

SERVICE STRUCTURE COMMITTEE MINUTES

APRIL 3, 2017

6PM EDT

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1. Serenity Prayer:

God, grant me the serenity
To accept the people I cannot change,
The courage to change the one I can,
And the wisdom to know that one is me.

2. Members Present:

Marcia, Charlie, Bonnie K-M, Bill D., Jim R., David,

3. Purpose:

As an ad hoc committee of the ACA WSO, our purpose is to research the service structures of other global fellowships in order to recommend how ACA should best organize its service structure to serve its growing fellowship nationally and globally.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Approve the minutes from the March 27 meeting.** Marcia read the minutes from March 27, and asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Motion was made by David and seconded by Bonnie. There were no objections and the minutes passed.
2. **Recommendation for Regions:** The board of trustees has asked us for a recommendation for interim acceptance of Regions and seating of Regional Trustees. After study and discussion, our group recommended that the Region that has been approved be allowed to seat their representative, because it is clearly stated in our OPPM and the BRB that they have that right. We recommended that our committee take up the study of Regions as soon as we reconvene in order to have a recommendation for structural change ready for approval as soon as possible. This will need to take into consideration the fact that we could overload our board quickly, that practices may be put into place that would need to change after our study, and that geographical definitions have not been ascertained, or necessarily agreed to in our plan for the future. Because of the lack of definition of Regional boundaries, we recommend that any region that forms while we are still working on regional structure needs to fall geographically into the latest map we could find on which regions were defined.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Presentation for the ABC:** Marcia presented current slides to the committee. It was decided that we would limit the slides, so as not to overpower our audience. Reduced slides cover the current structure.

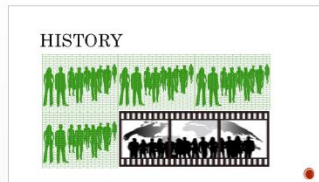
There was a discussion about the representation of the structure and suggestions were made. Marcia will implement the suggestions.

We decided we wanted to provide for some discussion and feedback from our audience. We will have an introduction, done by Charlie, an explanation of structure, done by Marcia, divide the group into smaller units for a discussion based on questions we come up with, and feedback from each group led by Charlie. Please list questions on Slack this week to be included in the group discussion section.

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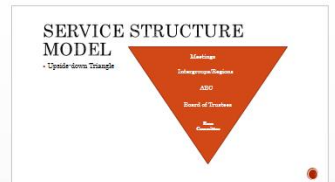
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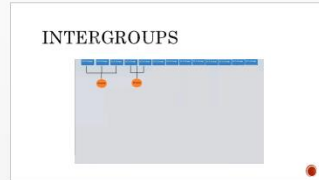
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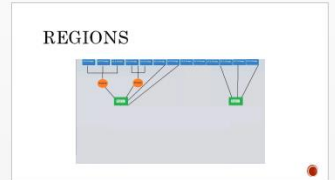
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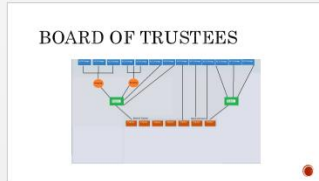
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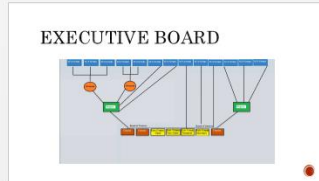
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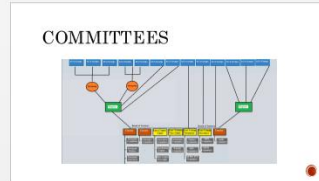
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- 2. Recommendations for the ABC:** Based on the areas of importance that came up during our group discussions, Marcia and Charlie went through each fellowship studied to list how that particular group dealt with the same issues. Based on this activity, Marcia created some sample recommendations for each area. The group discussed and revised the recommendations.

NEXT MEETING: Monday April 10 at 6 PM EDT