

Minutes of ABC Committee Meeting

for March 15th, 2025 12:30-2:00 pm ET US

Meeting ID: 875 8291 3615 Passcode: ABC2022

Upcoming goal of the November QDM: Delegate led conference – ensuring *growth* and rotation of service strengthening meeting planning without burnout

Intro

1. Serenity Prayer -Start Recording

2. Introductions

Present: Marcus H, William G-B, Mary Jo, Kaz S, Dove, Jim R, Charlie, Denise R

3. Readings

A. Commitment to service

Concept III

4. Review and Approval of Agenda

Approved as written

5. Approval of Minutes March 1st

Approved as written

6. Business Agenda

1) Preparation for ABC

A) Timeline

a) March 15th motions are due

Motions that have been submitted at this time

Nominating Committee 1 motion

Sustainability Subcommittee 3 motions

WSO Board of Trustees 4 motions exact wording by March 20

Total all these motions could represent up to 13 hours of 16 hours ABC Agenda time. There will likely be Proposals from the Ballot process which usually take 90 minutes each.

b) April 5th draft agenda and reports due. April 10th Ballot Proposal results are published.

B) Agenda planning working group-

- a) Meeting times- will meet starting 3/20 Thursdays 10am EST
- b) Volunteers- Charlie, Mary Jo, William, Dove, Marcus and likely Carmen and Edmundas

C) Positions

- a) Request for paid secretary for ABC has been made to WSO Board. Unsure if Karin O has been contacted about volunteering again.
- b) Conference Facilitator- William G-B will join Carmen B and Marcus H as Co-Facilitators
- c) Professional parliamentarian- will do an educational yet to be scheduled
- d) "Delegate Guidebook"- Jim R volunteered along with Marcus H & Mary Jo. Others will be invited to join the team. The team was empowered to make day to day decisions about the "Guidebook"

2) Website

- a) Posting help wanted-volunteers –

Discussion that meeting the need for volunteers will become a long term goal for the 2025-26 Cycle likely lead by the Sustainability Study Sub-Committee.

3) Delegate engagement sub committee request for volunteers

Currently Delegate Engagement Subcommittee meets 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 11:30am-12:30pm EST however Saturdays now have multiple meetings. William G-B, Marcus , Carmen, Charlie will be on a scheduling Doodle to possibly find a better time to meet.

4) Slack

- a) 2025-2026 Delegate Information Channel and a 2025-2026 Delegate Discussion Channel
 - i. Cannot have a read only channel
 - ii. How are we going to notify delegates of changes to the channel?
 - iii. Guidelines for Participation
 - iv. Slack description for both channels

It was agreed to move non-announcement/information posts on the 2025-2026 Delegate Information Channel to the 2025-2026 Delegate Discussion Channel and make weekly announcements about the policy of having only announcements and informational documents posted to Delegate Information Channel. Delegates will be notified of changes to the current channels, with the moving current delegates to the Alumni channel and adding 2025 registrants to the above 2 Channels as they come in. Group assembled at last meeting of Carmen, Mary Jo and Kaz will work on Guidelines for Participation and Slack description for both channels.

5) Communication

Letter opening registration: include call for volunteers, delegate handbook info. Charlie volunteered to write a draft letter using last years letter as a reference. Marcus and possibly Carmen will interface on it as well.

6) Should Sustainability and ABC study give regular reports to this committee?

It was agreed to ask the committees to provide reports. Discussion was that this was to improve coordination and alignment among the committees. That any oversight would be with a “light touch” and there would be direct reporting to the conference by the committees.

Prayer lead out in thankfulness