

# An ABC Committee Report to The ACA WSO Board of Trustees

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*The ABC Committee coordinates the efforts of planning the Annual Business Conference and the ACA World Convention.*

The Report for April, 2018

Submitted by Jim R., the ABC Committee Chair, May 12, 2018

## HIGHLIGHTS FOR APRIL:

- Successfully produced the ABC and AWC in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Offered the committee's annual report which generated the acceptance of a motion to hold the 2019 AWC in Malmo, Sweden, in tandem with the 2019 ABC.
- Assisted the ComLine editor in identifying reporters and shaping articles for the ABC edition of the newsletter.
- Recruited ABC attendees to committee work, to assist in the selection of the 2020 ABC Host.

## RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Specific recommendations about the planning and production of the ABC/AWC will be offered in the month ahead.

## **The 2018 ABC/AWC**

### The ABC

- The Conference was attended by roughly 65 delegates, primarily from the United States and Canada. Denmark, Great Britain, Greece, Sweden and India, among others countries were also represented.
- The business conference was chaired by Miles C., of Belleville, Ontario. A local Parliamentarian, Mel, oversaw the proceedings, offering guidance when called upon.
- The conference, for the most part, was recorded and broadcast. The proceedings will be transcribed – timing uncertain at this point.
- Given the volume of committee reports, and the enthusiastic participation of the fellowship in attendance, the conference went long, ending at 7pm (instead of at 5pm) on the second day.

### The AWC Program

- The World Convention offered a rich program of speakers and workshops, well attended by over 300 ACA members. Additionally, there were attendees from Argentina and Germany.
- The volunteers of the Host Committee helped make everything run very smoothly.

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## **The Delegate Training Subcommittee**

- The subcommittee opened each day with a training session, designed to inform the delegates of the tasks of the day ahead and the proper procedures. Questions were answered.
- On the second day a mock motion was put on the floor to offer practice. It worked very well.

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## **The 2019 AWC**

- The search for a Host Group/Intergroup for the 2019 AWC has been suspended. This is due to the adoption of a motion to have the event in tandem with the ABC in Malmö, Sweden.