Publishing Committee Monthly Report June and July 2023

Purpose:

To create a WSO Publishing Committee that will centralize and direct all publishing activities, and ensure efficient, affordable delivery of literature to the entire world fellowship, with consistent business practices and oversight.

Committee Members:

Chair: Sue V. Members: Bill D. (General Manager), Markus S. (Staff/Sweden), Ralph B. (Literature/Vice Chair Lit Eval), Marcin C. (UK/Poland/European Committee/IT), Shangreila S. (Chair Global/India), Marion M. (UK/Global), Barb S. (Vol Publishing Admin)

Guests: Marianne S. (Norway), Vanessa (NJ/Literature subcommittee), Eirini (US/Greece), Laura L. (VRC Co-Chair, Regions IG Chair), Sharon C. (PR, Translations Co-Coord), Toni P. (US, Ready Set Go)

Publishing Committee Meets: Fridays (every 2 weeks), 9:30 am ET, 6:30 am PT, 1:30 pm GMT, 2:30 pm BST, 3:30 pm CET, 3:30 pm SAST, 7:00 pm India

Translation Subcommittee Meets: 3rd Wed of the month, 1 pm EDT, 7 pm CET

*All are welcome to attend. Committees Calendar | ACA WSO

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Activities & Accomplishments:

- 1. Publications: We are working on Big Red Books for Castilian, Swedish, and Lithuanian languages. We received ten thousand copies of the LPG from our printer in India. We delivered Loving Parent Guidebooks to the South African intergroup and Yellow Workbooks to the Swedish intergroup. We set up translation licenses for Spanish and Japanese intergroups. We conducted a survey to determine which Spanish versions our fellowship wants. Translation projects are nearing print production.
- **2. Accessibility with our Publications:** We continue to increase accessibility with ebooks by converting past translated books to ebooks as the funds allow. We continue to discuss and work on publications for Latin America groups.
- **3**. **International Literature Scholarship Fund:** We have started to discuss whether it is possible to expand the fund to include translation when using a professional translator.
- **4. Intellectual Property- Copyright**: The General Manager discussed the ACA logo being rejected by Australia. More financial analysis is required due to costs. We worked with a couple of Intergroups with copyright notices for meeting handbooks being sold locally.
- **5. Translations:** The Translations Subcommittee webpage is under construction and will be updated with the new translation guidelines and workflow. We are asking the Literature Committee for the English glossary to be expanded to include definitions for the translation groups as it can be challenging to provide an accurate translation at times. We have also asked for an updated glossary with all new publications moving forward.
- **6. Literature:** The board has asked our committee for a recommendation for Ready Set Go (RSG) publishing. We are discussing options of ebook and print. The RSG team is working to include the Lit Eval recommendations of spiritual inclusion in the updated book for publishing. We will also be reviewing policies and procedures with literature and publishing and report back with suggestions.

- **7. Audio recordings:** We continue to receive requests for audio books. We have had to pause this activity until there are sufficient funds in the budget and volunteers to support the project.
- **8. Website:** Updating the website for Publishing Cmte. continues to be on our priority list. Our publishing admin volunteer has started working on this project.
- **9. Volunteers:** We welcome additional volunteers to join the Publishing Committee and Translations Subcommittee. We need support on audio recordings, writing projects, volunteer coordinator, and other admin duties.

Join our open slack channel, # publishing_open_forum if interested to learn more and keep informed on publishing projects and # literature_translations on volunteering to support our translation groups around the world.

Please use our intake link for requests for approved English and Translated ACA literature: Intake for Publishing Requests: https://acawso.org/publishing intake

Questions for the publishing staff can be emailed to pubstaff@acawso.org.

To volunteer in providing translation support to our international translation groups, contact: translations@acawso.org

For International Intergroup Print requests: https://adultchildren.org/international-literature-order-request-form/

Questions for the Committee & Offers to Provide Service:

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