

Recovering Couples Anonymous



World Service Organization

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Annual Report to the Fellowship

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11th RCA International Convention

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Convention Committee chaired by Chuck and Cindy here in Dallas, I welcome you to the 11th Annual Convention of Recovering Couples Anonymous.

This weekend will provide a great opportunity to be immersed in the largest gathering of couples in the RCA Fellowship. We hope that you enjoy a wonderful time with the program. It offers a rich and full experience with possibilities for learning, that can help strengthen and deepen your coupleship.

The RCA Convention is a GREAT place to gather information and ideas to take back and share with couples in your local RCA Meetings. You can also take this opportunity to contribute the ideas and experiences you have gained from your local Meeting(s) by sharing at workshops, business meetings, and with couples you meet throughout the weekend.. A unique opportunity for service is stepping forward to serve on the Board of Trustees. There are several board positions opening up this year, and our annual elections to fill these Board positions will be held at the Sunday Breakfast Meeting.

We as servants of this Fellowship are so amazed by the change and growth experienced within this Fellowship during this past year, or two. We are so aware of how many couples are seeking help for their coupleship and are exploring the possibilities of what RCA can offer them. Tremendous opportunities and challenges present themselves for encouraging the newcomer couples who find RCA to continue attending our Meetings, work the 12-Steps with a Sponsor and experience healing for their committed coupleship.

Our Fellowship is a diverse group of individuals who are in committed coupleships and come together from an infinite array of backgrounds, ie. a wide variety of individual 12-Step programs, facilitated treatment programs, churches, therapy models or from the depths of isolation with a helping hand from a caring friend.

We hope that all couples are able to find the experience, strength and hope we have found essential to grow in our committed coupleship one day at a time!

Your servant, in committed, recovering relationship with Suzanne,
Lenel
2000 RCA WSO Board Chair

OPEN BUSINESS MEETING DALLAS, TEXAS Agenda

Saturday - August 11, 2001 - 8:00 to 9:15 AM

WELCOME	8:00 -8:10 AM
Serenity Prayer	
Twelve Steps	
Twelve Traditions	
Safety Guidelines	
BOARD INTRODUCTIONS AND REPORTS	8:10-8:15AM
WSO OFFICE MANGER'S REPORT	8:15- 8:25AM

BY- LAW CHANGES 8:25-9:10AM

Proposed Bylaw Changes

Before proposed change:

4.2.1 Location and Times. Board meetings shall be held four times a year at such times and places as designated by the Board. ...

After proposed change:

4.2.1 Location and Times. Board meetings shall be held a minimum of four times a year at such times, places, and means as designated by the Board. ...
A minimum of two meetings each year shall be in person.

Reason for change:

The current Board has found that four meetings are not enough to complete the necessary business of building the RCA Fellowship. In addition, the expense of traveling to and from meetings is burdensome and prevents Fellowship members with limited incomes from participating in Board service.

Before proposed change:

4.1.6 Vacancies. A voting couple directorship may be vacated by any of the following means:

1. The resignation of the couple
2. The Board voting the removal of a couple due to absence from two consecutive Board meetings. A couple is absent when both members of the couple are absent.

After proposed change:

4.1.6 Vacancies. A vacancy on the Board may occur by any of the following means:

1. The resignation of the couple
2. The Board voting the removal of a couple due to absence from two consecutive Board meetings. A couple is absent when both members of the couple are absent.
3. If any seats remain unfilled after an election has been completed.
4. Any other circumstance in which the Board membership is not at full capacity, as defined in Section 4.1.1.