

List of Motions Proposed/Considered at the 2023 ABC May 24, 2023

Notes

- In 2023, none of the ballot proposals were approved to come to the ABC for discussion/vote.
- 2023 ABC Analytics: 122 delegates registered: 102 from meetings, 18 from Intergroups and 2 from Regions. There are a total of: 2,617 active meetings, 103 Intergroups, and 2 Regions.

1. Motions PASSED with minority opinions COMPLETED

- a. To approve the minutes of 2022 ABC, Nov. 12 & Feb. 18 QDM (Quorum established at 68 delegates. Procedural hand vote: Passed at 60 delegates in favor and 0 not in favor. Note: Minority opinion and online voting not required)
- b. To request a six month extension, with a detailed update at the next Quarterly Business Meeting, to complete proposed revisions to Concepts 2 & 6, but to affirm that concept 2 will define the conference as the voice and conscience of the ACA fellowship. (Committee motion) Results of online worldwide vote: Passed at 96% in favor and 4% not in favor - see vote totals below:

I support this motion 64 votes 95.52%

I do not support this motion 3 votes 4.48%

I support this motion wins with 95.52% of the vote.

67 votes tallied and 6 abstentions

- c. To approve extending the ABC/AWC Study to provide recommendations without limitation, including:
 - Drafting a charter for the conference, and
 - Recommendations for changes in other areas, depending on availability of adequate resources, and
 - Separating the AWC study from the ABC study, creating an additional study as resources permit, and
 - that the delegates will receive regular updates until the study is completed.(Committee motion) Results of online worldwide vote: Passed at 91% in favor and 9% not in favor - see vote totals below:

I support this motion 62 votes 91.18%

I do not support this motion 6 votes 8.82%

I support this motion wins with 91.18% of the vote.

68 votes tallied and 5 abstentions

d. Ratification of the following for the Board of Trustees: (ABC motion) Results of online worldwide delegate votes:

- Brad H.: Passed at 91%

I am in favor	63 votes 91.30%
I am opposed	6 votes 8.70%

I am in favor wins with 91.30% of the vote.

- Dove H.: Passed at 88%

I am in favor	58 votes 87.88%
I am opposed	8 votes 12.12%

I am in favor wins with 87.88% of the vote.

66 votes tallied and 7 abstentions

- Fredrik H.: Passed at 97%

I am in favor	65 votes 97.01%
I am opposed	2 votes 2.99%

I am in favor wins with 97.01% of the vote.

67 votes tallied and 6 abstentions

- Sue V.: Passed at 94%

I am in favor	66 votes 94.29%
I am opposed	4 votes 5.71%

I am in favor wins with 94.29% of the vote.

70 votes tallied and 3 abstentions

- Tamara P.: Passed at 95%

I am in favor	59 votes 95.16%
I am opposed	3 votes 4.84%

I am in favor wins with 95.16% of the vote.

62 votes tallied and 11 abstentions

2. Motions PASSED with minority opinion PENDING

- I move to create a BIPOC working group to acknowledge the effects of racism and generational racial trauma on ACAs. Like the spiritual inclusion working group, this group would develop guidance for the literature committee and broader fellowship regarding issues that disproportionately impact BIPOC members and collaborate with the literature committee in the evaluation of completed projects and revision of other ACA literature to ensure issues of racial equity and racial trauma are addressed effectively.

(One of two top floor motions voted by delegates as urgent/need the attention of the 2023 ABC and passed via online voting)

Note: Following the ABC, the ABC Committee guided the Board to wait until after the August Quarterly Delegate meeting, when the minority voice is heard and the vote is finalized before implementing this motion. The rationale is this motion is still with delegates and the board should not undermine the process. The BIPOC group can continue informally gathering ideas and resources in literature and in the 2023 delegate channel.

3. Motion(s) NOT PASSED - Referred to the Board

- On behalf of the Ballot Preparation Committee, we recommend that the Ballot Proposal Process is suspended for one year while the committee is reorganized

and the delegates are tasked with developing a new process, as well as looking at other fellowship models for receiving fellowship input in partnership with the ABC Study Group.

(This was one of top two floor motions voted by delegates as urgent/need the attention of the 2023 ABC, yet after discussion, it was NOT PASSED to go to online worldwide voting with 56% in favor, which is under the 60% threshold - therefore it was referred to the Board). Results of vote during ABC:

On behalf of the Ballot Preparation Committee, we recommend that the Ballot Proposal Process is suspended for one year while the committee is reorganized and the delegates are tasked with developing a new process, as well as looking at other fellowship models for receiving fellowship input in partnership with the ABC Study Group (Mary Jo L.- IL712) PLURALITY

I am in favor of this motion as presented and want it sent to Worldwide Online Voting	41 votes 56.16%
I am in favor of this motion but would like minor changes.	22 votes 30.14%
I am not in favor of this motion.	10 votes 13.70%
I am in favor of this motion as presented and want it sent to Worldwide Online Voting wins with 56.16% of the vote.	

73 votes tallied and 5 abstentions

4. Floor Motions not Deemed TIME SENSITIVE (These were not voted as top two) - See prioritization in Reference section below.
 - a. I motion that the ABC be held the first full weekend in May beginning 2024 and the QBM be held on set dates beginning in 2024 perhaps in Feb. April, Aug and November. (Courbet A.IG 640)
 - b. I move that when complaints are made against WSO. Region, and Intergroup service boards, or meetings, that before any deliberations are held that the receiving service board inquire of the alleged defendant as to that entity's explanation of events. (Pamela M.- IG76)
 - c. I move that 65 autonomous women's meetings that were delisted on February 10, 2023, be re-listed until a committee and policy is created for delisting meetings in accordance with Tradition Four, Tradition Five, and the OPPM. The policy should also be approved by the Conference and comply with the OPPM for "establishing a consistent process...for consistency, transparency and trust" for addressing complaints (p. 79, APPENDIX XII, A. Fairness and Due Process, OPPM). (Cathy M. - Region 2)
 - d. I move that only the serenity prayer starting with "Higher Power grant me the serenity" be permitted to be spoken at any formally sanctioned public world wide meeting or conference. (David B.-AL0034)

- e. Move That: A Policy or Tech solution be created/amended to disentangle a meeting's ability to have a Delegate from whether or not a meeting is listed (or de-listed) on the WSO-maintained meeting list. (Josh W.-DC008)

REFERENCE

Floor Motion Priority Vote for Time Sensitive

Election Results for Floor Motion Urgency		
Please check all floor motion(s) that you deem urgent and need the attention of the 2023 ABC. *****		
Option	Votes	Percentage
I motion that the ABC be held the first full weekend in May beginning 2024 and the QBM be held on set dates beginning in 2024 perhaps in Feb. April, Aug and November. (Courbet A.-IG 640)	35	47.30%
I move that when complaints are made against WSO. Region, and Intergroup service boards, or meetings, that before any deliberations are held that the receiving service board inquire of the alleged defendant as to that entity's explanation of events. (Pamela M.- IG 76)	31	41.89%
I move that 65 autonomous women's meetings that were delisted on February 10, 2023, be re-listed until a committee and policy is created for delisting meetings in accordance with Tradition Four, Tradition Five, and the OPPM. The policy should also be approved by the Conference and comply with the OPPM for "establishing a consistent process...for consistency, transparency and trust" for addressing complaints (p. 79, APPENDIX XII, A. Fairness and Due Process, OPPM). (Cathy M. - Region 2)	31	41.89%
On behalf of the Ballot Preparation Committee, we recommend that the Ballot Proposal Process is suspended for one year while the committee is reorganized and the delegates are re-elected.	40	54.05%
I move that only the serenity prayer starting with "Higher Power grant me the serenity" be permitted to be spoken at any formally sanctioned public world wide meeting or conference.	9	12.16%
I Move That: A Policy or Tech solution be created/amended to disentangle a meeting's ability to have a Delegate from whether or not a meeting is listed (or de-listed) on the WSO-maintained meeting list. (Josh W.-DC008)	26	35.14%
I move to create a BIPOC working group to acknowledge:	39	52.70%
None of the above floor motions are urgent.	4	1.86%
Votes tallied: 215		
Abstentions: 1		

Floor Motions Not Discussed - Prioritizing Vote

Round 2	
I motion that the ABC be held the first full weekend in May beginning 2024 and the QBM be held on set dates beginning in 2024 perhaps in Feb. April, Aug and November. (Courbet A.-IG 640)	27.00 votes 52.94%
I Move That: A Policy or Tech solution be created/amended to disentangle a meeting's ability to have a Delegate from whether or not a meeting is listed (or de-listed) on the WSO-maintained meeting list. (Josh W.-DC008)	4.00 votes 7.84%
I move that 65 autonomous women's meetings that were delisted on February 10, 2023, be re-listed until a committee and policy is created for delisting meetings in accordance with Tradition Four, Tradition Five, and the OPPM. The policy should also be approved by the Conference and comply with the OPPM for "establishing a consistent process...for consistency, transparency and trust" for addressing complaints (p. 79, APPENDIX XII, A. Fairness and Due Process, OPPM). (Cathy M. - Region 2)	14.00 votes 27.45%
I move that when complaints are made against WSO. Region, and Intergroup service boards, or meetings, that before any deliberations are held that the receiving service board inquire of the alleged defendant as to that entity's explanation of events. (Pamela M.- IG 76)	6.00 votes 11.76%
After round 2, I motion that the ABC be held the first full weekend in May beginning 2024 and the QBM be held on set dates beginning in 2024 perhaps in Feb. April, Aug and November. (Courbet A.-IG 640) won with 52.9% of the vote.	
56.00 ballots tallied and 5 abstentions	

Link to Voting Results on Conference webpage: <https://adultchildren.org/conference/>