**2019 ABC Ballot Proposals for ACA**

**There were 232 Ballots that were completed. The results are as follows:**

**Part 1 – Proposals that Will be on the Agenda for the 2019 ABC**

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| **Proposal 2019 – 7** Submitted on November 28, 2018 by the WSO Board of Trustees  **Issue:** We propose that . . . the following mission statement be accepted for the Fellowship: “ACA creates a safe, welcoming fellowship for those who suffer from childhood trauma, giving them the tools to heal.”  **This proposal needed 149 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 200.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 9** Submitted on November 28, 2018 by NY0176, Brooklyn, New York  **Issue:** We propose that . . . ACA adopt the following statement, and to post it prominently on social media, websites, and literature: "ACA is an inclusive organization and open to all. We strive to create an atmosphere that reflects the diverse communities we serve and where everyone feels empowered to be their full, authentic selves."  **This proposal needed 145 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 184.** |

**Part 2 – Proposals that will Not be on the Agenda for the 2019 ABC**

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| **Proposal 2019 – 1** Submitted on October 25, 2018 by OR0124, Lake Oswego, Oregon  **Issue:** We propose that . . . Expand language in BRB to include all concepts of spirituality  **This proposal needed 146 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 117.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 2** Submitted on November 6, 2018 by NY109, Brooklyn, New York  **Issue:** We propose that . . . the ACA Bill of Rights become official ACA literature.  **This proposal needed 148 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 129.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 3** Submitted on November 20, 2018 by UT0038, Park City, Utah  **Issue:** We propose that . . . Change Organization Name from ACA to ACDF  **This proposal needed 145 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 54.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 4** Submitted on November 22, 2018 by KS023, Pittsburg, Kansas  **Issue:** We propose that . . . the Newcomer Booklet be modified so that all the text in it, be inclusive of adult children raised in alcoholic homes and homes where there was no alcohol.  **This proposal needed 149 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 146.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 5** Submitted on November 24, 2018 by IL203, Chicago, Illinois  **Issue:** We propose . . . a change to the wording of Step 5 as follows: Admitted to our Higher Power, to ourselves and to another human being our own role in the dysfunction in our lives.  **This proposal needed 140 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 70.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 6** Submitted on November 28, 2018 by the WSO Board of Trustees  **Issue:** We propose . . . the following vision statement for ACA Fellowship: “We are whole and free of dysfunction.”  **This proposal needed 145 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 134.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 8** Submitted on November 28, 2018 by IG650, Southeast Florida  **Issue:** This proposition requests consideration for changing the name of Adult Children of Alcoholics to Adult Children Anonymous.  **This proposal needed 149 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 120.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 10** Submitted on November 29, 2018 by NY0176, Brooklyn, New York  **Issue:** We propose that . . . ACA establish a Diversity and Inclusion Working Group, to consider ongoing issues as relate to the topics.  **This proposal needed 139 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 63.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 11** Submitted on November 29, 2018 by CA915, Arroyo Grande, California  **Issue:** We propose that . . . we add "and we work with our sponsors." to the Solution statement read in meetings. The sentence now reads, "This is the action and work that heals us: we use the Steps; we use the meetings; we use the telephone." So added would be: We use the Steps; we use the meetings; we use the telephone; (and we work with our Sponsors).  **This proposal needed 143 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 62.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 12** Submitted on November 29, 2018 by AK021, Anchorage, Alaska  **Issue:** We propose that . . . No new Proposals will be allowed to be added to the agenda at the ACA WSO Annual Business Conference (ABC) unless new information of a time sensitive nature comes to light at the ABC requiring action to be taken before the next year’s ABC. All Proposals must be vetted by 2/3 of our members to come to the floor of the ACA Annual Business Conference (ABC) to be voted on. In addition, the ACA Trustees provide history/reasoning regarding why they are for or against said Proposal.  **This proposal needed 135 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 132.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 13** Submitted on November 29, 2018 by AK021, Anchorage, Alaska  **Issue:** We propose that . . . The Board of Trustees needs to implement the ACA Service Structure for support and resources: Groups need to be assigned to Intergroups, and Intergroups need to be assigned to Regions. Communication and resolution of issues need to go through these channels before being escalated to the WSO level. The implementation of this service structure would provide for more direct support to individuals and groups and in turn, would provide for growth, a stronger organization, including the development of service leaders at all levels.  **This proposal needed 141 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 57.** |
| **Proposal 2019 – 14** Submitted on November 30, 2018 by CA1312 Cottonwood, California  **Issue:** We propose that . . . Should ACA reconsider its 1989\*(?) decision, under Tradition Eight, to not pay royalties to ACA-member authors of anonymous books that are contributed to ACA WSO, so that such royalties may be paid, upon approval of conference of both the book(s) and payment terms and duration?  **This proposal needed 141 Yes votes after the No Opinions were excluded. It received 30.** |