

Notes Delegate Telemeeting 3/2/2020

First Delegate Telemeeting of this service year.

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Serenity Prayer

Introductions

Board/Committee Updates - Martha Jean

- We are working towards getting literature available online in Kindle as requested at the last delegate meeting.
- Nominations for new board members have been made. Each nominee and their sponsor have been interviewed.
- A publishing/printer has been contacted in Great Britain and will begin publishing COSA literature soon to aid in the expense and time lapse issues we've had in the past.
- We are working toward a new website which should be available soon – hopefully before the convention.
- Registration is open for the convention!
- The outreach committee:
 - Is supporting several COSAs who are starting a meeting in their area;
 - Is translating the Twelve Step booklets into Spanish;
 - Is actively seeking sponsors for the list of new COSAs seeking a sponsor. The zoomroom has a meeting dedicated to matching sponsors with sponsees;
 - Is creating a Quick Start Guide to help new COSAs start a meeting without being overwhelmed by the pages and pages of the fantastically-helpful-but-incredibly-detailed Meeting Guide;
 - now has a COSA to SAA liaison.

Delegate Qualifications - Inge

What do we do at the Annual Delegate Meeting?

- Vote on the annual budget of the International Service Organization (ISO) of COSA
- Vote on new literature
- Hear proposals from delegates / board members
- Elect new board members (they do the business of the ISO of COSA)
- Discuss the ISO of COSA business of the past year detailed in the Annual Report

Delegate Sobriety Requirements:

It is suggested that Delegates have a minimum of one year in the COSA program. If all of the group members who plan to represent your meeting and attend have less than one year, a group conscience decision may waive that requirement.

Delegate Meeting Participation and Voting:

Our Annual Delegate Meeting is open to any COSA to sit and listen. However, only one registered Delegate per group or Intergroup will have voting privileges. While one person can represent more than one group, that Delegate **will have only one vote** (please inform your meetings).

Delegate Business Items/Forms:

If you would like to recommend and present a change or new request to the ISO at the Annual Delegate Meeting you must complete a Delegate Business Form and it must be received by the ISO no later than April 1.

To add a formal item to the agenda for the delegates to vote on, please fill out the form here: http://www.cosa-recovery.org/2019/Delegate_Business_Form.pdf
Time permitting, there may be an opportunity to add a question or comment on the day of the delegate meeting. However, with all the literature, there are a lot of items to vote on already this year.

Delegate Registration and Fee - Inge

Registration for the convention is now open; however, the registration for Delegates has not begun. More information needs to be gathered on this, and old/known delegates will be emailed. The Annual Delegate Meeting registration and fees are separate from the convention registration and fee. Delegate registration must be received by the ISO no later than May 10th.

The Fee for the Annual Delegate Meeting on Friday 5/22/20 is:

- \$70 if attending in person (includes lunch).
- \$15 if attending via videoconference (not in person; limit of 20 attendees) .

Note: There can be limitations when attending via videoconference due to the size of the room, equipment availability, etc. which may affect your participation. If you have any questions, please email delegateliaison@cosa-recovery.org

Delegate Responsibilities - Inge

What Does a Delegate Do?

- Serves for a two-year term:
 - This promotes continuity for 2 years, and then encourages new members to serve in this position after 2 years.
 - Traditionally, delegates have been year-round. However, after feedback from last-year's delegates, the delegate telemeetings are focused as preparation for the Annual Delegate Meeting at the convention.
NOTE: Most information from the board gets communicated via the COSA's In-The-Know emails, The Balance newsletter, or intergroup meetings.
- Represents their home group's group conscience at the Annual Delegate Meeting and throughout the year.
- Acts as a conduit for information between the ISO and their home group.
- Encourages written submissions to the COSA Literature Committee (the convention plans on giving a workshop on how to write for COSA).
- Informs their home group about financial & service needs at the international level.
- Encourages all members to be generous with their time, talent, and treasure.
- Participates on an ISO working committee.
- Follows the COSA Delegate Checklist.

Literature - Inge

- Some literature in development is currently available on the Literature tab of the website: <https://www.cosa-recovery.org/LitInDev.html>
 - FINAL drafts of all literature (about 14 items) will become available under the DELEGATES tab of the website soon (probably beginning of April). Inge will email delegates when those final documents are available on the website because those are the items delegates will vote on.
- The literature will require a YES or NO vote. Comments or details are not included; it is a pass/fail vote.

- Delegates can alert their groups when final literature is up on the website. In the past, COSA meetings have discussed literature to be voted on as a topic for the meeting or invited members after the meeting to stay and review. Delegates then serve as their meeting's trusted servant to vote.

Next Meeting

There is REPEAT of this FIRST meeting, with identical material, on

Delegate meeting #1 of 3

<p>Saturday, March 21, 2020 11am Pacific / 12am Mountain / 1pm Central / 2pm Eastern / 7pm GMT / 8pm British ST <u>Meeting info</u></p>
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The SECOND delegate meeting has 2 times available, which will be:

Delegate meeting #2 of 3

<p>Wednesay, April 1, 2020 6pm Pacific / 7pm Mountain / 8pm Central / 9pm Eastern / 2am GMT / 3am British ST <u>Meeting info</u></p>	<p>OR</p>	<p>Saturday, April 18, 2020 11am Pacific / 12pm Mountain / 1pm Central / 2pm Eastern / 7pm GMT / 8pm British ST <u>Meeting info</u></p>
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Action items:

- Email delegates when the delegate registration is open
- Email delegates when the FINAL literature items are available