

Election Results for World Wide Online Voting QBC Nov 12 2022

Option	Votes	Percentage
Yes	64	88.89%
No	8	11.11%

Votes tallied: 72

Abstentions: 4

Yes wins with 88.9% of the vote

Do you concur with the below motion passed by the WSO Board regarding guidance on 7th Tradition Contribution Percentages?

Motion: To set the following voluntary guidelines for 7th Tradition contributions by groups, Intergroups and Regions that have surpluses beyond a prudent reserve effective November 13 and provided the delegates to the quarterly business meeting concur with the motion.:

For Group Meetings that have an Intergroup and Region:

50% (of contribution) for the IG, 25% for the Region and 25% for WSO

For Group Meetings that have an Intergroup but not a Region:

50% for the IG, 50% for WSO

For Group Meetings that do not have either a IG or a Region:

Entire contribution to WSO

For Intergroups that have a Region:

50% for the Region, 50% for WSO

For Intergroups that do not have a Region:

Entire contribution to WSO

For Regions:

Entire contribution to WSO

Also, direct the Literature Committee and Finance Committee to create a “Where the money goes” trifold with information about what expenses a Group Meeting, an IG and a Region might have.

Background:

Guidelines to groups for 7th Tradition contributions have not been revised for 30 years. They call for groups to send 60% of surplus funds to Intergroups, 30% to Regions, and 10% to ACA World Service.

These guidelines are insufficient in two ways. First, there are no contribution guidelines for Intergroups or Regions, or for groups that do not have either an Intergroup or Region. Also, the suggested division does not account for rapid worldwide growth of the fellowship, which has required the hiring of additional World Service employees.

The new 50-25-25 formula is easy to understand and still provides a significant flow of Seventh Tradition contributions to Intergroups and Regions. When a new Region is started, the Region can ask for extra support from their members.

Also, beyond the general prudent reserve that groups, IGs and Regions decide is appropriate for them, which usually includes rent, supplies, literature, etc., they reserve additional funds for things that are applicable for them, such as outreach, conferences, technology, etc.

An updated Trifold will explain how WSO funds are allocated and give groups, Intergroups, and Regions additional background about Seventh Tradition contributions.