

Region III
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Bylaws of the
San Antonio Area
Intergroup of Overeaters
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ARTICLE I — NAME

The name of this organization shall be the San Antonio Area Intergroup, hereinafter known as SAAL.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE

Section 1 — Purpose

The primary purpose of this organization is to aid those with the problem of compulsive eating and food behaviors by using the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous, guided by the Twelve Concepts of OA Service, and to serve and represent the OA groups from which the Intergroup is formed; this Intergroup is in compliance with and qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Section 2 — The Twelve Steps

The Twelve Steps of Overeaters Anonymous are:

1. We admitted we were powerless over food—that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all of these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to other compulsive overeaters and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Section 3 — The Twelve Traditions

The Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous are:

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon OA unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for OA membership is a desire to stop eating compulsively.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or OA as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the compulsive overeater who still suffers.
6. An OA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the OA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every OA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Overeaters Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
9. OA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Overeaters Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the OA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. 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 other public media of communication.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all these Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Section 4 — The Twelve Concepts

The Twelve Concepts of OA Service are:

1. The ultimate responsibility and authority for OA world services reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.
2. The OA groups have delegated to the World Service Business Conference the active maintenance of our world services; thus, World Service Business Conference is the voice, authority, and effective conscience of OA as a whole.
3. The right of decision, based on trust, makes effective leadership possible.
4. The right of participation ensures equality of opportunity for all in the decision-making process.
5. Individuals have the right of appeal and petition in order to ensure that their opinions and personal grievances will be carefully considered.
6. The World Service Business Conference has entrusted the Board of Trustees with the primary responsibility for the administration of Overeaters Anonymous.
7. The Board of Trustees has legal rights and responsibilities accorded to them by OA Bylaws, Subpart A; the rights and responsibilities of the World Service Business Conference are accorded to it by Tradition and by OA Bylaws, Subpart B.
8. The Board of Trustees has delegated to its Executive Committee the responsibility to administer the OA World Service Office.
9. Able, trusted servants, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are indispensable for effective functioning at all service levels.
10. Service responsibility is balanced by carefully defined service authority; therefore, duplication of efforts is avoided.
11. Trustee administration of the World Service Office should always be assisted by the best standing committees, executives, staffs and consultants.
12. The spiritual foundation for OA service ensures that:
 - a. No OA committee or service body shall ever become the seat of perilous wealth or power;
 - b. Sufficient operating funds, plus an ample reserve, shall be OA's prudent financial principle;
 - c. No OA member shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority;
 - d. All important decisions shall be reached by discussion, vote and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity;

- e. No service action shall ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; and
- f. No OA service committee or service board shall ever perform any acts of government, and each shall always remain democratic in thought and action.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERS

Section 1 — Membership

- A. Membership of the SAAI with voice and vote shall consist of the following:
 - 1. The SAAI Board (as defined in *Article IV, Section 1, A*).
 - 2. Intergroup Representatives (IRs), shall consist of one member from each group registered with WSO within the geographic area. The geographic area shall be defined as the greater San Antonio area unless referring to a virtual group.
 - 3. Committee Chairs or their designated representative.
 - 4. Immediate Past Chair.
- B. Each group shall be entitled to one vote through its designated or selected IR or their designated alternate.
 - 1. Voting at the SAAI meetings shall be by group conscience of a simple majority of those present and eligible to vote.
 - 2. Each eligible person may vote only once and there shall be only one vote per group.
 - 3. The Chair may not vote except as described in the SAAI Policy Manual.
- C. Although not voting members, all visitors are welcome and encouraged to participate in the discussion.

Section 2 — Group Eligibility

- A. Those groups within the geographic definition of the SAAI as well as those virtual groups that have formally registered with the World Service Office and indicated their intention to belong to the SAAI may be considered members. An OA group is defined as the following:
 - 1. As a group, they meet to practice the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of OA.
 - 2. The group welcomes all who have a desire to stop compulsive eating and food behaviors.
 - 3. No group member is required to practice any actions in order to remain a member or to have a voice (share at a meeting).
 - 4. The group shall have no affiliation other than OA.
- B. No group may be registered with another Intergroup.

Section 3 — Intergroup Representatives (IRs)

- A. One Intergroup Representative (IR) shall be selected by group conscience (the expression of the group and unity as discussed in Tradition 2) of the group represented. Each IR shall be selected by any method deemed appropriate by their group. These IRs shall serve for a period designated by their group, always subject to recall by the group they represent. Each group shall be free to designate an alternate IR when the necessity arises.
 - 1. The term of office of the IR or alternate is suggested to be at least six (6) months.
 - 2. It is suggested that IRs should be selected for willingness to serve, commitment to the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of OA, and length of time in program. An alternate member from the group is acceptable.
 - 3. Each group may determine abstinence qualifications of those selected to serve. It is suggested that IRs have a minimum of 30 days of current abstinence.
- B. The primary responsibility of IRs, or alternates, is to represent their group at all SAAI meetings, to act as a liaison between SAAI and their group and to see that all communications pertaining to SAAI are made available.
- C. Each group representative should notify the SAAI Communications Secretary of any changes in IRs or alternates and points of contact.

ARTICLE IV — THE SAAI BOARD

Section 1 — Membership of the Board

- A. The Board shall consist of the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Communications Secretary, Parliamentarian, World Service Business Conference (WSBC) Delegate(s) and Region 3 Representative(s).
- B. The Immediate Past Chair serves as an ex-officio member of the SAAI Board.
- C. In the event the Chair of the Board should be unable to attend any meeting of the Board, the next highest ranking Board member in attendance shall serve as chair for that meeting. The ranking of these officers shall serve as follows:
 - 1. Vice Chair
 - 2. Treasurer
 - 3. Recording Secretary
 - 4. Communications Secretary

Section 2 — Nominations to the SAAI Board

- A. Nominating Committee
 - 1. A Nominating Committee, appointed at the April SAAI meeting by the Chair, is to be comprised of at least three (3) individuals who are SAAI Board members, Intergroup Representatives, or other OA members.
 - 2. A Nominating Committee report shall be presented at the May SAAI meeting.
 - a. The Nominating Committee is not required to nominate more than one person for each position.
 - b. Individuals or groups may submit nominations prior to or at the time of elections.
 - 3. The slate of nominees shall be prepared and presented at the May SAAI meeting and included in the May SAAI minutes.
 - 4. The slate of nominees shall be published in the June OA newsletter at least one week before the election at the Annual SAAI Meeting in June.
 - 5. The Nominating Committee shall inform nominees about the requirements for each position as outlined in the SAAI Policy Manual.
- B. Nominees
 - 1. Each nominee must be present at the May SAAI meeting unless excused by the Chair.
 - 2. If the candidate is unable to attend the May SAAI meeting and has been excused by the Chair, the candidate may submit a resume in writing.
 - 3. In the case of more than one nominee and/or nominee(s) from the floor at the SAAI meeting in June, each nominee shall submit an oral resume to include why the job is sought, their qualifications, and OA service.
 - 4. Nominees must be present at the June SAAI election meeting unless excused by the Chair.

Section 3 — Qualifications for the SAAI Board

An SAAI Board nominee:

- A. Shall be currently practicing faithful adherence to the Twelve Steps and the Twelve Traditions of OA.
- B. Except for the WSBC Delegate(s) and Regional Representative(s) (see D below), each nominee shall at the time of election have maintained abstinence for the past six months. The nominee is the sole judge of his/her abstinence and maintenance. (See *Article IV, Section 3, E* below for exceptions to the qualifications.)
- C. SAAI Experience
 - 1. It is suggested that each nominee (except Chair) shall have been an active SAAI voting member for six (6) months prior to the nomination.
 - 2. It is required that the nominee for Chair shall have been an active SAAI voting member for six (6) months prior to the nomination.
- D. Delegate(s)/Regional Representative(s)
 - 1. The World Service Business Conference (WSBC) Delegate(s) shall meet qualifications and requirements as outlined and defined in the *Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B, Article VIII, Section 3(c)* and as required for election to the SAAI Board by *Article IV, Section 4* of these bylaws. WSBC qualifications:
 - a. one year of current abstinence;

- b. at least two years of service above the group level (permission for any exception in qualifications for valid reasons, if deemed credible by the trustees, may be received by application to the World Service Office);
 - c. selected at least 50 days before the annual Conference, and the names forwarded immediately upon selection to the World Service Office of Overeaters Anonymous;
 - d. one qualified delegate for up to the first fifteen groups it represents and one for each additional fifteen groups or any fraction thereof.
 - e. If SAAI does not select a delegate(s) and alternate(s) or fails to inform the World Service Office of Overeaters Anonymous before the annual meeting, such delegate(s) and alternate(s) may appear at the Conference with evidence of their due selection deemed credible by the trustees, and such delegate(s) shall be seated.
- 2. The Regional Representative(s) shall meet qualifications and requirements as outlined and defined in the *Bylaws of Region III Overeaters Anonymous, Article V - Membership*, and as required for election to the SAAI Board (see *Article IV, Section 4* of these bylaws). Region III qualifications:
 - a. one year of current abstinence; each Regional Representative shall be the sole judge of his/her abstinence and maintenance;
 - b. at least one year of service above the group level;
 - c. each Regional Representative shall be selected for sound judgment, experience, stability, willingness to serve and for faithful adherence to the program of the Twelve Steps and the Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous.
 - 3. Delegate(s)/Regional Representative(s) shall comply with WSBC, Region III, and local SAAI qualifications in *Article IV, Section 3* of these bylaws and shall have served SAAI for a minimum of one year.
- E. Exceptions
- 1. Qualifications for the SAAI Board positions may be changed by a group conscience vote at any SAAI meeting if there are no qualified candidates willing to run.
 - 2. Delegates/Regional Representative(s) not meeting World Service or Region III requirements must be ratified by the OA Board of Trustees or Region III Board.
 - 3. If necessary, the same individual may serve as both WSBC Delegate and Regional Representative.

Section 4 — Method of Election

- A. The election of the SAAI Board members will be held at the Annual SAAI Meeting in June of each year. The new members will be installed in July of the same year.
- B. To be eligible for election to the Board, the nominee must:
 - 1. Meet all qualifications as defined in *Article IV, Section 3*.
 - 2. Understand responsibilities of the position as defined in the SAAI Policy Manual.
 - 3. Be present at the election meeting or have an excused absence from the Chair.
 - 4. Receive a majority vote of voting members (see definition of group conscience in *Article III, Section 1, B(1)*).
- C. When there is more than one candidate, voting shall be by written secret ballot.
- D. Nominations may be taken from the floor and a vote taken. The nominee must be present at the meeting or have an excused absence from the Chair.

Section 5 — Terms of Office

- A. The SAAI Board Members:
 - 1. Terms of office for SAAI Board members (except Delegate(s)/Regional Representative(s)) shall be two (2) years.
 - 2. An SAAI Board member may serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms per position.
 - 3. After one term of two (2) years, a member may again be eligible for election to their prior office.
 - 4. If a member of the SAAI Board fails to attend two (2) consecutive meetings without being excused by the Chair prior to the meeting, the absent member will be contacted by the Chair. If there is no response or it is determined that the member cannot fulfill his/her duties, his/her office may be declared vacant by a majority of those members present at the monthly SAAI meeting and voting. (See *Article IV, Section 7, A*).
- B. Delegate(s)/Regional Representative(s).
 - 1. A term of office for Delegate(s) and/or Regional Representative(s) positions shall be two (2) years.
 - 2. A Delegate may be elected for no more than two (2) consecutive terms in either position.

3. A member who serves the remainder of an unexpired term is still eligible to serve the next two (2) consecutive terms as Delegate in his/her own right.
- C. Terms of office for the SAAI Board and Delegate positions may be changed by a group conscience vote at any SAAI meeting if there are no qualified candidates willing to run.
- D. If a currently serving IR member is elected to the SAAI Board, that IR member shall cease to be IR of his/her group; and that group shall select a new intergroup representative (IR) for the group.
- E. No person can serve in two elected positions simultaneously.
 1. If a person who has been elected for one position agrees to perform the duties of another elected position, then that person shall be designated as “acting” in the second position until a qualified candidate can be elected.
 2. That person shall have only one vote in his/her primary elected position and will not have another vote in the acting position.

Section 6 — Responsibilities of the SAAI Board

- A. Serve as guardians of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts with respect to the functions of the SAAI.
- B. Perform the duties of their offices as set forth in the SAAI Policy Manual.
- C. Serve as guardians of the SAAI funds.
- D. Oversee and be informed of all issues pertaining to SAAI affairs.

Section 7 — Vacancies and Resignations

- A. If a member of the SAAI Board fails to attend two (2) consecutive meetings without being excused by the Chair prior to the meeting, the absent member will be contacted by the Chair. If there is no response or it is determined that the member cannot fulfill his/her duties, his/her office may be declared vacant by a majority of those members present and voting at an SAAI meeting.
- B. Any Board member may resign at any time for any reason by giving notice to the Chair of the SAAI.
- C. Any Board member of the SAAI may be removed from office for due cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and eligible to participate in group conscience (see *Article III, Section 2*) at a meeting announced for that purpose.

Section 8 — Filling of Vacancies

- A. When a SAAI Board member vacancy occurs, the group conscience shall elect, by a majority vote, a successor to serve the remaining period.
- B. A person chosen to fill any vacancy on the SAAI Board shall meet the qualifications as defined in *Article IV, Section 3*, and be aware of all responsibilities of that position as defined in *Article IV, Section 6* and described in the SAAI Policy Manual.

ARTICLE V — MEETINGS

Section 1 — Regular Meetings

The SAAI shall meet monthly at a time and place designated by a majority of the voting members. The meeting will be led by the Chair. In the absence of the Chair, other Board members will serve as chair of the meeting as noted in *Article IV, Section 1, C*.

Section 2 — Annual Meetings

The SAAI Annual Meeting shall be held in the month of June for the election of officers. Every two years this meeting will review and vote to approve recommended revisions presented by the Bylaws Committee and the Policy Committee.

Section 3 — Special Meetings

- A. The SAAI Board shall provide a means of conducting SAAI business in the case of emergencies and/or between regularly scheduled meetings of the SAAI.
- B. A special meeting may be called at any time by the Chair, by a majority vote of the SAAI Board, or by petition of 5 (five) SAAI members, by giving notice as prescribed in *Article V, Section 4*.

Section 4 — Method of Notification

- A. Notification of all SAAI business meetings shall consist of announcement at regularly scheduled SAAI meetings, or written or oral notices to each IR or contact person at least 24 hours prior to the date of the meeting.
- B. The SAAI members listed in *Article V, Section 3, B* may call special SAAI meetings at any reasonable time and place (virtual, in person, or hybrid) provided each group representative or alternate and each SAAI Board member is contacted and provided at least a 24-hour notice.
- C. Notifications other than those for special meetings may be made by making an announcement at prior regularly scheduled SAAI meeting(s) or by placing an announcement in the SAAI newsletter, or via electronic or regular mail.

Section 5 — Quorum

A quorum to conduct business at regular business meetings and special meetings shall consist of no fewer than six (6) voting members of the SAAI. Matters will be decided by a majority vote, except when in conflict with other provisions of these bylaws. If a quorum is lost during the course of a meeting no additional votes can be taken, although, the meeting remains official.

ARTICLE VI — COMMITTEES

Section 1 — Standing Committees

Standing committees may be established to carry out the purposes of SAAI business in accordance with Tradition 5: Each group has but one primary purpose — to carry its message to the compulsive overeater who still suffers. See SAAI Policy Manual. Standing committees may include but are not limited to:

- A. 12-and-12
- B. Bylaws
- C. Policy Manual
- D. Nominations
- E. Communications
- F. Public Information
- G. Professional Outreach
- H. Member Experience
- I. Other committees deemed necessary to carry on SAAI work

Section 2 — Special Committees

The Board shall designate such special committees as are deemed necessary for the welfare and operation of the SAAI.

Section 3 — Committee Appointments

- A. Committee chairs shall be appointed by the SAAI Chair. It is suggested that prospective committee chairs be selected for willingness to serve, commitment to the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of OA, and length of time in program. It is suggested that prospective committee chairs have a minimum of 30 days of current abstinence.
- B. There is no limit on how many consecutive terms a standing committee chair may serve. However, it is suggested that each standing committee member serve no more than four (4) consecutive terms.

Section 4 — Committee Procedures

- A. Each standing or special committee shall be responsible for calling and holding meetings, and establishing its method of procedures, subject to the SAAI Vice Chair oversight of the SAAI Board and the guidelines of the Twelve Traditions of OA. (Section COMMITTEES: GENERAL PROCEDURES AND SPECIFIC DUTIES pages 11-12, Policy Manual)
- B. For the purposes of conducting committee business, each committee is allotted \$25.00 per year as a reimbursable expense without approval. Any additional expenses must be approved by SAAI.

Section 5 — Committee Responsibility

- A. Each Committee shall present a working budget at the beginning of their term to SAAI.
- B. Committees must seek prior approval by SAAI for any committee decision and/or vote that establishes or changes an SAAI policy, sets a procedural plan for a special event, and/or expends funds in excess of the approved budget.
- C. Each standing committee chair shall submit an oral or written report to the SAAI Board at each meeting and/or at the end of any specific event coordinated by that committee. Recording Secretary will include these reports in the SAAI meeting minutes.
- D. Monies expended from an approved budget require a detailed and itemized accounting (including receipts) which must be submitted to the treasurer for reimbursement.
- E. Committees with their own working bank accounts shall keep minimum amounts to cover budgeted operational expenses.
- F. Each committee shall notify the Vice Chair of the time, location and agenda of all meetings.

Section 6 — Nominating Committee

- A. SAAI will have a Nominating Committee to recommend persons to serve as the SAAI Board, Delegate(s)/ Region Representative(s), and Committee Chairs to fill vacancies.
- B. The committee should be at least three members (see *Article IV, Section 2*). The SAAI Chair and Vice Chair shall not serve on the committee, but may provide background information and input as requested by the committee. The Nominating Committee should follow the responsibilities and requirements as outlined in *Article IV, Section 2, A*.

Section 7 — Ex-Officio Members

- A. Immediate past committee chairs may serve in an ex-officio capacity in their respective committees.
- B. The SAAI Vice-Chair is an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

Section 8 — Committee Bank Accounts

- A. If it is deemed necessary by the SAAI Board that a committee requires a separate SAAI bank account, the following procedure shall be followed.
 - 1. The committee chair and the SAAI Treasurer shall be authorized signers on each account. Additional signers may be approved. Two signatures may be required on all checks subject to SAAI approval.
 - 2. The committee chair shall keep all financial records and shall present a detailed, itemized report of transactions at the SAAI meeting following any event for which monies were expended or received.
 - 3. The committee chair shall arrange for a financial review of the committee account during the final month of each fiscal year. The financial review shall take place at the same time as the financial review for the general account of the SAAI.

Section 9 — Vacancies

- A. Should a vacancy, resignation, or removal of a committee chair occur, all pertinent information shall be turned over to the SAAI Chair.
- B. The SAAI Chair shall then appoint a new committee chair.

Section 10 — Removal of Committee Chair

A committee chair may be removed from office for due cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the SAAI Board.

ARTICLE VII — SOURCE OF FUNDS

Section 1 — Source of Funds

- A. Voluntary contributions of the member groups shall be the primary source of funds.
- B. Secondary sources of income may be from such occasional projects or activities authorized by SAAI in accordance with Traditions Six and Seven.
- C. The SAAI may accept donations from OA members conforming with the general practices of OA.
- D. The maximum allowable annual donation to the SAAI by an OA member is to be limited to the amount set by OA amendment 2013, amended 2023 by the OA Board of Trustees (currently seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) per year to the general fund, up to \$7,500 per year for any special fund, and up to \$7,500 per year to honor the memory of a deceased member, subject to change by the Board of Trustees).
- E. The acceptance of bequests or donations from any outside source is prohibited.
- F. SAAI may accept a bequest from the will of a deceased member in cash or cash equivalent. There is no limit on the amount of such a bequest (see oa.org).
- G. The SAAI shall not accept the responsibility for trusteeship over, or enter into the distribution or allocation of funds set up outside of Overeaters Anonymous.

Section 2 — Prudent Reserve

- A. There shall be no accumulation of funds beyond current necessities, with retention of only a prudent reserve for contingencies. “Prudent reserve” is usually, but not limited to, monies required to cover three months of operating expenses. Funds in excess shall be donated to Region III and the World Service Office at least quarterly as budgeted and directed by the SAAI.
- B. The SAAI fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30 annually.

ARTICLE VIII — PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised 12th Edition, shall govern the SAAI in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws, the *Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B*, or any special rules of order that the SAAI may adopt.

ARTICLE IX — AMENDMENTS TO THESE BYLAWS

These bylaws, with the exception of *Article II, Sections 2 (Twelve Steps), 3 (Twelve Traditions), and 4 (Twelve Concepts)*, may be amended at any time by a two thirds majority vote of eligible voting members present at any regular or special meeting of the SAAI, provided a copy of the proposed amendment shall have been presented to the SAAI

at the prior monthly SAAI meeting. *Article II, Sections 2, 3 and 4* can only be amended as per *Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B, Article XII, Section 1e*.

ARTICLE X — INTERNAL POLICY MATTERS

The SAAI Policy Manual will be reviewed together with the Bylaws every 2 years. The SAAI Policy Manual may be updated as necessary throughout each fiscal year (PURPOSE AND SCOPE, CHANGES, BYLAWS, page 2, Changes, SAAI Policy Manual,) with changes being made by a vote of a majority of the quorum at an official SAAI meeting. The SAAI Chair will clarify at the time a motion is made if said motion will result in a policy manual change.

ARTICLE XI — MAJOR POLICY MATTERS

- A. Matters which affect the SAAI and/or groups within its service area shall be referred to the SAAI Board.
- B. Matters which relate to Overeaters Anonymous as a whole which affect *Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart A*, shall be referred to the OA Board of Trustees.
- C. Matters which affect *Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B*, or which relate to the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts shall be referred to the World Service Business Conference.

ARTICLE XII — DISSOLUTION

Section 1

In order to deregister, an intergroup must submit a written request to the World Service Office, Region Chair, and Region Trustee. Upon the dissolution of this organization, after paying or adequately providing for its debts and obligations, the remaining assets (according to Tradition Six), shall be distributed to the World Service Office of Overeaters Anonymous, and/or Region III, and/or another registered OA service body. If no registered OA service body exists to which the assets can be transferred, distribution shall be made to a non-profit fund, association, foundation or corporation, which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes and which complies with applicable laws. Such organizations or entities within the USA must comply with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 2

No part of the net earnings of this organization shall ever be used for the benefit of or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payment and distribution in furtherance of the express purposes for which it is formed.

Adopted by unanimous vote by the San Antonio Area Intergroup Board and SAAI membership present April 11, 2026.

SAAI Recording Secretary – Ann Adkins

SAAI Chair – Michele Durham