



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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA 21 JUNE 2025

Time: 7:00 a.m. UTC, 3.5-hour meeting

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1) Opening Matters

- Check-Ins/Sobriety Statements – Phoenix G. (TX), Rick B. (FL.), Jack F. (AUS), Jeff R. (WA), John S. (CA), Patrick D. (UK), Ari F. (NJ), Chris D. (CA)
- Regrets:
- a. Readings:
 - ~~Twelve Concepts – Concept 6 – (Non-Chair Member with most seniority) – Phoenix G.~~
 - ~~Twelve Traditions Tradition 6 – (Member next most seniority on the BOT) – Rick B.~~
 - ~~BOT Preamble – Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve Step, Twelve Tradition oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. The only qualification for S.L.A.A. membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. S.L.A.A. is supported entirely through contributions of its membership and is free to all who need it. The BOT meeting is a business meeting. We are the business arm of our recovery organization. Respecting the Second Tradition, we need to put individual feelings aside when we work for the BOT and focus on what serves the Fellowship best. This is a job. We are trusted servants. We abuse that trust when we do not act professionally in discharging the business of the Fellowship. – (Member with the third most seniority on the BOT) – Jack F.~~

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2) Assign roles

- a) Facilitator – **Chris D.**
- b) Record Keeper – **James B.**
- c) Timekeeper – **Phoenix G.**
- d) Spiritual Reminder – **All**

2) Announcements

- a) Annual reports for all of our BOT Committees are due to Pam by 1 July 2025 for the ABM binder. They should be emailed to Pam as attachments versus GoogleDocs or other links.

- b) 47 days until the ABM starts.
- c) BDC is looking for a whistleblower investigator.
- d) Time to review Board Committee Mission statements for ABM. [Board committee info](#)

3) Approval of Today's Agenda - (BOT Agenda 21 June 2025)

4) Approval of last Month's Minutes - BOT Minutes updates as of 17 June 2025:

- a) 17 May (Ready for review)
No objections, Approved.
- b) 7 June 2025 (Being worked on)
Tabled for email voting.

5) Monthly Action Items

- a) Forward the approved BOT Minutes to the ED for posting to the website – **BOT Secretary**

BUSINESS
REPORT:

ELEVATED PRIORITY:

- a) Vote on Non-BOT Board Committee Members.
- b) **IFD/MOTION:** Approve contract language with John D. from Greater Delaware Valley Intergroup to be our IT Contractor. (Chris)
- c) **MOTION:** The Board advance to the Fellowship the motion that the annual contribution limitation be increased from \$20,000 to \$25,000. (Jeff/Jack, 7 June 2025)
- d) **MOTION:** The Board advance to the Fellowship the motion that the annual contribution limit be applied only to living individuals and that Intergroups, Groups, and bequests be exempt from the contribution limit. (Jeff/Jack, 7 June 2025)
- e) **IFD:** Grants Webmaster is applying for and receiving. (Jack)
- f) **IFD:** Determine BOT Comments on motions/IFDs for 2025 ABM and who will make those comments (third agenda distributed 23 June 2025). Quotes below the description are the comments determined by the 2023-2024 BOT. Last year's comments were:
 - a. "The Board of Trustees look forward to hearing what the conference has to say on this IFD."
 - b. "The Board of Trustees support this motion and look forward to hearing what the conference has to say on it."
 - c. "The Board of Trustees support this motion."
 - d. "Texas law regarding Indemnification is an in-depth topic and this motion has not been reviewed by a lawyer licensed in Texas. The Board of Trustees seek clarification before we can support this Motion."

ITEM NUMBER	MOTION/IFD	DESCRIPTION
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25o10/23-04	By-Laws Motion	ARTICLE X: Specify what type of members may vote to approve indemnification. <u>“Texas law regarding Indemnification is an in-depth topic and this motion has not been reviewed by a lawyer licensed in Texas. The Board of Trustees seek clarification before we can support this Motion.”</u>
25o11/24-06	By-Laws Motion	ARTICLE X: indicate that FWS "Trustees" are "Directors" as defined by Texas law. <u>“The Board of Trustees look forward to hearing what the conference has to say on this Motion.”</u>
25o12/24-07	By-Laws Motion	ARTICLE VI: indicate that FWS "Trustees" are "Directors" as defined by Texas law. <u>“The Board of Trustees look forward to hearing what the conference has to say on this Motion.”</u>
25o15/23-12	IFD—May be converted to Motion Changed to Motion	Does the “50th Anniversary Basic Text” draft reflect “light editing?” Group Conscience: To Print a 50th Anniversary Basic Text Second Edition Basic Text”.
25n19/25-19	By-Laws Motion	Proposed change is to add a Section 5 under Article III. Membership.
25n20/25-20	By-Laws Motion	The general business sessions of the Annual Business Conference, called the Annual Business Meeting, shall be the Annual Business Meeting of the Corporation.

- j) **MOTION:** The Executive Director has the authority to make non-substantive changes to S.L.A.A. policies to ensure consistency, clarity, and alignment without requiring prior approval from the Board of Trustees (BOT). Non-substantive changes are edits that do not alter the intent, meaning, or fundamental provisions of a policy. Examples include: Correcting typographical errors, grammatical issues, or formatting inconsistencies and updating references to addresses or committee titles, for example. The Executive Director will notify the BOT of any non-substantive changes at the next scheduled BOT meeting or before. A record of all non-substantive changes will be maintained and made available for review. (Chris/John, 18 Nov 2024)

REGULAR PRIORITY:

- k) **MOTION:** All F.W.S outreach materials must be within seven years of board's approval. (Jack F., 27 Aug 2024)
- l) **MOTION:** To make the F.W.S. office update all conference committees contact us pages with the new chairs & bot liaisons within four weeks from the ABC/M. (Jack F., 8 Sept 2024)

- m) **IFD:** please add board committee information getting posted to F.W.S. site with descriptions and/or applications. (Ari F., 9 Oct 2024)
- n) **MOTION:** All future policies be drafted using the term "persons" and remove all pronoun references. Current policies will incorporate 'persons' terminology and remove all pronoun references when they are next revised. (Chris/Ari, 21 Oct 2024)
- o) **MOTION:** Fellowship-Wide Services discontinues the practice of providing Spanish booklets and pamphlets for free. Instead, F.W.S. will commence to sell these items on the F.W.S. website. (Patrick/John, 16 April 2025)
- p) **MOTION:** Review the BHRPC approved Policy for GM/ED on Board Committees and Approve for the Employee handbook. (Rick/Chris, 14 May 2025)
- q) **MOTION:** Review the BHRPC approved Policy for W/ITC on Board Committees and Approve for the Employee handbook. (Rick/Chris, 14 May 2025)
- r) **IFD:** What is an Intergroup? (Jack, 7 June 2025)
- s) For future discussion:
 - a. **IFD/MOTION:** Treasurer presentation of the IRS 990 Form. (Jeff)
 - b. **IFD:** 50th anniversary merchandise. (Jeff)
 - c. **IFD:** Gift, thank you gesture for John D 2024 and 2025 Virtual ABC/M (Ari)
 - d. **IFD:** Gift, thank you gesture for James B to be record keeper 2025 Virtual ABC/M, (Including reimbursement for his observer registration) (Ari)

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Closing Matters:

- e. **Check-outs:** Phoenix G. (TX), Rick B. (FL.), Jack F. (AUS), Jeff R. (WA), John S. (CA), Patrick D. (UK), Ari F. (NJ), Chris D. (CA)

Closing Prayer:

Higher Power- make me worthy to serve You through this Fellowship and the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. Help me to be generous with my time and effort, to give without counting the cost, to give back wholly for what I have so freely received without looking for any reward, other than that of knowing I have done your will. Through my service, may I give hope and peace to those who still suffer. – (Member with the least seniority on the BOT) – Ari F.

Meeting Schedule for CY 2024-2025 (Central Time, All 3 hours)

24-Aug-24 —Special/BOT Orientation	7-Sep-2024	5-Oct-2024
2-Nov-2024	7-Dec-2024	4-Jan-2025
1-Feb-2025	1-Mar-2025	5-Apr-2025
19-April-2025 7:00 a.m. UTC	3-May-2025 11:00 p.m. UTC	17-May-2025 4:00 a.m. UTC
7-Jun-2025	21-June-2025	5 Jul 2025

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7:00 a.m. UTC	7:00 a.m. UTC	12:00 p.m. UTC Jeff chairing
19 July 2025 4:00 a.m. UTC (on 20 July)	2 Aug 2025 11:00 p.m. UTC	