

NE US Region of ACA

Monthly Conference Call

Thursday, October 22, 2020

6:00-7:30pm EDT

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Zoom Meeting

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Preliminaries (15 min)

- Welcome
- Confirm recording
- Roll call/establish quorum
 - Justine F, Chair (PA IG)
 - Christopher J, Treasurer (voting Rep, LI IG)
 - Josh W, Secretary (NCA IG)
 - Sue B (voting Rep, NCA IG)
 - Brad L (NCA IG)
 - Maureen G (voting Rep, PA IG)
 - Hank L (voting Rep, NJ IG)
 - Erin D (Oaks PA meeting)
 - Lisa L (Rochester NY meeting)
 - Quorum of 4 voting Reps established
- 10th Tradition Meditation: *Higher Power. Help me to honor ACA's primary purpose, and focus my sharing in meetings on topics of recovery. Help me remember that ACA is a spiritual program and not a political, religious, or other type of program.*
- Approval of [minutes](#) from prior meeting **APPROVED (4 for/0 against/0 abstained)**
- Approval/Amendment of draft agenda **APPROVED**

Officer Reports (3 min ea)

- Chair (Justine)
 - No report
- Secretary (Josh)
 - No report
- Treasurer (Christopher)
 - [Treasurer's Report](#)

- o Current Balance (as of September 30): \$2935.51 (see Report, above, for details)
- o 2020 Contributions to WSO as of Sept 30: \$540.00 (further contributions pending)

Relevant Updates from WSO

- IT/Website: Intergroups and Groups can now affiliate with NE Region
 - o Please update your Intergroup listings and encourage your member meetings to do the same.
- The WSO Board of Trustees recently approved a 24-hour ACA Helpline!
 - o Volunteers are needed
 - o Helpline phone workers need to have 1) worked the ACA 12 Steps on their own or with others, and 2) continue to be actively working an ACA program. If you meet this criteria and are interested in being contacted about training sessions, please click [here](#) to sign up

Committee Reports (3 min ea)

- Policy Manual (ad hoc) - *Chair: Justine*
 - o **Voting**
 - Substantial Unanimity: If a minority expresses a strong opinion against a motion, the chairperson can recommend tabling the motion or creating an ad hoc committee to look into options that consider the minority opinion. **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
 - Principle of Substantial Unanimity “any decision reached by the meeting be reflective of the will of the entire meeting group and not the mere result of the majority of those voting. If an agreement cannot be reached, it is best to postpone discussion or agree to not vote on the issue.” (from “Conducting a Business Meeting Trifold”) **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
- Events - *Chair: Liz*
 - o Meeting to be scheduled by Liz
- Budget Development (ad hoc) - *Chair: Christopher*
 - o Committee met, drafted budget proposal, to be discussed under Old Business
- Mission Statement (ad hoc) - *Chair: Sue B*
 - o Approve Draft [Mission Statement](#) **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
- Website/Technology Report - *Chair: Brad*
 - o Brad shared web analytics, which show the majority of visits to home page, Events page, and Find a Meeting; accessed most often either directly or through our Tockify events calendar page, but also via Google and by referral from WSO Regions website listing.
- Outreach - *Chair: Christopher*
 - o Next meeting November 1 @ 6pm
 - o Move to change name to Inreach Committee
 - o *Volunteers needed*

Old Business (10 min total)

- Approve [Proposed Budget](#) **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
- Elections
 - Business Chair
 - Nominated: Justine F **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
 - Secretary
 - Nominated: Josh W (*in absentia*) **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
 - Treasurer
 - Nominated: Christopher J **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
 - **MOTION** to hold Committee Chair elections in January **PASSED (4/0/0)**

New Business (10 min ea)

- Monthly Regional meetings: Keep as is, or rotate to allow others to attend?
 - Justine will create a Doodle in November
 - If a new day/time is chosen, will begin in January
- Regional Seat on WSO Board of Trustees
 - **MOTION** to create Regional Trustee position **APPROVED (4/0/0)**
- Upcoming meetings dates
 - November meeting will take place November 19 to avoid conflict with Thanksgiving
 - December meeting will take place December 17 to avoid conflict with Christmas Eve

Closing prayer

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

Next meeting 11/19/2020 @ 6pm