

Conference Committee Corner

Conference Charter Committee (CCC) and Chairs' Call Report

For this issue of the **F.W.S. Newsletter** the recently approved **Appendix H Form H-3 Conference Committee Project Progress** is provided below to report on the activities of the CCC. This format was used four (4) of the Conference Committees Chairs call on May 20, 2018.

Form H-3 Conference Committee Project Progress

Date - May 20, 2018

Reporting Period - February 18-May 20, 2018

Conference Committee Name/Abbreviation - Conference Charter Committee (CCC)

Conference Committee Chair - Rita H.

Conference Committee Vice-Chair - Jay G. and CCC/Chairs Call record keeper

Project Name - CCC facilitates ABC/M with BOT/F.W.S.; creates ABM Agenda, liaison for Conference to BOT/F.W.S.

Projects with Leader Name(s) – there are 8 active members on the CCC with 2 BOT members; BOT liaison – Bob G. BOT Chair and Rich K. BOT/Treasurer, observer (non-voting)

- Agenda Review Subcommittee (ARS) chair and ABM Agenda Editor - Phillip W.
- Conference Service Manual (CSM) Revision Work Group (RWG) facilitator Phillip W. – CSM2018 completed Jan 2018
- Conference Committees Chairs Call – facilitator Rita H., record keeper Jay G.
- ABM2018 Planning Committee (PC) – Rita H., Anthony C., and Ron G. members of the Conference with 3 BOT members, 2 staff and 1 Local Planning Committee (LPC) member = 9
- ABC/M Scheduling Work Group – facilitator Rita H., 3 members formed May 6th; 1st call May 14th next call May 21st
- ABC/M Delegate Mentorship – to be formed June 3rd

and Contact Information – on F.W.S. website for Conference Committees

Project Members Names Details provided upon request

Project Budgeted Amount This Year \$0

Project Expended Amount This Year \$0

Project Percentage Progress This Year – see Milestones below

Estimated Completion Date – CCC has many subcommittees/work groups that form/work throughout the Conference year (starts at the end of an ABM through the next ABM) to prepare for the ABC/M

Project Milestones

- CSM2018 update completed January 2018 and posted on F.W.S. website
- ABC/M 2018 forms/announcements completed/distributed January 22nd and posted on the F.W.S. website

- Appendix H update approved by the Conference Committee Chairs January 2018 and then the CCC March 2018; and new Form *H-3 Progress Report* may now be used for Chairs Call reports
- Increased Conference representation on the ABM 2018 PC: from 1 to 3 (2 CCC/1 CFC)
- Submitted IFD on Board nominations from the floor
- 2018 ABM Agenda Second Version distributed April 27th; motion passed to not post the Attachment with draft literature on the F.W.S. website but available upon request.
- Updates to the *Conference Committees Members List*: Nov 25th, Feb 3rd, Apr 8th and May 20th

Ongoing Monthly Activities – Discussions about CCC role in ABC/M-IRC bids, Concepts review, reports from BOT chair and Executive Director; consensus that the CCC fills the role of the former MRBOTC; preparing ABM Schedule 2018 and matching new delegates with 2nd year delegates.

Details regarding any matters that are hindering the completion project(s) and attempts made to obtain help. – NA

Call/Meeting Day/Time 1st Sunday of the month 11:30am ET
Call in # and Access Code - available upon request

In service,
 Rita H.,
 CCC Chair

Chairs' Call Report

Since the last **F.W.S. Newsletter Spring 2018** there have been two Conference Committees Chairs Calls on **March 18th and May 20th**. The calls demonstrate how busy and productive the fourteen (14) active Conference Committees have been this year especially with respect to draft literature on last year's and this year's Annual Business Meeting (ABM) Agenda. The ABM Agenda Second Version was distributed April 27th and is available on the F.W.S. website (slaafws.org).

There are sixteen (16) Conference Committees. Any member of S.L.A.A. may join one or more of these Conference Committees at any time by contacting the Conference Committee or the CCC chair via the F.W.S. website. The Conference Committees are:

1. Anorexia (CAC)
2. By-Laws (CBC)
3. Conference Charter (CCC)
4. Diversity (CDC)
5. Finance (CFC)
6. Hospital/Institutions (CHIC)
7. Healthy Relationships (CHRC)
8. Intergroup Communication (CICC)
9. Journal (CJC)
10. Literature (CLC)
11. Members Retention (CMRC)
12. Public Information (CPIC)
13. Service (CSC)

14. Sponsorship (CSPC)
15. Steps, Traditions, Concepts (CSTCC)
16. Translation/International Outreach (CTIOC)

There are two inactive Conference Committees: the CMRC for the last two years and the CHIC this year. However, a member with an interest in an inactive Conference Committee may restart a Conference Committee at any time. The ABC/M Schedule provides for three (3) meetings over three (3) days (Wed, Thurs and Fri) to conduct the annual business of a Conference Committee or to restart. Please see the Conference Service Manual (CSM) 2018 posted on the F.W.S. website for more details.

The Chairs passed a motion on May 20th permitting observers, volunteers and other members at the ABC/M to attend the Chairs face-to-face meetings on Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon. This is in an effort to provide members interested in joining a Conference Committee and/or becoming a Chair, Vice-Chair or Co-Chair the opportunity to see what goes on at the meetings of the Chairs of Conference Committees.

The written and verbal reports of Conference Committees continue to make it possible to update the Conference Committees Members List on a regular basis (Nov. 25th, Feb. 3rd, Apr. 8th and May 20th).

There have been a total of five (5) Chairs Calls: Sept 17th, Nov 19th, Jan 21st, Mar 19th and May 20th with one more July 15th. With the approval of the updated **Appendix H** this number will be reduced to three (3) calls vs. six (6) calls in between ABC/Ms which defines a Conference year (end of one ABM through the next ABM).

In service,
Rita H.,
CCC Chair

Conference Anorexia Committee (CAC) Report

The CAC has submitted "Anorexia 4,5,6,7: Working the Program and Not the Problem" for Conference Approval at the 2018 ABM. Thank you to everyone who sent their stories to be included. You and your ABM Delegate(s) will see the document as a motion in the 2nd Agenda. We are beginning to work on Anorexia 8 and 9. We welcome your stories about your experience, strength, and hope related to working on Anorexia through Steps 8 and 9.

Each month, our "First Responder" responds to questions sent to the FWS Office about Anorexia. We have also continued to work on website updates, and brainstorm about new projects.

The CAC has a consistent, dedicated membership of 12 people, and is always wanting others to join. If you identify with anorexia as part of your addiction, call in! We meet on the fourth Sunday of each month at 1 p.m. CT. Details to call in: Phone Number: 641-715-3818 Code: 620932#

We invite anyone who wants to do service work with the CAC to join us!

Sarah C.,
CAC Vice Chair
May 14, 2018

Conference Healthy Relationship Committee (CHRC) Report

The Healthy Relationship Committee (CHRC) is happy that our pamphlet on Healthy Relationships -- approved at the 2017 ABC/M -- is now posted on the F.W.S. webstore. Our writing activities have motivated our members to continue writing and we have completed a draft for a new proposed pamphlet called "The Gift of No Contact." No Contact is a subject which has not been addressed in our body of literature.

We have asked members of our community to give us their "no contact" stories and have compiled enough information to present a written draft to the CLC, where it is presently under review. Our committee's proposal is moving through the IFD process with the ARS. We plan to submit an IFD for the new pamphlet for the 2018 ABC/M's agenda.

The CHRC welcomes feedback and suggestions from the Fellowship and looks forward to hearing from you.

Yours in Service,
Amalia L.
May 9, 2018