

Conference Literature Report for ABM 2025

Mission Statement: The Conference Literature Committee (CLC) fosters quality literature in support of S.L.A.A. recovery; guides the planning, writing, and editing of literature from writers, writing groups or service bodies within S.L.A.A.; and approves draft literature prior to submission for full Conference approval.

The CLC meets on the 4th Saturday of each month from 9 to 10:30 AM Pacific Time.

The CLC Google Group includes 118 members. Active members (those who have attended 4 of the most recent 6 meetings are eligible to vote) include: Peggy S. (Chair), Stephanie M. (Co-Chair), Susan G., Ray H., Lee W., Dave G., Stephen S., Eric W., Atlanta K., Julie W., and Kevin C. *The CLC BOT Liaison is Patrick D.*

The CLC operates within the guidelines of the [LCEP Workflow](#), which was approved at the 2023 Conference. (LCEP: Literature Creation Editing & Publication)

The [Style Committee](#) (SC) is a subcommittee of the CLC. Its purpose is to assist writing groups by reviewing and editing draft literature, primarily for conformity to the [S.L.A.A. Guide to Usage and Style](#), but also for clarity and flow.

The Style Committee meets for one hour (weekly or bi-weekly, as projects require).

- ★ Enjoy good writing?
- ★ Like stimulating discussions on recovery?
- ★ Want to serve S.L.A.A. internationally?
- ★ The Style Committee might be for you!

The Style Committee, a standing subcommittee of the Conference Literature Committee needs volunteers to become members. Its primary purpose is to review and edit draft versions of program literature. This includes but is not limited to ensuring alignment with the principles of S.L.A.A.; readability; consistency in grammar, spelling, and punctuation; and adherence to S.L.A.A. Guide to Usage and Style as well as guidance from *Garner's Modern English Usage*.

Membership Qualifications

- Thorough understanding of the S.L.A.A. program of recovery (Twelve Steps, Traditions, and Concepts).
- Strong oral and written communication skills.
- Willingness to purchase and become familiar with *Garner's Modern English Usage*.
- Ability to work well in a team, value the contribution of others, and collaborate for best results.
- Professional experience in editing, writing, or publishing is a plus.

For more information, please contact Ray H at rayholan@me.com

- ★ Interested in being part of a writing group?
- ★ Here are a few projects looking for willing participants:

- [Emotional Sobriety](#) (*link to draft document*)
- [Sex and Love Addiction - Two Threads in the Same Fabric](#) (*link to draft document*)
- [Sober Dating Daily \(or Weekly?\) Reader](#)
- [Healing Shame Daily \(or Weekly?\) Affirmations](#)

These last two links are to proposal forms only; submitter is looking for people to help begin writing.

Second Edition of the Basic Text

At this year's Annual Business Meeting the Conference will discuss the proposed Second Edition of S.L.A.A.'s Basic Text. With that in mind, the 50th Anniversary Basic Text Subcommittee (50BTS) — the team that edited the book — has created a video explaining the guidelines that were followed, the process, and examples of the work.

[Click here to watch the video](#)
