2018 General Service Conference - Member Questionnaire

(Your Area Delegate is interested in your thoughts on the following matters. Please avoid "yes/no" answers. Rather, offer your thoughts and opinions on each topic. Please keep in mind that there is a wealth of background material on each topic that your GSR can coordinate to your attention.

Don't hesitate to ask!)

Topic: LinkedIn as a platform for reaching professionals

- 1. Do your A.A. Group members think LinkedIn is a suitable platform in which information about A.A. can be brought to professionals who meet alcoholics? Why or why not? And if not, what helpful suggestions do you have for reaching professionals?
- 2. Should the Conference approve implementation of a LinkedIn page for reaching professionals if feasible within our traditions? Why or why not?

Topic: Use of Google AdWords and Google Grants to carry the A.A. message.

1. How many group members use google as a search engine on a regular basis? What turns up when you google, for example, "stop drinking"? Should a link to the Alcoholics Anonymous official website offering information and help turn up in the search results instead? Why or why not?

Topic: Creating a pamphlet for inmates who are to be released after long term incarceration.

- 1. Do the members in your A.A. Group think there is a need for the Fellowship to provide materials and resources to sober alcoholic inmates who are to be released after long term incarceration? Why or why not?
- 2. Should the Conference create a pamphlet for sober alcoholic inmates who are to be released after long term incarceration? Why or why not?

Topic: Consider proposed revisions to the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous:

- A. Request to add an appendix reflecting recognition received from the Library of Congress.
 - 1. Should the appendix reflecting recognition received from the Library of Congress be added to the Big Book? Why or why not?
- B. Request to add the A.A. Preamble and Responsibility Statement.
 - 1. Does the A.A. Preamble accurately describe the A.A. Fellowship? Should it be added to the Big Book? Why or why not.
 - 2. Are you familiar with A.A.'s Responsibility Statement? What does it mean to you? Should the Responsibility Statement be added to the Big Book? Why or why not?
- C. Request to add an endnote to Bill W.'s story acknowledging co-founder, Bob S.
 - 1. Do you think it would be helpful or beneficial to add the suggested endnote to Bill W.'s story in Alcoholics Anonymous, acknowledging co-founder, Bob S. Why or why not?

<u>Topic: Consider request for the development of a new pamphlet for Spanish-speaking women alcoholics.</u>

1. Should the Conference develop a new pamphlet for Spanish-speaking women alcoholics? Why or why not?

Topic: Consider request for the development of a pamphlet for atheist and agnostic A.A. Members.

- 1. In your opinion and experience, is A.A. sufficiently welcoming to atheists or agnostics or can A.A. do more to emphasize A.A.'s enduring foundational principle of flexibility and acceptance of differing viewpoints on spiritual matters? Share and explain.
- 2. Should the Conference develop a pamphlet for the atheist and agnostic A.A. member? Why or why not?

Topic: Strategies to connect with our men & women in the Armed Services

- 1. How are you or your group members carrying A.A.'s message within the context of military life, to alcoholics who are veterans and active duty members of the Armed Services?
- 2. If you are an A.A. member who is also a veteran or active duty member of the Armed Services, please share how the A.A. message was effectively carried to you. Within the context of military life, what barriers, if any, did you face in receiving the A.A. message? Please share any additional information you believe would be helpful.

Please offer any final comments, questions or concerns that are weighting on your mind or heart that your Delegate should be mindful of as they carry our Area Conscience to the 2018 Conference:

- Group Name:
- Group District (if known):
- Group Description (Example: Mens Stag Friday Night; Lesbian; Open Mixed, Etc...):