## The ACA World Service Organization

# Rep Report for December, 2020

from the WSO Representative, WEB0120, Jim R.

This report highlights some of the recent initiatives at the ACA World Service Organization, in particular, developments that relate directly to our meeting. The report also features various online resources available to members and meetings and may announce opportunities to be of service to the WSO.

### The Monthly Board Meeting, Dec. 12, 2020

The Board of the World Service Organization holds a business meeting, online, on the 2nd Saturday of each month, open to all ACA members. Audio recordings of each meeting may be found at acawso.org

Here are some highlights that stood out this month:

- It is with a heavy heart that I learned of the passing of Board Member, Miles C. of Belleville, Ontario, Canada. He was a joy to work along side of at ACA Conferences in Toronto, Canada and Malmö, Sweden.
- The Archive Committee is developing a strategy for recording the oral histories for ACA and for Intergroups. They are offering suggestions on how to maintain archive material.
- The Public Services Committee is welcoming of volunteers. This committee brings the hope of ACA to people in hospitals and institutions. They also provide program information to recovery professionals.
- The Midwest United States, as well as Europe are working toward recognition as ACA Regions.
- Discussion raised by non-Board members at the close of the meeting included questions about the challenges of online meeting donations (Venmo/PayPal) as regards anonymity, as well as the possible development of an Intergroup for online meetings.

#### **The World Service Websites**

This section highlights either something from one of the websites, adultchildren.org or acawso.org, or the work of the Board or one of their Committees.

#### Monthly Board Teleconference

Information surrounding the Board meeting may be found at this link on <u>the Home page</u> of **acawso.org**, which supports the volunteer service structure of ACA.

For example, the following excerpts are from the November report from the Treasurer: https://acawso.org/2020/12/12/november-2020-treasurers-report/

#### P&L Actual to Budget

This report that shows us how we are performing monthly compared to the approved budget. Our Total Income of \$104,014 was \$7,470 or about 7% less than what we budgeted. Book sales were down in Signal Hill and slightly higher on Amazon against the budget. The 7th Tradition Contributions exceeding Budget by approximately \$11.5K partly due to one member's donation of \$5,000 and the request for more

contributions from members and groups. Traditionally end of the year giving is higher than other months of the year...

### 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Contribution Report:

WSO received \$22,959 in 7th Tradition Contributions for the month from members, groups, intergroups and regions, including an individual member contribution of \$5,000. There was an increase of \$2,070 total donations from prior month. A huge thank you to those who responded to the \$7 for the 7th program which was a request for each member to give an individual contribution of \$7 as a way to help celebrate ACA's 43rd Birthday coming up in January. As always thanks to those members, groups, Intergroups, and regions who contributed to help ACA continue to meet the growing need of the program throughout the world.

WSO has created an electronic 7th Tradition basket using Venmo@acawso for contributions from inside the US and can still also easily accept contributions worldwide in our online shopping cart at <a href="mailto:shop.adultchildren.org">shop.adultchildren.org</a>. We can also accept Zelle transfers by sending them to <a href="mailto:treasurer@adultchildren.org">treasurer@adultchildren.org</a>. Please let your fellow travelers know ACA depends on contributions to fund the rapidly expanding fellowship services' needs...

#### For More Information

In regards to the business of the Board and their committees, go to acawso.org

Or... write to Jim R. at <u>12steps4jimr@gmail.com</u> for more information about the WSO, the various committees and the opportunities to meet fellow ACAs and provide service to the organization.