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The committee reviewed the video Hope: Alcoholics Anonymous and recommended that one line of dialog, "Uncle Sam is not gonna come in and bail us out" be removed the next time it is reprinted at a cost of approximately \$9,000.00.

Failed by substantial unanimity



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The committee recommended that the pamphlet "A.A. for the Alcoholic With Special Needs" be expanded to include additional stories of alcoholics with mental illness collected from the Fellowship, and that the trustees' Committee on Cooperation With the Professional Community/Treatment/Special Need-Accessibilities bring a progress report or draft pamphlet to the 2013 Conference Committee on Treatment/Special Needs-Accessibilities.

Failed by substantial unanimity



Floor Action #1:

I request to develop a pamphlet for the Alcoholic with Mental Illness. Submitted by:

Janet S.-C.
Panel 62, Area 45

Withdrawn

Floor Action #5:

That the appropriate trustees Committee develop a pamphlet for the alcoholic with mental illness, with a progress report to be provided to the appropriate 2013 Conference Committee with suggestions for content of the pamphlet, including breadth and scope of the pamphlet.

Submitted by:
Scott H.
Panel 61, Area 79

Motion to decline to consider failed. Question called. Vote on the motion: 81 in favor, 39 opposed, carried. Minority opinion expressed. Motion to reconsider. 71 in favor, 55 opposed, debate reopened. Question called. Failed, 76 in favor 48 opposed.

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Additional Committee Considerations:

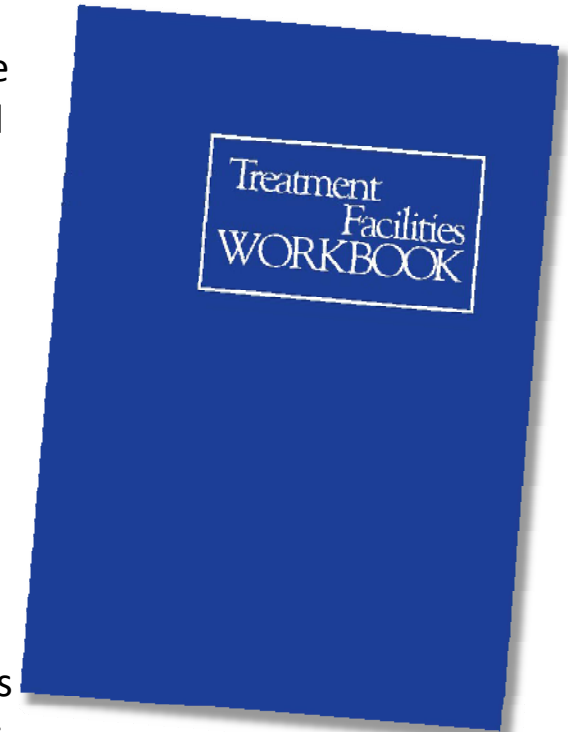
- The committee expressed concerns about the French and Spanish translations of the video Hope: Alcoholics Anonymous regarding the exact translation of the direct quote read from the translated "Big Books" and for background distraction in the videos. The committee asked the Publications Department to review these items and report back to the 2013 Conference Committee on Treatment/Special Needs-Accessibilities.



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Additional Considerations:

- The committee reviewed the Treatment Committee Workbook and Kit and suggested minor editorial changes to the service piece "A.A. Temporary Contact/Bridging the Gap Request" and removed redundant information in the Kit. Following these minor changes the committee found the Workbook and Kit to be satisfactory for use by local committees.
- The committee reviewed the Special Needs/Accessibilities Workbook and Kit and suggested that the following changes be made at the next printing:
 - Add a suggestion to page 10 of the Special Needs/Accessibilities Workbook under the section "Activities suggested for Special Needs-Accessibilities" for "committees to gather local information and identify outside local resources regarding accessibility requirements and options."



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Additional Consideration:

- The committee is hopeful that A.A.W.S. will format the pamphlet "A.A. For the Alcoholic With Special Needs" for alcoholics who are deaf, blind or have learning challenges as soon as fiscally possible as requested in a 2011 Committee Consideration.



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The committee elected Jay D., delegate for Area 64, Tennessee, chairperson, and, Pamela V.-M., delegate for Area 80, Manitoba, alternate chairperson.

Questions?