

Conference Leadership Team (CLT) Update

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Enhancing Our Recovery through Abundance, Unity, and Understanding
Enriquecer nuestra recuperación a través de la abundancia, unidad y comprensión
Enrichir notre rétablissement par l'abondance, l'unité et la compréhension

The Conference Leadership Team has the responsibility to prepare a World Service Conference (WSC) agenda that facilitates the active voice and effective group conscience of our fellowship.

The New WSC Member Onboarding session was held via web conference on January 8, 2022. We welcomed 31 of the 33 new Conference members in that session! The meeting was recorded for those who could not attend in person. There was a wonderful discussion, and everyone expressed excitement for the WSC!

The CLT is very much looking forward to facilitating an in-person Conference in Tarrytown, New York. This WSC will include a visit to Stepping Stones and an open Policy Committee Meeting. WSO Staff are monitoring current health mandates and hotel protocols to help us have a safe event. We are grateful to WSO Staff for their help in reasoning out the many considerations and logistics for holding an in-person WSC.

After a lengthy discussion, the CLT made the decision not to accept any physical packages of love gifts for distribution, nor any physical mail addressed to Conference members at the hotel. This is due to ongoing concerns about social distancing and Staff safety during Conference. We are investigating alternate communication opportunities for Areas to encourage Conference members during the week.

The CLT is happy to report that after our previous discussions, we have created more opportunities for Delegate participation, both before and during the WSC. We are grateful to have their support in preparation for this Conference!

We are excited to potentially welcome the non-panel Global Electronic Area to the World Service Conference (WSC) Structure. Following approval by the Conference to admit the Area into the WSC Structure, the new Panel 62 Delegate will become a voting member of the 2022 Conference.

There will be a session about voting at the beginning of Conference so that all attendees are familiar with voting at the WSC, the discussion and motion process, and the timing of sharing a minority opinion. Also on the agenda, WSO Staff are preparing a Conference presentation on Roles and Responsibilities in the Area Alateen Recertification process.

The deadline to submit Conference Agenda Item (CAI) topics to be presented at the 2022 Conference is March 25, 2022. All Conference members are invited to propose one or two CAI topics, on any topic of their choosing, by naming their CAI topic in 25 words or fewer and providing a rationale for why this CAI is important in 75 words or fewer.

The seven-member Conference Leadership Team includes:

- Chairperson and Co-Chairperson of Conference (both Trustees)
- Associate Director—Conference

- Chairperson of the Board of Trustees
- WSO Executive Director
- Director of Programs
- Training & Project Specialist (ex-officio, non-voting)