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Board:

- **Motion 21007** – #1 To correct some wording in a motion from last year – changed the wording from ‘bylaws motions, motions, and voting entity issues’ to ‘bylaw and other motions. Also, to clarify any confusion that was experienced leading into this 2021 CSC about the 75 days prior to CSC is deadline to present motions/VEIs and the webmaster is given an additional 5 days to post all motions (70 days prior to CSC).
Motion Key: 5319 Passed Unanimous
- **Motion 21008** – #2 The Co-Dependents Anonymous (CoDA) Service Structure chart of the inverted pyramid revert to the chart used by CoDA from 2005-2016 as in Figure 1 below. The CoDA Service Structure diagram that is currently displayed in the Fellowship Service Manual, Part 1, Page 12 has never been approved by Conference. Also, in the absence of a binding vote on ad hoc Motions 20030 and 20031 at the 2020 CSC, there is no consensus supporting a change to the inverted pyramid charts presented in either motion.
Motion Key 5320 Motion – Passed Simple majority – not binding on Board
- **Motion 21009** – #3 Motion/Issue: Voting Entities be granted the right to bring motions directly to CSC precisely as the CoDA Board of Trustees and World Standing Committees currently do.
Motion Key: 5321 Passed 2/3 majority.
- **Motion 21010** – #4 BYLAWS, Board Policies & Procedures, correct typo errors: #1 correction: Page 8 Error - to change the comma after “Conference” to a period and change “the” to “The” to begin a new sentence. #2 correction: Page 12: Section 9 Remove “Council”
Motion Key: 5322 Passed Unanimous.
- **Motion 21011** – #5 Identification of CoDA Foundational Documents. There was a motion last year to make Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Service Concepts documents that, if someone wants to change them, must go through a 2-year process; this motion adds to that Twelve Promises, CoDA Welcome (long and short versions) and the preamble. Also noted required to be read at meetings are CoDA Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, The Welcome (long or short), and the Preamble. **Motion Key: 5323** Passed 2/3 majority.
- **Motion 21018** – #6 Ratification of Board Motions 2020-2021.
Motion Key: 5344 Passed 2/3 majority.

Communications Committee:

- **Motion 21019** To change the preamble (first 2 sentences) from, “Codependents Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women whose common purpose is to develop healthy relationships. The only requirement for membership is a desire for healthy and loving relationships” to “Co-Dependents Anonymous is an inclusive fellowship whose common purpose is to develop healthy and loving relationships.”
Motion Key: 5347 DEFEATED
- **Motion 21021** that the QR Code for CoDA.org be accepted for use in all CoDA formats, literature, FSM, Announcements of any kind. It will be used by CoRE for all reprinted and newly printed

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literature. This QR code will direct people to the CoDA website immediately. It will bring CoDA to more people.

Motion Key: 5349 WITHDRAWN

- **Motion 21022** To revise social media policy. To clarify the policy: Tradition 11 reminds us to maintain anonymity when representing CoDA to outside entities, not in meetings (all kinds), literature, conventions, recovery videos/audios. Tradition 11 doesn't forbid individuals from participating in recovery online. This in its entirety will be added to the current social media policy and will be added to the FSM as well as updated on the Outreach pages.

Motion Key: 5350 Passed 2/3 majority.

Finance Committee:

- **Motion 21025** To replace the current CoDA Investment Policy with the following: CoDA Investment Policy The goal for the management and investment of CoDA funds is the preservation of capital and buying power. Earning interest income is secondary. CoDA funds may be invested in the following financial instruments as indicated: 1. 40% of the CSC approved budget shall be held in Savings, Checking or Money Market Accounts (immediately available). 2. 60% of the CSC approved budget shall be held in savings, money market or Certificates of Deposit, Treasury Bills or Treasury Notes with staggered maturities no longer than 5 years. 3. Any additional funds may be held in safer lower risk investments (uninsured instruments such as state or federal bond funds). 4. For insured accounts, no investment in any single institution shall exceed the maximum insured limits. Annually, the actual allocation will be reviewed and re-balanced to reflect this Policy. **Motion Key: 5353** Passed 2/3 majority.

Spanish Outreach Committee:

- **Motion 21033** Motion withdrawn. Committee presented a video about potential for CoDA Teen. **Motion Key: 5363** WITHDRAWN

Translation Management Committee:

- **Motion 21035** To place following wording on the Title or Information page of publications of translated CoDA Materials: Printed and distributed in "country" By "name of organization or Country" with permission, under license from Co-Dependents Anonymous Inc. This pamphlet/ book/ booklet (pick one) was translated, edited, and approved by volunteers using group conscience in (Country). Or in the footer of CoDA documents: This Document was translated by volunteers using group conscience in (Country). This motion will take effect when initially printing or at the next reprinting of translated CoDA materials. (To create standard Publication wording for translations belonging to CoDA, Inc. To clarify that CoDA, Inc. does not review or endorse translations. They are the responsibility of the translating country.)

Motion Key 5365 Motion – Passed Simple majority – not binding on Board.

Service Structure Committee:

- **Motion 21040** – To replace the current Tradition 11 with what is below: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films, television, and all other public forms of communication. To enable this change

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to the Traditions to take place in accord with Motion 20023 (CSC 2020) setting forth the conditions for changes to Foundation Documents. A three-fourths approval vote is required for this to take place. This is the second year for this motion; the procedure is any motion concerning foundational documents must come to the floor two years in a row, the first year with at least 66% passing and the second year with at least 75% passing.

Motion Key: 5370 Passed 3/4 MAJORITY

CoDA Events Committee

- **Motion 21044** – To allow the CoDA Events Committee to organize financially self-supporting CoDA events, virtual or face to face, separate from the CoDA Service Conference (CSC) and International CoDA Convention (ICC). CoDA Treasurer will establish a separate account on behalf of the Events Committee to track the funds designated for this purpose. CoDA Treasurer will maintain a spreadsheet tracking income and expenses and share it on a quarterly basis with CoDA Board, Finance, and Events, and Quarterly Service Report and Events will report at CSC. (This will be added to the Events Committee Description in the FSM.)

Motion Key: 5374 Passed 2/3 majority.

CoDA Literature Committee

- **Motion 21045** – #1 To endorse second edition of Newcomer Handbook, dated 2021. Also, now to include the CoDA Recovery Prayer
Motion Key: 5375 Passed 2/3 majority.
- **Motion 21046** – #2 To endorse second edition, Making Choices in Recovery, Positive Affirmations for Working on Our Shortcomings, dated 2021.
Motion Key: 5376 Passed 2/3 majority.
- **Motion 21049** – #3 To endorse Joy in The Journey, Recover with Color as a new piece of CoDA literature. This is an adult coloring book, created with Literature, CoRe, and others, with content informational Pages, and artwork to be colored.
Motion Key: 5378 Passed Unanimous.
- **Motion 21050** – #4 To endorse Codependency & Recovery, The Differences, as a one-page service item. This one-page chart was posted on the CoDA website many years ago. It has been in use in the UK and elsewhere since. CoDA Literature Committee extensively researched the origin of this chart. Although no specific authorship was determined, its origins were found as a work in progress in a CLC member's archives. We concluded that CoDA owns this material and may publish it.
Motion Key: 5380 Passed 2/3 majority.
- **Motion 21052** – #5 To endorse twelve new prayers, one for each of the Twelve Traditions. To be posted on the CoDA website as a service piece. These prayers will be included in the next major revision of The Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions Workbook in 2022.
Motion Key: 5383 Passed 2/3 majority.
- **Motion 21053** – #6 To endorse The Longer Serenity Prayer as a service piece on our website and pieces of printed literature. See below, prayer is attached.
Motion Key: 5384 Passed 2/3 majority.

Board of Trustees Election:

- **Motion 21055** – Election of candidates to CoDA Board of Trustees: Florence F. - MD - Alternate #2 Board of Directors: elected. Liliana R. - Colombia, Board of Trustees: not elected. Katherine T. - AZ - Alternate #1 Board of Directors: elected.
Motion Key: 5388 Voting results were not shared at time of vote.

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CoRe Board Election:

- **Motion 21059** – Election of candidates to Board of CoDA Resource Publishing, Inc., (CoRe): Kathy H - PA: elected to board. Annie S - MA: elected to board.
Motion Key: 5390 Voting results were not shared at time of vote.

Issues Mediation Committee Election:

- **Motion 21063** – Election of candidates to Issues Mediation Committee: Shannon O. - Canada: Carmen W. - NV: Jorge B. - Mexico: Chris J. - IL: Steve S. - FL: Darlene H. - SoCal: Dan R. - Ontario Canada: Laurie C. - Georgia: Gillian A - UK
Motion Key: 5394 Vote Results were not shared at the time. ALL MEMBERS ELECTED by over 2/3 vote.

CoDA Canada Voting Entity Issue:

- **Motion 21067** – VE Canada Following the presentation and provisional acceptance of the draft version at the 2020 CSC, CoDA Canada Voting Entity requests the 2021 CSC to approve the revised version of Service Concepts - "Alive & Strong" as a new piece of printed and/or downloadable CoDA Endorsed Literature. As the sole piece of literature available addressing the CoDA Twelve Service Concepts, this booklet can now be used by all CoDA members worldwide to improve their understanding and practical applications of the Service Concepts. This is a tool for recovery for the Fellowship to encourage individual growth in recovery, promote healthy and loving relationships as well as improve the integrity of service work at all levels of our Service Structure. Remarks: The revised final document will be forwarded before the revision deadline.
Motion Key: 5398 Passed Unanimous.

Motion from the floor, by AZ Delegate, presented under New Business. Inappropriately initially recorded as Voting Entity Issue (VEI):

- **Motion 21068** – New Proposed CoDA Preamble for all the people. Preamble: Co-Dependents Anonymous is a Fellowship of **people** whose common purpose is to develop healthy relationships. The only requirement for membership is a desire for healthy and loving relationships. We gather together to support and share with each other in a journey of self-discovery - learning to love the self. Living the program allows each of us to become increasingly honest with ourselves about our personal histories and our own codependent behaviors. We rely upon the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions for knowledge and wisdom. These are the principles of our program and guides to developing honest and fulfilling relationships with ourselves and others. In CoDA, we each learn to build a bridge to a Higher Power of our understanding, and we allow others the same privilege. This renewal process is a gift of healing for us. By actively working the program of Co-Dependents Anonymous, we can each realize a new joy, acceptance and serenity in our lives.
Motion Key: 5399 Passed 2/3 majority. (This is the first year of a two-year process upon passage next year, with 3/4 majority, this will become effective immediately in all CoDA literature).

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Treasurer's Report:

- **Motion 21071** – All balance sheets, profits and losses are in the delegate packet. Finances are in good shape. Travel is the largest expense. We haven't travelled in the last year. We need a plan for PSA's/communications/messaging. \$10,000 is currently set aside for this. If there are ideas and suggestions for spending the money, please send an email to finance@codas.org.
Motion Key: 5402

Finance:

- **Motion 21072** – To approve the following 2022 budget for CoDA, Inc.
 - \$224,358 as a reasonable estimate of 2022 income
 - \$144,860 for 2022 overhead expenses
 - \$115,157 for 2022 CSC expenses
 - \$64,255 for 2022 Face-to-Face meetings

- \$99,914 budget shortfall to be paid out of CoDA Inc. savings.
Motion Key: 5403 Passed 2/3 majority.

CoDA Service Conference:

- **Motion 21075** – Approve all motions 7/27-30/2021 as amended.
Motion Key: 5407 Unanimous.
- **Motion 21076** – Motion to Adjourn.
Motion Key: 5408 Unanimous.