

From Arden V, Chair of the GSR Committee

We meet on the Fourth Sunday of the month at 1:30pm ET.

At our February 23, 2020 meeting, 25 GSRs attended.

We passed several motions. One Motion that passed with substantial unanimity is to authorize the new Co-Webmasters to build a website, which they have already done in the past month, as a first draft. We will send the link to the GSB Chair, as Shawn requested, and to other Trustees if they so desire. The link will be sent to all the GSRs to give feedback to the Co-Webmasters. The GSRC itself will give final approval on the site before it is implemented.

There was discussion of importance on this Motion, related to the 1st and 4th Traditions of unity and autonomy. It mostly concerned whether we would have a link FROM the UA website to the GSRC website. We are aware of the mandate that we remain “autonomous from and interdependent with” the whole of UA, the GSB and other committees.

In DA, no web links are allowed FROM the DebtorsAnonymous.org site; however, many Groups and Registered meetings have their own websites to announce upcoming events, fundraisers for the GSO and their GSRs. These are linked TO the main DA website and to the DA Telephone Intergroup site, (DATIG.net.)

Our main concern is the dissemination of GSRC information to GSRs and the Fellowship, such as our Minutes and Motions passed. We plan to have a responsive style website which can accomodate different platforms. We are researching our costs.

The second important motion that passed unanimously is the position of a GSRC Treasurer with qualifications and duties. Next month, we hope to elect a Treasurer.

Our Fundraising Information Subcommittee (aka FISC) has developed a list of 12 suggested strategies to help GSRs help their Groups raise money to send their GSRs to WSC 2020 and beyond. We also developed a form to help GSRs track their projects, timelines, and results. We sent the Packet out last week. I would be happy to send this Packet to the Finance Committee and/or to the Board as well.

We have concerns from Group meeting members as expressed by their GSRs about literature. There is interest in reviving the literature that was developed until 2016, sometimes referenced as the Legacy Literature Committee. There are questions about using non-Conference Approved Literature (non-CAL), which in the AA program is considered “Service Literature,” and is typically not for sale.

We are growing, cohering and working well together, with Higher Power in the center of it all, like a grounding cord to the Spiritual source.

