

## **SAFETY WORKING GROUP (SWG) REPORT**

October 15, 2023

## SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER SAFETY WORKING GROUP UPDATE

- Our new meeting time will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month from 10 AM ET to 11 AM ET. The next meeting is on October 28, 2023. Any fellow SMR members wishing to attend should email <a href="mailto:lisa.acamorning@gmail.com">lisa.acamorning@gmail.com</a> for the Zoom invitation.
- In August, a need arose to develop a Predatory Behavior Policy. This policy development went through the full cycle of 1) development of draft by the SWG, 2) review at a full-fellowship Townhall meeting, 3) revisions by the SWG, to a 4) final Group Conscience Review and vote on August 27, 2023.
  - Status: the incident that triggered the need to finalize this policy/process was handled through use
    of this process and brought to conclusion in late September. The process flowed smoothly and the
    report and log file will be added to the website in the coming weeks.
- At the end of October, we'll be returning work in progress:
  - o **Images & Names:** to develop a policy and process that reflects the will of the fellowship, with regard to use of Images & Names for Zoom meeting attendee and trusted servants.
    - **Status:** the SWG made an initial proposal and has taken the input at a Group Conscience. We will be returning in early November with a revised proposal for consideration.
  - Website & Technology Policies: We have been developing Website & Technology policies, procedures and processes. We stopped mid-summer to focus on more immediate ACA SMR Policies & Processes. We hope to return focus and be ready for a fellowship-wide informational session review & commentary in October/November.

## TRANSPARENCY & GROUP UNITY

- As the SWG team is developing proposals for policies and processes, taking them through Town Hall Review
  Meetings and, then, in a final (edited) form for Group Conscience vote, we are at the same time
  endeavoring to learn how to hold productive, Rules-of-Order meetings for healthy discussion of possibly
  controversial topics. And to use a method that supports emotional sobriety by our 'best selves' (Inner
  Loving Parent). We are extremely eager for your feedback and your support during this process.
- Through the above tasks, it is our intention to keep the fellowship fully informed of all our activities.
- The ACA SMR Group will ultimately review and vote on acceptance for all safety policies established on behalf of our membership.

Respectfully submitted,

(Attending) SWG Members: Lisa M, Jim R, Wendy, Vivienne C, Chris T, Boaz, Rene