Consent Agenda?

Bylaw Amendments:

Move to amend Article VII – Region 5 Trustee, paragraph A.2 by striking the paragraph as indicated:

> 2. The Region 5 Selection Committee may be composed of Region 5 officers and one Region 5 representative from each state/province represented within Region 5. This committee will select qualified persons to be proposed for nomination as Region 5 trustee nominees. These individuals will then be presented to the Region 5 representatives for final selection as Region 5 trustee nominees.

Rationale: Merge function of Selection Committee into the Nominating Committee.

Policy Amendments:

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Move to amend Region 5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph A.4.a. to strike the struck work and to insert the underlined words:

> 4. a. Provide volunteers to serve at the registration table on Friday evening, and Saturday (while the Assembly is in session), and Sunday morning.

Rationale:

With the time added to the R5 Assembly, it will be necessary to expand the time when Representatives can register for the Assembly.

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Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph B.3 to strike the B. struck work and to insert the underlined words:

> 3. Saturday lunch Lunch at the assembly will be paid by Region 5 for all Region representatives and voting alternates provided that registrations are received by the deadline.

Rationale:

With the extension of the assembly until Sunday noon, specifying that

Saturday lunch will be provided may avoid confusion.

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Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph C.1.b to strike the struck work and to insert the underlined words:

> 1. b. Completed application forms must be received by the Nominating Committee chair Region 5 Secretary at least sixty days prior to the election assembly. Applicants are required to attend the election assembly.

Rationale:

The Nominating Committee solicits and encourages applications from the membership. The Secretary recieves the completed applications for inclusion in the packet.

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Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph C.2 to strike the D. struck work and to insert the underlined words:

> 2. Elections shall be held during the afternoon Sunday morning session of the last region assembly of each year.

Rationale: Set the time of elections based on the new schedule.

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E. Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph C.5 to insert the underlined words:

5. Voting for all officers (and Region Trustee nominees when appropriate) shall take place simultaneously on one printed ballot listing all nominees (with spaces for write-ins when nominations from the floor are necessary).

Rationale:

Adding the nomination of Region Trustees to the election process and clarify when write-ins are appropriate.

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F. Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph E to strike the indicated words:

3. Assembly materials, including Region 5 business reports and information, will be available at registration Friday night and Saturday morning. Only essential materials are to be distributed at Region 5 assemblies.

Rationale:

Allows registration to extend to the times determined necessary by the

board and/or assembly.

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G Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph G to insert the following new paragraphs (renumbering subsequent paragraphs as needed:

1. There shall be the following **Business Committees**:

- a. Bylaws
- b. Finance
- c. Convention
- d. Media
- 2. The **Outreach Committee** shall be a "Committee of the Whole" to address issues regarding:
 - a. Twelfth Step Within
 - b. Public Information/Professional Outreach
 - c. Intergroup Outreach

The Outreach Committee will meet during the Saturday afternoon session at each Assembly once the Assembly has been called to order, approval of credentials report, approval

of the minutes approval committee, a 7th Tradition collection and a 3 minute Parliamentary presentation.

- 3. The Chair shall appoint members to the following special committees:
 - a. Nominating Committee
 - b. Minutes Approval Committee

Rationale: Clarify the changes in the Committees

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H. Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph G.1 to strike the indicated words and to insert the underlined words:

1. Each Region 5 standing <u>business</u> committee or ad hoc committee should have a representative from each state and province when possible. The Region 5 chair will appoint such people if necessary for these committees: <u>Emergency New Business</u>, <u>Minutes Approval</u>, Nominating, and Finance.

Rationale:

Clarify the changes in the Committees; appointments are not made to the Finance Committee

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Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph H.1 to insert the underlined words:

a. Keep the Policies and Procedures Manual, Region 5 Bylaws and the Standing Rules pertinent and current.

b. Provide a mechanism for critical new business motions to be processed at Region 5 assemblies when delay of consideration would adversely affect the operations of Region 5 or OA as a whole within Region 5.

Rationale:

Add Emergency New Business function to Bylaws Committee; clarify

mission,

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Move to amend R5 Policy section I. REGION 5 GENERAL POLICIES paragraph H to strike the following paragraphs and renumber as necessary:

3. Emergency New Business Committee: Provide a mechanism for critical new business motions to be processed at Region 5 assemblies without complying with procedures in the bylaws and standing rules.

5. Intergroup Outreach Committee: Provide information to intergroups and unaffiliated groups.

8. Public Information/ Professional Outreach (PI/PO) Committee:

a. Take such public information and professional outreach actions as are appropriate or possible on a regional basis rather than on an intergroup basis.

b. Distribute and keep updated materials and information. Provide a forum for new ideas to help intergroups and other interested individuals carry the OA recovery message to professionals, institutions, clergy, health care professionals, health care institutions, correctional institutions, and military personnel (both on and off military bases).

9. Twelfth Step Within Committee:

a. To help carry the OA message of recovery to those who still suffer within the OA fellowship.

b. To deal with relapse and issues of membership retention, offering the message of hope.

c. To encourage OA members to maintain recovery and prevent relapse. (7/9/16)

Rationale:

Remove paragraphs describing Committees being disbanded as individual entities by the reorganization. As the Committee of the whole begins to work, a new description of its focus and processes can be added later.

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Move to amend R5 Policy section II. RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF REGION 5 by inserting a new paragraph G.e and renumbering as necessary:

- a. <u>Schedules and Chairs the Summer Board/Committee Update</u> <u>Conference Call,</u>
 - a. Schedules call to be held no later than the first week of August.
 - b. Provides agenda to include (at a minimum):
 - i. Time for questions of all reports
 - ii. Time for Intergroup sharing
 - c. No motions or official business shall be conducted during this meeting.
 - d. Attendance shall be taken
 - e. <u>Minutes of the call (or a recording) shall be made available on the Region 5 website.</u>

Rationale:

Add mid-summer conference call organization to duties of the R5 Chair.

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Move to amend R5 Policy section II. RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF REGION 5 by inserting a new paragraph I.k and renumbering as necessary:

k. Assembles and has posted a packet for the Summer Board/Committee Update Conference Call (no fewer than 14 days prior to meeting) consisting of:

- a. Officer Reports,
- b. Trustee Report,
- c. Financial Reports (1/1 through 6/30),
- d. Business Committee Reports,
- e. Outreach Sub-Committee Reports,
- f. Day in the Life write-ups,
- g. any applicable forms (support fund applications, assembly funding request, officer application forms), etc.

Rationale:

Add creation of mid-summer packet to the duties of the R5 Secretary

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Move to amend R5 Policy section II. RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND **M.** REPRESENTATIVES OF REGION 5 paragraph M by striking the indicated words and inserting underlined words:

1. Funding

a. The board will approve the number of delegates to be funded in July, contingent upon adequate Region 5 funds. Intergroups will be notified at the end of the July assembly that via email after the close of the current WSBC if Region 5 fell below the 40% threshold and if they may submit applications to serve as a Region 5 Delegate to the next WSBC. Intergroups will be notified once the Board has determined who will serve.

This has been changed to allow the Board to select WSBC Delegate(s) when appropriate and describes how notification will be made now that there will be no July Assembly.

Rationale:

N. Move to approve the change of "March" to "Spring" and "November" to "Fall" in all Region 5 documents as an editorial change where appropriate.

There are a number of places in the policy manual referring to the "March" or "November" assembly. In case any of these instances have been missed, this will allow the Bylaws committee to make the appropriate changes where

Rationale: necessary.

Y Move to amend R5 Policy section I. Region 5 General Policies paragraph b.1 by striking the indicated words and inserting the underlined words:

1. The Intergroup Sharing meeting will be held on Friday evening of the assembly weekend. The Intergroup Outreach Committee will provide Region 5 Chair shall solicit volunteers and assign a leader for this meeting.

Rationale: Since the Outreach Committee has been altered in focus and practice, this duty is better handled by the Region Chair.

P. Move to amend R5 Policy section I. Region 5 General Policies paragraph B.1 by striking the indicated words and inserting the underlined words:

7. Nominating Committee: Seek out qualified members who are willing to serve as Region 5 officers. A Nominating Committee will be appointed by the Region 5 chair at the first two scheduled assemblies assembly each year. This committee shall be chaired by the Region 5 secretary and shall consist of at least one member from each state or province when available. Such members will have at least one year of active service

Rationale: Amended to match new assembly schedule.

Q. Move to amend R5 Policy section I. Region 5 General Policies paragraph F.8 by striking the indicated words and inserting the underlined words:

8. The Region 5 Convention chair's assembly expenses are funded as follows: 75% by Region 5 and 25% by the hosting intergroup. This includes expenses for the three two assemblies preceding a convention when the chair presides over the Region 5 Convention Committee and the assembly following a convention when the chair makes a report to the assembly. This shall apply only if the chair is not an official rep from the intergroup, and only for one chair

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Rationale: Amended to match new assembly schedule

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Move to amend R5 Policy section II. RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF REGION 5 paragraph H.2.g by striking the paragraph and reunumbering subsequent paragraphs:

g. Assists Intergroup Outreach and Twelfth-Step Within committees with their responsibilities at the assembly

Rationale: No longer necessary with restructuring.