

Conference Leadership Team (CLT) Update

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The purpose and responsibility of the Conference Leadership Team (CLT) is to prepare a World Service Conference (WSC) agenda that facilitates the active voice and effective group conscience of our fellowship. The CLT, which began its work immediately following the 2017 Conference, models the 2018 Conference theme “Al-Anon—There is no standing still!”

CLT has completed a revision of the *Conference Procedures* booklet. Besides reorganization of content, some additional terms and procedural information have been added to provide clarity about voting. It is our hope that the updated booklet will be a valuable resource for Conference members.

For 2018, CLT has scheduled time on the Conference agenda for Conference members to discuss *four* Chosen Agenda Items (CAIs). Two CAIs will be discussed in the General Session. Two of the three other topics will be discussed in small group breakout sessions during Conference week. Newly-elected Delegates of Panel 58 will also be invited to submit CAI topics when their term begins in January 2018. The deadline for submission of topics has been extended to February 1, 2018, so Panel 58 Delegates can offer suggested topics as well as vote on their priorities.

The CAIs will be compiled and fact-checked by a new Task Force that includes two Delegates, and two other Delegates will combine the submissions into similar topics for posting to AFG Connects.

CLT continues to find more ways for active Delegate participation in the Conference agenda. A Task Force of Delegates has been formed to present Conference Etiquette (formerly referred to as *Conference Rules*), the Conference theme, Conference Goals, and Conference voting procedures.

Time is scheduled on the agenda for Conference members to hear a talk from our new World Service Office Executive Director, Vali F., and on Wednesday, April 18, 2018. Conference members will be able to visit Stepping Stones, the home of our Co-founder Lois W.

As these updates reveal, the CLT continues to plan for another dynamic WSC, being mindful that a full and meaningful Conference agenda will truly reflect the active voice of our fellowship.

The six members of your Conference Leadership Team include the Associate Director—Conference (formerly titled Associate Director of Member Services—Conference), the Chair and Co-Chair, both Trustees; the Chair of the Board of Trustees; the WSO Executive Director and Director of Programs.