

Issues & Concerns

2016 World Service Conference

Irving, Texas USA

The Debtors Anonymous World Service Conference (WSC) addresses the issues and concerns of D.A. groups that affect D.A. as a whole. Members, groups and Intergroups have submitted the Issues & Concerns listed below during the past year via the debtorsanonymous.org website or by mailing them to the General Service Office. The receiving and processing of Issues and Concerns (I&C) from the Fellowship of Debtors Anonymous (D.A.) is an important communication vehicle aiding the health, unity, and growth of D.A. as a whole.

After the Conference, the committees of the General Service Board (GSB) and the World Service Conference committees and caucuses consider these Issues & Concerns as possible items for motions and recommendations at Convocation or as potential topics to discuss during their service throughout the year. Direct responses to each Issue & Concern are published in the WSC Final Conference Report (if they are submitted at the Conference) or on the D.A. website (if they are submitted by December 1 following the Conference.)

Each Issue & Concern has been assigned a number. Please include this number AND the original text of the Issue & Concern in any response submitted for publication.

NOTE: Any responses to Issues & Concerns submitted after July 10, 2016 will not be included in the final document posted on the D.A. website by January 1, 2017.

General Service Board Committees

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GSB Office: none
GSB Public Information: none

World Service Conference Committees & Caucuses

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ID	Assigned Committee	Issues & Concerns	Response
16-01	GSB Legal:	<p>City & Country: New York, NY USA Group Name: New York Intergroup Group Number:</p> <p>New York Intergroup has complied with the recent GSB email request to discuss and consider removing/changing the closing statement. We have reached out to some individual meetings for feedback and have discussed this within the Intergroup. We are concerned about the suggestions presented by the GSB and prefer not to make changes to the closing statement. Our discussion is below.</p> <p>The language of recovery represents a universal and traditional wisdom that is shared among many 12- step fellowships and beyond the 12-step fellowships in other recovery and support groups. It would seem counter-recovery to aim to narrowly limit recovery language and ideas and to artificially differentiate recovery language between programs, just for the sake of differentiation. Our common goal should be recovery itself, not branding of specific groups.</p> <p>There may be good reasons to focus some recovery language on some specific issues and compulsions for some specific groups. The DA step literature that specifically discusses debting is an excellent example.</p> <p>However, closing statements that offer general good fellowship guidelines and social housekeeping should not be forced into DA-branded language. The current closing statement serves our fellowship well, and non-12-step fellowships too. In the absence of a specific request from a demonstrated copy-right holder, it should not be revised.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted. New York Intergroup</p>	
16-02	GSB Literature Publications:	<p>From: Laurie</p> <p>RE STEP STUDY/TOOLS STUDY GUIDE which was approved in concept at least six years ago.</p> <p>As a piece of board produced service lit, publish an electronic, yearly study guide to EXISTING approved DA literature to give newbies with no experience a sequence to study what literature DA has already.</p> <p>This guide could be electronic and revised yearly as new DA pieces are generated and approved.</p> <p>Consider the "Greenback book" which, in draft form, has been in use "road testing" by over 1000 DA members for several years with strong recovery results NOW.</p> <p>Thanks</p>	
16-03	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Judy B.</p> <p>I object to "underearning" being called an outside issue to debting. For some, many, it is integral.</p>	

		I am a longtime member of DA. This matter has not come up in the 20 years since I've been a member.	
16-04	WSC Conference:	<p>From: The Fabulous Dallas DA Diva</p> <p>Issue- DA Observing the Primary Purpose - Reverse the decision</p> <p>Abolish The Underearners' Caucus</p> <p>Underearning never belonged on the DA agenda. A duty of a Board trustee is to see that the traditions are upheld. A GS board member needed to have stopped this in committee. It should never have gotten to a vote.</p> <p>Our primary purpose is to stop debting one day at a time and help other debtors to stop debting.</p> <p>DA has no opinion on outside issues and Underearning is an outside issue with its own fellowship (UA.)</p> <p>I am in a "DA" fellowship that has tried unsuccessfully to exist with a watered down message of addressing everything under the sun that gets us in "money trouble." IT IS KILLING US.</p> <p>GSBoard we need you to be brave and stand for traditions 5 and 10 and clean this up.</p> <p>Please Immediately Abolish the Underearners' Caucus</p>	
16-05	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Chris M. Country: Tennessee USA</p> <p>Please reverse the decision Abolish the Underearners' Caucus and remove references to underearning, clutter and time debting from our literature.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	
16-06	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Jennifer M.</p> <p>I support incorporating other issues as they relate to DA. In my experience issues like underearning are directly part of the DA problem. I uphold the vote to include an Underearners caucus.</p>	
16-07	WSC Conference:	<p>City: Charlotte, North Carolina USA</p> <p>Issue- DA Observing the Primary Purpose - Reverse the decision/Abolish the Underearners' Caucus</p> <p>Underearning never belonged on the DA agenda. A duty of a Board trustee is to see that the traditions are upheld. A GS board member needed to have stopped this in committee. It should never have gotten to a vote.</p> <p>Our primary purpose is to stop debting one day at a time and help other debtors to stop debting.</p>	

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16-08	WSC Literature:	<p>City: Paris, France Group Name: Trois heritages Group Number: 50116</p> <p>Chers amis</p> <p>Voici une contribution spécifique de notre groupe à la conférence 2016.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. nous suggérons à la conférence d'étudier la possibilité de produire un guide d'étapes tel celui de NA utilisé par la majorité des amis DA en France. Ce guide est très bien conçu, mais cela nous pose un problème d'utiliser la littérature autre que DA et AA tel que recommandé. De plus notre but premier est en danger. L'abstinence de dette non garantie devient secondaire (cf texte de Carla à la conférence 2006). <p>Nous vous remercions fraternellement et vous souhaitons une très belle conférence 2016</p> <p>Remy T. (GSR group 50116)</p>	
16-09	WSC Conference:	<p>City: Paris, France Group Name: Trois heritages Group Number: 50116</p> <p>Chers amis</p> <p>Voici une contribution spécifique de notre groupe à la conférence 2016.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. enfin, nous demandons la possibilité d'avoir accès via Skype aux réunions de la conférence mondiale 2016 <p>Nous vous remercions fraternellement et vous souhaitons une très belle conférence 2016</p> <p>Remy T. (GSR group 50116)</p>	
16-10	WSC Resource Development:	<p>From: Michael G.</p> <p>I have a concern that our hard-working GSB members are often occupied with tasks which, ideally, staff or volunteers would be doing: editing newsletters, putting WSC registration material up on the web, etc. In contrast, our service literature describes the functions of our board of directors as similar to those</p>	

		<p>of any nonprofit's directors: assuming "primary leadership for larger matters of overall policy, finance, and custodial oversight," (Concept 8) and "management and supervision" of D.A.'s Service Activities (Thoughts on Concept 6), along with maintaining adherence to the Traditions (Bylaws).</p> <p>I do not see the Fellowship suffering from lack of GSB attention to overall matters of policy and oversight. However, if I'm right in thinking that much energy goes into doing operational work that could theoretically be delegated to others who are also conscientious and trained, there may be four other detriments. It is unfair to our Board members, whose service sacrifices would be great enough if they functioned only as a board. It may contribute to the difficulty of recruiting directors; as potential candidates recognize the unusually heavy commitment. Some tasks, like publication of the Focus, are delayed, apparently because people are trying to do too much. Finally, I see it as a form of debting behavior on the part of the Fellowship. Rather than paying our way, through financial or service contributions to cover these tasks, we are acting like those of us who have depended on loving -- but enabling -- family members or friends to keep us going.</p> <p>Perhaps the GSB and the WSC's Resource Development Committee could consider (1) assessing the validity of this concern and, if it is a real issue, a group inventory to consider the roots of the problem; (2) recruiting volunteers for specific tasks at the World Service level (at a level of commitment less than what is required of ACMs); (3) a serious campaign aimed at persuading members to double our Seventh Tradition contributions by informing us what Board Members do that we ought to be hiring additional staff to do; and (4) whatever other solutions you can come up with. As to number 3, I do believe that if members understood the degree to which we are relying on superhuman efforts from GSB members, we would want to contribute much more.</p>	
16-11	WSC Conference:	<p>Group Name: 2015/2016 WSC BDA Committee</p> <p>The issue of institutional memory and continuity of committee work has come up several times in the 2015/2016 committee chair conferences and in the BDA Committee specifically. Some of our existing committee members may not be able to attend the WSC in the year following their committee work because their groups cannot afford to send them to WSC. Because these GSRs are not currently allowed to continue as voting members of their committees on a remote basis in years when they do not attend WSC, continuity from year to year is negatively impacted. The various WSC committees must spend valuable time learning how to navigate the complex WSC and GSB committee structures in order to make positive progress and may lose entirely important but unfinished work from previous committees.</p> <p>The 2015/2016 BDA Committee recommends that existing committee members, who remain GSRs for their respective meetings but are not able to attend the WSC, be allowed to continue their committee work into the following year as voting members and be allowed to remotely attend committee meetings that occur during the WSC.</p> <p>Curt P. ISR Great Lakes Area DA Intergroup</p>	

<p>16-12</p>	<p>WSC Business Debtors Anonymous:</p>	<p>City: Phoenix, Arizona Group Name: Phoenix BDA Group</p> <p>Question #1</p> <p>To Whom It May Concern:</p> <p>I am contacting you at the request of the Phoenix BDA meeting. I will be attending the World Conference and look forward to discussing these directly with the group.</p> <p>Question #1</p> <p>Much of the literature and readings that are published, primarily address personal debting issues. In specifics, very few of the stories in the Currency of Hope address Business Debting or BDA issues. We are hopeful that the BDA group can identify the stories or other literature that best discusses BDA concerns. Perhaps, solicit specific BDA stories and publish them on the website for meetings or individuals to reference in order to gain experience, strength and hope around Business and Money issues. Or, identify the stories in the Currency of Hope that will provide a good foundation around business issues.</p> <p>Rob E. Phoenix BDA Group</p>	
<p>16-13</p>	<p>WSC Business Debtors Anonymous:</p>	<p>City: Phoenix, Arizona Group Name: Phoenix BDA Group</p> <p>Question #2</p> <p>To Whom It May Concern:</p> <p>I am contacting you at the request of the Phoenix BDA meeting. I will be attending the World Conference and look forward to discussing these directly with the group.</p> <p>What is the definition of business? Does it include management of personal stock portfolios, or self-directed investing?</p> <p>Thank you very much.</p> <p>Rob E. Phoenix BDA Group</p>	
<p>16-14</p>	<p>WSC Conference:</p>	<p>From: Jeremy L.</p> <p>It seems to me, as a solvent member of DA, that there are two ways to get in to trouble with debt. Either by a) spending too much or b) not earning enough. Let's say for argument's sake that half of the people with debt problems come though one door and half through the other. Do we really want to exclude on half of all the people who will benefit from DA?</p> <p>Jeremy L.</p>	

16-15	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Elizabeth B.</p> <p>Is not an outside issue. Just because it has its own group doesn't make it an outside issue. This is a big problem for many of us.</p>	
16-16	WSC Conference:	<p>From: DD S.</p> <p>I do not think that underearning should be an issue outside of DA. I believe it is related and that having it in DA helps people.</p> <p>Sincerely, DD Maryland</p>	
16-17	GSB Long Range Planning:	<p>From: Jessica L.</p> <p>Celebration of ABSTINENCE Anniversaries only</p> <p>Please change "Service Manual" Language (In the Sample DA meeting Format) in support of DA's primary purpose.</p> <p>In DA, we celebrate Anniversaries of Abstinence only.</p> <p>Personally, I have experienced 30+ years of sobriety & being of service to the still suffering alcoholic. Similarly, I hope DA will focus on solutions and only offer chips & other celebrations that focus on DA's primary purpose, "length of abstinence from incurring new unsecured debt".</p> <p>I was appalled to learn that DA offers "length of attendance" celebrations. Please clarify of 24 of 2015 SM & BDA MEETING format, of 27</p> <p>Warmly, Jessica L. Athens, Ohio USA</p>	
16-18	WSC Literature:	<p>City: Jessica L.</p> <p>Make a formal & "Official" separation between DA and UA</p> <p>Underearning is a unique and separate compulsion with its OWN symptoms, tool kit and separate fellowship UA (Underearners Anonymous).</p> <p>In order for DA to function in a manner that does NOT perpetuate vagueness, DA must make a CLEAR STATEMENT that DA considers Underearning an outside issue. DA cannot serve with integrity and offer Underearning ANY forum on the Debtors Anonymous Meetings, Support Groups, & Programs agenda.</p> <p>Transition to clarity & integrity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sticker ALL DA literature that has Underearning vocabulary, with an outside issue statement 	

		<p>2. MAKE a thorough literature review process & remove ALL Underearning vocabulary & references from ALL DA literature.</p> <p>3. Publish edited versions for future editions of each literature piece.</p> <p>4. Relinquish any Underearning material deemed useful by UA to UA!</p> <p>Jessica L. Athens, Ohio USA</p>	
16-19	WSC Resource Development:	<p>Country: Spain Group Name: DA Solvencia Skype Group Number: Nº 1585</p> <p>Preguntas y Preocupaciones</p> <p>Estas son información y preguntas del Grupo DA Solvencia para DA Mundial. <i>This is the information and the questions from the International Spanish Group DA Solvencia for the DA World Service Office.</i></p> <p>1ª Pregunta: ¿Cómo podemos contribuir a la 7ª Tradición a la mundial de miembros individuales y a nivel de grupos, si es fuera de EEUU? <i>1st Question: How could we contribute with the 7th Tradition to the WSO of individual members and groups outside USA?</i></p> <p>Thank you your service.</p>	
16-20	WSC Internal Operations:	<p>Country: Spain Group Name: DA Solvencia Skype Group Number: Nº 1585</p> <p>Preguntas y Preocupaciones</p> <p>Estas son información y preguntas del Grupo DA Solvencia para DA Mundial. <i>This is the information and the questions from the International Spanish Group DA Solvencia for the DA World Service Office.</i></p> <p>2ª Pregunta: ¿Cómo podemos comprar literatura oficialmente aprobada en español a EEUU, y cuál es el procedimiento? <i>2d Question: How could we buy approved literature in Spanish from the DA World Service in USA and what would be the procedure?</i></p> <p>Thank you your service.</p>	
16-21	GSB International:	<p>Country: Spain Group Name: DA Solvencia Skype Group Number: Nº 1585</p> <p>Preguntas y Preocupaciones</p> <p>Estas son información y preguntas del Grupo DA Solvencia para DA Mundial. <i>This is the information and the questions from the International Spanish Group DA Solvencia for the DA World Service Office.</i></p> <p>3ª Pregunta: ¿Cómo está el proceso de Literatura de traducción al español a</p>	

		<p>fecha de julio 2016? <i>3rd Question: What is the literature already approved in Spanish at DA World Service up to date July 2016?</i></p> <p>Thank you your service.</p>	
16-22	GSB International:	<p>Country: Spain Group Name: DA Solvencia Skype Group Number: Nº 1585</p> <p>Preguntas y Preocupaciones</p> <p>Estas son información y preguntas del Grupo DA Solvencia para DA Mundial. <i>This is the information and the questions from the International Spanish Group DA Solvencia for the DA World Service Office.</i></p> <p>4ta Pregunta: ¿Cual es el nuevo contacto de Subcomité de literatura en la Mundial? <i>4th Question: What is the Contact of the Translation Subcommittee at DA World Service up to date July 2016?</i></p> <p>Reporte de Información del Grupo de DA Solvencia y también relacionado con Traducciones: Nuestro Grupo es Internacional en Skype "DA Solvencia" con Miembros de toda Latinoamerica y España. Tenemos un Subcomité de Traducción Literatura y queremos contactarnos con el Subcomité de Literatura Mundial de Traducciones lo que ya está hecho, para enviarles el material que vamos avanzando y coordinarnos con el Comité Mundial de Traducciones de DA.</p> <p><i>Information Report from DA Solvencia Group related with Translations: Our Group is an International Skype Meeting "DA Solvencia" with Members from All Over Latin America and Spain. We have in our Group a Spanish Translation Subcommittee and we want to contact with the DA World Translation Subcommittee to coordinate and send material that we have advanced in order to approved it and to know what has been done until now in the World Translations DA Subcommittee.</i></p> <p>Thank you your service.</p>	
16-23	GSB International:	<p>Country: Spain Group Name: DA Solvencia Skype Group Number: Nº 1585</p> <p>Preguntas y Preocupaciones</p> <p>Estas son información y preguntas del Grupo DA Solvencia para DA Mundial. <i>This is the information and the questions from the International Spanish Group DA Solvencia for the DA World Service Office.</i></p> <p>5ta pregunta: Dado que nuestro grupo y servidores son internacionales y estamos procurando traducir al español internacional. ¿Pueden facilitarnos folletos digitalmente en Word o PDF, aunque sea con la maraca borrador, para utilizar dentro de nuestro Subcomité de Traducciones para poder traducir o corregir con mayor facilidad entre nuestros servidores?</p>	

		<p><i>5th question: Since our group and servants are international and we are trying to translate into international Spanish. Could you help us facilitating digitally in Word or PDF, even with the watermark draft, in order to use only within our Subcommittee of Translations in order to be able to translate and correct on an easier way between our trusted servants.</i></p> <p>Thank you your service.</p>	
16-24	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Kate</p> <p>Underearning is not always a cause of debting. I appreciate it is our learned behaviours and reactions which play a big part. However, I do feel that it plays a big part and, for many people, the two go hand in hand.</p>	
16-25	<p>WSC Conference: Reassigned to WSC Literature Committee</p>	<p>City: Minneapolis, Minnesota USA Group Name: South Minneapolis DA</p> <p>Hello,</p> <p>The issues and concerns from South Minneapolis DA are below. (1 of 3)</p> <p>Please make all of the readings gender neutral.</p> <p>Thank you, -- - AmyO</p>	
16-26	GSB Finance:	<p>City: Minneapolis, Minnesota USA Group Name: South Minneapolis DA</p> <p>Hello,</p> <p>The issues and concerns from South Minneapolis DA are below. (2 of 3)</p> <p>Is it possible to purchase literature from the website yet? When will this happen? My group is well supplied with literature, but not everyone has access to that. Let's remove barriers to obtaining literature.</p> <p>Thank you, AmyO</p>	
16-27	WSC Literature:	<p>City: Minneapolis, Minnesota USA Group Name: South Minneapolis DA</p> <p>Hello,</p> <p>The issues and concerns from South Minneapolis DA are below. (3 of 3)</p> <p>Are the rumors of a DA "Big Book" true? Why do we need to put our resources</p>	

		<p>toward this, when we have the Currency of Hope and the 12x12x12?</p> <p>Thank you, AmyO</p>	
16-28	GSB Literature Publications:	<p>From: Jessica L. City: Athens, Ohio USA</p> <p>Re: StepStudy/Tools StudyGuide which was approved in concept at least six years ago.</p> <p>As a board produced service literature, PLEASE publish an electronic, yearly study guide to EXISTING approved DA literature. As a "newbie" to DA (4/8/16) I have GREATLY benefited from studying DA literature in a sequence that makes sense & focuses on me no longer incurring unsecured debt.</p> <p>The "GreenBack book," in draft form, has been "road tested" 1000+ DA members for several years. Studying the GreenBack book has resulted in strong recovery, assisting DA members to cease debting. Please approve this StudyGuide & make it widely available to all DA members.</p> <p>The guide could be electronic and revised yearly as new DA literature pieces are generated & approved. DA is a spiritual program and I have personally experienced more spiritual progress studying the draft "GreenBack book" over a two-month period than I experienced during 30+ years of sobriety studying the <u>Alcoholics Anonymous</u> 12 steps/12 traditions text.</p> <p>Please approve the draft "GreenBack book" as an official DA StepStudy/Tools StudyGuide.</p> <p>Warmly, Jessica L.</p>	
16-29	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Jessica L. City: Athens, Ohio USA</p> <p>DA observing the PRIMARY Purpose -Reverse the decision</p> <p>I have experienced 30+ years of sobriety with <u>Alcoholics Anonymous</u> which, by the grace of GOD & dedicated efforts, has only ONE primary purpose: stop drinking alcohol, one day at a time, and carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers!</p> <p>PLEASE, PLEASE, please recognize that DA's primary purpose is to stop debting one day at a time AND help other debtors to STOP DEBTING.</p> <p>I just found out about DA April 8, 2016. I have attended ALL THE 40 telephone meetings, I found it baffling and confusing to understand solvency until I found a group of DA members focused on and committed solely to not debting & helping others STOP Debting,</p> <p>Please GSBoard, be BRAVE & resolute by protecting DA traditions 5 & 10 & absolutely abolish the "Underearners' Caucus" it has NO PLACE in DA. Underearning is an outside issue with its own fellowship (UA). DA needs to</p>	

		<p>have NO opinion on outside issues.</p> <p>Underearning NEVER belonged on the DA agenda. A duty of a Board of Trustee is to ensure that traditions are upheld. A GS board member needed to have stopped the inappropriate Underearners activity in committee. The Underearners Caucus should NEVER have gotten a vote.</p> <p>Please save Debtors Anonymous (DA) from departing from its primary purpose. Please stop the destruction of DA by the "Underearners' Caucus" watering down DA's focus, DA's primary purpose, to stop debting!</p> <p>Solvency focused DA members have helped me experience less vagueness about money, personally. Please stop DA from being vague about its primary purpose, please ABOLISH the "Underearners' Caucus" immediately!</p> <p>Warmly, Jessica L</p>	
16-30	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Olga W.</p> <p>It is my belief that underearning is an outside issue in debtors anonymous and we are losing our primary focus which is to: recover from COMPULSIVE DEBTING. Other outside issues, such as other addictions, other programs, outside literature, clutter and time do not have a place in DA. This is a breach of traditions five and ten.</p> <p>A.A. would never allow other issues to come between the parent program.</p> <p>Could this be why there isn't lots of solvency time? Could this be why we are losing members and our groups are not thriving? Let's continue to focus on our primary focus and not dilute our program any more.</p> <p>Olga, grateful member of D.A. DOS 2/5/08</p>	
16-31	WSC Conference:	<p>From: Meg G.M.</p> <p>Issue: DA Observing the Primary Purpose - Reverse the decision Abolish The Underearners' Caucus</p> <p>Underearning never belonged on the DA agenda. A duty of a Board trustee is to see that the traditions are upheld. A GS board member needed to have stopped this in committee. It should never have gotten to a vote.</p> <p>Our primary purpose is to <u>stop debting</u> one day at a time and help other <u>debtors to stop debting.</u></p> <p>DA has no opinion on outside issues and Underearning is an outside issue with its own fellowship (UA.)</p> <p>I am in a "DA" fellowship that has tried unsuccessfully to exist with a watered down message of addressing everything under the sun that gets us in "money trouble." IT IS KILLING US. GSBoard we need you to be brave and stand for traditions 5 and 10 and clean</p>	

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16-32	WSC Fellowship Communications:	<p>City: Santa Monica, California USA Group Name: Monday Night Women's Meeting (7:30) Group Number: 147</p> <p>Group Name: Earn or Burn (Tuesdays 7:30) Group Number: 146</p> <p>A set policy for "companion" pets, i.e. service dogs, to be at a DA meeting if the church building policy is "No Pets".</p> <p>This caused some to get defensive on both sides at a meeting recently, so I suggested it be taken to the WS Conference for an answer to this concern.</p>	
16-33	GSB Literature Publications:	<p>From: Sheila L. City: Bourne, Massachusetts USA</p> <p>I as a member of Debtors Anonymous feel we are in dire need of a step study guide.</p> <p>I recommend the Greenback Book Study, as I have just completed a 60 day 8-9 AM step study phone meeting and received tremendous help how to work and live the 12 Steps.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p> <p>Sheila L. Monday Night Women's Meeting (7:30) No. 13019</p>	