

Motion 2025:08

From COANA [policy](#) (Section Three, II):

"a. Motions

- i. Only GSRs (or GSRAs in the GSRs absences) and COASCNA Trusted Servants (excluding the COASCNA Chairperson) may make or second motions. Any concerned member present may participate in the discussion of the motion.
- ii. Motions and amendments to motions shall be submitted to the Chairperson before being recognized by the ASC, and then voted on.
- iii. All motions must state intent.
- iv. Motions which make or change policy must be taken back to the groups for a vote.
- v. Motions that do not make or change policy can be voted on at the ASC or taken back to the groups.
- vi. Once a motion has been defeated it cannot be voted on again for three (3) months.
- vii. Motions can only be brought during Agenda Business."

Motion Maker

Lis R

Second by Lisa G

Motion text

To add the following to Section 3, b. Miscellaneous of COANA policy: c. Requirements for removing a meeting from the meeting list and website i. With group conscience, a trusted servant from the group may submit a removal request. ii. NA members of the Central Ohio Area may also submit written concerns about a listed meeting to the ASC. These concerns will be added to the ASC minutes and shared with the Outreach Subcommittee. Review process The Outreach Subcommittee will review the concerns, notify the group, and provide up to 30 days of support- such as visits, resources, and help to recruit trusted servants. To remain listed, the group must demonstrate it is functioning as an NA meeting by: Securing at least two trusted servants committed to serve a one-year term for the group. Meet the NA group requirements as outlined by the Area in Section 3, b., b.. At the end of the 30-day support period, the Outreach Subcommittee will report to the ASC with one of two recommendations: The meeting meets the requirements of a functioning NA meeting, and two trusted servants are committed. The meeting should be removed from the meeting list and website. Further details of the voting process appear in C. Voting on the removal of a meeting. B. Emergency Request for Temporary Removal A quick-action request may be made to temporarily remove a meeting from the website until issues can be addressed at the next ASC meeting. This request is intended for emergencies only. i. During the Review Period During the review period, Outreach and concerned members will attend the meeting in question. If Outreach determines that the group is not providing a safe environment for members—most importantly, newcomers—and that members may be at risk, Outreach will contact the ASC administrative body to discuss an emergency vote to remove the group from the meeting list and website temporarily. ii. Requesting a Temporary Removal The Outreach Subcommittee submits a formal request, with a detailed report outlining their concerns and the need for quick action, to the ASC administrative body at coasnasec@gmail.com. A representative from the administrative body or the Area Secretary sends an email to all GSRs of active groups that includes the following information: a. Outreach's report describing the meeting issues and areas of concern requiring immediate attention. b. Meeting details (day, time, location) so GSRs may attend or support the next meeting under review. c. An electronic survey form requesting a yes or no vote for temporary removal. iii. Voting for Temporary Removal GSRs of active groups are asked to electronically submit a yes-or-no vote to remove the meeting listing until the following ASC meeting, when a conclusive decision can be made following discussion and input from the Area. GSRs have 48 hours after the email with the electronic survey is sent out to submit their vote. A simple majority will determine the outcome. a. At least two GSRs must submit a vote; otherwise, the meeting remains listed on the website and will be discussed at the next ASC meeting. If the decision is split, the meeting remains. b. If the vote is in favor of temporary removal, the administrative body will notify coascna@gmail.com, and the PR Subcommittee will temporarily remove the meeting from the website until a final decision is made. THE TEMPORARY REMOVAL OF A MEETING FROM THE WEBSITE DOES NOT PREVENT THE MEETING FROM OCCURRING AND DOES NOT BAR ANY NA MEMBERS FROM ATTENDING THE MEETING. Outreach will request that a trusted servant from the meeting under review attend the next ASC meeting to address the issues so GSRs can vote on a formal meeting removal. If no trusted servant from the meeting attends, the temporary removal will be treated as a formal meeting removal. At the next meeting of the ASC, if a trusted servant of the meeting in question is present, voting will proceed after discussion of the Outreach and other members' findings, with the trusted servant(s) of the meeting in question given time to address comments. Further details of the voting process appear in C. Voting on the removal of a meeting. C. Voting on the removal of a meeting The ASC will decide by a 2/3 majority of voting GSRs present at the ASC. If the vote is split, GSRs can take it back to the groups through a simple majority vote of present and active GSRs. If a meeting is voted to be removed or to remain removed, in the case of a temporary removal, a member of the Area admin body will send an email to coascna@gmail.com. The Public Relations Subcommittee will confirm receipt, and the meeting will be removed from the website. A delisted meeting may be reinstated by

completing the new group recognition process. This process is intended to protect newcomers, uphold our Traditions, and remain support-first, not punitive."

Motion intent

To fulfill the recommendations of the ad hoc committee convened by Motion 2025:07 and consisting of Megan P, Donetta W, Wendy A, Jennifer S, and Lis R

Motion Pro #1

There is an official process for removal of a meeting from the website and meeting list

Motion Pro #2

The process includes GSRs and area members as a part of the process

Motion Pro #3

People may feel unwilling to bring questions or concerns to ASC, and this may help to build more trust

Motion Con #1

There may be disagreements about what constitutes an emergency

Motion Con #2

There is still a time lag between bad behavior and removal in the case of an emergency

Motion Con #3

Does this change area policy? (If yes, this will need to go back to the area groups)

☒ Yes

☐ No

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