## **ETIQUETTE - SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES**

Adherence to our Conference etiquette at our business meetings helps us follow our spiritual principles.

Starting and stopping on time demonstrates integrity.

Stick to the Agenda. The spiritual principle of perseverance, while conducting business in the best interest of all Al-Anon, preserves recovery at all levels.

Two minutes at the microphone. During discussions, limiting our time at the microphone embodies the spiritual principles of humility and trust.

*Stay on topic.* The spiritual principle of *simplicity* while we stay on topic, will help us reach our primary goal to help families of alcoholics.

If someone before you says what you were going to say....sit down. Spiritual principles: efficient leadership and awareness.

No clapping, cheering, or booing when opinions are shared demonstrates mutual respect and creates an atmosphere of harmony.

No side conversations. The spiritual principle of courtesy is shown when we actively listen and form our own conclusions; leaving out reactions, opinions and judgments

*No miscellaneous distractions.* Show *discipline* and *respect* for the service commitments of those that have prepared for Conference.

*Keeping our cell phones off* demonstrates *consideration* for those around us as we focus on our World Service Conference.

No perfumes or flowers. Being respectful and understanding of others.

If you are unable to attend a session, notify the Conference Chair, Associate Director—Conference, or your mentor.

Our spiritual principles of *selflessness* and *dedication* are evident when we do the right thing and are *responsible* to those we serve. Keeping an accurate count of members present at Conference is essential during voting.