

# Meet the Board Event

**Introduction:** Today we are presenting the “Meet the Board” event so you, as Delegates, can present the idea to your Area. We are hoping that numerous Areas will make the request for the “Meet the Board” event to be held in their part of the World Service Conference (WSC) structure. After this short presentation, there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

**Background/History:** For several years the Board has been studying the possibility of changing the venue of the July Board meeting. The initial reason behind the idea was to reduce costs for the World Service Office during the tourist season in Virginia Beach.

In 2010 a Board Thought Force was formed and subsequently a Board Task Force reported to the Board in 2011. At that time the idea was morphed into less of a cost-saving project and more of an opportunity for the entire Board to interact with the fellowship in a “Meet the Board” event. This event would take place before or after the Board meeting.

A second Task Force was formed in 2012 to create a plan for individual Areas to request the “Meet the Board” event be held in their Area. This was to be introduced at the 2013 World Service Conference and implemented in July 2014.

The final vote on the plan was taken at the January 2013 Board Meeting. At that time, it was decided to include the Executive Committee members in the event, and to put this plan on a three-year trial.

**Relevance:** The “Meet the Board” event is an opportunity for local AI-Anon members to meet and interact with the 19 Trustees and the three Executive Committee members in July 2014 to discuss items of importance to the fellowship and to the organizations of AI-Anon Family Groups.

**Goal:** All participants will realize that we are AI-Anon members, working in different capacities, for the good of the fellowship.

The form must be completed and to the WSO by Sept 15, 2013.

**Area Participation:** Publicize the event and provide an Area contact person.

**Requirements:** it needs to comfortably seat the expected total number of attendees from your Area plus 19 Board members, 3 Executive Committee at-large members. Meals will be catered by the hotel, Wireless capabilities.

We, the Area, understand that the content of this event will be the responsibility of the Board of Trustees. The Area agrees to publicize the event.

The nominal registration fee is established by the WSO. All monies from participants; including those resulting from the registration form, donations to WSO, and payment of meals will be sent directly to the World Services Office. WSO has financial responsibility for the payment of the hotel, handouts and meals. The Area has financial responsibility for publicity.