Minutes ABC Committee Meeting

for August 2nd, 2025 12:30-2:00 pm ET US

Meeting ID: 875 8291 3615 Passcode: ABC2022

<u>Upcoming goal of 2025 ABC</u>: Delegate led conference – ensuring *growth* and rotation of service strengthening meeting planning without burnout

Intro

1. **Serenity Prayer -Start Recording**

2. **Introductions**

   Present: Carmen, Mary Jo, Laura, Pam, William G-B, Marion M, Dove, Marcus, Kaz

3. **Readings**

   A. Commitment to service

   B. Concept VIII

Group Conscience

Limit comments to 2 min

One comment per Agenda Item

Those that have not spoken are given priority

Request volunteer to act as timer

Active working Committee members discuss and vote (3 meetings in last 2 months)

4. Review and Approval of Agenda

Approved as written by unanamous acclimation

5. Business Agenda

1) Volunteer support/succession planning

    a) Report on a project for statistics on fellowship participation in info/ballot/delegate meetings

    Group has not met due to medical issues of some members.

2) September agenda

    a) Report back from Agenda Working Group

    b) Survey to delegates link

    A letter was presented that will go out with a survey asking delegates to rank topics for the September meeting. (See letter below at *)

Motion: That we send out the survey letter to all Meetings, Intergroups, Regions and Delegates. Only Delegates can vote on the survey with an area to identify Meeting Number for the voting Delegate. It will include some additional information to promote volunteering and being an observer.

Maker: Dove Second: Marcus

Passed: Unanimously- 8 Yes,0 No, 0 Abstentions

It is planned to be sent out in the next week after review by 2 Board members and will be posted on the ABC Committee Slack Channel for a day before it is sent out. There will be a 2 week window for surveys to be returned.

3) Report back from Joint Meeting of the ABC Committee, ABC Study and Sustainability Study Subcommittees

What is our preferred outcome as a committee?

Motion: That the Sustainability Subcommittee becomes a subcommittee of the ABC Committee and absorbs all the work of ABC Study Subcommittee except charter work and we recommend the present ABC Study Subcommittee becomes the Charter ad hoc Committee reporting directly to the Board.

Maker: Marion M Second: Kaz

Passed: 6 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstentions

This restructuring will require Board and Conference approval.

2) Triaging POIs

Marcus will put in a request to Board to ask Parliamentarian for information on what group and how they do the Triaging of points of order, information etc.

4) Report back from Motions Working Group link

Carmen, Dove, Marcus and Pam will meet soon.

a) Appealing chair ruling

b) Floor motion for 1 day delegate meetings

Motion: That we remove floor motions from items for the Motions Working Group to work on and replace it with a clear process for Delegates to bring urgent Conference agenda items to this Committee.

Maker: Carmen Second: Marcus

Passed: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention

The motions working group will develop a process for delegates to bring urgent agenda items to the committee

c) Voting on delegate meeting chair by conference

5) Posting approved minutes to the website

6) Delegate engagement

The committee will include delegate recruitment information in the upcoming survey email and in a follow-up reminder. Communications will specifically ask intergroups and regions to share information with their groups. The Committee will use Slack, Traveler, emails, and the webpage for commuications.

The Committee is looking to Delegates to take over Delegate engagement and education.

7) Delegate portal for September

Marcus will help and approach Jim R. Mary Jo to work on the Portal again.

8) Delegate communication

Prayer lead out in thankfulness

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Important survey in preparation for the September Conference Delegate Meeting (CDM)

Dear ACA Meeting Representative,

We are writing with important updates regarding ACA's upcoming Conference Delegate Meeting (CDM), which will be held September 27th, from 9 am to 5 pm eastern US time.

This is an exciting opportunity for your group to help shape the future of the ACA World Service Organization. Your group's voice is important to sustain our ACA fellowship's voice at the world service level.

With the passing of a motion at the ABC in May, the CDM may be a maximum of 8 hours. We have 2 hours designated for intro, breaks including lunch and outro. Therefore the rest of the agenda is limited to 6 hours.

Prior business postponed to September is estimated to take 3 hours and includes the following:

Proposal 13: Posting of Committee Minutes and Reports-70 min

Motion from Nominating Committee: Concern for Board Fitness Input form-60m

Report from Racial Trauma Group-20 min

Minority opinions for the following: 30 min

Proposal 1: Group contacts for meeting registration.

Proposal 9: Future changes to ballot proposal process requires conference vote

Board motion: Literature pricing policy

The following items are considered high priority items for the September CDM. There is 7 hours of work but only 3 hours of time left in the meeting. We have created the following survey *** to help prioritize the high priority items. The items to be prioritized include the following:

Motion: Appealing the chair ruling- 60 min

Motion: Any conference related changes to the OPPM must be approved by the conference 60 min

Motion: Conference scheduling principles 60 min

Motion: Fellowship group vote on concept 2- 60 min

Motion: ABC Committee/sustainability/charter restructuring 60 mim

Report from and feedback to the charter group 30-60 min

Volunteer Support for CDM- 20 min

Board report (including financial update)- 30 min

The survey also includes a question requesting any additional future CDM topics you would like discussed.

If you have questions please email us at abc@adultchildren.org.

In ACA service,

The ABC Committee Coordinators