

Report for Virtual Meeting Committee

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Purpose

To develop guidelines for regularly scheduled video, online GA Meetings, including but not limited to, how to start a meeting, technical requirements, and suggested meeting formats

From the Chair

The Digital Meeting Committee has been hard at work since Cancun, and has one item on the agenda at this meeting with the goal of accomplishing what we set out to accomplish. We are asking for your support in this item, and feel that the item will allow Gamblers Anonymous as an organization to continue to carry it's message to the compulsive gambler who still suffers.

What was in Place

The Virtual Meeting Committee was a new committee formed in Cherry Hill at the Spring 2022 BOT Meeting. For this reason, there was nothing from this committee existing prior, however, the Virtual Meeting Committee, which became the Virtual BOT Meeting Committee, had been working on projects that are applicable to our mission statement. Our plan is to continue the progress made under that committee that applies to our own committee, and fulfill the mission of permanently recognizing virtual meetings as regularly scheduled, sanctioned GA Meetings.

Activities in Progress

1. We have reviewed the temporary guidelines that were approved through the quick response vote in 2020, and have discussed how to make these guidelines permanent. A related committee has an agenda item related to this matter, and we offer our support on this item.
2. We had discussed as a committee what the best way to list virtual meeting information on the Gambler's Anonymous website might be. After much discussion as a committee, we submitted an agenda item with a suggestion of how to list virtual meetings.

Looking Ahead

If the agenda item related to making the temporary guidelines permanent passes, we will have carried out our purpose. We would like to ask the Trustees for permission to revise our mission statement in order to continue existing as a committee, to provide support to the present and future virtual meetings.