

A First Draft of the S.L.A.A. Twelve Concepts

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- I. Responsibility and authority for The Augustine Fellowship, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc. should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.
- II. By delegation, the Fellowship-Wide Services Conference of S.L.A.A. is the voice and the conscience of all our activities.
- III. To insure effective leadership, each element of S.L.A.A. - the Conference, the Board of Trustees, staff, and committees - all possess the "Right of Decision."
- IV. The "Right of Participation" is retained and maintained by allowing a voting representation of Conference members as outlined in the By-Laws.
- V. The "Right of Appeal" and personal grievances receive careful consideration so that the minority opinion is heard.
- VI. The Conference recognizes the administrative responsibilities of the Board of Trustees.
- VII. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the legal and financial matters of the non-profit corporation called The Augustine Fellowship, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc. The Conference relies upon tradition and the power of the purse for effectiveness.
- VIII. The Board of Trustees is the administrator of overall policy and finance with custodial oversight of the Fellowship.
- IX. Good service leadership at all levels is important for functioning and safety. The Board of Trustees assumes leadership at the worldwide service level.
- X. Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with job descriptions and duties well defined.
- XI. The Board of Trustees needs the best possible committees, staff, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.
- XII. The Conference shall observe the spirit of S.L.A.A. Traditions -
 - a. taking care that it never endangers our fellowship through wealth or power;
 - b. that sufficient operating funds and prudent reserve be its prudent financial principle;
 - c. that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others;
 - d. that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and whenever possible, by substantial unanimity;
 - e. that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy;
 - f. that it never perform acts of government, and that, like the society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.