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Motion 11109003: Cut-off Date for Ballot Submissions

Motion 11109004: Letter to Clarify the Difference Between GSN and IWSO

Motion 11109005: Allocation for Counsel for Cease and Desist Letters

Motion 11109006: Determination of Process to Hire New Office Personnel
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January 1990

Motion 01129001: Editing of Group Conscience Items for Ballots
When a Group Conscience item has passed, it is acceptable to edit for clarification with the author’s consent for the next ballot.
Vote: M/P

Motion 01129002: Maintenance Agreement for Copier
To pay for an ongoing maintenance agreement for the copier for three years at a cost of $150.00.
Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion 01129003: Purge of Meetings
That any meetings listed in the computer that have no mailing address and which have not contacted our office since December of 1987 be purged from the computer files.
Vote: M/P

Motion 01129004: Incorporation Discussion
To un-tabble the Incorporation items discussed at the December meeting.
Vote: M/P

Motion 01129005: Items for Inclusion in the Group Conscience Survey
To include on the Group Conscience Survey, items 1, 2, 3, and 4 as presented by the Incorporation Committee in November. That the items be amended to read as statements, removing references to the articles, etc. and Bylaw References.
Vote: M/P
Motion 01129006: Send Members to the San Diego Convention
That we send two people to the San Diego Convention and pay the registration fee, not to exceed $68.00.
Vote: M/P

February 1990

Motion 02109001: Reimbursement of Minnesota Intergroup
To reimburse the Minnesota Intergroup $349.69 upon receiving hard copies of their receipts for the expenses incurred in conducting the APACA Chair Election.
Vote: M/P

Motion 02109002: Payment of Bill Submitted by APACA
That the $289.72 bill submitted by APACA be paid upon receiving hard copies of their receipts.
Vote: M/P

Motion 02109003: Removal of Items from the Group Conscience
To remove items 6 and 7 from the proposed group conscience submission on Incorporation.
Vote: M/P

March 1990

Motion 03109001: Establishment of Intergroup Committee
That an IG Committee be established for the purpose of providing communication between the board of trustees and IGs as well as providing a means of communication between IGs.
Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion 03109002: Intergroup Committee Policy Statement Development
That the Executive Board develop a policy statement addressing this issue for presentation to the Board for consideration at the next meeting.
Vote: M/P

Motion 03109003: Letter to Chair of APACA
That the Chair write a letter to the APACA Chair in response to the request of the APACA Vice-Chair asking for a position regarding Tom’s personal correspondence, stating the position of the board as discussed with a copy to the Intergroups
Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion 03109004: Payment *(unfinished motion)*
That $150.00 professional labor charges be paid, to
April 1990

**Motion 04149001: Approval of 1989 Minutes**
To approve the minutes for May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December 1989 *(The motion says 1990, but this does not make sense. Editor)* be approved as presented.
*Vote: CONSENT*

**Motion 04149002: Approval of 1990 Minutes**
That the minutes for January, February, and March 1990 be approved as amended.
*Vote: CONSENT*

**Motion 04149003: Acceptance of Right to Petition Statement**
To accept the proposed Policy and Procedure statement regarding the Right to Petition.
*Vote: M/NP*

**Motion 04149004: ABC Caucus Discussion of Right to Petition**
To present the Right to Petition proposal for discussion at an ABC caucus.
*Vote: M/NP*

**Motion 04149005: Right to Petition Effective Immediately**
Shall IWSO adopt the following Right to Petition to be effective immediately?
*Vote: UNANIMOUS*

**Motion 04149006: Presentation of Regional Areas**
That the Executive Committee present the regional areas for consideration to adopting the following trustee proposal for the purpose of inviting regional representation to serve on the IWSO Board.
*Vote: UNANIMOUS*

*The numbering of the following motions repeated as 04149005 and 04149006 in the original minutes. The person putting the motions together in 1995 left them numbered that way. The current editor (2023) corrected numeration.*

**Motion 04149007: Approval of “What is IWSO” Paper Including ACA History**
To approve the use of “What is IWSO” paper revised April 1990, including the unofficial ACA chronology/history until an official paper is created.
*Vote: M/P*
Motion 04149008: Payment for Meeting Guide and ABC Ballot Pamphlets
To pay $235.00 to Joanie M. for labor in the completion of the new International Meeting Guide.
Joanie for setting up the ABC ballot pamphlets.
Vote: M/P

1990 ABC on April 21-22
Results of the 1989 Ballot Reported with Motions

CM=Motion from the floor   B=Ballot   P=Passed   NP=Not Passed

April 21

B1: IWSO Board as World Service (this is an incomplete ballot)
That the IWSO Board located in Los Angeles, California Area, continues to act in the capacity of World Service...

B2: Continued Use of 1984 “The Problem” and Other Documents
That the Fellowship continue use of the 1984 version of “The Problem” and other variations (including characteristic, problem statements, laundry lists, etc.) until the Literature Committee can gather sufficient input to present to the ABC.
Vote: B/P

B3: Inclusive Language in Documents
Shall IWSO amend The Problem, the Solution, and other published literature to use language inclusive of all Adult Children seeking recovery from family dysfunction? (GCS item results were reported in the IWSO ABC Minutes/Newsletter/Comline published and distributed in August/September.)
Vote: B/NP

CM 04219001: Amendment of Agenda
To amend the prepared agenda by:
1. Special Order for the meeting after housekeeping announcement.
2. To delete times from the Treasurer’s Report through and including the Intergroup Reports, and also for Sunday to delete the word “Sunday” and date and times from caucus reports through closing.
3. To add New Business immediately prior to closing.
Vote: M/P
CM 04219002: Adoption of Agenda with Amendment
To adopt the agenda that was circulated in the delegate packets with one amendment that is:
Adding New Business prior to the close of the conference on Sunday.
Vote: M/P

CM 04219003: Approval of 1989 ABC Minutes
That the 1989 ABC Minutes be approved as submitted and published.
Vote: M/NP

CM 04219004: Postponement of Approval the Minutes from 1989 ABC
To postpone the above motion and discussion until after the Executive Committee Report.
Vote: M/P

CM 04219005: Quarterly IWSO Financial Report for Intergroups
That the IWSO provide a Financial Report to the IGs quarterly, and the GSRs bring back that report to the local groups, and that it also be published in the ComLine.
Vote: M/P

CM 04219006: Declaration that Ballot and GCS Be Considered Invalid
Due to the fact that this represents 120 meetings and that there are over 150 meetings in Chicago alone, and the Fort Worth/Dallas area got only one ballot on time; that this Ballot and GCS be considered not representative of the fellowship and therefore invalid.
Vote: BALLOT→M/NP  GROUP CONSCIENCE SURVEY→M/NP

CM 04219007: Suspension of Requirement for Board Service
(Correction of Number by the Editor 2023)
PROPOSAL: That we suspend the Bylaw requirement for attending 3 consecutive Board meetings for this motion:

That we nominate individuals from each of the suggested 9 Regions by members of the conference residing in or choosing to affiliate with those said 9 Regions; That we accept 9 from “At Large” that are willing to, up to that limit, 9 that are willing to do it on an At Large basis, right here, that we can accept on to the Board; That they participate on a committee, and that they will attend at least one (1) meeting every quarter and participate in the Teleconferenced meetings and the other things that go along with that, and that they will be elected here at the ABC, with the election being held tomorrow morning at 10:30 a.m.
Vote: ACCEPTED
April 22

CM 04229001: Acceptance of Regional Trustees
Motions were made and passed for the election of the following individuals to be placed as Trustees on the ACA/IWSO Board:
  
  **Region 1**: Gail M. (Calgary, Canada)
  **Region 2**: Eva M. (San Gabriel, California)
  **Region 3**: Alex R. (Phoenix, Arizona)
  **Region 4**: Gary M. (Omaha, Nebraska)
  **Region 5**: Rita R. (Chicago, Illinois)
  **Region 6**: Lori H. (Hartford, Connecticut)
  **Region 7**: Maureen S. (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)
  **Region 8**: Josie E. (Dallas, Texas) Represents the southeastern area of the United States
  **Region 9**: Claire Z. (Minneapolis, Minnesota) Represents areas of the world other than the United States and Canada.

Vote: 9 M/P

CM 04229002: Acceptance of At-Large Trustees
Motions were made and votes taken for 9 At Large Representatives to be placed on the Board. Those receiving the most votes were placed on in that order. This process was to take all nominations and then place those receiving the most votes on the Board up to a maximum of 9. Twelve individuals were nominated. Eleven received passing numbers and one received a “no” vote. The nine individuals placed on the Board at that time through this process were:

Monte L. (Omaha, NE)  Judy S. (New York City, NY)  George M. (Hartford, CT)
Jen J. (Toronto, Canada)  Tom E. (Chicago, IL)  Peter G. (Chicago, IL)
Mary I. (Calgary, Canada)  Mark L. (Hartford, CT)  Jan K. (Hartford, CT)

Vote: M/P

CM 04229003: Acceptance of APACA Report
*Correction of Number by the Editor 2023*
To accept the APACA report as read, voting on item by item in the report.

Vote: M/NP

CM 04229004: Creation of Unified Network Through APACA
To accept the APACA recommendation that the movement establish a unified network and approach to WSO for ACA through APACA.

Vote: M/NP
CM 04229005: APACA Committee Reporting to IWSO
That APACA be a committee that reports to the IWSO.
Vote: M/NP

CM 04229006: Tabling of APACA Report
To table the APACA report until the next convention.
Vote: M/P

CM 04229007: Dissolving of APACA
To dissolve the APACA committee.
Vote: M/P

CM 04229008: 1992 ABC Location
That the 1992 ACA/IWSO ABC Convention be held in Minnesota.
Vote: M/P

May 1990

Motion 05149001: Member Payment for Teleconference
That the board members split the cost of this teleconference by the number of hookups; that a bill will be sent to each board member for their portion of the cost.
Vote: CONSENT TO AMENDED MOTION

Motion 05149002: Table Discussion of New Board Member
To conclude and table the discussion about bringing on a new board member at this time.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 05149003: To Accept New Board Member
That Scott G. be brought on the board to serve as a Trustee at this time.
Vote: M/P

June 1990

Motion 06099001: Payment of APACA Expenses
That Peter G. be paid $150.00 he had requested toward the APACA expenses and that the balance of $721.78 be paid to the Humbolt IG for APACA Committee expenses
TABLED
Motion 06099002: To Table Motion 06099001
To table motion 06099001 until this issue can be clarified and the data collected.
Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion 06099003: Trademark the ACA Logo
Trademark the ACA logo: To ask Joanne to complete this task, that the Executive Committee establish preliminary guidelines for review by the board at the next meeting.
Vote: M/P

Motion 06099004: Table Motion 06099003
To table the previous motion until all information could be gathered and presented regarding costs, etc.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 06099005: Acceptance of Board Member
That Michael S. be voted onto the Board.
TABLED
Vote: M/P (15 July 1990)

Motion 06099006: Table Motion 06099005
That the previous motion be tabled until the issue of limiting board membership is discussed.
Vote: M/P

July 1990

July 14

Motion 07149001: Approval of April Minutes
That the 14 April 1990 Minutes be approved as amended
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149002: Approval of May Minutes
That the 14 May 1990 Minutes be approved as amended.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149003: Extension of Committee Meeting Sessions
To extend the committee meeting sessions from ½ hour to 1 hour. Amended.
Vote: M/P
Motion 07149004: Change in Agenda
That the discussion for election of Treasurer and Finance Committee, and APACA be moved, to be taken care of under the Treasurer Report; that the Secretary items IWSO paper revised draft, Newcomers’ Packet, be moved to Literature, and the Logo discussion moved to Literature; unlimited Board Membership before the break.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 07149005: Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report
That the Treasurer’s report be accepted as given.
Vote: CONSENT

Motion 07149006: Payment of Secretary Expenses
To pay the Secretary expenses as stated.
Vote: CONSENT

Motion 07149007: Table Discussion
To table this discussion.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 07149008: Letter to Humboldt Intergroup
That the Executive Committee direct a letter to the Humboldt Intergroup to refrain from using the term ACA World Service Organization as it is owned by this organization and they are in violation of its use.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 07149009: Commitment to Service
That all Board members be required to sign the Commitment to Service; that those people not willing to sign the Commitment to Service so state in writing why they are not willing to sign the Commitment to Service; let the information and reasons be published in the ComLine so that the fellowship knows exactly where Board members stand.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149010: Change in Agenda
To move to schedule old business to after the committee meetings.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 07149011: Discussion of Old Business
To end this discussion and move on with old business.
Vote: M/P
Motion 07149012: Movement of Issue to July 15
That this issue be moved to the first issue tomorrow morning on the agenda and that all those interested in drafting a motion to deal with this issue meet with Lori H. (Issue is not named. Editor)
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149013: Nominee Statement of Intent
Providing that there are no further nominations, that we give all nominees a chance to prepare a brief statement of their intent, if they so choose. They can give these statements prior to the actual election; that the election take place after the 10:00 A.M. break tomorrow morning.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149014: Trademark Logo and Copyright of Names
To trademark the ACA Logo and Copyright “Adult Children of Alcoholics” and “Adult Children Anonymous.”
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149015: Decision Not to Reimburse Humboldt Intergroup
That since the requirements for receipts had been made clear, that the guidelines and policy for future payment of expenses had been discussed three or four times with that committee after the first bills presented had been paid and that those had not been complied with; that the $871.78 not be paid, but that we pay $150.00 committee monthly expense and a letter be sent stating our position.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 07149016: Reimbursement of Humboldt Intergroup
To pay the $871.78 to the Humboldt Intergroup and close this issue.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 07149017: Reimbursement as Ballot Item Prior to 1991 ABC
That this matter (repayment of Humboldt Intergroup) be taken to the fellowship for resolution, by ballot prior to the ABC.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07149018: Missing

Motion 07149019: Missing

Motion 07149020: Attendance Credit for Meetings
That any individual in attendance with a Trustee at a meeting for the entire meeting, be considered “in attendance,” and announced as a visitor in attendance as such; and be
recognized as attending a meeting by the bylaw requirement.

Vote: M/P

**Motion 07149021: Establishment of Finance Committee**
That we establish a finance Committee to be headed by the Treasurer, the purpose of said committee is to include:
1. To review and report to the Board of Trustees of multi find-raising methods.
2. Budgets
3. To provide a backup for the duties of the Treasurer
4. To review and report on out-of-state Treasurer procedures.

**AMENDED**
Vote: UNANIMOUS

**Motion 07149022: Creation of Organizational Committee**
IWSO create a committee whose purpose is to study and evaluate the best way to establish a permanent World Service Organization.

Vote: M/NP

**Motion 07149023: Ballot and Group Conscience Survey Yearly Schedule**
Ballot and Group Conscience Survey Booklets will be sent out annually to all groups that register or update with IWSO between September 1 and December 31. These ballot booklets will be sent out before January 7. If any group does not receive their ballot booklet by January 21, that group can call IWSO to request a ballot booklet.

That ballot and group conscience survey items must be in by November 15, 1990.

**AMENDED**
Vote: UNANIMOUS

**Motion 07149024: Meeting Request to Register**
That by the end of August a request to register be sent to all the meetings in the database; that the newsletter carry the information; that the ComLine carry the information. That the Regional and Intergroup reps carry the information to the IGs to have all the meetings update registration in that window, so that they can automatically get the Ballot.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

**July 15**

**Motion 07159001: IWSO Position Paper**
That the IWSO Board agree to produce a Position Paper and distribute it to all registered meetings and IGs throughout the service structure. This paper would address what the IWSO is, what it does, and why. With special attention to clarifying perceptions currently
affecting the fellowship. A draft of this would be submitted to the IWSO Board for approval by the August teleconference.

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159002: Trustees Causing Disunity in the Fellowship**
That when an individual brings to the attention of the IWSO concerns that a Trustee is involved in disunifying activities, the IWSO immediately add this item to the next meeting agenda and make a determination if the Trustee is acting against the purposes of the IWSO. If this is determined, then the Trustee be asked to resign from the IWSO. That it first go to the Executive Committee for investigation so that the board is not having to deal with a lot of unfounded allegations.

**Vote: M/NP**

**Motion 07159003: Co-Chair for Vice-Chair of Board**
That the board accept the Co-Chairs for the duration this term.

**NO SECOND/MOTION DIED**

**Motion 07159004: Ratification of Co-Chair for Board Vice-Chair Position**
(*Numeration corrected by Editor 2023*)
That the Board ratify Tom E.’s request that Alex Co-Chair the position of the Vice-Chair

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159005: Dropping Attendance Rule for New Trustees**
That we drop the rule of attendance for the 18 Board Members elected at the ABC and fall back to the Bylaws to prevail for all members.

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159006: Motion 06099005, Addition of Board Member**
That **Motion 06099005**, previously tabled, to accept Michael S. onto the Board, be acted upon.

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159007: Acceptance of Board Member**
That Fred B. be voted on to the Board.

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159008: Vacation Pay**
To pay five days’ vacation time to Carolyn.

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159009: Salary for Replacement Worker**
To compensate Donna $7.50/hour to cover during that time.

**Vote: M/P**

**Motion 07159010: Rename Incorporation Committee**
That the “Incorporation Committee” be renamed the “Bylaws Committee.”
Motion 07159011: Copyright Designation on International Meeting Directories
That all the International Meeting Directories include the phrase: © COPYRIGHT... (as appears at the top of the meeting minutes).
Vote: M/P

Motion 07159012: Adoption of Donation Limit Bylaw
Move to adopt as Bylaws, Article 7, Section 4(A):
Individual members of ACA will be allowed to donate up to one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) per year, whether in money or value of goods to the IWSO.
Vote: M/NP (Bylaw changes require a 2/3 majority)

Motion 07159013: Adoption of Death Bequest Bylaw
To adopt Article 7, Section 4(C):
There are no maximum limitations on unconditional death benefits or bequests from an estate of an ACA member to the IWSO. Amended.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07159014: Change in the Agenda
That we move the rest of Scott G.’s items to the end of the agenda.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07159015: Name of Newsletter
That we motion to name the newsletter the Interim World Service Organization Board of Trustees Newsletter and ComLine, must be approved by the Executive Committee. (This could also mean that the newsletter is to be named Interim World Service Organization Board of Trustees Newsletter, and that the ComLine must be approved by the Executive Committee. Editor)
Vote: M/P

Motion 07159016: ComLine Yearly Budget Presentation
That the ComLine Chairperson will present a yearly budget to the Board of Trustees for approval.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07159017: Name Regulation for Comline Chair
(Name correction by Editor 2023)
That the ComLine Chairperson not be called an “Editor” or “Publisher”...lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
Vote: M/P

Motion 07159018: Bulk Rate Federal Number for Mailing
That the bulk rate Federal number for mailing be made available to all Trustees to use in order
to keep the costs down.

Vote: M/NP

**Motion 07159019: Mailing Reimbursement for Regional Trustees**
That the IWSO support Regional Trustees with a reimbursement of costs involved in a one-time only mailing to those in their area.

Vote: M/P

**Motion 07159020: Regional Reports**
That in the future, Regional Reps put a report together in writing for the next mailing, so that all these items would already be out. So then, if there are motions on the floor, then they would be open for discussion and not limited.

Vote: M/P

**Motion 07159021: Secretary to Contact Trustees Not in Attendance**
That the Secretary contact those not in attendance and appraise them of the motion, present a **Commitment to Service**, for signature, and request in lieu of signing same, that a paper be submitted in accordance with the previous **Motion 07149009**.

Vote: M/P

**Motion 07159021: Table Bylaw Amendments**
Bylaw amendments by Scott G. be tabled.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

**August 1990**

**Motion 08119001: Approval of Amended Minutes**
That the 14 April 1990 (corrected), 9 June 1990, 1990 ABC minutes all be approved as amended.

Vote: CONSENT

**Motion 08119002: Payment of Expenses**
To pay these expenses presented to the Treasurer needing board approval for payment.

Vote: CONSENT

**Motion 08128903: Ballot Committee**
To set up a Ballot Committee to be composed of Trustee and at-large members of the fellowship.

AMENDED BELOW

**Motion 08128904: Formation of Ballot Committee**
That we set up a Ballot Committee composed of trustees and at-large members, and that the Ballot Committee’s Statement of Purpose is:

*To set up procedures for eliciting, preparing, distributing, counting and reporting ballot and Group Conscience Survey items.*
Motion 08128905: Committee for APACA Expense Reimbursement
That we for an Ad hoc Committee to prepare and present to the board a final version of the ballot concerning the Humbolt APACA expense reimbursement request.
Vote: M/P

Motion 08128906: Table Bylaw Motions
To table bylaw motions until the next quarterly in-person meeting.
ILLEGAL MOTION

Motion 08128907: Adoption of Bylaw Concerning Committee Chairs
To adopt as Bylaws Article T, Section 5:

> Beginning with the ABC in 1991 the Committee Chairs shall be elected by the Board of Trustees; in the event of the resignation of a Committee Chair, the Chairperson may appoint an Interim Committee Chair, and will place as “Old Business” the election for the Committee Chair.

Vote: M/NP

Motion 08128908: Issuance of Newsletter Without Review
To issue the Newsletter, since it is too late, as reviewed by the Secretary, for this one issue only without having to submit it for review to the Executive Committee.
Vote: M/P

September 1990

Motion 09089001: Agreement to Seek Legal Advice
That we continue along the path of seeking legal advice and follow that legal advice when it is received.
Vote: M/NP

Motion 09089002: Adult Children Anonymous GSNO
That a negotiating team be formed to discuss issues with the Adult Children Anonymous General Service Network Organization.
Vote: CONSENT

Motion 09089003: Membership of Negotiating Team (ACA GSNO)
That an impartial third party from within the fellowship be used for such a meeting or negotiation, to be accepted by both organizations.
Vote: M/P

**Motion 09089004: Commitment to Service Motions**
To table the Commitment to Service motions made at the July meeting.
Vote: M/P

**Motion 09089005: Invitation to APACA**
That in keeping with recovery we exercise the 9th Step and send a letter to the former APACA members and invite them to participate in the ACA/IWSO service structure.
Vote: M/P

**Motion 09089006: Mailing Strategy for APACA Invitation**
To include the APACA mailing packet with another mailing to lower costs.
Vote: CONSENT

**Motion 09089007: Newsletter**
That the newsletter go out on a monthly basis, to all groups and to all ComLine subscribers.
AMENDED
Vote: M/NP

**Motion 09089008: Answering Machine**
To purchase a new answering machine, the cost not to exceed $150.00.
Vote: CONSENT

**Motion 09089009: Substitute Pay for Absence of Paid Workers**
That if the Office Chair needs to come in to cover the absence of one of the paid workers, they be compensated for that time at the rate of pay received by that worker.
Vote: CONSENT

**Motion 09089010: Approval of August 1990 (Minutes?)**
Approval is requested for August 1990.
Vote: CONSENT

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**October 1990**

**October 13**

**Motion 10139001: In-Person Committee Reports**
That for In-person meetings Committee Reports be used to (the motion is cut off here. Editor)
Partial Motion/No Number: Using Group Conscience to Create Ballot Items  
*(The first part of this motion is missing. Editor 2023)*

...by the process of gathering group conscience in its meetings, submitted the item to the ballot preparation committee in writing signed by the group secretary or someone of the equivalent position *(edited for clarity)*. GCS items may also be placed on the GCS by a majority of the trustees of the IWSO. Any GCS which is passed by a 2/3 majority vote of the groups responding will appear on the ballot the following year as a ballot item.

**Vote: CONSENSUS**

**Motion 10139002: Establishment of Region 10**

That Region 10 be established as Eastern Canada with the current At-large Trustee from that area established as the Region 10 Trustee Representative.

**Vote: CONSENSUS**

**Motion 10139003: Submission of Ballot Items**

That ballot items may be submitted by the GCS process above or by a majority of the trustees of the IWSO.

**Vote: CONSENSUS**

**Motion 10139004: Right of Refusal for Group Conscience Surveys**

That the Ballot Preparation Committee (BPC) have the right to refuse GCS items for unclear wording, sexist, racist or otherwise oppressive language and to suggest appropriate changes to the items’ sponsoring group. The sponsoring group may then accept or reject the suggested changes. In any event, the item will appear on the ballot in the language decided on by the sponsoring group.

**Vote: NO CONSENSUS**

*Objection to Proposal 3 was raised regarding an item submitted in keeping with the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions, and if unwilling to alter oppressive or offensive language that the board had an obligation to not promote those items throughout the fellowship.*

*That while trusting that this issue would never come up, if it did, the board did not need to “protect” the fellowship, nor needed to have “final veto authority” over any item. That if items needed to be on the GCS and pass to then be on the ballot the next year and pass at the ABC, the offensive material would not be continued.*

*It was suggested that some “editorial policy” comment might work in a cover letter or introduction to the procedure as “operating within the 12 and 12” on the same piece of paper containing the information regarding the policy.*
Motion 10139004 (Amended): Introduction to GCS Submission Guidelines
To include the following statement as part of the introductions prior to the “How to Submit” guidelines:

“We recognize that our program operates within the spirit of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and that we must exercise judicious behavior in being of service to our fellowship. We encourage all submissions to strive to embrace the needs of our fellowship as a whole.”

Vote: CONSENT

Motion 10139005: Deadline to Receive GCS
GCS must be received by the BPC by the cutoff date of December 3.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139006: Response to Groups Sending GCS
The BPC will write a cover letter within 4 days explaining the ballot item procedure and a form to be used to send in a GCS item. BPC will send these and a meeting registration form to each registered group and intergroup. It will be sent to the group by 4th class bulk mail, and to the Intergroups by first class mail. Michael volunteered to word process it. The projected cost would be around $300.00 - $375.00.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139007: Maximum Length of GCS
The maximum length for a GCS item will be 500 words, including both the proposal itself, history of the issue involved, and arguments in favor of the proposal.
Proposal 7: For the GCS in 2990, no additional arguments, no additional arguments— for or against—any GCS item will be solicited, or distributed by the BPC.
Vote: NOT RECORDED (Editor 2023)

Motion 10139008: Advance to Produce ComLine
Request a $500.00 advance for producing the ComLine.
   a) After 3 months, if it was excessive, she would return the excesss to the IWSO.
   b) With the agreement that each month they would submit receipts for reimbursement to replenish the $500.00 balance.
Vote: CONSENT
Motion 10139009: Review Changes for ComLine
That the ComLine not have to be approved by the Executive Committee prior to publication, but will have 3 members of the board review it by fax with a one-day turn-around.
Vote: AGREED WITH RESERVATIONS

Motion 10139010: Addresses of ComLine Subscribers
That the IWSO Office Committee provide the addresses of subscribers. Made by Josie.
Vote: AGREED TO BY OFFICE CHAIR

Motion 10139011: Deadline for Submissions to the ComLine
That all items for publication be submitted 2 months in advance.
Vote: CONSENT

Motion 10139012: Deadline Dates for Next Four ComLines
For the first 3 [sic] publications the deadline for November edition (1st) would be October 17. December’s issue would be November 1; January’s would be November 15th; February would be December 1.
Vote: CONSENT

Motion 10139013: Money for Computer Repair
That up to a maximum of $200.00 be approved to check out and repair the broken-down computer; that Scott G. and/or Michael S. would do the work.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139014: Reimbursement for Newsletter Printing
Request reimbursement of $225.00 for cost of printing the newsletter
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139015: No Motion

Motion 10139016: No Motion

_motion 10139017: Letter Concerning 1990 ABC
Send another letter to Connecticut stating the same request regarding the 1990 ABC.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139018: Letter Concerning Teleconference Expenses
That Scott be requested to send a letter to be sent to all the trustees regarding teleconference so they can get paid.
Motion 10139019: Reimbursement Record Form Procedure
That a new procedure be implemented for an acceptable expense record form to be used for reimbursement of committee expenses, and be submitted with a photocopy of receipts or cancelled check copies, based upon approval by our accountant.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139020: 7th Tradition Contribution Suggestion
That the IWSO newsletter clarify the new suggested ACA 7th Tradition contribution method to state that the suggested 60/40 idea was to apply only where there was no regional service structure. Where there is such a structure, the suggested method would be 60% to the local IG, 30% to the regional structure where one exists even if on an interim basis. If there is no Intergroup, any 7th Tradition contribution would be made to IWSO.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10139021: November Teleconference of Finance Committee
That the Treasurer or Chair in the absence of the Treasurer, hold a November teleconference of this committee. *(Edited for clarity 2023)*
Vote: CONSENSUS

NOTE: It was recognized that the Board does not approve or review what any group prints regarding a convention that is held in conjunction with the ABC; however, we did hold review and approval of the page that announced the business meeting. This was to keep any tapes, speakers, or books, etc. from appearing to be endorsed, promoted, or affiliated with ACA WSO.

October 14

Motion 10149001: Unclear Topic
That it had been approved by the Board Chair by telephone. While not having been reviewed, it was the matter of principle: it may be great and acceptable, but the objection was to the precedent being set.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 10149002: Funds for Attorney
Request approval for funds for the attorney, but to date, we had not been billed. He also recommended that we utilize this attorney to rework and file any other items required with the copyrights. AMENDED: Not to exceed $800.00. Further to see if we could put out a call for a volunteer legal person to do this, as we might not have funds to spend this way.
WITHDRAWN
Motion 10149003: Submission of Ballot Items
That the secretary be given an advance of $250.00 that would be drawn against and replaced as used for postage, etc. upon submission of acceptable receipts.
Vote: CONSENSUS

November 1990

Motion 11109001: Mailing of San Diego Convention Flyers
That the office mail the San Diego Convention flyers for San Diego, using ComLine labels only, and San Diego will incur the cost.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 11109002: Table Decision-Making Process for ABC
To table the decision to use the consensus making decision process in the ABC until after the January meeting.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 11109003: Cut-off Date for Ballot Submissions
That the cut-off date, where all submissions must be in to the Ballot Committee and/or office, be December 30, 1990 rather than December 3, 1990.
Vote: CONSENSUS

Motion 11109004: Letter to Clarify the Difference Between GSN and IWSO
That the Executive Committee draft such a letter that is clear and concise, that the GSN is an alternate World Service Organization, a separate entity from the ACA service organization. That any 7th Tradition funds that go to them are not a responsibility of this organization. That it would be a decision of each meeting as to who they choose to affiliate with and include a pamphlet of IWSO with the letter. Mailed separately from any other mailing in an expedient manner.
Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion 11109005: Allocation for Counsel for Cease and Desist Letters
That in the interest of representing the fellowship we contract with counsel as discussed previously and allocate $1500.00 for an initial retainer to take decisive legal action to send out “cease and desist” letters to all parties associated with this GSN as named in their own documents, and that we implement this directly. That if we can get volunteer legal counsel, we will do that first.
Vote: PASSED
Motion 11109006: Determination of Process to Hire New Office Personnel
To empower the Executive Committee to go out and set a rate and determine who and how to hire new office personnel.
Vote: CONSENT

December 1990

Motion 12089001: Increase in Subscription
To increase the subscription of the “Local” to $10.00; “Canada” to $13.00 U.S.; “Foreign” $24.00 U.S.
Vote: CONSENSUS