Main Motion Process for Submission to World Service Conference
Proposed SRO Side-by-Side Revisions and Rationale

Proposed by: WAI Bylaws Committee

Rationale:

This proposed update includes language edits to improve clarity and align the SRO with current governing documents and terminology. Substantive changes are described below.

Reconsideration of Issues Previously Decided by the World Service Conference (WSC)
Allows issues previously decided by the WSC to be addressed again, in the form of a motion, after at least two years have passed since the prior vote. This replaces language that prohibits reconsideration and recognizes that allowing time between votes gives the fellowship an opportunity to live with a decision before determining whether the issue warrants further consideration.

Executive Board Main Motions
Clarifies that the WAI Executive Board may independently submit a main motion to the World Service Board. This aligns the WAI main motion procedure with the WSI Bylaws.

See side-by-side revisions below:

Side-by-Side Comparison of Proposed Substantive Changes **Standing Rule of Order: Main Motion Process for Submission to World Service Conference**	
CURRENT SRO – MAIN MOTION PROCESS	**PROPOSED SRO** – MAIN MOTION PROCESS FOR SUBMISSION TO WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE
1. Main motions are motions concerning FA as a whole. A main motion may be submitted to WAI by any meeting group registered with WAI. The WAI board may, on its own initiative, also propose main motions. Main motions that are adopted by WAI are passed along to the FA World Service Board for consideration by the World Service Conference members.	1. Main motions for submission to the World Service Conference concern FA as a whole. A main motion may be submitted to WAI by any meeting group registered with WAI. Main motions approved by WAI are forwarded to the FA World Service Board for consideration by the World Service Conference (WSC) members.
2. A proposed main motion will not be considered by WAI if, in the opinion of the WAI board, it is not in keeping with the Twelve Traditions of FA or the WAI bylaws or if it duplicates issues or motions already decided upon by WSI.	2. A proposed main motion will not be considered if, in the opinion of the WAI Board, it does not align with the Twelve Traditions of FA or the WAI Bylaws. A motion addressing issues previously decided by the WSC may not be raised until at least two years have passed since the prior vote.
3. Main motions submitted to WAI, either by a meeting registered with WAI or by the WAI board, will be subject to the following procedures: a. Proposed main motions must be submitted to the WAI bylaws chair no later than one week prior to the December WAI meeting. The WAI bylaws committee will partner with the motion makers as needed to (i) clarify the intent and language of a motion, (ii) designate the proper format for motions, and (iii) explain the next procedural steps. b. Proposed main motions will be presented and discussed at the January WAI meeting. A representative from the meeting or	3. Main motions submitted to WAI are subject to the following process: a. **Submission**. Proposed main motions must be submitted to the WAI Board and Bylaws Chair by December 1. The Bylaws Committee will consult with the motion makers as needed to clarify intent and language, ensure proper format, and explain procedural steps. b. **January Discussion**. Proposed main motions are presented and discussed at the January WAI meeting. The motion maker(s) must

board submitting the motion must attend this meeting to present the motion to the intergroup members. c. Intergroup members who are present at the January WAI meeting and who have two years or more of current continuous abstinence in FA may suggest amendments or edits to proposed main motions during the January WAI meeting. The WAI board may also do so. Any such amendments or edits must be consistent with the intent of the motion makers. d. At the February WAI meeting all WAI members with two years or more of current continuous abstinence in FA who are present that day will be eligible to vote on whether to send a proposed main motion to the World Service Board for consideration by the World Service Conference members. A 2/3 majority vote is required to pass a proposed main motion. 4. The WAI executive board must submit all proposed main motions receiving a 2/3 majority vote as defined above to the World Service Board by the Wednesday following the February WAI meeting.	attend to present the motion. c. **Amendments**. WAI Board and Intergroup members present at the January meeting who have at least two years of continuous abstinence in FA may suggest amendments or edits, provided any changes remain consistent with the motion makers' intent. d. **February Vote.** At the February WAI meeting, all present WAI members with at least two years of continuous abstinence in FA are eligible to vote on whether to forward the motion to the World Service Board. Main motions require a vote of substantial unanimity to pass. 4. The WAI Executive Board submits any main motion approved by substantial unanimity to the World Service Board by the Wednesday following the February WAI meeting. 5. The Executive Board may also independently submit a main motion to the World Service Board.