

## ACA Morning Group Conscience Meeting

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### 1. Call to Order, Serenity Prayer and ACA Suggested Commitment to Service

### 2. August Agenda - Boaz

- a. *Motion to accept, seconded, no discussion, passed*

### 3. July Minutes and Motions

- a. July Minutes: <https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/SMR-GC-Minutes-draft-v1.0-2022-07-18.pdf>
- b. There were no motions beyond motions to accept reports, extend the meeting, close the meeting
- c. *Motion to accept the July meeting minutes: motion made, seconded, no discussion, all in favor, passed*

### 4. Reports

- a. **Treasurer's report** - Adam - <https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/SMR-Treasurers-Report-22-07.pdf>
  - i. In July, a SMR group record of \$1006 in member contributions was received! Additionally, a transfer from accumulated contributions in the SMR group CashApp fund of \$608 from January to July was donated to WSO. The CashApp funds were transferred by Adam K by request per July's Group Conscience motion. This month, \$900 was disbursed to WSO General Fund, and an additional \$300 disbursed to WSO International Literature Scholarship Fund
  - ii. There may not be in person conferences again. Okay not to squirrel contributions away for attendance at in-person conferences
  - iii. *Motion to accept Treasurer's report: motion made, seconded, all in favor, no opposition*
- b. **Webmaster report** - Conrad- [https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/SMR\\_Website\\_Aug2022.pdf](https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/SMR_Website_Aug2022.pdf)
  - i. Fewer views but first view of the feelings wheel
  - ii. Motion to accept, seconded
    1. Discussion: there have been some error messages going to the treasurer's email related to the contact form. Seem to have stopped. Will forward to the webmaster.
  - iii. *Motion to accept Webmaster report: motion made, seconded, all in favor, no opposition*
- c. **Service Descriptions** - Paul KF
  - i. Not present, no report
- d. **Communications Report** - Wendy - <https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/COMM-Report-Aug-2022.pdf>
  - i. Not much changes
  - ii. Adam being added to the tech host email

- iii. Have added access to [info@acamorning.org](mailto:info@acamorning.org) to those expected to be elected – Lisa and Joy
- iv. Had a meeting and expanding how we see the role of communications; very exciting, seeing this as a hub...not just responding to emails
- v. **Motion to accept Communications Report: motion made, seconded, no discussion, passed, no opposition**

**e. Service Team - Jim**

- i. Newcomer Greeter “meeting” (after the meeting)
  1. Didn’t get a report together in time but will draft and post link
  2. Have been advancing work to provide more structure to the Newcomer Greeter portion of the after meeting; purpose, how to become a greeter; tech and other practices and optional script
  3. Link
- ii. Service on the 7’s – 7<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> of every month
  1. On the 17<sup>th</sup> issue came up, when do we know it’s time for another training? Perhaps we create a semi-annual event (January and June?). Will bring up more concretely in September. Thinking of a multi-day event that would have fellowship activities, trianigs on service, set time. Looking to have a committee approach to plan. Think that the set time (Jan and June) will bring structure to this service.
- iii. **Motion to accept Service Team report: motion made, seconded, no discussion, passed, no opposition**

**f. WSO Report – Vivian not present, no report**

**g. Zoom Safety Subcommittee – Pam**

- i. <https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/ZSSfinalrecs2.o.pdf>
- ii. **Summary (from link):** The Zoom Safety Subcommittee (ZSS) meeting was formed at the request of SMR Group Conscience for the purpose of exploring the potential expansion of the groups zoom utility for use by approved users interested to bring additional recovery meetings &/or similar recovery related programming to our community. A focused inquiry on the practical & logistical aspects of utilizing SMR zoom space without compromising the safety of the daily meeting was initialized on 6/1/22 and concluded on 8/13/22. The subcommittee met at least 6 times, invited additional members to participate openly and reported throughout the process to SMR group conscience for progress updates.
- iii. **Nine recommendations** were passed by the subcommittee and are now submitted to the full group for a group conscience vote (**see full list of recommendations being voted on in the notes at link above**). *Summary of recommendations:*
  1. Current meetings in operation under SMR’s zoom account (3 in total) can be ‘grandfathered’ in but no additional meetings to occur at this time.
  2. Timely review of internal service structures/process/procedures to assess groups fidelity to traditions & a mindful effort to operationalize consistent service delivery & remove barriers for incoming trusted servants as well as support current service team members (*see link above for full recommendation*)
  3. Boundaries meeting (currently meets at 9:00 am Fridays). Move to 9:30 and have them create an independent service infrastructure

4. Table any discussion supporting additional growth through meetings until February 2023
5. No additional subgroups to be allowed until which time SMR determines the kinds of boundaries are supportive of its healthy growth (*see full recommendation at link above*)
6. Follow up with Belgium & other local groups utilizing zoom to support their community's growth can be pursued while current issue is tabled.
7. Continue to work towards developing policy & procedures for potential future sub-groups (*see full recommendation at link above*)
8. Main priority for group currently is to study service structures for functionality/sense of safety & develop service policy & procedures to encourage and support healthy growth of our Global SMR Family to include an efficient, dynamic & healthy functioning service team.
9. Dissolution of ZSS as its purpose is complete

iv. **Motion to accept the report and the recommendations: motion made...**

1. **Discussion**

- a. Re: Boundaries meeting recommendation
  - i. Does moving the Boundaries 9 to 9:30 meeting on Friday need more people present? Do we need to go to them?
  - ii. Re: moving boundaries meeting, SMR should not be subservient to Boundaries. Boundaries participants are not here. Boundaries are free to have their own meeting / own group at 9:00 am. But if they don't show up to GC meetings, why should the same usual people be giving their service to folks to who don't show up
  - iii. This has been announced and the report/motion from this subcommittee have been up on the website
  - iv. Wouldn't fault the Boundaries meeting for not following instructions that we haven't given them
  - v. The Boundaries meeting recommendation says "Friday Boundaries meeting be moved from 9:00 A.M. to 9:30 AM *as soon as reasonably possible*" – the committee has put in hours and hours of work. Can we trust that we can find communicate with Boundaries meeting and agree on a time frame that allows them to get this done?
  - vi. Let's not make assumptions re: participation in the GC meeting, often it's during the week
- b. Re: taking a vote on the recommendations
  - i. We have made announcements between meetings in the past, before voting on something like this.
  - ii. A lot to take in, could wait and vote on the recommendations next month
  - iii. Suggestion to separate accepting the report from accepting the recommendations?
  - iv. This has been announced, the report posted for some time. It was announced that people should visit the website b/c things were going to be voted on.
- c. Re: advancing the work of the recommendations

- i. Some of the recommendations suggest more work continue and also one of the recommendations is to dissolve the committee – how will the work get continued if the committee is dissolved?
      - ii. Re: who would do the next steps – support the Zoom safety committee dissolving. We can create new committees from their recommendations.
    - d. Member called the question to vote...
  - 2. *Motion made to accept the Zoom safety subcommittee report and all of the steps and recommendations as policies to move forward: Motion made, seconded, passed, all in favor, no opposition,*

## 5. Old Business

### a. Elections – Communications Co-Secretaries

- i. Motion made to elect Joy and Lisa to these positions
- ii. Joy – have computer communications and spreadsheet skills to bring to the position (experience with Excel and Mailchimp for example). Excited and inspired by BRB - to give back to the fellowship that has brought me clarity
- iii. Lisa – this meeting has allowed me to “come home to safety” and want to participate in doing that for others. excited and feel have relevant experience and skills to offer in this time of growth for the meeting (which could easily double in next several years). Have a small business and energy to give in this time of growth
- iv. *Motion to elect Lisa and Joy as Communications Co-Secretaries: motion made, seconded, passes, all in favor, no opposition*

## 6. New Business

### a. For September GC meeting:

- i. Next steps from Zoom Safety Subcommittee recommendations (full recommendations found here, summary above): <https://www.acamorning.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/ZSSfinalrecs2.o.pdf>)

## 7. Adjournment and Serenity Prayer