



2018 CoDA Service Conference Motions Feedback Form

Your SoCAL CoDA Delegates want to represent you at the 2018 CSC, on October 9-12, in San Diego, CA. Share your thoughts, opinions, and votes. [Online Feedback Form](#) link below or email us at SocialCodaDel@gmail.com. Please respond no later than October 5.

In Service, Athena, Kirsten, and France ☺☺☺

Online Feedback Form link:

<https://tinyurl.com/2018CSC-Feedback-Form>

The full text of the motions, intents, remarks, attachments, and other details can be found at:

<http://coda.org/index.cfm/service-info/delegate-package/delegate-package-2018/>

*List of Abbreviations: **CoDA**: CoDA, Inc. (also known as CoDA World), **CoRe**: CoDA Resource Publishing, Inc., **CSC**: CoDA Service Conference which refers to the annual business meeting for CoDA, **ERP**: Expense Reimbursement Policy, **ERAP**: Expense Reimbursement Approval Procedure, **FSM**: Fellowship Service Manual, **ICC**: International CoDA Convention, **IMC**: Issues Mediation Committee, **SSC**: Service Structure Committee, **TMC**: Translation Management Committee, **TRO**: Travel Reimbursement Opportunity which refers to travel, hotel, and/or food expenses paid for by CoDA for delegates under certain conditions, **VEI**: Voting Entity Issue*

Board Motions

Motion 1: To define the requirements of being a Standing Committee with the failure to fulfill any one of the requirements resulting in having the committee revert to work group status. The intent is to insure transparency by clearly defining all World Standing Committees, providing a way for them to communicate with the fellowship through their manuals and reports. By increasing awareness of the committees, CoDA members will be encouraged to participate in World Service. [Please click here for details](#)

Motion 2: Starting at the end of this CSC defines requirements to have a chair and vice chair for each World Standing Committee and to have chair service term limits on all committees to be: a maximum of two turns as Chair, for periods of three years each turn, those turns to be separated by an interval of two years. Intent is to emphasize healthy rotation of service and increased service opportunities by encouraging fresh faces with fresh ideas to take up service work.

Motion 3: To establish the following grounds for possible removal of a member from a World Standing Committee by the members of that committee through the committee's group conscience process: The member fails to participate in committee work for three consecutive months or the member's behavior is regularly and consistently in conflict

with any of CoDA's Twelve Traditions and/or the committee's policies, procedures or group conscience decisions.

Motion 4: To amend one of last year's motions that allows proposed committee and/or board description changes to the FSM to be reviewed, approved and implemented by SSC and the Board between CSCs. The intent of this motion is to simplify the process wording and to eliminate review by the delegates and committee chairs.

Motion 5: To replace the "Policy Regarding Outside Literature at CoDA Meetings" approved at the 1990 CSC with a policy that CoDA literature is the only approved literature for meetings. CoDA literature includes CSC-endorsed literature as well as that written by members of the fellowship and approved by their Voting Entity and this motion is meant to include all that literature.

Communication Motions

Motion 1: That the Communications Committee be authorized to convene a subsequently self-governing ad-hoc committee to evaluate the current structure of World Service and report to CSC 2019 with possible motions for action. The evaluation shall include the distinctions, boundaries and roles, of the Fellowship in contrast to those of Co-Dependents Anonymous, Inc., the Corporation, as well as other possibly worthwhile areas of improvement.

CoRe Motions

Motion 1: To add a policy to FSM Part 1 that states that CoDA does not tolerate harassment, bullying, or discrimination of any kind.

Events Motions

Motion 1: To have CSC/ ICC run consecutively rather than concurrently. CSC will start on Monday and go through Thursday; ICC will start on Friday and go through Sunday. Extending total time for CSC (or Pre- CSC meeting) to 4 days, instead of 3.5 days. This motion will supersede Motion 08021 which merged CSC/ICC to run simultaneously. This is to allow more time for CSC and to ensure that all people who want to can attend all of ICC.

Motion 2: To allow the Events Committee the option to organize other CoDA Events in addition to CSC/ICC, i.e. International CoDA Retreat. To give the Fellowship more International activities which will offer increased opportunities for reaching the codependent who still suffers.

Finance

Motion 1: That the 2018 CSC approve the 2018 revised ERP to continue to improve the ease of compliance with it.

Motion 2: That the 2018 CSC approve the 2018 revised ERAP to continue to improve the procedure and maintain accuracy in correspondence with the changes in the ERP.

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Issues Mediation Motions:

Motion 1: To modify 3 portions of Part 4 of the FSM (Service Conference Procedures), at the request of the Events committee, so that IMC & Finance are responsible to oversee the 3 types of TRO awards and payments, and to provide greater clarity in the documentation of the types of awards.

Motion 2: To replace a portion in Section 02 of Part 4 of the FSM (Service Conference Procedures) to clarify the form to be used for submitting VEIs and to make sure that VEIs are submitted to the board, to IMC and to

SubmitCSC@codas.org.

Motion 3: To replace a VEI related portion in Part 4 of the FSM (Service Conference Procedures) to clarify that VEIs can be submitted all year long, to ensure that receipt of VEIs are acknowledged, and to ensure that whoever has been assigned a VEI reports their responses to the Board, IMC, to the VE who initiated the issue, and include a report in their next QSR to the Fellowship.

Motion 4: To modify the [CSC Travel Reimbursement Opportunity \(TRO\)](#) portion of Part 3 of the FSM (Guidelines for Other Service Levels) to provide greater clarity in the documentation of the types of awards.

Literature Motions

Motion 1: The CoDA Literature Committee moves that the CoDA Service Conference endorse a new piece of literature titled "Traditionally Speaking" with the intent to carry the message about using the Traditions in all our relationships.

Link to "[Traditionally Speaking](#)"

http://codas.org/default/assets/File/2018%20CSC/traditions_pamphlet_draft.pdf

Service Structure Motions

Motion 1: That no motion, regardless of its derivation (Board, Committee or rejected VEI) shall come to the CSC more than once in four years. Once it has been presented to the CSC and voted down, a motion cannot come back again for at least 3 years regardless of who submits it. The only exception to this rule is if the submitter has been told that they can make certain changes and then resubmit.

Motion 2: That a new Glossary Part be added to the FSM and that changes be made to FSM Parts 1, 2, and 3 to accomplish the following: To make clear in the Meeting Phone List Sample the limits to the use of people's personal information to respect their privacy; to ensure that people understand the requirements to be considered a CoDA meeting and to make 2 word change corrections. Link to [Glossary](#):

<http://codas.org/default/assets/File/2018%20CSC/SSC%20Attachment%201%20-%20Glossary%20-%20Rev%201.pdf>

Motion 3: That two Board motions passed over the past year be overturned since they violate the Bylaws and the FSM. The Board did need to take action to get the work done however they do not have the authority to repeal a CSC motion or to change a committee to a work group. Per the ByLaws and the FSM only CSC can take these actions.

Translation Management Motions

Motion 1: To include the following in **bold** as the last sentence of the first paragraph of Tradition Eleven in the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions Workbook and in all parts of the FSM with the intent to reduce and eliminate controversy concerning anonymity and the use of and/or signing of one's last name when doing business with and/or for CoDA, Inc.:

It is not a break of Anonymity to use or sign your last name on documents and /or contracts necessary for doing business with and/or for CoDA, Inc, including protection of CoDA's intellectual property rights.

Colombia VEI as Motion: That in both versions of the Welcome the words "and/or other" be inserted between the word "family" and the word "system." 2. That this change be implemented immediately in all versions of the Welcome on the web and be inserted into printed versions as they are reprinted. 3. That the present version of the long form of the Welcome continue to fulfill the requirement of being read at every meeting until meetings are able to make the change in their meeting documents. **NOTE:** This issue has been brought and rejected twice as a VEI and once as a VEI motion over the past 3 years.

Voting Entity Issues

Colombia VEI to Literature: Colombian Meetings have been using a very useful pamphlet called "Sentimientos" ("Feelings") for several years which has a list of feelings that helps the person to identify his/her feelings. We would like for this pamphlet to be CoDA endorsed and official literature. Unfortunately we do not know where or when this piece was created. Link to "Sentimientos":

http://codas.org/default/assets/File/2018%20CSC/photo_of_pamphlet.jpg

NorCal VEI 12 Tips: NorCalCoDA would like to make *The Twelve Tips for Sponsors* available as CoDA approved service-item literature, available for free on the CoDA website with the intent to remind and offer guidance to sponsors and would-be sponsors to work their own program while sponsoring.

NorCal VEI 30 Questions: NorCalCoDA would like to make the *30 Questions* available as CoDA approved saleable literature. This document has a suggested way of working CoDA's first three steps. NorCalCoDA has received requests from around the world for this document.

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