

Telephone Conference Call Committee Report  
Spring BOT Meeting

**Our Committee would like to clear up a misconception that has been circulating concerning the cost of our Telephone Conference Call Meeting. The platform that is used for the calls is ENTIRELY FREE. There is no cost to Gamblers Anonymous nor to the members who call in.**

**We cannot stress enough that we strongly urge every Trustee to attend at least one of our meetings.** The recovery that is happening each week is palpable. The attendees are compulsive gamblers who are hungry for recovery and who are experiencing recovery in this setting. Many of our meeting attendees are new in recovery. There are also attendees who have been attending telephone conference call meetings and maintaining freedom from gambling for several years! We find their dedication to recovery and their hunger for the Fellowship of the GA program inspiring!

The Telephone Conference Call Committee and meeting administrators currently host 2 U.S. meetings per week: Wednesdays from 9-11 PM Eastern and Fridays from 3:00-4:00 PM Eastern. The phone number is 264-807-9601; the participant code is 9131957#

The Wednesday night meeting is a comment meeting.

Those who are new to the program and claim a desire to stop gambling are read the 20 Questions during the regular meeting. At the Friday afternoon meeting, newcomers are welcomed and read the 20 Questions following the meeting. Members with 90 days or more of clean time are encouraged to make comments sharing their experience, strength, and hope with the newcomer. At a recent Wednesday night meeting, 7 newcomers joined the Fellowship, which was remarkable and shows the desire that is out there to find help.

Attendance at the Wednesday night meeting ranges between 35-50 callers per meeting. On Fridays the range is from 20-35 callers. Attendees range from newcomers up to those who have 40 or more years of clean time. We have seen recently a slight increase in our numbers.

The importance of attending a physical meeting if at all possible is stressed at each meeting. It is stated that telephone conference calls are not meant to replace physical meetings.

The U.S. meetings use the same email address for all meetings: [weeklycallhelp@gmail.com](mailto:weeklycallhelp@gmail.com)  
We receive an average of between 3 and 10 requests for assistance or information per week.

**The committee needs 2 to 3 more GA members who are interested in expanding their service work by serving as meeting Admins for the U.S. meetings.** Our current admin staff is wonderful and dedicated; however, we are currently being spread a little thin on some weeks. This is an amazing opportunity for a GA member to really deepen their recovery experience! The clean time requirement is two years and a new meeting admin would need to be familiar with the most basic computer/online practices. No one, however, needs to be an expert. We are willing to train anyone who is interested. The time commitment could be as little as 2 meetings per month. Please have interested members send an email to [weeklycalhelp@gmail.com](mailto:weeklycalhelp@gmail.com)

The Canada-wide meeting continues to meet three times per week. Canadian meetings are held on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday.

Moderators for these meetings have been trained by members of the Telephone Conference Call committee and their formats have been approved.

Information about the US and Canada meetings are listed on the GA website.

We are willing to train any person who is interested! Please send an email to: [weeklycalhelp@gmail.com](mailto:weeklycalhelp@gmail.com)  
Please think of members in your Area who might be interested in this opportunity and have them get in touch!

Respectfully Submitted,  
The Telephone Conference Call Committee