee for 1990/1991 expenses totaling \$470.68, if money is there, their breakdown of expenses being made available at the conference.
1991	1991		P	The Conference requests that F.W.S. develop, as time and budget allow, its accounting procedures in such a manner as to allow break-even analysis of each separate activity, allocating direct labor, salaries, and other expenses where possible and distributing other labor and overhead expenses proportionally to the direct labor and salaries.
1991	1991		P	Each committee shall be asked to do all it can by mail and to delegate what is possible to small subcommittees that can use three-way calling. Committees shall be asked to budget the minimum necessary for conference calls and to place such call at the lowest rates, e.g. by advance arrangement with a long distance carrier rather on demand.
1991	1991		P	A policy of travel equalization similar to that of A.A. be studied by the CFC during the coming year in conjunction with the Board Finance Committee (BFC).
1995	1995		P	Each Intergroup/region/country form a finance committee with the intention to encourage financial support of: 1) local fellowship, 2) regional fellowship, 3) F.W.S.
1996	1998	96-7	P	The 1996 Conference of the ABM requests that the Board of Trustees of S.L.A.A. support the 5/9/92 "F.W.S. Policy on Intentional F.W.S. Convention Planning" in its entirety.
1997	1997	97-5	W	Combine existing text from pamphlet "Questions Beginners Ask" and pamphlet "Suggestions for Newcomers" into one comprehensive new pamphlet with dual title.
1997	1997	97-7	W	Reduce the price of two pamphlets: "Questions Beginners Ask" and "Suggestions for Newcomers." Recommend \$.30 or \$.35
1997	1998	97-20	P	Prison Outreach Committee special funding be discontinued and the

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				Committee submit budget requests the same as all other committees.
1998	2002	98-21	Changed to IFD	FWS fund up to nine committee service positions to attend the ABC/M in an amount equal to the funding for the BOT. This will be administered jointly by FWS and the CCC.
2002	2004	02-05	A	Subject to adequate FWS resources for any given ABM, fund the travel cost for 2 international delegates from different points outside North America (U.S., Canada, Mexico). Other Conference fees to be raised by delegate's region. Delegates funded like this will not participate in the TEF (Travel Equalization Fund). Recipient delegates defined jointly by Conference and FWS.
2002	2004	02-05 A	P	To increase the TEF subsidy in Category 8 as follows: <i>"For Delegates traveling between 4000 and 8000 miles, a subsidy of up to \$1000.00 will be paid, on a pro-rated basis of funds received."</i>
2003	2004	03-03	F	That the S.L.A.A. Basic Text must be made available online free for downloading in *.pdf, *.rtf, and *.doc to facilitate the understanding of what the S.L.A.A. program is all about, rather than give people (especially people from around the world) a blank wall and a demand for money. This to be done with the proviso that people can (of their own volition) purchase a copy of the book in hard copy from FSO or their nearest group.
2004	2004	04-03	A	For the accountability of all conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and its progress reviewed at each Annual Business Meeting. The full conference then confirms the continuation and financing of the project/charter.
2004	2004	04-03 A	P	For the accountability of all Conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. Conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and an evaluation of each project done annually. Based on these reports and the status of each project, Conference members will be invited to provide feedback to the Conference Finance Committee (CFC) regarding continued funding of each committee and to the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) for activity accountability. If members have concerns about either CFC or CCC accountability they may direct comments to the Board of Trustees (BOT).
2004	2004	04-04	F Group Conscience challenged.	Create a Conference-level Globalization committee.

#### **GOD, HIGHER POWER, SPIRITUALITY, RELIGION**

1991	1996		W	The word "God" be removed and replaced with "Higher Power" or other such language, in all pamphlets approved at this conference and all literature approved in the future, with the exception of "God" using direct quotes.
1992	1992		F	To erase "God" from all literature.
1997	2000	97-17	F	Remove references to God, substituting Higher Power in prayers, literature,

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				suggested meeting formats, etc.
2000	2000	97-17	F	To amend "Remove references to God, substituting Higher Power in prayers, literature, suggested meeting formats, etc." to say, "That in the creation of new literature from this time forward, the CLC shall use the terms "higher power" or God/Higher Power" where appropriate in the <u>text</u> of any new literature, excluding personal stories, the steps and traditions. Individual meetings shall be responsible for the use of the terms "higher power" or "God/Higher Power" in prayers or suggested meeting formats in accordance with their group conscience and Tradition 4."
1999	2003	99-06	P	To add the following key words (noted in <b>bold italics</b> ) to the list of major resources in the Preamble and order the list of resources as follows: 1) <b><i>Sobriety</i></b> . Our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom-line addictive behavior on a daily basis. 2) <b><i>Sponsorship/Meetings</i></b> . Our capacity to reach out for the supportive fellowship within S.L.A.A. 3) <b><i>Steps</i></b> . Our practice of the Twelve Step program of recovery to achieve sexual and emotional sobriety. 4) <b><i>Service</i></b> . Our giving back to the SLAA community what we continue to freely receive.  5) <b><i>Spirituality</i></b> . Our developing a relationship with a Power greater than ourselves which can guide and sustain us in recovery.
2002	2003	02-01	F	Add "Thy will, not mine, be done." To the end of the Serenity Prayer wherever it appears in conference approved literature, if it does not already exist.
2003	2004	03-02	F	Change the third step to make the words "as we understood God" italicized or bold type whoever [ <i>sic</i> ] they appear in future printing.

## INCORPORATION

1980	1980		P	Incorporation will be sought as a non-profit organization under the name of the "The Augustine Fellowship" or a variant of that name, if it is already registered. The purpose of the incorporate Fellowship will be ownership of the copyrights to all literature published under the name of "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous" and/or representing the experience of those practicing the S.L.A.A. program of recovery.
1980	1980		P	In all matters not otherwise specified, we will follow the guidelines practiced by the A.A. general Board of Trustees and A.A. World Service, Inc., in order to benefit from their greater experience in business matters affecting the Fellowship as a whole.

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1980	1980		P	Guided by A.A. experience, we will adhere to the principles contained in the Twelve A.A. Traditions, adapted as appropriate to the differing agent of addictive abuse.
1984	1984		P	A tax-exempt number for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts was obtained in keeping with the I.R.S. granted tax-exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
1984	1984		P	A filing to be made to the I.R.S. to support the contention that we should continue to be treated as a non-profit, tax-exempt, publicly supported organization under the Internal Revenue Code.
2004	2004	1-Apr	W	That the Bylaws Article II – Place of Business be changed to read as follows: The principle office of the corporation shall be located at 1504 Providence Highway, Suite 9, Norwood, MA 02062, or at any such other location as the Board of Trustees may from time to time select.
2013	2013	13-03	P	To ratify the Board of Trustee's formation, in May 2013, as a Texas nonprofit corporation entitled "The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc.," and for the Board of Trustees to take all actions proper and necessary to move the state of incorporation from Massachusetts to Texas.

#### **INTERFELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**

1996	1996		P	The InterFellowship Committee will create a survey regarding the coordination with compatible "S" fellowships solely as a call for further information.
1991	1996		W	To seek greater coordination with compatible 12-Step "S" groups.
1995	1997	95-19	P	To amend the motion to discourage the use of non-Conference approved literature.
1997	1999	97-3	A	Copies of meeting lists supplied to the F.W.S. office for distribution shall be furnished to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction and physicians, as well as international offices of other "S" groups.
1997	1999	97-3 A	P	Copies of meeting lists supplied to the F.W.S. Office for distribution shall be furnished to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction and physicians, as well as international offices of other "S" groups. It needs to be made clear to groups submitting meeting lists that they (the lists) will be distributed in this manner.
1997	1999	97-11	A	The following list of six items submitted as one motion: 1) We suggest individual boards give out URL/Links on their web sites for other Fellowships agreeing to do this. That is, the Interfellowship Forum agrees in principle that links to other sexual

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				recovery sites is a desirable thing, but we recognize that whether "to link or be linked" is up to the individual Fellowship service board; 2) We encourage each "S" Fellowship service board provide to all other "S" Fellowship boards any or all of the following: a) International Meeting Directory; b) Regional Contact Phone Numbers; c) Central Office Phone Numbers; d) 800 Numbers, along with any restrictions on the use of this information. This is in the spirit of the 5th Tradition goal of getting information to the still suffering addict; 3) We suggest each Fellowship exchange directories of meeting information to each other's central offices with an agreement that when contacted, we acknowledge the presence of a particular Fellowship in a particular location along with phone number of how to get more details; 4) We recommend that each Fellowship be encouraged to provide a brief statement to be used by other Fellowships in referral and information work. This statement should describe their Fellowship including their distinctive attributes; 5) We propose we continue the Interfellowship Forum (IF) annually, hosted in turn by each "S" Fellowship year to year; 6) We recommend each "S" Fellowship provide a self-descriptive statement of the literature/merchandise they sell to the other "S" Fellowships who, at their discretion may distribute this information to their members along with contact information.
1998	1999	97-11 A	P	To divide the above motion into six separate motions.
1997	1999	97-11 #1	P	1) We adopt a URL link on our website to other "S" fellowships.
1997	1999	97-11 #2	P	2) Provide World-Wide Directory of meetings and FWS contact information to all other "S" fellowships after the 1999 ABM, and Directory or FWS contact information is updated.
1997	1999	97-11 #3	P	3) When asked for meeting information, FWS shall provide SLAA information only, unless the requestor specifically asks for other "S" fellowship information or there is no SLAA presence in the area, in which case other "S" fellowship contact information will be given.
1997	1999	97-11 #4	P	4) Provide the following statement to other "S" fellowships to be used in referral and information work: "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve Step, Twelve Tradition-oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. One of the resources we draw on is our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom line addictive behavior on a daily basis. In addition, members reach out to others in the fellowship, practice the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and seek a relationship with a Higher Power to counter the destructive consequences of one or more addictive behaviors social and emotional anorexia. We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant.
1997	2001	97-11 #5	P	5) SLAA shall continue to be involved in the Interfellowship Forum.
1997	1999	97-11 #6	P	6) Provide to the other "S" fellowships a self-descriptive statement of the SLAA literature/merchandise available through FWS.
1997	2000	97-22	F	To make a questionnaire of all SLAA groups.
2000	2003	00-01	Changed to IFD	Extend official (Conference-Approved) invitation from the InterFellowship Committee (IFC) to other "S" fellowships to attend and observe SLAA's 2000 ABM in Houston. For the purpose of this motion, the observers are not authorized to voice opinions/make statements on the floor at the General

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				Assembly.
2000	2003	00-02	A	Permit invited observers from other "S" fellowships to voice opinions/make public statements on any proceeding at SLAA's 2000 ABM. Invited observers from other "S" fellowships are not authorized to vote on any motions at the Committee or General Assembly levels.
2000	2003	00-02 A	W	Replace all wording of Motion in Item 03o05/00-01 with the following text: Issue for Discussion, Recommendation Required: ABM observers are typically permitted to speak in General Assembly but not to vote. Observers are also permitted to attend and speak in Conference Committee meetings. Shall an observer from another "S" fellowship be permitted to speak in S.L.A.A.'s ABM General Assembly and Conference Committee meetings? If so, what would be the nature of such speaking: commentary, responses to questions, etc.?
2000	2003	00-03	W	List on the official SLAA Website and in the FWS World Directory the "official" telephone numbers and URL's of other "S" fellowships. Add a disclaimer on the SLAA website and in the FWS World Directory (with it's next printing) noting "SLAA neither endorses nor recommends the following organizations, their sites and central office phone numbers are identified only to provide individuals with the opportunity to learn about other 12-Step, 12 Tradition recovery groups dealing with addiction to sex, love and relationships."
2008	2009	08-12	F	The Conference calls upon the Board of Trustees to approach the governing bodies of S.A.A. and S.C.A. to initiate discussion on the possibility of merging the organizations. By passage of this motion the Conference supports such a merger in concept. If this motion passes, the Board of Trustees is called upon to deliver a report to the Conference at the 2010 Annual Business Meeting detailing its actions taken in this regard over the course of the year; a summary of advantages and disadvantages of such an action; and a recommendation for next steps.

### **INTERGROUP COMMITTEE**

1991	1991		F	That any F.W.S. policies affecting Intergroups must include group conscience of said Intergroups.
1991	1991		F	That the Intergroup which hosts the International Recovery Convention also be directly responsible for its budget, including generating income as well as being responsible for direct expenses, opposed to F.W.S.
1991	1996		W	That the Intergroup Committee, being the closest to new groups, is asked to form a working group to study the document, the Service Manual, being prepared by the Office Operating Committee and offer suggestions on it before it is distributed by F.W.S.
1992	1992		P	Intergroups Committee to form a working group to study document--Service Manual--being put together by the Office Operating Committee.
1994	1994		P	The Conference approved the deletion of three committees: Intergroup Communications Committee, Conference Public Information Committee, and Conference Traditions Committee.
1997	1999	97-11	A	The following list of six items submitted as one motion: 1) We suggest individual boards give out URL/Links on their web sites for other Fellowships agreeing to do this. That is,

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				the Interfellowship Forum agrees in principle that links to other sexual recovery sites is a desirable thing, but we recognize that whether "to link or be linked" is up to the individual Fellowship service board; 2) We encourage each "S" Fellowship service board provide to all other "S" Fellowship boards any or all of the following: a) International Meeting Directory; b) Regional Contact Phone Numbers; c) Central Office Phone Numbers; d) 800 Numbers, along with any restrictions on the use of this information. This is in the spirit of the 5th Tradition goal of getting information to the still suffering addict; 3) We suggest each Fellowship exchange directories of meeting information to each other's central offices with an agreement that when contacted, we acknowledge the presence of a particular Fellowship in a particular location along with phone number of how to get more details; 4) We recommend that each Fellowship be encouraged to provide a brief statement to be used by other Fellowships in referral and information work. This statement should describe their Fellowship including their distinctive attributes; 5) We propose we continue the Interfellowship Forum (IF) annually, hosted in turn by each "S" Fellowship year to year; 6) We recommend each "S" Fellowship provide a self-descriptive statement of the literature/merchandise they sell to the other "S" Fellowships who, at their discretion may distribute this information to their members along with contact information.
1998	1999	97-11 A	P	To divide the above motion into six separate motions.
1997	1999	97-11 #1	P	1) We adopt a URL link on our website to other "S" fellowships.
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1997	1999	97-11 #4	P	4) Provide the following statement to other "S" fellowships to be used in referral and information work: "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve Step, Twelve Tradition-oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. One of the resources we draw on is our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom line addictive behavior on a daily basis. In addition, members reach out to others in the fellowship, practice the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and seek a relationship with a Higher Power to counter the destructive consequences of one or more addictive behaviors social and emotional anorexia. We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant.
1997	2001	97-11 #5	P	5) SLAA shall continue to be involved in the Interfellowship Forum.
1997	1999	97-11 #6	P	6) Provide to the other "S" fellowships a self-descriptive statement of the SLAA literature/merchandise available through FWS.
2002	2002	Floor	F	The Conference suggests that local Intergroups list on meeting lists all meetings that identify themselves as S.L.A.A. meetings and are registered with F.W.S.
2003	2003	Floor	P	The 2003 Conference confirms the Conference Intergroup Communication Committee retroactively in full capacity to the close of the 2002 ABM, including financial aspects as reported in the committee reports.

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### INTERNET COMMITTEE

1996	1996		P	S.L.A.A. / F.W.S. should establish a presence on the Internet.
2000	2003	00-03	W	List on the official SLAA Website and in the FWS World Directory the "official" telephone numbers and URL's of other "S" fellowships. Add a disclaimer on the SLAA website and in the FWS World Directory (with it's next printing) noting "SLAA neither endorses nor recommends the following organizations, their sites and central office phone numbers are identified only to provide individuals with the opportunity to learn about other 12-Step, 12 Tradition recovery groups dealing with addiction to sex, love and relationships."
2002	2004	02-16	W	FWS officially acknowledge the need for, and support and encourage privacy in its electronic mail communications, and adopt PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) freeware to support this.

### LITERATURE COMMITTEE

1980	1980		P	The pamphlet "An Introduction: Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous" has been circulated among active members and approved pending final revisions. Other pamphlets to be distributed to either the Fellowship or the public are to undergo a similar process of review and approval before being generally distributed.
1980	1980		P	No piece of literature published or printed by the Fellowship will appear with the author's name. However, author's royalties will be paid as appropriate according to general industry-accepted practice. AU other income will be retained by the incorporated Fellowship and used exclusively for purposes congruent with the traditions of the Fellowship.
1984	1984		P	New Preamble written and copyrighted.
1987	1987		F	Change in wording of the Preamble to include " differences of sexual, age, or gender."
1987	1987		P	Translations into Spanish and German of program literature approved.
1987	1987		P	All new S.L.A.A. literature to go through a Conference approval process
1988	1988		F	Four pieces of new literature needed further editing.
1990	1990		P	Pamphlet, "Sponsorship-A Return From Isolation," accepted.
1990	1990		P	Pamphlet, "Addiction and Recovery," accepted.
1991	1996		W	To hold a discussion of literature issues before every Conference; not in committee exclusively.
1991	1991		P	The Literature Committee is welcome to submit a revised draft of "Anorexia" for conference approval by 2/3 mail vote of the delegates.
1991	1991		F	To delete the following sentence found in the 4th Step, on page 81 of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, from all future printings: "We were not merely people who had done "bad things;" we were what we had done."

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1991	1996		W	A statement be printed on all future literature that it has been examined for sexist, racist, able-ist, etc., language.
1991	1996		W	The word "God" be removed and replaced with "Higher Power" or other such language, in all pamphlets approved at this conference and all literature approved in the future, with the exception of "God" using direct quotes.
1991	1996		W	Give Conference approval of the book <i>Hope and Recovery</i> .
1992	1992		P	To accept the "Anorexia" pamphlet.
1992	1992		F	To erase "God" from all literature.
1995	1996		P	To develop guidelines on applying the 12 Traditions to our Fellowship specifically. Perhaps a pamphlet relating Fellowship-wide experience, strength and hope on application of each Tradition to the group could be developed.
1995	1997	95-9	W	To edit the S.L.A.A. Basic Text so that it is clearer, easier to understand, and more inclusive in scope.
1995	1997		P	To publish the "Welcome to Newcomers" pamphlet as S.L.A.A. Conference approved literature.
1995	1997	95-14	P	To approve the "Welcome" pamphlet.
1995	1996		P	Develop a Bottom-line pamphlet.
1995	1996		P	Develop a pamphlet on Service.
1995	1997		W	Create S.L.A.A. promises.
1995	1996		P	Ask Service and Members Retention Committees to submit writings to us (CLC) for future publication.
1995	1997		W	Do some youth outreach; create literature/meetings.
1996	1996		F	Use Alcoholics Anonymous' Promises from pages 83 (last paragraph) and 84 (paragraphs 1 & 2) of the "Big Book" as S.L.A.A.'s Promises.
1996	1996		P	To develop a S.L.A.A. book of daily meditations.
1996	1998	96-19	F	To approve the Daytona Promises as official S.L.A.A. Promises.
1997	2000	97-1	P	To change the cover of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text so that it is non-descript and supports anonymity.
1997	1997	97-5	W	Combine existing text from pamphlet "Questions Beginners Ask" and pamphlet "Suggestions for Newcomers" into one comprehensive new pamphlet with dual title.
1997	1997	97-6	W	Request the BOT publish a request to remove from circulation all copies of the "Daytona Promises," also titled "S.L.A.A. Promises" in some areas, for reasons of legality (plagiarism).
1997	1997	97-7	W	Reduce the price of two pamphlets: "Questions Beginners Ask" and "Suggestions for Newcomers." Recommend \$.30 or \$.35.
1997	1999	97-10	P	To create two different cards that can be sold or given away at cost to S.L.A.A. members or groups that can be used to indicate donations to the Augustine

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				Fellowship marking milestone events in a member's or group's life, e.g. sobriety, recovery, birthday, anniversary, death.
1997	2000	97-14	F	To include in the Basic Text no less than (25%) 1 in 4 stories about love addiction and anorexia when next revised.
1997	2000	97-17	F	Remove references to God, substituting Higher Power in prayers, literature, suggested meeting formats, etc.
1997	2000	97-18	F	Edit the page layout to remove the page/chapter headers for any future editions of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text.
1998	1999	98-2	A	Approve the text of Traditions 1, 3, 4, 10, and 11, as submitted as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	1999	98-2 A	P	To split this following motion into 5 separate motions to be able to address each Tradition singly—"Approve the text of Traditions 1, 3, 4, 10, and 11, as submitted as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions. "
1998	2000	98-2B	P	Approve the text of Traditions 1 [to say "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery <i>depends upon</i> S.L.A.A. <i>unity</i> "], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2C	F	Approve the text of Traditions 3 [to say "The only requirement for S.L.A.A. membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. Any two or more persons <i>gathering</i> together for mutual aid in recovering from sex and love addiction may call themselves an S.L.A.A. group, provided that as a group they have no other affiliation"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2D	P	Approve the text of Traditions 4 [to say "Each group should be autonomous except in matters <i>affecting</i> S.L.A.A. as a whole"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2E	P	Approve the text of Traditions 10 [to say "S.L.A.A. has no opinion on outside <i>issues</i> ; hence the S.L.A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2F	F	Approve the text of Traditions 11 [to say "Our public relations policy is based on <i>attraction rather than on promotion</i> ; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, TV, film, and other public media. We need guard with special care the anonymity of all fellow S.L.A.A. members"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-3	W	Upon next printing, add the SLAA Twelve Traditions to the following pamphlets: <i>Questions Beginners Ask</i> , <i>40 Questions for Self-Diagnosis</i> , <i>Sponsorship</i> , <i>Addiction and Recovery</i> , <i>Anorexia</i> .
1998	2000	98-4	W	Upon the next printing, revise the Anorexia pamphlet per the following: Add the SLAA Twelve Steps; Remove the seven vertical bars and the FWS address and phone number on the last page; and space permitting, add the SLAA Preamble.
1998	2001	98-5	P	Barring exception for irrelevant content, ensure that the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of SLAA are included in the creation and subsequent publication of any and all new SLAA pamphlets.
1998	2000	98-6	F	Remove all instances of AA Steps and Traditions from SLAA pamphlets.
1998	2001	98-13	Chang	To send a letter to all lone groups and Intergroups asking for feedback on the issue

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			ed to IFD	of adding stories and/or chapters to our Basic Text versus creating an entirely separate new book with that content.
1998	2001	98-15	F	Submit the attached 12-Steps for review and hopefully publication as an FWS guide for sexual/social/emotional anorexics to work toward recovery.
1998	2005	98-18	W	That the ABM approve as Conference-Approved Literature the [attached] rewrite of Chapter 4 from our <i>Basic Text</i> and the <u>Anorexia</u> pamphlet, for publication as a separate booklet.
1999	1999	99-01	P	The address contained in Article II be automatically changed if the Fellowship-Wide Services Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous office relocates.
1998	2000	98-7	F	Reject "I would like our Fellowship to have written out in either pamphlet form or in an updated version of our big book (S.L.A.A. <i>Basic Text</i> —added by Business Meeting Items editor) a full description of the Traditions and how to apply them to our program."
1999	2000	99-04	W	Amend 60/40 Pamphlet so that it no longer says that FWS provides free literature to new groups.
1999	2000	99-05	F	That Patrick Carne's book, <i>Sexual Anorexia</i> , be on the approved literature list.
2000	2000	97-17	F	To amend "Remove references to God, substituting Higher Power in prayers, literature, suggested meeting formats, etc." to say, "That in the creation of new literature from this time forward, the CLC shall use the terms "higher power" or God/Higher Power" where appropriate in the <u>text</u> of any new literature, excluding personal stories, the steps and traditions. Individual meetings shall be responsible for the use of the terms "higher power" or "God/Higher Power" in prayers or suggested meeting formats in accordance with their group conscience and Tradition 4."
2000	2002	00-11	W	To approve "The Pocket Tool Kit".
2001	2005	01-05	W	To approve the [Crosstalk, Feedback & Triggering Language] pamphlet.
2001	2003	01-06	P	To approve the [After-Slip Worksheet] pamphlet.
2001	2003	01-11	A	Create a fast track for a completed literature title to be addressed by the Conference. After the CLC produces its final draft, let them submit it to the CCC for placement at the top of the next ABM agenda, or for decision-making between ABMs.
2001	2003	01-11 A	F	During the interim and until the CCC and the Conference bring about changes that eliminate the many year backlog of motions and discussion items, let us create a fast-track for literature projects finalized and approved by the CLC so they will be addressed by the next conference.
2001	2003	01-11 A	F	Until the BMIS is completed on a yearly basis, the Conference shall address motions to approve literature that is finalized and approved by the CLC before other BMIS items starting at the next ABM.
2002	2003	02-01	F	Add "Thy will, not mine, be done." To the end of the Serenity Prayer wherever it appears in conference approved literature, if it does not already exist.
2002	2005	02-04	A	Add to future publications of the SLAA <i>Basic Text</i> and all pamphlets a SLAA recovery term index (see 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary bookmark). Until this can happen, include index as insert with book orders. On pamphlets only include reference

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				items that pertain to that pamphlet.
2002	2005	02-04 A	F	Upon the next printing of each version of the Basic Text, the topic index taken from the topic bookmark created for 2001 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary International Recovery Convention (attached photocopy of 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary bookmark) will be incorporated as a topic index page in the Basic Text. Until the next printing of the text which includes the topic index, each purchaser order of the Basic Text would include a bookmark for each book at no charge.
2002	2002	Floor	P	To distribute the following statement: <i>"The Conference understands that some patterns of our addiction have a lack of experience reflected within our literature. In an effort to fill this gap, we encourage members to submit their personal experience to the Journal and the CLC for sharing with the entire Fellowship. While each group is autonomous, the Conference does not encourage the use of non-Conference-Approved literature (Outside literature does not include S.L.A.A. literature in draft form). If any group chooses to use non-Conference-Approved literature, it ought to be clearly defined as such. We do encourage the practice of our 12 Steps and 12 Traditions for all members and groups in recovery from our addiction."</i> Vehicles for distribution will include the bulk mailing, F.W.S. Newsletter, the Journal, etc. Note: this statement will include an address to which these submissions can be mailed.
2003	2003	Floor	F	Remove the rewrite of Chapter 4 of our Basic Text and the Anorexia pamphlet from the BMIS until it is completed by the CLC.
2003	2004	03-03	F	That the S.L.A.A. Basic Text must be made available online free for downloading in *.pdf, *.rtf, and *.doc to facilitate the understanding of what the S.L.A.A. program is all about, rather than give people (especially people from around the world) a blank wall and a demand for money. This to be done with the proviso that people can (of their own volition) purchase a copy of the book in hard copy from FSO or their nearest group.
2004	2004	04-03	A	For the accountability of all conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and its progress reviewed at each Annual Business Meeting. The full conference then confirms the continuation and financing of the project/charter.
2004	2004	04-03 A	P	For the accountability of all Conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. Conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and an evaluation of each project done annually. Based on these reports and the status of each project, Conference members will be invited to provide feedback to the Conference Finance Committee (CFC) regarding continued funding of each committee and to the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) for activity accountability. If members have concerns about either CFC or CCC accountability they may direct comments to the Board of Trustees (BOT).
2004	2006	04-15	Changed to IF D	Create a Conference Writing Teams Committee (referred to as "WT" or "WTs"). The CWTC will operate parallel to the CLC but will not replace it nor operate as a subcommittee of it.
2005	2005	05-01	P	To remove the words "In spite of the relative newness of this fellowship..." in <i>An Introduction to Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous</i> pamphlet so that page 3, 2 <sup>nd</sup> full

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				paragraph starts with "A number of persons..."
2005	2005	05-02	P	To add the word "contact" and remove the words "...will give you the phone number of an anorectic in the Fellowship you can call." in the <i>Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional</i> pamphlet so that page 11, 3 <sup>rd</sup> full paragraph reads as follows: "If you are hesitant to go to a meeting, or if you simply want to speak to a fellow anorectic, contact Fellowship-Wide Services to get information or assistance."
2005	2005	05-03	P	To remove the word "below" in the <i>Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional</i> pamphlet so that page 11, 4th full paragraph reads as follows: "If there isn't an anorectic meeting near you, you may want to start one. When you contact the Fellowship-Wide Services office, we will send you a start-up kit, an anorexia meeting format, and a person to contact who can tell you what their experience has been in starting a meeting."
2005	2005	05-04	P	To add the words " <b>you can purchase a starter kit which includes</b> " and " <b>list of people and/or groups</b> " and removing the words "we will send you a start up kit," and "...person to contact" in the <i>Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional</i> pamphlet so that page 11, 4th full paragraph reads as follows: "If there isn't an anorectic meeting near you, you may want to start one. When you contact the Fellowship-Wide Services office, you can purchase a starter kit which includes an anorexia meeting format and a list of people and/or groups who can tell you what their experience has been in starting a meeting."
2006	2006	06-02	P	Approve as Conference Approved Literature the "Setting Bottom Lines" pamphlet, as submitted.
2006	2006	06-03	P	If you use non-conference approved literature in your meeting, we suggest you include the following statement at the beginning of the meeting: This group uses the following non-conference approved literature (list the literature...). This literature is not approved by The S.L.A.A. Conference, but is suggested for this meeting through group conscience.
2008	2008	08-11	P	The hiring of professional writers and/or editors on a fee basis, to ensure prompt, efficient handling of writing and editorial responsibilities for S.L.A.A. literature projects, is in accordance with the principles of S.L.A.A. and the group conscience of the S.L.A.A. Fellowship.
2008	2009	08-08	P	That the Conference approve the following text [Romantic Obsession] as 'Conference-approved literature.' This text has been reviewed and approved by the Conference Literature Committee.
2008	2009	08-09	F	The People of Color Pamphlet is submitted for approval by the Conference at the 2009 Annual Business Meeting. The CLC approved the document, as is, at its January 10, 2009, meeting. The document has been in preparation for several years.
2009	2009	09-13	F	Switch the order of major resources 4 and 5 in the S.L.A.A. Preamble so that Resource 4 is "Spirituality" and Resource 5 is "Service."
2009	2010	09-07	P	Consistent with the unanimous positive response to the 2009 item for discussion titled Widening Publication Channels for Conference-approved Materials, it hereby is moved that the Conference permit the distribution of our basic text, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, through online stores and physical chains in the interest of improving outreach effectiveness and increasing F.W.S. revenue, provided <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no exclusive sales agreements are entered into and</li> </ul>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the S.L.A.A. name or logo is not used by the distributor outside of its mention in the product description. Examples of such distribution channels are Borders, Amazon, and Barnes &amp; Noble, and there are many others.</li> </ul>
2010	2010	10-10	P	To amend the Romantic Obsession text passed by the Conference in 2009 as submitted.
2010	2010	10-12	F Group Conscience challenge	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."
2010	2010	10-13	T	Approve the <b>Measuring Progress</b> pamphlet as Conference Approved Literature.
2010	2010	10-15	P	To approve the idea of developing an S.L.A.A. Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions Book.
2009	2011	09-07	F	To approve the selling and distribution of S.L.A.A. Conference Approved literature via the internet in electronic format.
2010	2011	10-12	F	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.'
2010	2011	10-13	P	Approve the amended <b>Measuring Progress</b> text as Conference-approved literature.
2012	2012	12-01	P	Approve the "Anorexia 1-2-3: Working the Program and not the Problem" text as Conference approved literature.
2014	2015	14-06	P	1) The Conference Literature Committee (CLC) will select a member who it feels is the best member to act as a Representative to the ABC/M. That CLC Member is to be sent to the ABM every year to represent the CLC. This person will not be a delegate from an Intergroup. 2) F.W.S will pay all cost, i.e., housing, (double occupancy), meals, travel, and the cost of registration (as it would for the CCC Chair and the Journal Editor). 3) The CLC Representative does not have voting privileges
2015	2015	15-05	W	The Conference Literature Committee (CLC) would like the conference to approve the draft of:  <b>"40 Questions for Self-Diagnosis" ID #012 - Draft Dated 4/09/2015 (attached)</b>  This draft has met all requirements of the CLC Review Process as outlined in Appendix "J" of the CSM.
2015	2016	16-02	P	That all SLAA FWS Literature be available in electronic format
2016	2016	16-05	T	Approve the updated text of the "40 Questions for Self-Diagnosis of Sex and Love Addiction" (CLC reference ID# 012-40) as Conference-approved Literature.

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2017	2017	17o02/1 6-06	F	To approve the “Step Questions Workbook” as Conference Approved Literature.
		17o02/1 6-06A		Friendly Amendment (A): Remove Dating section, use words for Step #s and BOT to review for copyright concerns.
2017	2017	17o03/1 6-07	P	To approve the “Companion to Chapter Four of the Basic Text of S.L.A.A., Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous” as Conference Approved Literature.
2017	2017	17n04/1 6-08	P	To approve the “Healthy Relationships Pamphlet” as Conference Approved Literature”.
		17n04/1 6-08A		Friendly Amendment (A): 1st page 3rd paragraph change sentence to read, “Healthy Relationships can bring challenges and can also be frontiers of exploration along the recovery journey.”
2017	2017	17n05/1 5-05	T	To approve the updated text of the “40 Questions for Self-Diagnosis of Sex and Love Addiction” as Conference Approved Literature.
2017	2017	17n10/1 7-02	P	To approve the “Anorexia Recovery Tools” text as Conference-approved literature.
2017	2018	18o01/1 7-13	P	To approve the “Meditation Book” as Conference-Approved Literature (Draft literature #018 in the Conference Literature Committee.)
2018	2018	18n04/1 8-03	F	To approve the text of the “Step Questions Workbook” as Conference-Approved Literature. (Draft literature #015 in the Conference Literature Committee.)
2018	2018	18n05/1 8-04	P	To approve “Anorexia 4-5-6-7: Working the Program and not the Problem” as Conference-Approved Literature. (Draft literature #10 in the Conference Literature Committee.)
2019	2019	19o01/1 8-08	P	Approve the text of the CHRC pamphlet titled “The Gift of No Contact” as Conference-Approved Literature
2019	2019	19n13/1 9-12	P	Approve the text of the “Step Questions Workbook” as Conference-Approved Literature.
2020	2021	21n09/2 0-07	P	A joint committee of the CLC and <a href="#">BOC BPDC</a> will review the 2018 Conference Approved literature and the State of Grace as edited by the BOT to revise the current version to reflect the tone of the 2018 Conference Approved Literature.
2020	2022	22o7/20-02	F	Publish the Twelve Steps of S.L.A.A. in Simplified English for use by members as they practice the steps.
2020	2022	22o9/20-02	F	Publication of the book A Framework for living: The Twelve Steps, The Twelve Traditions, and the Twelve Concepts of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous.
2020	2022	22o10/2 0-05	P	Publication of the pamphlet on Outreach Calls to sell as a resource for S.L.A.A. The title of the literature is ‘The Importance of Making Outreach Calls’.
2019	2022	22o12/1 9-05	P	Publish the Super Service Star brochure
2021	2022	22o13/2 1-01	P	Publication of this booklet, “Anorexia 8-9; Working the Program and Not the Problem”, which was an ID last year – to sell as resource for S.L.A.A. members.
2023	2023	23o10/2 1-19	P	The Board Publishing and Distribution Committee (BPDC) seeks Conference and Fellowship-wide approval of the report of its Literature Creation, Editing and Publishing subcommittee (LCEP) on the process used to create Conference

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				Approved Literature from the initial proposal through Board of Trustees publishing. The current process is detailed in Appendices H and I to the Conference Service Manual.
2023	2023	23o13/2 2-02	F	Publish the "Making the Most of Meetings" Pamphlet, to sell as a resource for S.L.A.A. members.
2023	2023	23n14/2 2-01	F	Approval of the book for Publication, <i>A Framework for Living: The Twelve Steps, The Twelve Traditions, and the Twelve Concepts of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous</i> .
2023	2023	23n20/2 3-07	A	Publish the "Twelve Steps of S.L.A.A. in Plain Language" for use by members as they practice the steps.
2023	2023	23n24/2 3-11	A	When current inventory is exhausted, revise and publish <i>A State of Grace</i> (ASOG) to correct typos, add an index, and replace the currently published text as described in the attachment to the motion (see attachment).

### **NAME CHANGES**

1984	1984		P	The Board, in consultation with A.A. World Services, Inc., embarked on a name change in which "World Services Inc." would be changed to "Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc." Notification of the name change to the I.R.S. completed.
1991	1996		W	Change the name of the Fellowship from "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous" to "Sex, Romance and Relationship Addicts Anonymous."
1991	1996		W	The phrase "The Augustine Fellowship" be removed from the name of our Fellowship, which shall hereafter be titled: "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous"; that all program literature, Journal, newsletters, correspondence, and other publications by or on behalf of S.L.A.A. Fellowship-Wide Services, the Annual Business Conference, or any committee or representative thereof, printed after June 16, 1991 shall be printed in accordance with this change; that all other representations of S.L.A.A. at the level of Fellowship-Wide Service shall also be in accordance with this motion.
1992	1992		F	Change name of S.L.A.A. to "Sex, Relationships and Romance Addicts Anonymous."
1992	1992		F	Drop "Augustine Fellowship" from our name.
1993	1993		F	Change the word "fellowship" to "community" in the By-laws (including the corporate name of S.L.A.A. as in Fellowship-Wide Services and in all literature e.g., the Preamble).
1996	2000	97-16	F	To delete the word "addicts" from the name of the Fellowship, so that the Fellowship would be called "Sex and Love Anonymous."
2018	2018	18n06/ 18-05  18n06/ 18-05A	F	That Fellowship-Wide Services remove the term "Lone Group" from all forms, records, and publications (both print and electronic.)

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## **OFFICE OPERATIONS**

1991	1996		W	The Conference pay the Conference for all delegates.
1991	1996		W	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.
1991	1991		F	F.W.S. to study the establishment of an 800-telephone number for the purposes of providing a means for obtaining program and meeting information (This is done at the cost of \$6,700/yr.).
1992	1992		P	F.W.S. to include three versions of a treasurer's report with new meeting packets, and to existing meetings, to encourage their use by the groups.
1996	1996		P	S.L.A.A./F.W.S. should establish a presence on the Internet.
1997	1999	97-2	P	The World Wide Directory be sold to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction, mental health counselors and physicians as well as international offices of other "S" fellowships. Addendum: That the following letter be inserted into World Directories purchased by health care professionals, therapists or doctors: "Dear Health Care Professional, Therapist, or Doctor; Thank you for requesting a copy of the S.L.A.A. World Directory. In order to make the meetings available to newcomers while at the same time protecting the anonymity of members, we ask that you first share with your client some of the literature of our program and some of your own sense of what S.L.A.A. is all about. We also suggest newcomers get to at least six meetings in a short period of time before deciding if S.L.A.A. is of value. Thank you again. Sincerely, F.W.S. P.S. Literature is available at a nominal cost by calling 617-332-1845.
1997	1999	97-3	A	Copies of meeting lists supplied to the F.W.S. Office for distribution shall be furnished to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction and physicians, as well as international offices of other "S" groups.
1997	1999	97-3 A	P	Copies of meeting lists supplied to the F.W.S. Office for distribution shall be furnished to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction and physicians, as well as international offices of other "S" groups. It needs to be made clear to groups submitting meeting lists that they (the lists) will be distributed in this manner.
2009	2010	09-07	P	Consistent with the unanimous positive response to the 2009 item for discussion titled Widening Publication Channels for Conference-approved Materials, it hereby is moved that the Conference permit the distribution of our basic text, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, through online stores and physical chains in the interest of improving outreach effectiveness and increasing F.W.S. revenue, provided <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no exclusive sales agreements are entered into and</li> <li>• the S.L.A.A. name or logo is not used by the distributor outside of its mention in the product description. Examples of such distribution channels are Borders, Amazon, and Barnes &amp; Noble, and there are many others.</li> </ul>
1997	1999	97-11	A	The following list of six items submitted as one motion: 1) We suggest individual boards give out URL/Links on their web sites for other Fellowships agreeing to do this. That is, the Interfellowship Forum agrees in principle that links to other sexual recovery sites is a desirable thing, but we recognize that whether "to link or be linked" is up to the individual Fellowship service board; 2) We encourage

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				each "S" Fellowship service board provide to all other "S" Fellowship boards any or all of the following: a) International Meeting Directory; b) Regional Contact Phone Numbers; c) Central Office Phone Numbers; d) 800 numbers, along with any restrictions on the use of this information. This is in the spirit of the 5th Tradition goal of getting information to the still suffering addict; 3) We suggest each Fellowship exchange directories of meeting information to each other's central offices with an agreement that when contacted, we acknowledge the presence of a particular Fellowship in a particular location along with phone number of how to get more details; 4) We recommend that each Fellowship be encouraged to provide a brief statement to be used by other Fellowships in referral and information work. This statement should describe their Fellowship including their distinctive attributes; 5) We propose we continue the Interfellowship Forum (IF) annually, hosted in turn by each "S" Fellowship year to year; 6) We recommend each "S" Fellowship provide a self-descriptive statement of the literature/merchandise they sell to the other "S" Fellowships who, at their discretion may distribute this information to their members along with contact information.
1998	1999	97-11 A	P	To divide the above motion into six separate motions.
1997	1999	97-11 #1	P	1) We adopt a URL link on our website to other "S" fellowships.
1997	1999	97-11 #2	P	2) Provide World-Wide Directory of meetings and FWS contact information to all other "S" fellowships after the 1999 ABM, and Directory or FWS contact information is updated.
1997	1999	97-11 #3	P	3) When asked for meeting information, FWS shall provide SLAA information only, unless the requestor specifically asks for other "S" fellowship information or there is no SLAA presence in the area, in which case other "S" fellowship contact information will be given.
1997	1999	97-11 #4	P	4) Provide the following statement to other "S" fellowships to be used in referral and information work: "Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve Step, Twelve Tradition-oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. One of the resources we draw on is our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom line addictive behavior on a daily basis. In addition, members reach out to others in the fellowship, practice the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and seek a relationship with a Higher Power to counter the destructive consequences of one or more addictive behaviors social and emotional anorexia. We find a common denominator in our obsessive/compulsive patterns which renders any personal differences of sexual or gender orientation irrelevant.
1997	2001	97-11 #5	P	5) SLAA shall continue to be involved in the Interfellowship Forum.
1997	1999	97-11 #6	P	6) Provide to the other "S" fellowships a self-descriptive statement of the SLAA literature/merchandise available through FWS.
1997	1998	97-12	P	The FWS Newsletter shall become a real link between SLAA groups, service boards, committees and service centers on all levels fellowship wide. Therefore additionally to the current contents it shall contain information and news about events and activities on all levels, for instance: -the announced but not yet born Intergruop Newsletter (what happens in the Intergruops?)--no separate newsletter!

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				-a summary of the important items of the ABC -a summary of the financial report for the ABC -reports of the services about the activities throughout the year -information about the Conference activities throughout the year (CCC, e.g., the votes on the welcome pamphlet and the length of the ABC.
1997	1998	97-21	W	Add the organization's e-mail address to all of the pamphlets. Implementation (possible): start with a rubber stamp. Individual groups could buy it (revenue!). Phase in to include when printed.
1997	2000	97-22	F	To make a questionnaire of all SLAA groups.
1998	2002	98-21	Changed to IFD	FWS fund up to nine committee service positions to attend the ABC/M in an amount equal to the funding for the BOT. This will be administered jointly by FWS and the CCC.
1999	1999	99-01	P	The address contained in Article II be automatically changed if the Fellowship-Wide Services Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous office relocates.
2002	2004	02-13	P	Make the BMIS available in electronic format.
2002	2004	02-16	W	FWS officially acknowledge the need for, and support and encourage privacy in its electronic mail communications, and adopt PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) freeware to support this.
2002	2002	Floor	P	To distribute the following statement: <i>"The Conference understands that some patterns of our addiction have a lack of experience reflected within our literature. In an effort to fill this gap, we encourage members to submit their personal experience to the Journal and the CLC for sharing with the entire Fellowship. While each group is autonomous, the Conference does not encourage the use of non-Conference-Approved literature (Outside literature does not include S.L.A.A. literature in draft form). If any group chooses to use non-Conference-Approved literature, it ought to be clearly defined as such. We do encourage the practice of our 12 Steps and 12 Traditions for all members and groups in recovery from our addiction."</i> Vehicles for distribution will include the bulk mailing, F.W.S. Newsletter, <i>the Journal</i> , etc. Note: this statement will include an address to which these submissions can be mailed.
2003	2004	03-01	W	To broaden the scope of acceptance, on the redesign of medallions for 12 steps, rather than imprint S.L.A.A. on the obverse, print "Augustine Fellowship".
2003	2004	03-03	F	That the S.L.A.A. Basic Text must be made available online free for downloading in *.pdf, *.rtf, and *.doc to facilitate the understanding of what the S.L.A.A. program is all about, rather than give people (especially people from around the world) a blank wall and a demand for money. This to be done with the proviso that people can (of their own volition) purchase a copy of the book in hard copy from FSO or their nearest group.
2004	2004	04-06	F	If the Board of Trustees decides not to implement a motion passed by a simple majority vote of the Conference and deemed to be group conscience by a simple majority vote of the Conference, then the Board of Trustees must communicate the grave legal, financial, or Traditions-based reasons for overriding the group conscience of the Conference to the Conference within thirty days of the decision, but in no case later than 195 days prior to the next scheduled ABC/M. When giving Traditions-based reasons for overriding the group conscience of the Conference, the Board of Trustees must identify the specific Tradition that would be violated by implementing the group conscience of the Conference and how that Tradition would be violated.

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2005	2005	05-01	P	To remove the words “In spite of the relative newness of this fellowship...” in <i>An Introduction to Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous</i> pamphlet so that page 3, 2 <sup>nd</sup> full paragraph starts with “A number of persons...”
2005	2005	05-02	P	To add the word “contact” and remove the words “...will give you the phone number of an anorectic in the Fellowship you can call.” in the <i>Anorexia Sexual, Social Emotional</i> pamphlet so that page 11, 3 <sup>rd</sup> full paragraph reads as follows: “If you are hesitant to go to a meeting, or if you simply want to speak to a fellow anorectic, contact Fellowship-Wide Services to get information or assistance.”
2005	2005	05-08	A	Waive the registration fee for ABC/M delegates from outside the United States and Canada for the ABC/M 2006
2005	2005	05-08 A	P	Registration fees may be waived for delegates outside the U.S. and Canada who would not otherwise be able to attend the 2006 ABC/M Conference.
2005	2006	05-09	P	With regard to the Travel Equalization Fund (TEF) policy, to pay the same percentage travel allowance for international delegates and North American delegates.
2005	2006	05-10	A	To create a scholarship fund to pay for the food, lodging, and other registration costs for one delegate to the ABC/M from each of the following countries/regions: Argentina/Uruguay, Australia/New Zealand/Singapore, Brazil, Denmark/Sweden. Germany/Netherlands, Ireland/England, Italy/Spain, and South Africa to the ABC/M 2007.
2005	2006	05-10 A	P	The BOT shall as promptly as practicable, establish an International Delegates Fund (IDF) to supplement the total registration, travel and lodging expenses of international delegates attending Annual Business Meetings (ABM). The IDF shall supplement, not replace, the Travel Equalization fund (TEF). The IDF may receive financial contributions from S.L.A.A. individual members, Intergroups, lone groups and F.W.S. general fund. After consultation with the F.W.S. ED and interested Conference members, the BOT shall make all final decisions on the policies, guidelines and implementation of the IDF.
2005	2006	05-18	F	Revise recognition of contributions (both group and individual), to remove the tier structure as well as the donor's name and instead state “Anonymous”, location and amount.
2005	2006	05-19	P	Publish contributions to endowment fund separately from contributions to FWS/SLAA.
2008	2008	08-11	P	The hiring of professional writers and/or editors on a fee basis, to ensure prompt, efficient handling of writing and editorial responsibilities for S.L.A.A. literature projects, is in accordance with the principles of S.L.A.A. and the group conscience of the S.L.A.A. Fellowship.
2009	2009	09-04	F	<i>The Journal</i> Managing Editor moves that a Journal subscription card be sent with every literature order fulfillment and information packet mailed out from the F.W.S. Office and that subscription cards be reprinted from the file prepared by <i>the Journal's</i> Publication Team onto card stock as needed to keep them stocked.
2009	2009	09-06	W	The Conference Journal Committee moves that <i>the Journal</i> Accountant prepare a Business Report for each issue of <i>the Journal</i> so that <i>the Journal</i> is properly accountable to the Fellowship, <i>the Journal</i> readership, the F.W.S. Staff, and the Board Finance and Operating Committee. The F.W.S. Office is requested to facilitate this process by providing the basic cost and volume information listed

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				below within a reasonable time (perhaps a week or two) after each issue of <i>the Journal</i> is distributed. <i>The Journal</i> Accountant shall provide an easy-to-use tally sheet and spreadsheet template to the F.W.S. Office so that providing the information needed to generate a meaningful report takes as little time as possible. The completed Business Report shall be disseminated to the C.J.C. membership, the F.W.S. Office, and the Board Finance and Operating Committee to aid in financial, editorial, outreach, and policy decision-making. The Business Report shall contain (a) the raw information; (b) a statement of revenues, expenses, and net financial effect; and (c) accurate outreach and distribution metrics. <i>The Journal</i> Managing Editor shall support <i>the Journal</i> Accountant in providing this service or serve as Acting Accountant should the role of <i>the Journal</i> Accountant not be filled.
2009	2010	9-16	P	The Fellowship shall fund the expenses of the CCC Chair to the ABC/M. (Conference Committee Chairs) 10o03/09n16: A friendly amendment was accepted by a vote of 41/5: "The Fellowship shall fund the expenses of the CCC chair to the ABC/M if not attending as a delegate
2009	2011	09-07	F	To approve the selling and distribution of S.L.A.A. Conference Approved literature via the internet in electronic format.

#### **PRISON OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

1992	1992		P	Intergroups to participate and give service as a regional outreach to the Prison Outreach Committee.
1993	1993		F	The Prison Outreach Committee request that 1/4 of 1% (.0025) of the F.W.S. budget be devoted to P.O.C. work.
1997	1998	97-20	P	Prison Outreach Committee special funding be discontinued and the Committee submit budget requests the same as all other committees.

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

1991	1991		P	Conference Public Information Committee to develop a data-gathering tool by utilizing a current newsletter or proposed means of communication for eliciting feedback from meetings and/or Intergroups regarding the perception of how to handle media/public relations issues, in light of the Twelve Recommended Guidelines.
1992	1992		P	The Conference Public Information Committee recommends the creation of a brief written reminder to encourage the adherence to the Twelve Recommended Guidelines for annual distribution at the first of the year to Intergroups and lone groups via established communication mechanisms (e.g., F.W.S. Newsletter).
1994	1994		P	The Conference approved the deletion of three committees: Intergroup Communications Committee, Conference Public Information Committee, and Conference Traditions Committee.
2002	2004	02-16	W	FWS officially acknowledge the need for, and support and encourage privacy in its electronic mail communications, and adopt PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) freeware to support this.

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2002	2002	Floor	P	To distribute the following statement: <i>"The Conference understands that some patterns of our addiction have a lack of experience reflected within our literature. In an effort to fill this gap, we encourage members to submit their personal experience to the Journal and the CLC for sharing with the entire Fellowship. While each group is autonomous, the Conference does not encourage the use of non-Conference-Approved literature (Outside literature does not include S.L.A.A. literature in draft form). If any group chooses to use non-Conference-Approved literature, it ought to be clearly defined as such. We do encourage the practice of our 12 Steps and 12 Traditions for all members and groups in recovery from our addiction."</i> Vehicles for distribution will include the bulk mailing, F.W.S. Newsletter, <i>the Journal</i> , etc. Note: this statement will include an address to which these submissions can be mailed.
2002	2002	Floor	F	The Conference suggests that local Intergroups list on meeting lists all meetings that identify themselves as S.L.A.A. meetings and are registered with F.W.S.
2003	2003	Floor	P	The 2003 Conference confirms the Conference Public Information Committee retroactively in full capacity to the close of the 2002 ABM, including financial aspects as reported in the committee reports.

## **SERVICE COMMITTEE**

1996	1998	96-7	P	The 1996 Conference of the ABM requests that the Board of Trustees of S.LAA support the 5/9/92 "F.W.S. Policy on international F.W.S. Convention Planning" in its entirety.
1997	1997	97-9	P	To include in the 1997 World Directory complete information on groups who have responded to FWS' request for update in the October, 1996 bulk mailing.
1995	1997		W	Do some youth outreach; create literature/meetings.
1997	1997	97-5	W	Combine existing text from pamphlet "Questions Beginners Ask" and pamphlet "Suggestions for Newcomers" into one comprehensive new pamphlet with dual title.
1997	1997	97-7	W	Reduce the price of two pamphlets: "Questions Beginners Ask" and "Suggestions for Newcomers." Recommend \$.30 or \$.35.
1997	1999	97-2	P	The World Wide Directory be sold to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction, mental health counselors and physicians as well as international offices of other "S" fellowships. Addendum: that the following letter be inserted into World Directories purchased by health care professionals, therapists or doctors: "Dear Health Care Professional, Therapist, or Doctor; Thank you for requesting a copy of the S.L.A.A. World Directory. In order to make the meetings available to newcomers while at the same time protecting the anonymity of members, we ask that you first share with your client some of the literature of our program and some of your own sense of what S.L.A.A. is all about. We also suggest newcomers get to at least six meetings in a short period of time before deciding if S.L.A.A. is of value. Thank you again. Sincerely, F.W.S. P.S. Literature is available at a nominal cost by calling 617-332-1845.
1997	2000	97-15	A	To add to the S.L.A.A. Preamble and S.L.A.A. publications the following statement or amended version maintaining the intention of the statement: "Participating in doing service recognizing that we can only keep for ourselves that which we give away to others."

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1997	2000	97-15 A	F	To amend "To add to the S.L.A.A. Preamble and S.L.A.A. publications the following statement or amended version maintaining the intention of the statement: "Participating in doing service within the S.L.A.A. community, recognizing that we can only keep for ourselves that which we give away to others" to say, "Participating in doing service within the S.L.A.A. community, recognizing that we can best keep for ourselves that which we give away to others."
1998	2001	98-8	Changed to IFD	Change the qualification for delegates to the ABM. It currently reads: "Whenever possible, a delegate should have a minimum of six months of continuous sobriety prior to the date of submitting qualifications and continue to the date of the conference." We suggest replacing it with: "Whenever possible, a delegate should have at least two years in the fellowship and have experienced at least three months of continuous sobriety."
1999	2003	99-06	P	To add the following key words (noted in <b>bold italics</b> ) to the list of major resources in the Preamble and order the list of resources as follows: 1) <b><i>Sobriety</i></b> . Our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom-line addictive behavior on a daily basis. 2) <b><i>Sponsorship/Meetings</i></b> . Our capacity to reach out for the supportive fellowship within S.L.A.A. 3) <b><i>Steps</i></b> . Our practice of the Twelve Step program of recovery to achieve sexual and emotional sobriety. 4) <b><i>Service</i></b> . Our giving back to the SLAA community what we continue to freely receive. 5) <b><i>Spirituality</i></b> . Our developing a relationship with a Power greater than ourselves which can guide and sustain us in recovery.
2002	2002	Floor	W	In connection with Motion 99-06: change the 2nd bullet (Sponsorship/Meetings) to "Connection" [to read as follows]: "2) Connection. Our capacity to reach out for the supportive fellowship within S.L.A.A."
2002	2004	02-05	A	Subject to adequate FWS resources for any given ABM, fund the travel cost for 2 international delegates from different points outside North America (U.S., Canada, Mexico). Other Conference fees to be raised by delegate's region. Delegates funded like this will not participate in the TEF (Travel Equalization Fund). Recipient delegates defined jointly by Conference and FWS.
2002	2004	02-05 A	P	To increase the TEF subsidy in Category 8 as follows: "For Delegates traveling between 4000 and 8000 miles, a subsidy of up to \$1000.00 will be paid, on a pro-rated basis of funds received."
2004	2004	04-03	A	For the accountability of all conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and its progress reviewed at each Annual Business Meeting. The full conference then confirms the continuation and financing of the project/charter.
2004	2004	04-03 A	P	For the accountability of all Conference committees to its fellowship and as a tool of organization, each project undertaken by S.L.A.A. Conference committees, subcommittees, or individuals will have a projected deadline, determined by the committee members at the start of the project and an evaluation of each project done annually. Based on these reports and the status of each project, Conference members will be invited to provide feedback to the

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				Conference Finance Committee (CFC) regarding continued funding of each committee and to the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) for activity accountability. If members have concerns about either CFC or CCC accountability they may direct comments to the Board of Trustees (BOT).

### **STEPS AND TRADITIONS COMMITTEE**

1984	1984		P	It is discouraged that any unilateral action by any S.L.A.A. member that would place S.L.A.A. in the scrutiny of the public media. All media offers to be forwarded to the Board for discussion and action by the Trustee group, and that if, due to time constraints, such offers could not be processed at the Trustee level, S.L.A.A. would not buckle to time pressure and all such offers would be declined.
1984	1984		P	To maintain the continuity of services and in accordance with Tradition Eight, paid special workers will be employed.
1990	1990		P	F.W.S. to issue the following statement, " Although we recognize the existence of special interest groups within S.L.A.A., no S.L.A.A. member ought to be turned away from any S.L.A.A. meeting in keeping with the 3rd Tradition."
1991	1991		P	The Conference Traditions Committee help educate membership about the importance of the Seventh Tradition and supporting F.W.S. and the fellowship as a whole with contributions
1991	1996		W	The Conference reaffirms the Seventh Tradition and suggests that the Board adopt, publicize, and pursue a policy of setting a price and discount structure for all publications such that F.W.S. will break even on publication operations, after consideration of overhead and funds set aside for prudent reserve.
1994	1994		P	The Conference approved the deletion of three committees: Intergroups Communications Committee, Conference Public Information Committee, and Conference Traditions Committee.
1995	1995		P	Form a Steps and Traditions Committee.
1995	1997	95-19	P	To amend the motion to discourage the use of non-Conference approved literature.
1996	1998	96-7	P	The 1996 Conference of the ABM requests that the Board of Trustees of S.L.A.A. support the 5/9/92 "F.W.S. Policy on International F.W.S. Convention Planning in its entirety.
1997	1997	97-6	W	Request the BOT publish a request to remove from circulation all copies of the "Daytona Promises," also titled "S.L.A.A. Promises" in some areas, for reasons of legality (plagiarism).
1997	1997	97-7	P	To include in the 1997 World Directory complete information on groups who have responded to FWS' request for update in the October, 1996 bulk mailing.
1997	2000	97-1	P	To change the cover of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text so that it is non-descript and supports anonymity.
1997	1999	97-2	P	The World Wide Directory be sold to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction, mental health counselors and physicians as well as international offices of other "S" Fellowships. Addendum: That the following letter be inserted into World Directories purchased by health care

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				professionals, therapists or doctors: "Dear Health Care Professional, Therapist, or Doctor; Thank you for requesting a copy of the S.L.A.A. World Directory. In order to make the meetings available to newcomers while at the same time protecting the anonymity of members, we ask that you first share with your client some of the literature of our program and some of your own sense of what S.L.A.A. is all about. We also suggest newcomers get to at least six meetings in a short period of time before deciding if S.L.A.A. is of value. Thank you again. Sincerely, F.W.S. P.S. Literature is available at a nominal cost by calling 617-332-1845.
1997	1999	97-3	A	Copies of meeting lists supplied to the F.W. S. Office for distribution shall be furnished to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction and physicians, as well as international offices of other "S" groups.
1997	1999	97-3 A	P	Copies of meeting lists supplied to the F.W.S. Office for distribution shall be furnished to individuals, groups, Intergroups, treatment centers dedicated to the treatment of sexual addiction and physicians, as well as international offices of other "S" groups. It needs to be made clear to groups submitting meeting lists that they (the lists) will be distributed in this manner.
1997	1999	97-10	P	To create two different cards that can be sold or given away at cost to S.L.A.A. members or groups that can be used to indicate donations to the Augustine Fellowship marking milestone events in a member's or group's life, e.g. sobriety, recovery, birthday, anniversary, death.
1997	1999	97-11	A	The following list of six items submitted as one motion: 1) We suggest individual boards give out URL/Links on their web sites for other Fellowships agreeing to do this. That is, the Interfellowship Forum agrees in principle that links to other sexual recovery sites is a desirable thing, but we recognize that whether "to link or be linked" is up to the individual Fellowship service board; 2) We encourage each "S" Fellowship service board provide to all other "S" Fellowship boards any or all of the following: a) International Meeting Directory; b) Regional Contact Phone Numbers; c) Central Office Phone Numbers; d) 800 numbers, along with any restrictions on the use of this information. This is in the spirit of the 5th Tradition goal of getting information to the still suffering addict; 3) We suggest each Fellowship exchange directories of meeting information to each other's central offices with an agreement that when contacted, we acknowledge the presence of a particular Fellowship in a particular location along with phone number of how to get more details; 4) We recommend that each Fellowship be encouraged to provide a brief statement to be used by other Fellowships in referral and information work. This statement should describe their Fellowship including their distinctive attributes; 5) We propose we continue the Interfellowship Forum (IF) annually, hosted in turn by each "S" Fellowship year to year; 6) We recommend each "S" Fellowship provide a self-descriptive statement of the literature/merchandise they sell to the other "S" Fellowships who, at their discretion may distribute this information to their members along with contact information.
1997	2000	97-15	A	To add to the S.L.A.A. Preamble and S.L.A.A. publications the following statement or amended version maintaining the intention of the statement: "Participating in doing service, recognizing that we, can only keep for ourselves that which we give away to others "
1997	2000	97-15 A	F	To amend "To add to the S.L.A.A. Preamble and S.L.A.A. publications the following statement or amended version maintaining the intention of the statement: "Participating in doing service within the S.L.A.A. community, recognizing that we can only keep for ourselves that which we give away to others" to say, "Participating in doing service within the S.L.A.A. community, recognizing that we can best keep

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				for ourselves that which we give away to others.”
1997	2000	97-16	F	To delete the word "addicts" from the name of the fellowship, so that the fellowship would be called "Sex and Love Anonymous."
1997	2000	97-19	F	Contact the owners of the meditation book "Answers in the Heart" and find a way to make it available to the membership of SLAA.
1998	2000	98-2	P	Approve the text of Traditions 1, 3, 4, 10, and 11, as submitted as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	1999	98-2A	P	To split this following motion into 5 separate motions to be able to address each Tradition singly—"Approve the text of Traditions 1, 3, 4, 10, and 11, as submitted as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions. "
1998	2000	98-2B	P	Approve the text of Traditions 1 [to say "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery <i>depends upon</i> S.L.A.A. <i>unity</i> "], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2C	F	Approve the text of Traditions 3 [to say, "The only requirement for S.L.A.A. membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. Any two or more persons <i>gathering</i> together for mutual aid in recovering from sex and love addiction may call themselves an S.L.A.A. group, provided that as a group they have no other affiliation"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2D	P	Approve the text of Traditions 4 [to say "Each group should be autonomous except in matters <i>affecting</i> S.L.A.A. as a whole"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2E	P	Approve the text of Traditions 10 [to say "S.L.A.A. has no opinion on outside <i>issues</i> ; hence the S.L.A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-2F	F	Approve the text of Traditions 11 [to say "Our public relations policy is based on <i>attraction rather than on promotion</i> ; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, TV, film, and other public media. We need guard with special care the anonymity of all fellow S.L.A.A. members"], as the only Conference-approved version of these SLAA Traditions.
1998	2000	98-3	W	Upon next printing, add the SLAA Twelve Traditions to the following pamphlets: <i>Questions Beginners Ask</i> , <i>40 Questions for Self-Diagnosis</i> , <i>Sponsorship</i> , <i>Addiction and Recovery</i> , <i>Anorexia</i> .
1998	2000	98-4	W	Upon the next printing, revise the Anorexia pamphlet per the following: Add the SLAA Twelve Steps; Remove the seven vertical bars and the FWS address and phone number on the last page; and space permitting, add the SLAA Preamble.
1998	2001	98-5	P	Barring exception for irrelevant content, ensure that the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of SLAA are included in the creation and subsequent publication of any and all new SLAA pamphlets.
1998	2000	98-6	F	Remove all instances of AA Steps and Traditions from SLAA pamphlets.
1998	2001	98-15	F	Submit the attached 12-Steps for review and hopefully publication as an FWS guide for sexual/social/emotional anorexics to work toward recovery.
1998	2000	98-7	F	Reject "I would like our Fellowship to have written out in either pamphlet form or in

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				an updated version of our big book ( <i>S.L.A.A. Basic Text</i> —added by Business Meeting Items editor) a full description of the Traditions and how to apply them to our program.”
1999	2003	99-06	P	<p>To add the following key words (noted in <b><i>sobriety</i></b>) to the list of major resources in the Preamble and order the list of resources as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b><i>Sobriety</i></b>. Our willingness to stop acting out in our own personal bottom-line addictive behavior on a daily basis.</li> <li>2) <b><i>Sponsorship/Meetings</i></b>. Our capacity to reach out for the supportive fellowship within S.L.A.A.</li> <li>3) <b><i>Steps</i></b>. Our practice of the Twelve Step program of recovery to achieve sexual and emotional sobriety.</li> <li>4) <b><i>Service</i></b>. Our giving back to the SLAA community what we continue to freely receive.</li> <li>5) <b><i>Spirituality</i></b>. Our developing a relationship with a Power greater than ourselves which can guide and sustain us in recovery.</li> </ol>
2001	2001	01-07	P	<p>That the Conference confirm the BOT decision to establish the following as the correct version of the SLAA 12 Traditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon SLAA unity.</li> <li>2. For our group purpose, there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as this Power may be expressed through our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.</li> <li>3. The only requirement for SLAA membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. Any two or more persons gathered together for mutual aid in recovering from sex and love addiction may call themselves an SLAA group, provided that as a group they have no other affiliation.</li> <li>4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or SLAA as a whole.</li> <li>5. Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the sex and love addict who still suffers.</li> <li>6. An SLAA group or SLAA as a whole ought never endorse, finance, or lend the SLAA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.</li> <li>7. Every SLAA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.</li> <li>8. SLAA should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.</li> <li>9. SLAA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.</li> <li>10. SLAA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the SLAA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.</li> <li>11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, TV, film, and other public media. We need guard with special care the anonymity of all fellow SLAA members.</li> <li>12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.</li> </ol>
2002	2002	Floor	P	<p>To distribute the following statement: <i>“The Conference understands that some patterns of our addiction have a lack of experience reflected within our literature. In an effort to fill this gap, we encourage members to submit their personal experience to the Journal and the CLC for sharing with the entire Fellowship. While each group is autonomous, the Conference does not encourage the use of non-Conference-Approved literature (Outside literature does not include S.L.A.A. literature in draft</i></p>

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				form). If any group chooses to use non-Conference-Approved literature, it ought to be clearly defined as such. We do encourage the practice of our 12 Steps and 12 Traditions for all members and groups in recovery from our addiction.” Vehicles for distribution will include the bulk mailing, F.W.S. Newsletter, <i>the Journal</i> , etc. Note: this statement will include an address to which these submissions can be mailed.
2002	2002	Floor	P	Add an agenda item to the ABC/M schedule that permits lengthy discussion on the topic of special interest meetings.
2002	2004	02-02	W	Have two versions of the <i>Basic Text</i> . One anonymous – one not. BOT will create a version of the <i>Basic Text</i> (SLAA) that does not draw attention to itself: remove colors and page /chapter headers from this version only. Perhaps let this replace the 2001 brightly colored, embossed title version.
2002	2004	02-16	F	FWS officially acknowledge the need for, and support and encourage privacy in its electronic mail communications, and adopt PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) freeware to support this.
2003	2004	03-02	F	Change the third step to make the words “as we understood God” italicized or bold type whoever [sic] they appear in future printing.
2004	2004	04-06	F	If the Board of Trustees decides not to implement a motion passed by a simple majority vote of the Conference and deemed to be group conscience by a simple majority vote of the Conference, then the Board of Trustees must communicate the grave legal, financial, or Traditions-based reasons for overriding the group conscience of the Conference to the Conference within thirty days of the decision, but in no case later than 195 days prior to the next scheduled ABC/M. When giving Traditions-based reasons for overriding the group conscience of the Conference, the Board of Trustees must identify the specific Tradition that would be violated by implementing the group conscience of the Conference and how that Tradition would be violated.

### the JOURNAL

1989	1989		P	<i>The Journal</i> accepted.
1990	1990		P	The S.L.A.A. <i>Journal</i> is a primary tool of recovery for current members, loners and prospective members, be it resolved that \$6,000 be allotted by F.W.S. to complete the current publication year and that F.W.S. fully support <i>the Journal</i> financially for the next two years beginning 10/1/90.
1991	1991		P	We affirm the S.L.A.A. <i>Journal</i> as a critical tool of our recovery and growth of our program, worth of our time, energy and prayer, and commit ourselves to support <i>The Journal</i> in whatever creative ways we can.
1991	1991		P	Change By-law V.2 to "The Conference shall be composed to delegate members and members of the Board of Trustees, senior staff as interpreted by the BOT, F.W.S. administrative staff, and <i>the Journal</i> editor."
1996	1997		W	Do outreach; create literature/meetings.
1997	2000	97-23	F	Remove “voting member” status from <i>Journal</i> Editor role. See By-Law Article V, Section 2.
2009	2009	09-04	F	<i>The Journal</i> Managing Editor moves that a Journal subscription card be sent with every literature order fulfillment and information packet mailed out from the F.W.S.

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				Office and that subscription cards be reprinted from the file prepared by <i>the Journal's</i> Publication Team onto card stock as needed to keep them stocked.
2009	2009	09-06	W	The Conference Journal Committee moves that <i>the Journal</i> Accountant prepare a Business Report for each issue of <i>the Journal</i> so that <i>the Journal</i> is properly accountable to the Fellowship, <i>the Journal</i> readership, the F.W.S. Staff, and the Board Finance and Operating Committee. The F.W.S. Office is requested to facilitate this process by providing the basic cost and volume information listed below within a reasonable time (perhaps a week or two) after each issue of <i>the Journal</i> is distributed. <i>The Journal</i> Accountant shall provide an easy-to-use tally sheet and spreadsheet template to the F.W.S. Office so that providing the information needed to generate a meaningful report takes as little time as possible. The completed Business Report shall be disseminated to the C.J.C. membership, the F.W.S. Office, and the Board Finance and Operating Committee to aid in financial, editorial, outreach, and policy decision-making. The Business Report shall contain (a) the raw information; (b) a statement of revenues, expenses, and net financial effect; and (c) accurate outreach and distribution metrics. <i>The Journal</i> Managing Editor shall support <i>the Journal</i> Accountant in providing this service or serve as Acting Accountant should the role of <i>the Journal</i> Accountant not be filled.

#### **CONCEPT ADAPTATION COMMITTEE**

2012	2012	12-02	P	To approve the language of the S.L.A.A. draft 12 Concepts and adopt them as the S.L.A.A. 12 Concepts.
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#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

1998	2000	98-16	P	Create and sell 2-month chips.
2002	2002	02-06	W	In order to improve group conscience at the F.W.S. level, the deadline for agenda items to the ABM shall be February 15, and agendas shall be mailed out by March 15. This will give members of the Fellowship time to consider issues on the agenda and provide feedback to their delegates.
2003	2004	03-01	W	To broaden the scope of acceptance, on the redesign of medallions for 12 steps, rather than imprint S.L.A.A. on the obverse, print "Augustine Fellowship".
2013	2014	13-01	F	For the time of the year the ABM is held to be changed to outside of school holidays and the main holiday season.
2013	2014	13-09	P	Increase the annual contribution limitation from \$12,000 to \$20,000.
2014	2014	14-02	P	That the Conference decides to make the "Twelve Concepts for World Service of S.L.A.A." a Core Document of the Fellowship.
2014	2015	14-03	T	<p>The Conference hereby adopts the following suggested guidelines regarding safety in the program, to be used by groups and intergroups if they so choose.</p> <p><i>In S.L.A.A. we take the stand that it is not acceptable, or in line with our common welfare, that members use the program as an arena to commit criminal offenses such as sexual offenses, stalking or harassment against other members, during or between meetings. A requirement for membership is a willingness to recover, and a</i></p>

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				<i>person who currently commits such offenses against any other member in S.L.A.A is not welcome to participate in our meetings. You who have previously assaulted someone in the program are welcome back after the assaults have stopped and when you are a reasonably safe participant in meetings. You then have a responsibility to adapt to the person you have violated and give him or her priority to meetings that are vital to that person's recovery, if necessary by leaving those meetings permanently. In case the assaulted person reports the offenses to the police, you are recommended to play fair in a court process and if possible preserve the anonymity of the person you have assaulted."</i>
2015	2016	16-03	P	That F.W.S. Board of Trustees (BOT) study, design, and institute a Giving Program in which donors can contribute to designated projects approved by the BOT with the aim of increasing giving to the Fellowship overall.
2016	2016	16-05	F	<p>The Conference adopts the following suggested guidelines regarding safety in the program, to be used by groups and intergroups if they so choose:</p> <p><b>Suggested text to include in a meeting format, if a group so decides:</b>  This meeting and program is a space for recovery. We respect the boundaries of other members and unlawful acting out behavior towards other members is not tolerated. To protect the safety in our group we ask that if anybody present is currently committing unlawful actions towards a member of this program that you leave the meeting and seek help elsewhere until you can safely take part in our Fellowship.</p> <p><b>Suggested text for signs that groups can use for display, if they so decide:</b>  <i>This meeting and program is a space for recovery and we respect the boundaries of other members. Unlawful acting out behavior towards other members is not tolerated.</i></p>
2019	2019	19n07 /19-06	P	Add an 18 month bronze sobriety medallion.
2023	2023	23o12 /22-01	W	[Unknown]