

Motion 3: Rescind a motion from July 19, 2013 to add a Delegate for the Progress online meeting

18th Annual S-Anon World Service Conference, July 24, 2021

A. MOTION: Move that the WSC rescind a motion from July 19, 2013, to add a Delegate for the Progress online meeting

B. BACKGROUND AND INTENT: The WSC Charter is specific for the Progress Meeting online meetings. "Meetings" is plural because the Progress Meeting online meetings consisted of four separate meetings (Newcomer, Business, Step Study and Progress Meeting). These meetings no longer exist as the Progress Meeting online meetings. The intent of this motion is to bring the Charter in line with the current structure of areas and registered groups.

C. SUPPORTING PRINCIPLES: Concept One: "The ultimate responsibility and authority for S-Anon World Services belongs to the S-Anon groups." The Progress Meeting online meetings are no longer active and have no need for a Delegate to carry the voice of its previous members.

D. FINANCIAL IMPACT: No financial impact really since the Delegate Travel Reimbursement budgeted amount is a pool of funds that are allocated based on a formula that includes number of Delegates, totals submitted for reimbursement, etc.

E. ARGUMENT PRO: The Progress Meeting online meetings are no longer in existence so there is no reason to have a Delegate. The WSC Charter needs to be updated to represent the current service structure.

F. ARGUMENT CON:

- Theoretically, this position could be redefined to include all S-Anon groups meeting in online forums but at this time, there are no registered S-Anon groups who gather in such a setting.
- If the former members of the Progress Meeting online meetings decide to start up this platform again, they would no longer have representation.
- Some may see rescinding motions as disruptive to the democratic process.

G. DOCUMENTATION: The decision will be documented in the WSC minutes and in the decision database maintained by the WSO.

If the motion passes, the WSC Charter will be changed from:

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- B. The Board of Trustees (BOT) of S-Anon and the WSO Executive Director.
- C. Representatives from other countries may attend the Conference with a voice but not a vote.
- D. A Delegate to represent S-Anon members that participate in phone groups.
- E. A Delegate to represent S-Anon members that participate in Progress Meeting online meetings.
- F. Designated areas with large S-Anon populations may petition the Conference to divide and send an additional delegate to the Conference.

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In addition, any reference to a Progress Meeting online meetings Delegate would be removed from any and all applicable locations such as literature, website, etc.

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