

## **SECTION 5**

**VOTED ON BUT NOT ADVISORY  
ACTIONS**

## **CONFERENCE TOPICS 2015 VOTED ON, BUT NOT RESULTING IN ADVISORY ACTIONS (VOTING ON COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS)**

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### **CONFERENCE POLICIES & ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE**

#### TOPIC #003/2015

Conference resolved to reject the suggestion that tea and coffee be available free of charge to all attending Conventions. This is not a Conference matter and would interfere with the autonomy of Host Planning Committees.

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

#### TOPIC #020/2015

Conference resolved to reject the Conference Policies & Admissions Committees' recommendation that Advisory Action #46/2014 which states "Conference resolved that, in future, the Chairperson of the General Service Board should open the Conference with an Acknowledgment of Country statement." be revoked, as this advisory action is against the Traditions of the AA fellowship.

Voting: For: 16; Against: 11; Absentions: 3  
Not carried

#### TOPIC #013/2015

Conference resolved to reject the Conference Policies & Admissions Committees' recommendation that when an inaccurate/false/defamatory statement about the General Service Board, General Service Office or General Service Conference is published by an individual member or AA entity, this misinformation be immediately corrected by a statement from the General Service Board.

Voting: For: 4; Against: 26; Abstentions: 0  
Not carried

#### TOPIC #027 /2015

Conference resolved that the suggestion that National Conventions not be held over Easter or any weekend where a Public Holiday is involved be rejected, as it interferes with the autonomy of Host Planning Committees.

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

### **CONFERENCE TREATMENT FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

#### TOPIC 006/2015

Conference resolved to reject the proposal to have a register of treatment facilities (including local medical centres and alcohol and drug treatment centres) submitted on the National website under the area in which they exist.

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

### **CONFERENCE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### TOPIC: 001/2015

Conference resolved to reject the proposal that the General Service Office Introduce a standard pricing schedule for the freighting of literature to ALL CSOs in Australia. Freight charges are already set by Australia Post. Making larger orders less frequently reduces freight costs compared to small orders frequently.

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

## CONFERENCE LITERATURE COMMITTEE

### TOPIC #002/2015

Conference resolved to reject the Conference Literature Committee recommendation that a National publication for the Australian Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous be produced, along the lines of the AA Grapevine in North America and in line with established AA fellowships worldwide, with an initial funding capped at \$12000 with an interim report to be presented for the 2016 Conference where a review will be conducted

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

Note: The topic was referred back to the General Service Board – refer Advisory Action #002/2015

### TOPIC #023 /2015

Conference resolved to reject the proposal to develop a new pamphlet for new women coming into AA. The subject is already well covered in existing AA literature including titles such as Young People in AA, Too Young, Making a start in AA and It happened to Alice.

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

## CONFERENCE PUBLIC INFORMATION & CO-OPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

### TOPIC 016/2015

Conference resolved to reject the proposal to have an overlap in the National PI & CPC Co-ordinators Position as it was considered that the customary rotation and responsible handover of projects and processes will suffice and that an overlap period is not necessary.

Voting: Carried by a show of hands

### TOPIC 026 /2015

Conference resolved to reject the proposal that, for Public Information purposes a copy of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Australian edition of the Big Book be donated to every council library and branch thereof within their area within the next 12 months. The responsibility to carry out such work lies with Groups and Districts.

Voting: For: Carried by a show of hands

## CONFERENCE AGENDA COMMITTEE

### TOPIC 039/2015

Conference resolved to reject the proposal that from 2016, the Conference Agenda be changed as per the submitted suggestion.

Voting: For: 23; Against: 7; Abstentions: 0  
Carried