

Welcome!

On New from WSO

November 9, 2024, Delegate's attended a Webex meeting with the Chairperson of the Board, Conference Leadership Team, Finance Ann Marie Z, Treasurer and WSO staff members.

Here are the highlights however, there is more information provided in the link below; the information is available in English, Spanish and French and you will be able to download the information in its entirety.

From the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees at the WSO letter 10/24

Finances: both literature sales and contributions are slightly above budget amounts, which has allowed the WSO to not make a transfer from Operating Funds into the Reserve, as is typical.

- It has also allowed for four new projects which include new hires.
- Kathie M., Chairperson, shared on several topics that the Board has been addressing:
 - Perception: WSO volunteers are always representing the WSO and AFG, Inc. and the perceptions others have is important
 - Reserve Fund: Three special projects underway because there is a slight surplus:
 - Core Systems Overhaul
 - Passing It On
 - PO Campaign for the Professional Young People
- Events:
 - 2025 AA International Convention in Vancouver in July
 - 2028 Al-Anon International Convention, location to be determined (see my notes below).
- ICC (International Coordination Committee: This year both Russia and Austria were recommended and accepted at the IAGSM (International Al-Anon General Services Meeting) in the Fall. The agenda focused on the future of this meeting and interim approval was given to virtual meetings.
- World Service Conference 2025 Theme: Investing in Each Other to Preserve Our Legacy to be used after 1/1/25.
- Warm goodbye to Panel 62 Delegate's

Policy Committee:

- “Policy statements are interpretations of our basic guides the Twelve Steps the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts.
- Naming groups: **NEW** groups and those that are making changes will need to comply with the new policy on naming groups (removing special demographics from group names like Women’s or Men’s groups). Those groups already named will **NOT** need to comply yet. I am certain I will have more information at Conference. Please do not panic, everything takes time.

[July-2024-Chairperson-of-the-Board-Letter.pdf](#)

Did you know that there is a Board of Trustees? The concepts will tell you! And that Board is responsible for the legal functioning of AFG Inc and the WSC’s responsibility are traditional.

Our current Board Chair, Kathi M. met with current Delegates, as she does every quarter, to update us on what is happening.

Financial Update

Ann Marie Z, Treasurer provided us with on the unaudited financial statements ending 9/30/2024. The following sources of income are from literature sales, contributions, magazine sales, Mobile apps premium subscriptions and investments gains or losses. Literature sales for September were \$351,340 and Contributions for September were \$217,028 (see the table below.

• Year to Date (YTD) September 2024

	YTD Actuals	YTD Budget
Revenue		
Literature Sales—net	\$2,294,657	\$2,200,778
Contributions	\$2,102,318	\$1,916,164
Other income	\$895,961	\$748,755
Total Revenue	\$5,292,936	\$4,865,697
Total Expenses	\$4,635,208	\$4,498,479
Net Increase/(Decrease)	\$657,728	\$367,218

[Financials](#)

You can also find information from the CLT (Conference Leadership Team) and the Policy Committee on AFG Connects.

Delegate's Information

2028 Al-Anon International Convention- there was a bit of confusion regarding the submission for the 2028 International Convention, however I confirmed with the Delegate Panel 62 that we did as a multi-

state submit a bid to host the 2028 International Convention with Boston, New York South, New Hampshire, and Maine. At Conference in April the site will be revealed.

Conference Agenda Items (CAI) in my November report I asked the fellowship to forward a topic they would like me to forward to WSC for consideration. Please refer to the November report for the guidelines and deadlines, work with your members they might have an issue to bring forward. A reminder, the links of service DR's should forward the information to me.

Welcome to the new District Representatives and Alternate District Representatives.

We are still needing a Public Outreach Coordinator and a Spanish Liaison, to date I have not received any resumes. Please spread the word.

I want to address an issue that occurred at the Assembly from members who shared uncomfortable and unsafe (see the link below on safety at meetings). Comments were a sense of mistrust, unsafe and tense atmosphere when a few members shared regarding the Convention profits last year. We always need to be mindful when we are addressing the audience to "say what you mean, mean what you say, but do not say it mean." Also, remember we are volunteers and as trusted servants we need to respect the service these individuals are providing to the fellowship. If you have concerns join the Convention Committee, be part of the solution.

<https://al-anon.org/pdf/safety-in-al-anon-meetings.pdf>

Thank you to the outgoing District Representatives and Alternate District Representatives; District 1- Janet S DR, Deborah C. Alt District Representative, District 2-Carol D., District Representative, Lauren L., Alternate District Representative, District 7- Bob Mc, District 9-Hank B District Representative and Jenn L., Alternate District Representative. I have enjoyed working with each one of you over the past 2 years, just a reminder to become a mentor to the incoming representative (s)and/or step up for another service position. Thank you for your service to Al-Anon/Alateen program.

Thank you to all of you for a year of growth in my role as Connecticut's Delegate, have a wonderful holiday and a Healthy and Happy New Year!

See you all in 2025.

With gratitude,

Elaine M CT Delegate Panel 63

Service is the key.

Upcoming Events

Serenity Breakfast-January 19th, 2025

Delegate's Report

December 6, 2024[Document title]

AA Round Up- March 29th, 2025

Al-Anon Convention March