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To: Area Delegates and Area Committee Officers in the U.S.

Re: **April 2021 Vacancy for Class B Trustee-at-Large/U.S.**

Dear A.A. Friends,

At the General Service Conference in April 2021 a Class B Trustee-at-Large/U.S. will be elected to serve to succeed Newton Pritchett.

The attached election information is being mailed to all area delegates and committee officers in the U.S. An announcement of the election has appeared in the Spring 2020 issue of *Box 4-5-9* so that all G.S.R.s and groups will be informed.

Each area in the U.S. may nominate a trustee-at-large candidate, and the suggested procedure for this election is outlined in the attached, "Procedures for Electing a Candidate for Trustee-at-Large U.S. or Canada." The General Service Board wishes to emphasize that A.A. service background and experience are the primary qualifications for trustee candidates.

Time Required of Class B Trustee-at-Large/U.S.

Since much is asked of the trustees with respect to their time, please be sure your candidate understands the commitment.

Trustees are expected to attend the following:

- Three Quarterly Board weekends (Summer, Fall & Winter) - meetings typically run from Saturday morning through Monday noon.
- A fourth Quarterly meeting (Spring) combined with the General Service Conference (seven days) in April.
- Special meetings of the Board.
- Trustees serve on committees of the General Service Board and may also serve on trustees' subcommittees involving multiple conference calls.
- Rotational attendance at Regional Forums.
- May be asked to serve two years on either the A.A. World Services Board or A.A. Grapevine Corporate Board, which meet more frequently than the General Service Board and also include possible corporate board subcommittees.
- May be invited to participate in regional or area activities such as service conferences, area assemblies, etc.
- World Service Meetings - Trustees-at-large – one from the U.S. and one from Canada – serve as the World Service Meeting delegates representing the U.S. and Canada. They participate in two World Service Meetings, which are held once every two years – the meeting place alternating between New York City and a location outside the U.S. and Canada.
- International Travel - Trustees-at-large will occasionally be invited to attend international events that will require additional time away from home. They represent the General Service Board at these events in helping to carry the A.A. message.

- REDELA (Meeting of the Americas) – In the year between the World Service Meetings, the trustees-at-large attend a Western Hemisphere Zonal Meeting – the REDELA (Meeting of the Americas) – as delegates representing the U.S. and Canada.

Trusteeship is for four one-year terms. Applicants are encouraged to discuss this time commitment with their families and employers. Trustees are reimbursed for travel, hotel and meal expenses.

Prior Conferences have recommended that no area submit the same person as candidate for both regional and trustee-at-large/U.S. or Canada at the same Conference. Also, a General Service Conference delegate is not eligible to be submitted as a trustee candidate until *one year after* their last Conference. Panel 69 delegates will not be eligible for a trustee position at the 2021 Conference.

The attached resume form is to be returned to the General Service Office by the area delegate only before January, 2021. Although the area delegate sends in the resume form, it should be completed, signed, and dated by the candidate before it is mailed.

In accordance with a 1977 Conference Action, any resumes received at the General Service Office after the January 1 deadline must be returned to the delegate in the submitting area (in other words, the candidate will not be eligible for election in April).

Please forward your candidate's completed, signed and dated resume sheet to G.S.O. either by mail or email prior to the January 1, 2021 deadline.

Please prepare the resume carefully. A 1983 Conference Action recommends that all resumes be presented to the trustees' Committee on Nominating and the Conference Committee on Trustees exactly as received, with the exception that spelling and grammatical errors may be corrected by the General Service Office staff preparing resumes for distribution. Original resumes are retained for reference.

If your area chooses not to elect a trustee-at-large candidate, please let us know. It would be helpful if resume forms and all other correspondence pertaining to trustee elections are addressed to Rick Walker, Secretary, Trustees' Committee on Nominating, at the General Service Office in New York City or by email to nominating@aa.org .

We look forward to hearing from you, as soon as your election takes place, and all here send warm wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Rick Walker
Secretary
Trustees' Committee on Nominating

Attachments: [Procedures for Electing a Candidate for Trustee-at-Large U.S. or Canada](#)
[Trustee-at-Large - Resume Sheet](#)

cc: Trustees' Committee on Nominating