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Executive Director's Report

Hello from lovely San Antonio, where Fiesta has just ended and pollen season is in full swing! Spring here in the Alamo City has been beautiful, but we all know that summer heat is just around the corner. Hopefully, wherever you may be, you have been enjoying a great spring.

I am so happy to announce that we have a brand-new pamphlet available on the F.W.S. web store called Healthy Relationships: Romantic and Committed Partnership. Sales began streaming in within 30 minutes of this new item appearing on the web store, so I believe it will be a hit with our members. I encourage everyone to check out this newest pamphlet (the 20th!) in our line-up.

Speaking of new literature... By the time you receive this Newsletter, we should also have available A Guide to the Steps: Companion to Chapter Four of the Basic Text. This booklet, commonly referred to as "the step workbook", has been eagerly anticipated for some time. We are very excited about this new literature!

In ABM-related news: ABM 2018 is now less than three months away! We have been busily finalizing meal plans, ordering supplies, and meeting with event staff at the San Antonio Airport Hilton. If you have not already registered to attend, please do so as soon as possible so we can have an accurate count of hotel rooms, meals, and so forth.

As you can imagine, the F.W.S. office will be a blur of activity between now and the end of July. We invite you to pre-order F.W.S. store merchandise for pick-up at ABM. Pre-orders must be made by July 13th so please plan ahead.

The F.W.S. office will be closed from Friday, July 27th, thru Wednesday, August 8th. We will re-open on Thursday, August 9th. Orders placed online before 12 noon CST on Friday, July 20th, will ship before the office closes on July 27th. Orders placed after that deadline will ship when the office re-opens on August 9th.

I look forward to seeing everyone in July!

In Service,

Pam Martin
Executive Director
May 16, 2018

Chairman of the Board of Trustees' Report

Hello, All:

The survey that we began at the beginning the year continues on the website. If you haven't yet taken the survey, please go to SLAAFWS.ORG and take the survey to help us help those who still suffer.

On the home page of the website has been added a donation box to make it easy for you to donate to F.W.S. Celebrate your sobriety and how much the program means to you by donating! Please, join me in donating to help serve the membership and the addicts who still suffer!

Very exciting news: the new Healthy Relationship pamphlet that was approved at last year's ABC/M is now available for sale on the SLAAFWS.ORG website. Its number is PAM-020 and the cost is \$1.10. I encourage all of you to consider purchasing this item.

The Chapter Four Companion booklet which was also approved at the last ABC/M is undergoing some tweaking to the printing format but should be available very soon, so please keep looking at the store on the website as it will be posted for sale as soon as it is available. Preparations for the ABC/M are being completed for the meeting in San Antonio beginning on July 28th.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob G.
Board Chair
May 19, 2018

Board Committees

Board Development Committee (BDC) Report

The BDC has met three times since the last report, February 17th, March 24th, and May 19th, 2018.

Since the last report, this committee has continued searching for members to join the Board of Trustees with the resignation of 2 members. The Committee recommended Ned J. to the Board of Trustees during this time. In addition, the Committee has forwarded a policy regarding service on BOT Committees for non-BOT members, as well as an amendment to the by-laws.

The Committee has continued working toward getting ready for the ABM Elections.

Membership:

Chair:	Rich K.
BOT Members:	Steve B.
Non-BOT Members:	Lindsey H., Barry B.

Respectfully submitted,
Rich K.
May 19, 2018

Board Finance Committee (BFC) Report

The BFC has met three times since the last report, February 26th, March 26th, and April 23rd, 2018.

Since the last report, this committee reviewed the March 31, 2018 financials and meeting minutes for January, February, and March, and forwarded these to the BOT for their review and approval.

The Committee has started to review a preliminary budget for the 2018/2019 fiscal year.

Membership:

Chair:	Rich K.
BOT Members:	Bob G., Ashly B.
Non-BOT Members:	Lindsey H., Phillip W.

Respectfully submitted,
Rich K.
May 19, 2018

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The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Service
Balance Sheet - Monthly
As of March 31, 2018

	Oct 31, 17	Nov 30, 17	Dec 31, 17	Jan 31, 18	Feb 28, 18	Mar 31, 18
ASSETS						
Current Assets						
Checking/Savings						
10300 · BofA 1117 Texas Corp	47,025.86	55,109.47	52,166.43	43,930.21	68,765.47	68,920.33
10400 · Vanguard Prudent Reserve Fund	192,236.06	192,401.24	192,585.59	192,786.58	192,987.87	193,228.87
10903 · Petty Cash-Pam Martin	175.24	175.24	110.88	77.70	60.13	60.13
Total Checking/Savings	239,437.16	247,685.95	244,862.90	236,794.49	261,813.47	262,209.33
Accounts Receivable						
11200 · Accounts Receivable	4,830.00	4,830.00	4,048.00	2,760.00	3,220.00	3,220.00
Total Accounts Receivable	4,830.00	4,830.00	4,048.00	2,760.00	3,220.00	3,220.00
Other Current Assets						
12000 · Undeposited Funds-Operating Acc	554.05	-64.54	1,446.45	200.10	229.75	395.24
12010 · Undeposited Account-Amazon	2,821.17	2,821.17	2,821.17	2,821.17	2,821.17	2,821.17
12020 · Undeposited Funds-Paypal	6,671.16	10,451.10	11,540.32	13,055.30	4,976.97	8,727.33
12100 · Inventory Asset	50,087.44	47,304.55	46,002.09	48,385.58	44,786.94	43,246.77
13000 · Prepaid Expenses	3,068.01	3,068.01	4,318.01	4,318.01	4,318.01	5,734.68
Total Other Current Assets	63,201.83	63,580.29	66,128.04	68,780.16	57,132.84	60,925.19
Total Current Assets	307,468.99	316,096.24	315,038.94	308,334.65	322,166.31	326,354.52
Fixed Assets						
15000* · Buildings and Equipment	58,266.97	58,266.97	58,266.97	58,266.97	58,266.97	58,266.97
17100 · Accum Depreciation	-49,153.20	-49,153.20	-49,153.20	-49,153.20	-49,153.20	-49,153.20
Total Fixed Assets	9,113.77	9,113.77	9,113.77	9,113.77	9,113.77	9,113.77
TOTAL ASSETS	316,582.76	325,210.01	324,152.71	317,448.42	331,280.08	335,468.29

This statement has not been externally audited or reviewed and is subject to change

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The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Service
Balance Sheet - Monthly
As of March 31, 2018

	Oct 31, 17	Nov 30, 17	Dec 31, 17	Jan 31, 18	Feb 28, 18	Mar 31, 18
LIABILITIES & EQUITY						
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable						
20100 · Accounts Payable	1,906.55	1,906.55	1,906.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Accounts Payable	1,906.55	1,906.55	1,906.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Current Liabilities						
25000 · Sales Tax Payable	26.05	103.30	114.91	18.88	79.30	97.85
25010 · Other Payable	887.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	913.37	103.30	114.91	18.88	79.30	97.85
Total Current Liabilities	2,819.92	2,009.85	2,021.46	18.88	79.30	97.85
Total Liabilities	2,819.92	2,009.85	2,021.46	18.88	79.30	97.85
Equity						
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	309,033.36	309,033.36	309,033.36	309,033.36	309,033.36	309,033.36
Net Income	4,729.48	14,166.80	13,097.89	8,396.18	22,167.42	26,337.08
Total Equity	313,762.84	323,200.16	322,131.25	317,429.54	331,200.78	335,370.44
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>316,582.76</u>	<u>325,210.01</u>	<u>324,152.71</u>	<u>317,448.42</u>	<u>331,280.08</u>	<u>335,468.29</u>

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**The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Service
Profit & Loss**

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Accrual Basis

October 2017 through March 2018

	Oct 17	Nov 17	Dec 17	Jan 18	Feb 18	Mar 18	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense							
Income							
40000 · ABC/M Income							
40200 · ABC/M Registration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,960.00	2,225.00	6,185.00
40300 · ABC/M TEF Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	300.00	750.00
40400 · ABC/M Scholarship Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Total 40000 · ABC/M Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,410.00	2,625.00	7,035.00
42000 · Contribution Income							
42100 · Groups	2,044.54	2,034.14	2,811.80	4,719.73	2,461.59	2,782.46	16,854.26
42200 · Individuals	1,120.07	13,103.40	1,758.40	658.60	728.16	1,422.40	18,791.03
42300 · Intergroups	1,386.94	3,256.00	1,395.32	1,123.51	4,185.25	1,270.00	12,617.02
Total 42000 · Contribution Income	4,551.55	18,393.54	5,965.52	6,501.84	7,375.00	5,474.86	48,262.31
45000 · Investments							
45020 · Change in Investment Account	159.48	165.18	184.35	200.99	201.29	241.00	1,152.29
Total 45000 · Investments	159.48	165.18	184.35	200.99	201.29	241.00	1,152.29
48999 · Merchandise & Other Income							
49000 · Sales Income	22,321.22	21,122.80	13,886.60	12,570.38	23,401.22	19,593.66	112,895.88
49010 · E-Book Income	1,394.75	1,194.12	1,420.67	1,441.04	1,469.75	3,427.98	10,348.31
49015 · E Journal Income	87.00	49.00	180.00	49.00	79.00	106.00	550.00
49050 · Journal	472.00	453.50	237.95	229.90	449.85	391.45	2,234.65
49100 · Shipping	2,422.01	3,478.04	1,598.69	2,228.57	3,288.96	2,537.70	15,553.97
49110 · Subsidies	-162.93	-1,383.32	-446.06	-97.10	-953.04	-1,174.34	-4,216.79
Total 48999 · Merchandise & Other Inco...	26,534.05	24,914.14	16,877.85	16,421.79	27,735.74	24,882.45	137,366.02
Total Income	31,245.08	43,472.86	23,027.72	23,124.62	39,722.03	33,223.31	193,815.62
Cost of Goods Sold							
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold							
50800 · E-Book Costs	237.30	308.05	375.50	365.58	410.63	2,301.08	3,998.14
50900 · Shipping Expense	1,916.49	3,790.45	2,093.10	2,513.75	3,184.05	2,811.20	16,309.04
66800 · Journal Printing & Mailing	0.00	207.17	139.36	83.15	0.00	190.62	620.30
70000 · Inventory adjustment	-10.75	-474.33	-129.37	-41.53	-199.37	-279.50	-1,134.85
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold - Other	2,921.22	3,257.22	2,549.63	2,127.84	3,944.46	4,017.56	18,817.93
Total 50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	5,064.26	7,088.56	5,028.22	5,048.79	7,339.77	9,040.96	38,610.56
Total COGS	5,064.26	7,088.56	5,028.22	5,048.79	7,339.77	9,040.96	38,610.56
Gross Profit	26,180.82	36,384.30	17,999.50	18,075.83	32,382.26	24,182.35	155,205.06
Expense							
60000 · BOT							
60100 · BOT Accommodation	1,802.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,802.29
60400 · BOT Travel	697.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	697.12
Total 60000 · BOT	2,499.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,499.41
62000 · ABC/M Conference Expenses							
62300 · ABC/M TEF	693.78	0.00	0.00	301.93	0.00	0.00	995.71
62400 · Conference Committee							
62414 · Prison Outreach (CHIC)	0.00	0.00	127.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	127.50
Total 62400 · Conference Committee	0.00	0.00	127.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	127.50
Total 62000 · ABC/M Conference Expen...	693.78	0.00	127.50	301.93	0.00	0.00	1,123.21

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Profit & Loss**

October 2017 through March 2018

	Oct 17	Nov 17	Dec 17	Jan 18	Feb 18	Mar 18	TOTAL
62100** · Contract Services							
62110* · Accounting Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
62140 · Legal Fees	0.00	1,617.00	69.30	0.00	0.00	520.00	2,206.30
63300 · Webmaster Services	1,416.67	1,416.67	1,416.67	1,416.67	1,416.67	1,416.67	8,500.02
63400 · Contract Services - Labor	1,375.00	1,675.00	1,926.25	1,675.00	1,790.00	1,675.00	10,116.25
Total 62100** · Contract Services	2,791.67	4,708.67	3,412.22	8,091.67	3,206.67	3,611.67	25,822.57
62800 · Facilities and Equipment							
62880 · Real Estate, Personal Prop Tax	0.00	1,300.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,300.57
64200 · Rent	3,477.00	3,477.00	3,477.00	3,477.00	3,477.00	2,981.37	20,366.37
64300 · Telephone	0.00	461.32	187.12	304.61	300.16	301.27	1,554.48
64400 · FWS Website	199.20	322.70	441.69	346.05	422.61	297.20	2,029.45
Total 62800 · Facilities and Equipment	3,676.20	5,561.59	4,105.81	4,127.66	4,199.77	3,579.84	25,250.87
65000* · General Office Expense							
65100* · Bank Charges/Fees	46.97	45.00	0.00	56.41	0.00	0.00	148.38
65200 · Vendor Fees	502.33	732.11	1,363.27	581.03	584.39	1,024.38	4,787.51
65400 · Federal and State Tax	67.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	67.29
65550 · Meals	98.79	0.00	6.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	105.37
65600 · Mileage	0.00	0.00	45.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.48
65640 · Office Security	0.00	40.33	248.18	42.52	0.00	352.56	683.59
65700 · Gifts & Honorariums	0.00	0.00	361.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	361.92
65000* · General Office Expense - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	168.00	168.00
Total 65000* · General Office Expense	715.38	817.44	2,025.43	679.96	584.39	1,544.94	6,367.54
65000** · Operations							
65030 · Printing and Copying							
65035 · Printing&Copies Knight	0.00	300.00	37.98	0.00	353.40	79.83	771.21
65030 · Printing and Copying - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	226.00	226.00
Total 65030 · Printing and Copying	0.00	300.00	37.98	0.00	353.40	305.83	997.21
65670 · Office Supplies	349.60	71.93	73.28	207.66	499.16	183.54	1,385.17
66100 · Computer Supplies	0.00	1,472.14	0.00	577.00	0.00	1,231.23	3,280.37
66300 · Miscellaneous Expenses	471.55	0.00	0.00	-92.58	0.00	0.00	378.97
66500 · Packaging and Supplies	0.00	164.58	43.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	208.28
66600 · Postage, Mail Services	0.00	0.00	245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	245.00
66900 · FWS Outreach	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Total 65000** · Operations	1,821.15	2,008.65	399.96	692.08	852.56	1,720.60	7,495.00
65100** · Other Types of Expenses							
65120 · Insurance - Liability, D and O	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	350.00
Total 65100** · Other Types of Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	350.00
67000 · Payroll Expense							
67300 · Payroll Accounting	81.48	122.22	81.48	141.98	90.72	90.72	608.60
67400 · Payroll Tax Expense	650.39	975.60	613.32	618.62	659.99	670.44	4,188.36
67500 · Salary Expense	8,501.88	12,752.81	8,017.19	8,086.44	8,627.24	8,763.94	54,749.50
67600 · Unemployment Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	37.20	39.68	30.54	107.42
67700 · Workman's Comp Insurance	0.00	0.00	413.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	413.00
67000 · Payroll Expense - Other	0.00	0.00	-127.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	-127.50
Total 67000 · Payroll Expense	9,233.75	13,850.63	8,997.49	8,884.24	9,417.63	9,555.64	59,939.38

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Profit & Loss

October 2017 through March 2018

	Oct 17	Nov 17	Dec 17	Jan 18	Feb 18	Mar 18	TOTAL
68300 · Travel and Meetings							
68320 · Travel	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Total 68300 · Travel and Meetings	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Total Expense	21,451.34	26,946.98	19,068.41	22,777.54	18,611.02	20,012.69	128,867.98
Net Ordinary Income	4,729.48	9,437.32	-1,068.91	-4,701.71	13,771.24	4,169.66	26,337.08
Net Income	<u>4,729.48</u>	<u>9,437.32</u>	<u>-1,068.91</u>	<u>-4,701.71</u>	<u>13,771.24</u>	<u>4,169.66</u>	<u>26,337.08</u>

Conference Committee Corner

Conference Charter Committee (CCC) and Chairs' Call Report

For this issue of the **F.W.S. Newsletter** the recently approved **Appendix H Form H-3 Conference Committee Project Progress** is provided below to report on the activities of the CCC. This format was used four (4) of the Conference Committees Chairs call on May 20, 2018.

Form H-3 Conference Committee Project Progress

Date - May 20, 2018

Reporting Period - February 18-May 20, 2018

Conference Committee Name/Abbreviation - Conference Charter Committee (CCC)

Conference Committee Chair - Rita H.

Conference Committee Vice-Chair - Jay G. and CCC/Chairs Call record keeper

Project Name - CCC facilitates ABC/M with BOT/F.W.S.; creates ABM Agenda, liaison for Conference to BOT/F.W.S.

Projects with Leader Name(s) – there are 8 active members on the CCC with 2 BOT members; BOT liaison – Bob G. BOT Chair and Rich K. BOT/Treasurer, observer (non-voting)

- Agenda Review Subcommittee (ARS) chair and ABM Agenda Editor - Phillip W.
- Conference Service Manual (CSM) Revision Work Group (RWG) facilitator Phillip W. – CSM2018 completed Jan 2018
- Conference Committees Chairs Call – facilitator Rita H., record keeper Jay G.
- ABM2018 Planning Committee (PC) – Rita H., Anthony C., and Ron G. members of the Conference with 3 BOT members, 2 staff and 1 Local Planning Committee (LPC) member = 9
- ABC/M Scheduling Work Group – facilitator Rita H., 3 members formed May 6th; 1st call May 14th next call May 21st
- ABC/M Delegate Mentorship – to be formed June 3rd

and Contact Information – on F.W.S. website for Conference Committees

Project Members Names Details provided upon request

Project Budgeted Amount This Year \$0

Project Expended Amount This Year \$0

Project Percentage Progress This Year – see Milestones below

Estimated Completion Date – CCC has many subcommittees/work groups that form/work throughout the Conference year (starts at the end of an ABM through the next ABM) to prepare for the ABC/M

Project Milestones

- CSM2018 update completed January 2018 and posted on F.W.S. website
- ABC/M 2018 forms/announcements completed/distributed January 22nd and posted on the F.W.S. website

- Appendix H update approved by the Conference Committee Chairs January 2018 and then the CCC March 2018; and new Form *H-3 Progress Report* may now be used for Chairs Call reports
- Increased Conference representation on the ABM 2018 PC: from 1 to 3 (2 CCC/1 CFC)
- Submitted IFD on Board nominations from the floor
- 2018 ABM Agenda Second Version distributed April 27th; motion passed to not post the Attachment with draft literature on the F.W.S. website but available upon request.
- Updates to the *Conference Committees Members List*: Nov 25th, Feb 3rd, Apr 8th and May 20th

Ongoing Monthly Activities – Discussions about CCC role in ABC/M-IRC bids, Concepts review, reports from BOT chair and Executive Director; consensus that the CCC fills the role of the former MRBOTC; preparing ABM Schedule 2018 and matching new delegates with 2nd year delegates.

Details regarding any matters that are hindering the completion project(s) and attempts made to obtain help. – NA

Call/Meeting Day/Time 1st Sunday of the month 11:30am ET
Call in # and Access Code - available upon request

In service,
 Rita H.,
 CCC Chair

Chairs' Call Report

Since the last **F.W.S. Newsletter Spring 2018** there have been two Conference Committees Chairs Calls on **March 18th and May 20th**. The calls demonstrate how busy and productive the fourteen (14) active Conference Committees have been this year especially with respect to draft literature on last year's and this year's Annual Business Meeting (ABM) Agenda. The ABM Agenda Second Version was distributed April 27th and is available on the F.W.S. website (slaafws.org).

There are sixteen (16) Conference Committees. Any member of S.L.A.A. may join one or more of these Conference Committees at any time by contacting the Conference Committee or the CCC chair via the F.W.S. website. The Conference Committees are:

1. Anorexia (CAC)
2. By-Laws (CBC)
3. Conference Charter (CCC)
4. Diversity (CDC)
5. Finance (CFC)
6. Hospital/Institutions (CHIC)
7. Healthy Relationships (CHRC)
8. Intergroup Communication (CICC)
9. Journal (CJC)
10. Literature (CLC)
11. Members Retention (CMRC)
12. Public Information (CPIC)
13. Service (CSC)

14. Sponsorship (CSPC)
15. Steps, Traditions, Concepts (CSTCC)
16. Translation/International Outreach (CTIOC)

There are two inactive Conference Committees: the CMRC for the last two years and the CHIC this year. However, a member with an interest in an inactive Conference Committee may restart a Conference Committee at any time. The ABC/M Schedule provides for three (3) meetings over three (3) days (Wed, Thurs and Fri) to conduct the annual business of a Conference Committee or to restart. Please see the Conference Service Manual (CSM) 2018 posted on the F.W.S. website for more details.

The Chairs passed a motion on May 20th permitting observers, volunteers and other members at the ABC/M to attend the Chairs face-to-face meetings on Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon. This is in an effort to provide members interested in joining a Conference Committee and/or becoming a Chair, Vice-Chair or Co-Chair the opportunity to see what goes on at the meetings of the Chairs of Conference Committees.

The written and verbal reports of Conference Committees continue to make it possible to update the Conference Committees Members List on a regular basis (Nov. 25th, Feb. 3rd, Apr. 8th and May 20th).

There have been a total of five (5) Chairs Calls: Sept 17th, Nov 19th, Jan 21st, Mar 19th and May 20th with one more July 15th. With the approval of the updated **Appendix H** this number will be reduced to three (3) calls vs. six (6) calls in between ABC/Ms which defines a Conference year (end of one ABM through the next ABM).

In service,
Rita H.,
CCC Chair

Conference Anorexia Committee (CAC) Report

The CAC has submitted "Anorexia 4,5,6,7: Working the Program and Not the Problem" for Conference Approval at the 2018 ABM. Thank you to everyone who sent their stories to be included. You and your ABM Delegate(s) will see the document as a motion in the 2nd Agenda. We are beginning to work on Anorexia 8 and 9. We welcome your stories about your experience, strength, and hope related to working on Anorexia through Steps 8 and 9.

Each month, our "First Responder" responds to questions sent to the FWS Office about Anorexia. We have also continued to work on website updates, and brainstorm about new projects.

The CAC has a consistent, dedicated membership of 12 people, and is always wanting others to join. If you identify with anorexia as part of your addiction, call in! We meet on the fourth Sunday of each month at 1 p.m. CT. Details to call in: Phone Number: 641-715-3818 Code: 620932#

We invite anyone who wants to do service work with the CAC to join us!

Sarah C.,
CAC Vice Chair
May 14, 2018

Conference Healthy Relationship Committee (CHRC) Report

The Healthy Relationship Committee (CHRC) is happy that our pamphlet on Healthy Relationships -- approved at the 2017 ABC/M -- is now posted on the F.W.S. webstore. Our writing activities have motivated our members to continue writing and we have completed a draft for a new proposed pamphlet called "The Gift of No Contact." No Contact is a subject which has not been addressed in our body of literature.

We have asked members of our community to give us their "no contact" stories and have compiled enough information to present a written draft to the CLC, where it is presently under review. Our committee's proposal is moving through the IFD process with the ARS. We plan to submit an IFD for the new pamphlet for the 2018 ABC/M's agenda.

The CHRC welcomes feedback and suggestions from the Fellowship and looks forward to hearing from you.

Yours in Service,
Amalia L.
May 9, 2018

International Page

Call for Articles

We are a global fellowship with a world of stories. Each story told has the potential to strengthen recovery for all of us.

We are looking for articles from members outside the United States that share your experience strength and hope. Articles are in English and your native language. Suggested article length varies from 250-500 English words on a single spaced typewritten page. Deadlines are as follows:

2018 August 26 – Fall Issue/September
2018 November 18 – Winter issue/December
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However, feel free to submit articles sooner if you are moved to serve the fellowship in this way. Below are additional guidelines to help you.

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You are also welcome to submit flyers created for specific S.L.A.A. events, which should be submitted in English as a .pdf file.

Questions? Contact the editor at <https://slaafws.org/fwsnews-submit>.

New Pamphlet on Healthy Relationships Now Available

A brand-new pamphlet with suggestions and guidance on the topic of developing healthy relationships while in recovery from sex and love addiction is available now at the F.W.S. web store. <http://store.slaafws.org>

Entitled “*Healthy Relationships: Romantic and Committed Partnership*,” the paper pamphlet is the 20th pamphlet published by Fellowship Wide Services. Its stock number is PAM-020 and it costs \$1.10 for a single copy. The publication of Healthy Relationships: Romantic and Committed Partnership was approved at the 2017 Annual Business Meeting.



The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc.

2018 S.L.A.A. Annual Business Meeting

hosted by the San Antonio Intergroup



July 31st to August 3rd, 2018

Hilton San Antonio Airport
611 NW Loop 410 San Antonio, TX 78216 USA

Theme: **Tradition 4:** *“Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or S.L.A.A. as a whole.”*

<https://slaafws.org/abminfo>

S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services Office: 1-210-828-7900

List of Annual Business Conferences/Meetings (ABC/M) and International Recovery Conventions (IRC) 1996 - Present

Frequently the ABC/M and IRC are held in the same location consecutively. This allows for maximum participation at both major events and is less costly for members travelling 500 miles or more to the event. The following list represents the dates and locations over the last 20 years.

Year	Event(s)	Location
1996	ABC/M Wed-Fri, June 26-28 th IRC Fri-Sun, June 28-30 th 20th Anniversary	Brandeis University, Waltham, MA IRC “ “
1997	ABC/M Thurs-Sun, June 26-29 th	Brandeis University, Waltham, MA
1998	ABC/M Thurs-Sun, June 25-28 th	Bentley College, Waltham, MA
1999	ABC/M Wed-Sat, July 7-10 th	Mission, Houston, TX
2000	ABC/M Thurs-Sun, July 6-9 th	Mission, Houston, TX
2001	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 10-13 th IRC Fri-Sun July, 13-15 th 25th Anniversary	Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center Oceanside, CA IRC Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, CA
2002	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 30-Aug 2 nd	Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center Oceanside, CA
2003	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 8-11 th IRC Fri-Sun, Oct 10-12 th	Holiday Inn Dedham/Boston, MA IRC Holiday Inn, Clearwater, FL
2004	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 20-23 rd	Holiday Inn, Dedham/Boston, MA
2005	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 5-8 th IRC Fri-Sun, July 8-10 th	Hilton Airport Hotel, San Francisco CA IRC “ “
2006	ABC/M Tues-Fri July 25-28 th IRC Fri-Sun, July 28-30 th 30th Anniversary	Hilton Airport Hotel, San Antonio, TX IRC “ “
2007	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 10-13 th	Hilton Airport Hotel, San Antonio, TX
2008	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 15-18 th IRC followed Fri-Sun, July 18-20 th	DaySpring Retreat Center, Ellenton, FL IRC Radisson Hotel, Clearwater, FL
2009	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 14-17 th	DaySpring Retreat Center, Ellenton, FL
2010	ABC/M Tues-Fri, Aug 10-13 th	Hilton Airport Hotel, San Antonio, TX
2011	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 12-15 th	Crowne Plaza Hotel, San Diego, CA
2012	ABC/M Tues-Fri, July 24-27 th	Crowne Plaza Hotel, San Diego, CA
2013	ABC/M Tues-Fri, Aug 6-9 th	Hilton Airport Hotel, San Antonio, TX
2014	ABC/M Tues-Fri, Aug 5-8 th	Crowne Plaza, Houston Downtown TX
2015	ABC/M Tues-Fri, Aug 4-7 th IRC Fri-Sun, Aug 7-9 th	Hyatt North Houston, TX IRC “ “
2016	ABC/M Tues-Fri Aug 2-5 th IRC Fri-Sun Aug 6-8 th 40th Anniversary	Hyatt Regency Harbor Hotel, Boston, MA IRC “ “
2017	ABC/M Tues-Fri July 25-28 th	Sheraton Framington, MA
2018	ABC/M Tues-Fri July 31-Aug 3 rd	Hilton Airport Hotel, San Antonio, TX

The ABC/Ms are generally held in the same location two years in a row. The first year requires more time and effort, but the 2nd year most of the problems have been resolved so it is easier to facilitate the administrative end of the event for the F.W.S. Office.

It is also important to note that the IRC does not happen every year. The only time an IRC happens is if an Intergroup/Group volunteers to host the event. The ABC/M happens regardless as it is a legal requirement based on the S.L.A.A. By-Laws to conduct such a meeting to elect the board of trustees.

Updated May 2018 by CCC Chair/Rita H. for F.W.S. Newsletter Summer 2018
Excerpt from the ABC/M IRC How To Manual Jan09 p11-12 no longer posted on the F.W.S. Website

ABM Participants, Locations, Dates, Voting Members 1999-2017																				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	
BOT	9	6	5	4	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	5	5	7	9	9	9	9	7	
Delegates	39	42	40	35	30	32	34	41	36	33	33	30	32	32	32	32	34	38	35	
F.W.S. Staff	2	2	2	0	0	2*	0	2**	1	1	1	2	2	1	3	3	4	1	2	
Journal Editor	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
CCC Chair	1	1																		
Total #s Attending (includes observers)	58	59	54	49	48	48	48	51	46	45	41	37	40	41	45	47	48	49	48	
Location	MA	MA	TX	TX	TX	CA	CA	TX	FL	FL	TX	TX	CA	MA	MA	CA	CA	TX	TX	
Dates	July	Aug	Aug	Aug	Aug	July	July	Aug	July	July	July	July	July	July	July	July	July	July	July	
	25-28th	2-5th	4-7th	5-8th	6-9th	24-27	12-15th	10-13th	14-17	15-18	10-13th	25-28	5-8th	20-23	8-11th	Jul 30 - Aug 2nd	10-13th	6-9th	7-10th	
*non-voting		2001 25th Anniversary Los Angeles CA							IRCs and/or ABMs with audio recordings											
**1 voting		2006 30th Anniversary San Antonio TX							2001 IRC no set 17 CDs were available now 13 sold											
		2011 35th Anniversary Los Angeles CA CANCELLED							2003 IRC Clearwater FL Oct no set 11 CDs											
		2016 40th Anniversary Boston MA							2005 IRC San Francisco CA - Set of 21 CDs											
									2006 IRC San Antonio TX - Set of 8 CDs											
									2008 IRC Clearwater FL - Set of 7 CDs											
									2010-2013 International ABM Speakers											
									2015 IRC Houston TX - CDs not available yet?							prepared by CCC Chair-Rita H. for F.W.S. Newsletter Summer 2018				
									2016 IRC Boston MA - audio available from NEI											

Board of Trustees approves Non-BOT Member Service Rotation Policy

A policy length of service for non-BOT members on BOT committees was created and subsequently approved by the Board of Trustees at the May 12 meeting.

The policy allows non-BOT members to serve for up to five consecutive conference years on up to two committees at one time. Upon completion of the five-year period, members shall rotate out of BOT committee service for a minimum of one year. After the minimum one year, members become eligible again for this type of 12-Step work.

The full policy appears below.

The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc.

Scope: The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc. (F.W.S.) created a policy for length of service for non-BOT (Board of Trustee) members on BOT Committees.

Policy:

Members may be elected to the Board of Trustees and serve two full three (3) year terms, plus the prior appointed period, before they must step away for a minimum of one (1) year.

The BOT Committees provide a ground for members to learn more about the Board of Trustees, and, for some, to become members of the Board of Trustees. In light of that, the spirit of rotation of service should be followed.

Non-BOT members will be allowed to service for up to five (5) consecutive conference years prior to having to rotate off of service for one (1) conference year. During their time of service as non-BOT members, they may not service on more than two (2) Committees at any time.

After completing their one (1) year of rotation off of the Committees, they are eligible to resume for another five (5) year period before having to rotate off again.

For those members who have exceeded or will exceed the time frame during the 2017-18 Conference Year, an exception will be made whereby they can serve out the remainder of the current conference year, and one (1) additional year, prior to having to rotate off of service as a non-BOT member for one (1) year.

Announcing the 2018 S.L.A.A. Membership Survey

Help F.W.S. to better serve our Fellowship



<https://tinyurl.com/slaasurvey>

Join your fellow S.L.A.A. members and take the survey. No personally identifying information is collected or shared.



Guidelines and Deadlines for Submissions

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