

Committee Meeting Delegate's Report

October 6, 2025

Corresponding Committee Feedback Process

Earlier this evening, I met with the Trustees Nominating Committee and my fellow Conference Committee on Trustees' (CCT) members. The purpose of this call was for the trustees' committee to hear feedback from current CCT members on Proposed Agenda Items (PAI) and get a sense of whether they should be forwarded to the 2026 Conference Committee. Article 11 of conference charter.

In keeping with Concept III, final responsibility for the selection of Conference agenda items lies with the trustees of the General Service Board. These calls give delegates a chance to offer perspective while maintaining the trustees' responsibility for deciding what moves forward.

Proposed Agenda Item – Safety Videos

On behalf of Area 49, I submitted a Proposed Agenda Item requesting that the 2026 General Service Conference **consider adapting three Safety in A.A. videos produced by Area 93, District 22: A.A.'s Safety Story, The Safety Solution, and More About Safety, for use on A.A. media platforms in the U.S. and Canada.**

I received confirmation that this proposal (PAI-90) has been forwarded to the Trustees' Literature Committee for discussion at their next meeting. The committee secretary will follow up with the outcome once deliberations are complete.

Souvenir Book Amends

The General Service Board Secretary provided an update regarding the 2025 International Convention Souvenir Book. The General Manager's amends letter was sent to all Conference members, to anyone who provided an email address when ordering the book, and to all Intergroups and Central Offices. It will also be sent to anyone who asks about the error.

The remaining inventory of souvenir books will continue to be sold, each including the amends letter as an erratum and directions to the corrected replacement page.

The General Manager and the General Service Board Chair also met directly with representatives from the Israel A.A. Central Office to make a personal amends. The Israeli representatives accepted the amends, expressed gratitude for the communication, and shared satisfaction with the actions taken to correct the error.

International Convention Budget

The break-even point for the International Convention was around \$5.5 million. The earlier confusion about a deficit came from double counting advance literature sales. A.A. World

Services recorded the revenue correctly, but the IC2025 budget also counted it. That has been corrected. Final numbers are still being reviewed, but the convention is expected to finish close to break-even.

Reforecast and Concept XI

The General Service Board approves the annual budget each January. Every July, that budget is reforecast, meaning it is updated to show what has actually happened so far and to make adjustments based on new information or actions taken by the General Service Conference. Once approved, this reforecast becomes the working budget for the rest of the year.

The idea is to keep the Fellowship's financial picture realistic and current, rather than fixed to numbers set months earlier. As Bill W. wrote in Concept XI, "At mid-year the Trustees Finance and Budgetary Committee will ask for budget revisions if earlier estimates have gone too much wrong." This is about stewardship, not control, making sure our trusted servants have the information they need to manage A.A.'s resources responsibly and transparently.

For the first five months of 2025, A.A. World Services reported total revenue of about \$8.1 million, which is slightly below the \$8.4 million budgeted. Expenses were about \$7.47 million, which is under budget by 7 percent. Because spending stayed lower than planned, GSO ended that period with an operating surplus of around \$646,000, which is better than expected.

A surplus means more money came in than went out during that time. Depreciation is just an accounting term for wear and tear on office equipment, computers, and other assets. When the report says "before depreciation," that refers to the actual cash picture, what was earned and spent in real dollars.

The updated 2025 reforecast projects total revenue of about \$20.3 million and total operating expenses of about \$19.1 million, leaving a surplus of around \$1.1 million before depreciation. These figures show steady finances, thoughtful spending, and responsible planning.

This mid-year review process reflects the spirit of Concept XI, combining sound business management with spiritual principle and keeping A.A.'s service structure both accountable and adaptable.

Northeast Regional Forum

Registration is now open for the Northeast Regional Forum. These events give members a chance to connect directly with trustees, directors, and staff, and to share experience, strength, and hope. I encourage anyone who can attend to participate. Forums are one of the strongest ways we stay connected as a Fellowship.

Staff Assignments (as of September 2025)

- Michael R. – Treatment, Accessibilities, and Remote Communities
- Rainer L. – Conference Coordinator
- Karina C. – Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)
- Kacie N. – Corrections
- Irene D. – Group Services
- Patrick C. – International
- Diana L. – Regional Forums
- Misha Q. – Literature
- Eileen A. – Nominating
- Kelley C. – Public Information
- Nick S. – Self-Support and Finance
- Racy J. – Staff Coordinator

Upcoming Elections

Please remember that our special hybrid election assembly for Alternate Delegate and Treasurer will take place **Saturday, November 8 at 10:00 a.m.**, both at Westchester Community College and virtually. Please review the election guidelines and encourage participation in standing and voting.

All voting will follow the Third Legacy Procedure, using colored ballots in person and Zoom polling online. **To help you prepare, the SENY Officer Elections FAQ and full guidelines are available [here](#).**

Looking forward to attending:

- BxUM county meeting
- Group inventory in Rockland county
- BxUM spiritual breakfast
- Manhattan Share a Day
- Northeast Regional Delegate Meeting chaired by our NERT
- Speaking at tradition meeting
- NERAASA outreach meeting
- Joy of Service

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