

GSC AGENDA ITEMS

FINANCE & REPORT & CHARTER

MARCH 1ST, 2026



AREA 15 WEBSITE – GSC INFO IN DELEGATES CORNER

Whats New?

76th General Service Conference information

Delegate's Communication Working Group

Please click [here](#) for notes from the sessions and an update from our delegate.

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76th General Service Conference Information

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AREA 15 ONLINE PRE-CONFERENCE SCHEDULE 2026

MEETING ID: 827 5879 8564 PASSCODE: Area15

Monday, March 9, 6-7:30 p.m.

Conference committees: Agenda, Report and Charter, Trustees

Tuesday, March 10, 6-7:30 p.m.

Conference committees: Grapevine/LaVina, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Public Information

Wednesday, March 11, 6-7:30 p.m.

Conference committees: Finance, International Convention/Regional Forums, Policy/Admissions

Thursday, March 12, 6-7:30 p.m.

Conference committee: Literature

Friday, March 13, 6-7:30 p.m.

Conference committees: Treatment and Accessibilities, Corrections, Archives

Saturday, March 14, 10-11:30 a.m.

Wrap up, anything not previously covered if needed

SOURCE:

Delegates Corner: "Online pre-conference schedule"

Also sent from our Delegate, Lisa D, on January 30th, 2026 and forwarded by our District Chair, Sophia C. See attachment "All You Need to Know about the General Service Conference"

COMMUNICATIONS FROM LISA D, OUR DELEGATE

- Friday February 19th, 2026 @ 12:49PM EST
- Tuesday February 24th, 2026 @ 10:18AM EST
- See Delegate's Corner
- Please email Lisa at delegate@area15aa.org with agenda topics your group would like to hear more about by March 2nd, 2026
- Summaries of these topics will be posted to the Delegate's Corner
- The Assembly Conference Review session from 4-6PM on Saturday April 11th, 2026 will be HYBRID! The focus will not be reviewing items, but providing feedback to Lisa.

Please come to learn and to support!

*See District 2 Calendar
Meeting ID: 816 0875 3362
Passcode: Sharing*

MARCH 4TH OPPORTUNITY! 7-8 PM

SPECIAL GUEST: DONNA W - AREA 15 ALT DELEGATE

She will be covering the following:

1. Brief history of the General Service Conference
2. What the A.A. Service Manual says about the Conference
3. The GSR's vital role in serving as the link between their groups and A.A. as a whole
4. The difference between Conference agenda items and motions at the district/area level
5. Examples of Proposed Agenda Items that have been forwarded to the Conference
6. Timeline of opportunities for GSRs to be involved
7. Suggestions for how GSRs can present agenda items/background to their groups

Please come and learn more - this should help you in your roles.



TYPES OF AGENDA ITEMS

- **Review:** Involves evaluating progress reports, committee kits, and previous actions (e.g., reviewing the *A.A. Service Manual* or Grapevine workbook revisions).
- **Discuss:** Focuses on topics requiring shared experience or feedback, such as implementing changes or addressing specific fellowship needs.
- **Consider:** Pertains to items where a recommendation, vote, or decision is expected, including changes to literature or policy.

ADVISORY ACTION PROCESS

Advisory Actions

When a recommendation, whether from a committee or through a floor action, is approved in full session with substantial unanimity it becomes an Advisory Action.

Committee Considerations

An item that was discussed by a Conference committee, but with no action taken or recommendation made to the Conference as a whole, serves as a suggestion to the corresponding trustees' committee.

At the conclusion of the Conference, the Advisory Actions are referred to the trustees who vote to affirm them and are then sent to either the appropriate trustees' committee, GSO, or the corporate boards for implementation.

When a recommendation, whether from a committee or floor action, is approved by a majority of the body but falls short of substantial unanimity, it is considered to be a “suggestion” referred to the General Service Board for consideration and possible action.



FINANCE ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4. Finance

- a. Review Self-Support Packet.
- b. Discuss motion to add wording to Item F-3, "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix."
- c. Consider a request to create a Twelve Step study guide or workbook.
- d. Consider a request to discuss the location of the General Service Conference (GSC) (PAI-22).

FINANCE ITEM C: CONSIDER A REQUEST TO CREATE A TWELVE STEPS STUDY GUIDE OR WORKBOOK (PAI-70)

PAST ADVISORY ACTIONS

- 35th GSC: Reviewed this request and agreed to forward PAI-70 to the 76th GSC for consideration
- 24th GSC: Recommended that the trustee' Literature Committee explore the need for a pamphlet guide to taking the Fourth and Fifth Steps.
- 13th GSC: The need for a study guide to the Steps and Traditions or a condensed Twelve Steps book be explored and a report brought back to the 1964 Conference.

BACKGROUND / NOTES

- From January 2025 to December 2025 there were 24 requests to create a workbook – all requests were denied
- Non-conference approved 12 step guides are available, a conference approved guide dedicated to the 12 steps would provide valuable structured learning tool and support
- This could be particularly useful for people who can't find a sponsor: incarcerated, remote communities, ...
- Literature that is not conference approved is not permitted behind jail/prison walls
- This motion was made and approved for submission by Area 58 in May 2025

FINANCE ITEM D: CONSIDER A REQUEST TO DISCUSS THE LOCATION OF THE GSC (PAI-22)

CURRENT CONFERENCE CHARTER EXCERPT

The Conference will meet yearly in the City of New York, unless otherwise agreed upon. Special meetings may be called should there be a grave emergency. The Conference may also render advisory opinions at any time by a mail or telephone poll in aid of the General Service Board or its related services

BACKGROUND / NOTES

- REASON: COST \$\$\$\$ - NYC is expensive
 - 74th GSC \$9,250 per Area
 - 75th GSC estimated at \$10,250 per Area
 - 80th GSC estimated at \$17,000 per Area
- The Marriott Marquis in NYC has been contracted already for 77th GSC in 2027 and 78th GSC in 2028
- A location close to a major airport hub would reduce transportation, hotel, etc.
- This motion was made and approved for submission by Area 67.

REPORT & CHARTER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

9. Report and Charter

a. Discuss the A.A. Service Manual, 2026-2028 Edition.

i. Review list of editorial updates.

ii. Consider request to remove a quote from Dr. Bob in *The AA Service Manual*.

iii. Review progress report on the development of a new "Amendments" section to be added to *The A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service*.

b. Discuss the General Service Conference Final Report.

c. Discuss workflow and anonymizing practices for the Final Conference Report.

d. Discuss progress on classification of AAWS and AA Grapevine Literature.

REPORT & CHARTER ITEM A.II.: CONSIDER A REQUEST TO REMOVE A QUOTE FROM DR. BOB IN THE AA SERVICE MANUAL 2026-2028 EDITION (PAI-9)

- Page 10: “I spend a great deal of time passing on what I learned to others who want and need it badly. I do it for four reasons:
 1. Sense of duty
 2. It is a pleasure
 3. Because in doing so I am paying my debt to the man who took time to pas it on to me
 4. Because every time I do it I take out a little more insurance for myself against a possible slip”
- This quote is out of context in the Service Manual and was not written to address Service Sponsorship. Using it in this way is dishonest as Dr Bob died before General Service and the Conference were established.
- This motion came from an individual, it does not reflect the conscience of a Group, District or Area.