

Member Services - Virtual Subcommittee
Minutes - Monday, March 18, 2019 at 8pm Eastern

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Agenda:

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm with the ACA Serenity Prayer and a reading of the following Meeting Guidelines:

Our meeting operates under the following guidelines:

1. We ask that everyone on the call to introduce themselves.
2. This is a business meeting. If you have personal complaints about other individuals or meetings, please contact information@acawso.com.
3. Just like in meetings, speakers will be timed. Whether it's 2 or 3 minutes may depend on the topic and the number of people on the call. We can decide about that. But in all cases, we'll ask people to not speak again until everyone, who wants to, has had a chance to speak.

Introductions (also as others enter the call)

Sharon F (co-chair), David (co-chair), Kelle, Betsy

Business:

- Motion made by Neil (tabled from Jan 21st meeting) 2nd by Kelle - Create a Telephone Intergroup
 - Background Information
 - It takes at least 3 groups to form an Intergroup.
 - Intergroups are not a governing body, groups remain autonomous.
 - Some Intergroup websites that may offer ideas (current Intergroup listing) <https://adultchildren.org/intergroup-listing/>
 - Discussion
 - Some groups are hesitant to form an Intergroup because they do not see the value that would be added to their group; an Intergroup may not be effective for phone meetings.
 - Question - Can this committee continue to meet as a telephone meeting committee, without forming an Intergroup? - This committee was started by the 2017 ABC with the goal to be taken over by the community it serves. There hasn't been anyone attending from the online meetings; this committee has focused on telephone meeting issues and can continue to do so. The telephone community needs a connection to WSO.
 - An Intergroup would be a natural progression of this committee. There hasn't been anyone from this committee that has stepped up to chair and become the liaison to the Member Services Committee. If an Intergroup is

formed, it would still have a connection to the Member Services Committee, but under the Intergroup Subcommittee.

- Other committees of WSO do not have a focus to meet the needs of the telephone meetings.
 - There hasn't been a commitment from the telephone groups to participate on this committee on a consistent basis.
 - This committee is important because telephone meetings help focus on the issues of recovery and are valuable for many reasons. Telephone meetings help with those who may be isolated from the world of recovery, that don't have access to face to face meetings.
 - **There were not enough members present to vote to create an Intergroup; motion failed.**
- The group decided to meet again, on June 17th, to discuss the future of this committee.
 - This will give more time for other groups to join in service.
 - An announcement will be made in the Traveler.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm EDT with the Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting will be June 17, 2019 at 8pm EDT