# CoDA Service Conference __2011_

# Motion # 5 – Board of Trustee Qualifications

## Committee: SSC Date:____2011_____

## Motion Number: (data entry purpose only):_____

**Result (data entry purpose only):**

SSC Motion: To add the following language to Section 9 of the Fellowship Service Manual, under the CoDA Board of Trustees Position Description:

- Demonstration of skills and abilities while doing CoDA service in your Voting Entity /Intergroup/ community for at least one year
- Service experience on a CoDA standing committee for at least one year.
- Previous attendance at a CoDA Service Conference.
- Delegate service for at least one year
- Fluency in English

Intent: To add these qualities to the existing list shown below:

- Working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Co-Dependents Anonymous
- Understanding and experience of the group conscience process.
- Familiarity with the Service Manual and CoDA By-laws.
- Courage to express oneself and the ability to listen and communicate effectively with others.
- Dedication and commitment to the health of CoDA.
- Desire to carry the message to the still suffering codependent.
- Willingness and availability to serve the Fellowship through major service projects.

SSC believes this added information gives clearer guidance for members who are considering the position of Trustee on the CoDA Board; and gives additional guidance to the voting members of the Service Conference about desirable service experience when electing Trustees.

Remarks:
SSC spoke with (or emailed) many of CoDA's trusted servants while crafting this motion. These qualities are not requirements, but are guidelines for selecting members for the important position of trustee. We believe that solid experience in the Fellowship is vital.