

# ACA MORNING

## SAFETY POLICY STUDY GROUP (SPSG) MONTHLY REPORT

May 15, 2024

### APRIL/MAY SAFETY WORKING GROUP UPDATE

- **REMINDER:** Our regular meeting time is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month from 10 AM ET to 11 AM ET. The next scheduled meeting is Saturday, May 25, 2024. We welcome fellow SMR members who wish to attend; email [lisa.acamorning@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.acamorning@gmail.com) for the Zoom invitation.
- Since the last report, we have focused on these policies and guidelines:
  - **Personal Safety:** Purpose is to develop a policy with resources to aid the fellowship with maintaining personal safety, and in knowing when and how to notify Trusted Servants about issues of safety.
    - **Status:** Policy in development and should be completed for fellowship review and consideration in June.
  - **Website & Technology Policies:** We have been developing Website & Technology policies, procedures, and processes. This policy will be completed for fellowship review after the Personal Safety Policy has been completed, taken through fellowship review to Group Conscience vote.
    - **Status:** The SWG team will work toward completion after the Personal Safety Policy is completed.
- Status of two motions/votes in process for online commentary and polling:
  - **Images & Names (R1):** Due to Trusted Servant unrest with the wording on the script, we've opened a motion for comments and are now moving to a vote mid-May to approve or suggest changes to the phrase: "we ask that... *'You uphold the group conscience and Tradition 10 – that your background image, avatar and display name reflect no opinion on outside interests,' ...*"
  - **Use/Misuse of Contact List:** The SPSG raised a motion for a Townhall to discuss the late March misappropriation of the Contact List and any actions or preventative measures that should be put in place. This motion will be moved to a vote mid-May after the commentary period closes.
- Since the last report, no new safety issues have been reported to the SPSG committee.

### TRANSPARENCY & GROUP UNITY

- As the SPSG team is developing proposals for policies and processes, taking them through Town Hall Review Meetings and then, in a final (edited) form for Group Conscience vote, we are at the same time endeavoring to learn how to hold productive, Rules-of-Order meetings for healthy discussion of controversial topics. And to use a method that supports emotional sobriety by our 'best selves' (Inner Loving Parent). We are extremely eager for your feedback and your support during this process. Through these steps, it is our intention to keep the fellowship fully informed of all our activities. The ACA SMR fellowship will review and vote on acceptance for all safety policies established on behalf of our group.
- We endeavor to conclude our activities in 2024 after the Business Meeting meeting has been reorganized, handing off with a process in place to manage any future safety policy development on an adhoc basis.

Respectfully submitted,

(Attending) SWG Members: Lisa M, Jim R, Wendy, Vivienne C, Rene