## Area 75 Proposal Form

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Sponsors Service Position: Area Treasurer

Describe your proposal (Attach any supporting documentation): It is proposed that: Area 75 contributes to GSO an amount as close as possible to the actual cost of the Delegate's annual expenses for the General Service Conference. When the Finance Committee reviews the Area 75 annual budget, a recommendation will be made by the Finance Committee for this expense as a separate budget line item. That recommendation will take effect for that calendar year only upon budget approval by the Area 75 Assembly.

## List the primary benefits of your proposal to the area.

In the spirit of the principle of self-support, Area 75 should, whenever possible, pay an amount to GSO as close as possible to the actual costs incurred for the Delegate's General Service Conference expenses.

## **Background**

\$1,200 is the minimum contribution currently suggested by GSO for this expense, and that is the amount Area 75 contributed for the last three years. That amount is about 24% of the actual cost, which was closer to \$ 5,000.

Some areas voluntarily contribute a number closer to the per delegate cost. They do that in accordance with their ability to pay that year.

The "per Area cost" varies year by year depending on the hotel contract, air travel costs, printing/support costs, etc. The actual amount is arrived at by costs associated with the Conference--air travel for all concerned (includes trustees), lodging for all concerned (includes trustees and staff), meals for all concerned (same), office support costs, publishing and printing, staff wages etc. All costs are divided by 93 (number of delegate areas).

## Estimate any funding required. Outline where funding would come from. Explain whether this is a one-time or ongoing expense.

Additional funding would be approximately \$3800 more for 2011. Funding would come from group contributions. This would be an ongoing expense.