

TREASURER'S FUNDING ISSUES SURVEY

Funding of services is one of the issues we will discuss in open forum and panels at WSC'93. If, as a fellowship, we are to leave the conference with a clear direction for funding services, it is in our best interest to come to the conference with a realistic and honest assessment of how we currently fund our services. There are many difficult questions which may take some amount of research. Other questions may require time to arrive at a consensus of opinion or group conscience if we are to truly answer for the fellowship we serve.

There may be many throughout the service structure who believe the information requested is none of the conference's business. That may be true, I don't know. But, if we are to facilitate a forthright discussion of the pitfalls and successes of funding, I do know we must search hard to discover and then share our individual experiences, strengths, weaknesses, and hopes. Only then will we be able to begin discerning a clear path to a financially responsible future.

I would ask you to gather information to complete the survey and return it to me at the WSO no later than April 15th so we can assemble the information into a reporting format for use at the conference in our discussions. I would like to assure you that this is a confidential survey and the information obtained will only be used to allow world services to look at a composite picture of our current funding structure. Should there be questions, or if I can be of assistance in any way, feel free to contact me through Dee or Bob McD. at the office. Thank you for the work I know will need to go into this effort.

It is a privilege to serve,
Ron S., (WSC Treasurer)

TREASURER'S REGIONAL FUNDING SURVEY

A. Funds

1. What amounts have the following funding sources raised for your services in the past year, and what percentage of your over-all funding does each represent? (Please indicate from April 1, 1992 to April 1, 1993 or any budget year you use--one year's information)

Seventh Tradition

Group	\$ _____	_____ %
Area	\$ _____	_____ %
Member direct	\$ _____	_____ %
Conventions	\$ _____	_____ %
Dances	\$ _____	_____ %
ASO donation	\$ _____	_____ %
RSO donation	\$ _____	_____ %
Literature bank	\$ _____	_____ %
Prudent reserve	\$ _____	_____ %
Other	\$ _____	_____ %
Totals	\$ _____	_____ %

2. How were the funds spent by your region?

Prudent reserve	\$ _____	_____ %
H&I	\$ _____	_____ %
PI	\$ _____	_____ %
Activities	\$ _____	_____ %
Workshops	\$ _____	_____ %
Conventions	\$ _____	_____ %
Literature bank	\$ _____	_____ %
RSO support	\$ _____	_____ %
Admin cost	\$ _____	_____ %
Travel	\$ _____	_____ %
WSC donation	\$ _____	_____ %
Known theft	\$ _____	_____ %
Other	\$ _____	_____ %
Totals	\$ _____	_____ %

B. Prudent reserve

3. Does your region have a prudent reserve? _____YES _____NO

4. What formula is used to determine the amount of the standing prudent reserve? (Please describe)

5. Is your prudent reserve: (Check one or more)

a. A usable source of project funding? _____

b. An amount held in reserve not to be used for any reason except emergency funding of basic services? _____

c. A source of much controversy in the region? _____

6. What is the amount of your prudent reserve? _____

7. Does the account holding prudent reserve funds produce income?

_____YES _____NO

8. Have there been years when no funds were transferred into or out of the prudent reserve other than interest?

_____YES _____NO

9. Would a prudent reserve be a reasonable goal for the World Service Conference?

_____YES _____NO

10. If a WSC prudent reserve is reasonable, at what level should it be maintained, and by what formula should it be established?

11. Should a WSC prudent reserve be:

a. A usable fund?

____ YES ____ NO

b. An asset to be used as collateral?

____ YES ____ NO

C. Theft of Funds

12. Has theft of funds occurred in your region?

____ YES ____ NO

13. In the past year, what is the amount of funds you are aware have been stolen or misappropriated? _____

14. Does your region have a policy to deal with theft of funds?

____ YES ____ NO

15. If your region has a theft of funds policy:

a. Is your policy to prosecute if necessary?

____ YES ____ NO

b. Does the policy include worthless checks?

____ YES ____ NO

c. Does the policy give the opportunity to make financial amends or restitution prior to prosecution?

____ YES ____ NO

d. Has there been a reluctance or unwillingness to follow the established policy?

____ YES ____ NO

16. Does your region utilize a system designed to protect funds?

____ YES ____ NO

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17. Does your region have a security program with your bank which protects you from electronic funds transfer fraud?
_____ YES _____ NO
18. Choose the statement (or statements) which best describes the attitude of your region concerning protection of fellowship funds.
- a. Unconcerned. _____
 - b. Protect the money from the members. _____
 - c. Protect the member from their addiction. _____
 - d. Paranoid. _____
19. Does your region's policy or attitude actually protect funds?
_____ YES _____ NO
20. What is the total amount of funds known to be lost to theft or misappropriation in the past 5 years? _____

D. Seventh Tradition vs Activities/Fundraising

21. Which of the two sources funds the bulk of your region's services?

22. Could your region fund its services without fundraising?
_____ YES _____ NO
23. If the bulk of your region's services are funded by fundraisers or conventions, if one or more of those fundraisers were to lose money consecutively, would provision of basic services in your region be in danger of being temporarily discontinued?
_____ YES _____ NO
24. Is your region too dependent upon fundraising?
_____ YES _____ NO
25. Are funds your region passes on to WSC dependent upon fundraisers?
_____ YES _____ NO
26. Has your region presented workshops on 7th Tradition?
_____ YES _____ NO
27. Has your region presented a Twelve Concepts workshop and discussed direct donation?
_____ YES _____ NO
28. Would your region be less dependent upon fundraisers if a system of direct member and group donation were to be utilized by the fellowship you serve?
_____ YES _____ NO

29. What plan would recommend for direct member and group donation to areas, regions, and WSC?

30. Please indicate the amounts held in the following accounts.

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Regional Prudent reserve	<hr/>
RSO working account	<hr/>
RSO Prudent reserve	<hr/>
Covention working account	<hr/>
Covention Prudent reserve	<hr/>
Total amount held in region	<hr/>