



ACA WSO Fellowship Group Vote Process

Informational Sessions

(03/22-23/2025)

Fellowship Group Vote Process

STEPS - Are for **individual personal recovery**

TRADITIONS - Are for personal recovery and for members **when working together
in service**

CONCEPTS - Are for personal recovery and for groups working together
in world service

*The Twelve Concepts keep our world services and groups focused on carrying a consistent
ACA message,*

(BRB, page 615)

WHAT is a Fellowship Group Vote?

- ❖ This is a vote across all registered Meetings, Intergroups, and Regions that was initiated by a Conference (ABC) approved motion.
- ❖ As guided by Concept I: *The final responsibility and the ultimate authority for ACA world services should always reside in the collective conscience of whole fellowship.*

WHY do we need Fellowship Group Vote process?

- ◆ Delegates at the 2024 ABC recognized that the matter of changing the fellowship's name required fellowship-wide voting.
- ◆ This is because there are certain matters that may fundamentally impact the future of ACA and therefore will benefit from a comprehensive fellowship vote.
- ◆ ***The Name Change is just the first one.*** There may be other items that will need to go beyond the Conference and directly to the Fellowship for review/approval. For example, approval of a Conference Charter or any updates to "Foundational Documents" such as Traditions, Steps, and Concepts.

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The Board is responsible to follow through on motions passed by the delegates

Prior to December 2024, ACA had no approved process to conduct a fellowship vote so the Board worked with the ABC Committees, other 12 Step World Services & our delegates

All of us are working together to create a fellowship process, and this is the beginning of the journey

Dec 7 QDM Results for Process to Implement Fellowship Group Voting

The delegates at the Dec 7 Quarterly Delegate Meeting (QDM) approved the fellowship worldwide online group voting process:

79.25 % in favour (42 in favour out of 53 votes)

Quorum was met.

Feb 1 QDM minority opinion was heard and no re-vote was required

Approved Fellowship Group Voting Process

- The Conference (ABC) will direct the board when to conduct a Fellowship Group vote via approved motion.
- A dedicated webpage with information and instructions about a vote will be created and sent to all groups.
- Each Registered Groups has one vote - with a unique link for voting.
- Groups will be given a minimum of four months to vote.
- Each vote will include a section for groups to state their reasons for why they voted one way or another.
- Substantial unanimity (>66.67%) is needed for a vote to pass.
- The results of the vote will be posted within two weeks after the voting closes and also emailed out to all groups.
- The voting results and next steps will be added to the next ABC/QDM agenda.
- Revisions to this process can only be made with Conference approval.

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Next Steps:

Mar 29-30 Informational Session for groups on the 1st fellowship group voting on the “Name Study” vote.

Recap of the approved fellowship group voting process at 2025 ABC

Q and A

Website for more information

<https://adultchildren.org/fellowship-group-voting/>