

Motion to amend Corrections Workbook M-45

Motion:

Panel 74 Northern Illinois Area 20 Corrections Chair moves that we amend the “Corrections Workbook” to read “The only purpose of the pink can is to provide G.S.O. Conference-approve *or Grapevine published* literature.” This policy comes from page 18 of the “Corrections Workbook” (M-45), section titled “Area 10 (Colorado) Seventh Tradition Support”, second paragraph, third sentence.

Background:

The purpose of this motion is to clarify the language to explicitly allow the purchase of Grapevine published literature using pink can funds.

The Conference-Approved Literature bulletin (SM F-29) on the second page states "Since each issue of (the) Grapevine cannot go through the Conference approval process, the Conference recognizes (the) Grapevine as the international journal of Alcoholics Anonymous." The same statement can be found in The A.A. Service Manual (BM-31) on page 84.

On page 56 of the Corrections Workbook in the "Literature Guide" section, sub-section "For Youth", it lists two Grapevine books: In Our Own Words (GV-19) and Young & Sober (GV-27). This seems like implicit approval of the use of Grapevine material.

Rational:

I wish to purchase and distribute the book “Free on the Inside” (GV-43) within IDOC and/or Jail facilities in the NIA20. This is a compilation of articles from the Prison Issue of the Grapevine (published annual in July). These are stories by sober members who have experienced AA in prison. I believe the incarcerated population is the target market for this book. I believe those suffering with alcoholism behind the walls can benefit greatly from this book.

Thank you for your consideration.