



**2010 World Service Business Conference
Albuquerque, New Mexico
WRAP-UP REPORT**

“Half a Century = One World of Growth”

Dear Delegates,

This brief summary contains only voting results, which you may submit to your service bodies. The motions are printed in their final format as amended.

The minutes, all speeches, presentation/discussion items, committee reports, workshop reports, names of delegates and trustees, bylaws and the Business Conference Policy Manual will be published in the Final Conference Report. The Final Conference Report will be mailed on September 13, 2010 to all delegates and those service bodies who did not have a delegate at Conference (normally the report would be sent two weeks earlier, but due to the 2010 World Service Convention, this deadline has been slightly delayed). All workshop and committee reports were due at the World Service Office no later than May 17, 2010. To prevent delays in printing the Final Conference Report, any workshop or committee reports not received by the due date will not be published.

The Final Conference Report will be posted online in early August (excluding full delegate names and contact information). If your service body does **not** wish to receive a printed version of the Final Conference Report, notify the World Service Office via email to szimmerman@oa.org no later than **July 15, 2010**.

Thursday, April 29, 2010 – Business Meeting I

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

- 15 Trustees
- 165 Voting Delegates
- 0 Alternates

for a total of 180 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

Conference Standing Rules

Standing Rule Amendment One

Move to amend WSBC Standing Rules, Section 7C as follows:

- C) Upon receipt by the Conference chairman of a valid third amendment to any pending New Business Motion or Bylaw Amendment, the motion or amendment will automatically be referred to the Reference Subcommittee. The Reference Subcommittee will report their recommendations on the motion or amendment back to the WSBC for consideration immediately prior to the consideration of Emergency New Business. Any amended motion presented by the Reference Subcommittee must be voted on by the Conference delegates. The amended motion may not be further amended. If the amended motion presented by the Reference Subcommittee is not adopted, the original three amendments and the main motion will be considered. New amendments to such motions are not in order.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. Amendment was **adopted**.

Standing Rule Amendment Two

Move to amend WSBC Standing Rules, Section 7E as follows:

- E) Initial debate will be limited to four speakers; no more than two pro (including the maker, who will speak first and begin by reading the motion) and two con. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. Amendment was **adopted**.

The Conference Standing Rules were **adopted** as amended.

Consent Agenda

New Business Motion E (WSBC Policy 1993b), Proposal Item 1 (Bylaws, Subpart B, Article IX, Section 4a) and Proposal Item 2 (Bylaws, Subpart B, Article X, Section 3c) were **adopted** on the consent agenda.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. The Consent Agenda was **adopted**.

Conference Agenda

The Conference agenda was **adopted** as printed.

Delegate Briefing

The chairman explained the order in which New Business Motions and Bylaw Amendments would be addressed. The items were considered according to the percentage of “yes” votes, with a minimum of 50 percent (new business motions) and 40 percent

(bylaw amendment) of the number of service bodies completing and returning the ballots. Unless the chairman determined otherwise, New Business Motions were considered in the following order: A-a, A-b, A-c, A-d, A-e, A-f, A-g, H, C, A, D, G, F, B, and I. The Bylaw Amendments were considered in the following order: 3.

Proposal Item A

Motion **withdrawn** with no objection.

Remaining Business

The remainder of business consisted of officers' reports, region reports, and committee reports.

Thursday, April 29, 2010 – Business Meeting II

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

- 15 Trustees
- 166 Voting Delegates
- 0 Alternates

for a total of 181 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

New Business

New Business Motion E as follows:

Move to amend WSBC Continuing Effects Motion 1993b as follows:

WSBC Policy 1993b

The following policy statement was adopted:

It is the group conscience of the 1993 World Service Business Conference that the sale or display of literature other than OA-approved literature and AA Conference-approved literature (as described in WSBC Policy 1982b) is an implied endorsement of outside enterprises, and therefore in violation with Tradition Six.

New Business Motion E **adopted** on the consent agenda.

New Business Motion A-a as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the pamphlet, *A Common Solution: Diversity and Recovery*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-a **defeated** by standing count vote; 113 yes, 64 no.

Remaining Business

The remainder of business consisted of trustee nominee speeches and questions and answers.

Friday April 30, 2010 – Business Meeting III

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

15 Trustees
165 Voting Delegates
0 Alternates

for a total of 180 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

Region Trustee Elections

The Region Ten trustee nominee withdrew his trustee application.

The results of the region trustee elections were as follows:

Region Two – Meg H.
Region Eight – Gerri H.

General Service Trustee Elections

The results of the general service trustee elections were as follows:

Three-year term – Barbara B.
Three-year term – Vicki W.

Trustee Vacancies

Trustee positions for Regions One, Five and Ten were declared vacant. Applications for appointment terms through the end of WSBC 2011 are due in the World Service Office by **July 1, 2010**. Applications are available for download at <http://www.oa.org/services-for-members/service-body/board.php>.

Remaining Business

The remainder of business consisted of Ask-it-basket questions and a demonstration of Webcasting.

Friday, April 30, 2010 – Business Meeting IV

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

15 Trustees
165 Voting Delegates
0 Alternates
for a total of 180 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

New Business Motion G as follows:

Motion **withdrawn** with no objection.

New Business Motion A-b as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the revised pamphlet, *Questions and Answers*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-b **adopted**.

New Business Motion A-c as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the pamphlet, *Sponsoring Through the Twelve Steps*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-c **adopted** by standing count vote; 125 yes, 49 no.

New Business Motion A-d as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the revised pamphlet, *The Tools of Recovery*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-d **adopted**.

New Business Motion A-e as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the revised pamphlet, *To the Family of the Compulsive Eater*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-e **adopted**.

New Business Motion A-f as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the revised pamphlet, *To the Teen*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-f **adopted**.

New Business Motion A-g as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the revised pamphlet, *Welcome Back*.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. New Business Motion A-g **adopted**.

Substitute New Business Motion H as follows:

Move that the WSBC Final Conference Report be made available electronically. All delegates and service bodies will continue to receive the printed version unless otherwise requested.

Motion required majority to adopt. Substitute New Business Motion H **adopted**.

New Business Motion C as follows:

Move to establish a Youth in OA Conference Committee.

Motion required majority to adopt. New Business Motion C **adopted** by standing count vote; 92 yes, 74 no.

New Business Motion D as follows:

Move to amend WSBC Continuing Effects Motion 1988a (amended 1989, 1992, 1996, 1998, 2001, and 2002), Section 3f as follows:

WSBC Policy 1988a (amended 1989, 1992, 1996, 1998, 2001, and 2002)

It was adopted that:

3) Business Conference Delegates

- f) Communications concerning the Business Conference from the trustees and the World Service Office of Overeaters Anonymous to the intergroups shall be through the delegates, and each individual intergroup and regional office shall receive duplicate communications, unless otherwise instructed by each individual service body.

Motion required majority to adopt. New Business Motion D **adopted**.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

Proposal Item 2

Move to amend OA, Inc. Bylaws Subpart B, Article X – Meetings of Delegates, Section 3 – Delegates, Part c – Qualifications/Selections, as follows:

Article X – Meetings of Delegates
Section 3 – Delegates

- c) Qualifications/Selection
 - 1) Qualifications for selection of World Service delegates/alternates shall be set by each intergroup, region (in the case of region delegates) or service board provided that each delegate/alternate shall have at least one year of current abstinence and at least two years of service beyond the group level. (Permission for any exception in qualifications for valid reasons, if deemed credible by the trustees, may be received by application to the World Service Office.)

Proposal Item 2 **adopted** on the consent agenda.

Proposal Item 1

Move to amend OA, Inc. Bylaws Subpart B, Article IX – Board of Trustees, Section 4 – Qualifications, Part a, as follows:

Article IX – Board of Trustees
Section 4 – Qualifications

- a) Qualifications for trustee shall be:
 - 2) Five years of service beyond the meeting level.

Proposal Item 1 **adopted** on the consent agenda.

Proposal Item 3

Move to amend OA, Inc Bylaws, Subpart B, Article X – Meetings of Delegates, Section 4 – Notice, as follows:

Article X – Meetings of Delegates
Section 4 – Notice

Notice of the regular annual Conference and all special meetings of delegates shall be given to each member region and intergroup and national/language service board entitled to vote thereat, unless otherwise instructed by each individual service body, by prepaid mail and/or electronic transmission. Notices shall be deemed to have been given if sent by mail and/or electronic transmission to the delegates representing each region and intergroup. Such notice shall be sent no less than sixty days before each meeting, and shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting and shall state the general nature of the business to be considered at such meeting. The notice of the annual Conference shall designate it as such.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. Proposal Item 3 **adopted**.

Saturday, May 1, 2010 – Business Meeting V

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

15 Trustees
160 Voting Delegates
0 Alternates

for a total of 175 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

New Business Motion F as follows:

Move to require all groups (face-to-face and virtual) and service bodies (intergroups, service boards, regions) wishing to register electronically with the World Service Office to provide at least one email contact and name when submitting their registration request. The required email address is for use within the OA organization and will not be published.

Motion required majority to adopt. New Business Motion F **adopted** as amended.

New Business Motion B as follows:

Move to rescind WSBC Continuing Effects Motion 1982b and adopt the 2010 WSBC Statement on Approved Literature:

Statement on Approved Literature

In accordance with our Traditions, we suggest that OA groups maintain unity and honor our Traditions by selling and displaying only approved books and pamphlets at their meetings. This includes OA Conference- and board-approved literature; AA Conference-approved literature; and locally produced OA literature. Locally produced literature must be developed according to the *OA Guidelines for Locally Produced Literature*, and should be used with the greatest discretion. Local literature should be considered temporary and discontinued when OA literature approved for general use is available to cover the topic.

Motion required majority to adopt. New Business Motion B **adopted**.

New Business Motion I as follows:

Move to add a ninth tool: "Action Plan."

Motion required majority to adopt. New Business Motion I **adopted** as amended by written vote; 172 votes, 87 needed to adopt, 90 yes, 82 no.

Remaining Business

The remaining business consisted of the green dot ceremony and acknowledgements.

Three day total for Seventh Tradition - \$3,989.74

World Service Business Conference 2010 Service Body Representation

Per the November 2004 BOT meeting, a motion was passed that states “On the final morning of the Conference, a count of those represented intergroups and national/language service boards shall be made.” Therefore, the counts below are based on the final morning (5/1/10) of WSBC 2010.

Region	Total # of Service Bodies (as of 5/1/10)	Total # of Service Bodies Represented at WSBC 2010	Percentage of Service Bodies Represented at WSBC 2010
Region 1	26	7	27%
Region 2	34	18	53%
Region 3	26	15	58%
Region 4	19	5	26%
Region 5	32	13	41%
Region 6	42	18	43%
Region 7	25	10	40%
Region 8	59	10	17%
Region 9	55	8	15%
Region 10	13	2	15%

Per OA, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B, Article X, Section 3, Part a) 5: A region that was represented at the last WSBC by fewer than 40 percent of its intergroups and other eligible service bodies may send up to five additional delegates from the region. Preference shall be given to delegates selected from intergroups and service bodies which would otherwise not be represented by delegates.

Therefore, Regions One, Four, Eight, Nine and Ten are eligible to send five additional delegates to WSBC 2011.