



XII. Archives Committee: Wednesday Joint meeting - EN

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* Election of chairperson 1. All Panel 75 members are eligible except for the 2026 delegate chairperson and 2026 Conference committee chairpersons. 2. All committee members vote by written ballot (no verbal nominations). 3. Election by plurality. Second place becomes alternate chairperson. 4. New chairperson serves one year beginning at the close of the Conference.

2025 Conference Committee on Archives

ITEM A: Review content and format of Archives Workbook.

Background notes:

Workbooks for Archives, CPC, Corrections, Public Information, and Treatment and Accessibilities are reviewed by the appropriate Conference Committees during each General Service Conference.

Between Conferences, ideas for changes to a Workbook may be received. These may be reviewed by the appropriate trustees' Committee and implemented.

Alternatively, the trustees' Committee may choose to forward an idea to the Conference Committee for review. Members of the Conference Committee then have an opportunity to review proposed changes to a workbook during the next General Service Conference.

Note: Workbooks are service material, and suggested changes to content do not require recommendations; rather, they are put forth as Committee Considerations. The Archives Workbook (M-44I) is available on GSO's A.A. website (www.aa.org).

From 2024 Committee Consideration of the Conference Committee on Archives:

The committee reviewed the newly revised Archives Workbook and made the following suggestions for inclusion in a future printing:

- Add appropriate images to enhance the content, where applicable, as determined by the GSO Archives Department.
- In the section "What to Collect?" add reference to digital materials in the suggested list of materials local archives might consider collecting.

Excerpt from the trustees' Archives Committee July 28, 2024 meeting report:

The trustees' Archives Committee discussed the committee consideration noting that, GSO Publishing Director informed the committee that the Publishing Department is examining format, number of pages and printing costs across all committee workbooks, in light of increasing print production cost of goods. The committee posed other suggestions that the GSO Publishing Department might explore, including formatting, reduction of wide margins and blank pages. It was the sense of the committee that

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images to enhance the content might be added conditionally, when feasible and not cost prohibitive. Another condition to keep in mind is that proposed image content should not result in additional pages or an increased staff workload.

Background:

1. Archives Workbook. Available on GSO's A.A. website at <https://www.aa.org/archives-workbook>