Concept 2

Two Motions Will Be Presented, to Be Put to Worldwide Online Voting

- 1) Amend ACA Concept 2, for fellowship review & a 2025 final Conference vote
- 2) Extend and expand the scope of the Concepts study to finalize Concept 6 and review all 12 Concepts

This segment will introduce a motion to amend Concept 2

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The Heart of Concept 2: Who Speaks for the Fellowship?



Fellowship has 'Ultimate Authority,' But How Do They Express That?



Who Speaks for the Fellowship (or Groups)?

- AA=Conference
- Al-Anon=Conference (& Its Service Arms)
- A.R.T.S.=Conference
- DA=Conference
- OA=Conference
- SLAA=Conference

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CONCLUSION 1:

ACA Concept 2 should specifically reference the Conference as the voice of the fellowship—as other programs do.

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2 Additional Unanswered Questions

- 1) Who gives the Conference its authority to speak for the fellowship?
- 2) What do we mean by "voice/conscience of the fellowship"?

Conclusion 2: Concept 2 should answer these questions. Greater clarity will promote healthy boundaries and trust.

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Conclusion 3: The Conference's authority should be anchored in groups, IGs, and Regions. This matches our reality and many other programs' Concepts.

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Conclusion 4: The Conference should have representative authority, not just express opinions.

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4 Thoughts

- Makes Concept 2 clear, and grants the Conference real authority
- Clarifies where the Conference's authority comes from
- Introduces the question of the Conference's name—ABC is outdated
- We believe this change should involve an open, one-year review in which the fellowship can provide input.

Concept 2 Motion to Be Considered

1) MOTION: that, to support an Informed Group Conscience process, the following language be approved for subsequent consideration by ACA groups, and a final vote at the 2025 ABC as a replacement for the current Concept II (2):

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