



The Ballot Preparation Committee (BPC)

Member of the Policy and Structure Collaboration Committee
Board Teleconference Report, for February 2023

Chair: Jim R

Members: Mary Jo L, Marcin C

Feb. 11, 2023

Statement of Purpose

The Ballot Prep Committee (BPC) oversees the proposal process – educating the fellowship, calling for and developing proposals, encouraging translations, compiling a Ballot, encouraging the vote, and tallying and announcing the results.

Recent Activity, of Note

We selected the dates for the Town Hall discussions:

Saturday, **February 4th, 9:00 pm** Eastern and Sunday, **February 12th, 10:00 am** Eastern

The format created a relaxed atmosphere where the groups that offered Proposals could present their issues directly to the ACA fellowship for conversation. It will be noted that there were 7 groups and Intergroups that submitted the 12 proposals on the Ballot. All groups were invited to choose the session at which they would like to present their issue. No group was required to participate. 3 groups responded, all choosing the 12th.

At the February 4th Town Hall, we held an open space for participants to raise questions about the ABC and the Ballot Process. We provided a friendly atmosphere and continually invited participants to ask questions and comment.

We had 11 participants representing all facets of the proposal process - MJ and I from the BPC; a Board member; 3 people from groups that submitted proposals and 5 people attending in the hopes of learning more about the proposals, for their home groups. We had global participation with members from Australia and India.

Though unplanned, we had the presentation of a proposal. Denise R introduced **Proposal 3**. We had a 25 minute open discussion about the proposal, where questions were welcomed. I like to think it was beneficial. From the perspective of welcoming newcomers and encouraging service, the event was successful - providing positive, supportive interactions with ACA members.

For The Month Ahead

Here are some of our tasks ahead:

- the 2nd Town Hall, presenting **Proposals 2 and 12** will take place tomorrow, **Feb. 12th**
- the opening/closing of the Voting (Feb 15/Apr 10) and
- the publication of the Ballot results (Apr 13).

NOTE: Information, updates and recordings, regarding proposals and Town Halls will be posted at:

<http://acawso.org/bpc/>

If you are interested in being a member of this Committee, please email us at bpc@adultchildren.org.

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