

MOTION

Greater Toronto Area Intergroup

Motion was moved by Mike C. (Beverly Hills) and seconded by Dave H. (Queensville) on March 26, 2019.

Motion: To amend the Greater Toronto Area Intergroup Procedures and Guidelines as follows:

New Section # (old #)	Proposed Change - Description	Rationale – reason for the change
	“Executive Committee” (“EC”) changed to “Operating Committee” (“OC”)	Executive Committee approved the name change to more accurately reflect their mandate
1.7 (old 6.8)	Maximum annual donation to GTAI changed from \$3000 to \$5000; note added that donations only accepted from AA members as per Tradition 7	To align with GSO policy and Tradition 7
1.8 (new)	Disclaimer on Intergroup responsibility for group oversight	Listing with Intergroup does not imply approval or endorsement of a group
2.3 (5)	Subcommittee chairs may be recognized by the Chair to speak at GTAI meetings	Committee Chairs provide updates at the GTAI meetings and may respond to questions
4.3 (new/ 7.3)	Term for Vice Chair and Chair documented as 2 years Extended allowable term for OC member to serve on the OC if elected as Chair or Vice Chair, to maximum 6 years.	Term was not in the current version of the Procedures Maximum allowable time on the OC is 3 years; without this change no one would be able to serve the full terms (4 years) for Vice Chair and Chair.
4.7 (new)	Added description of the District Subcommittee Intergroup Liaison role	It was missing from the Procedures
4.9 (7.3.4)	OC member removal policy clarified	Policy was incomplete
5.6 (new)	Section added to describe how floor motions are handled	Missing from document
6.1/ 10.2(9.1)	6.1 GTAI may create a new Intergroup committee, that is, a committee that serve GTA AA groups. 10.2 OC may create an adhoc subcommittee, with no budget, to support its mandate as it sees fit.	In current Procedures, any new committee required GTAI approval which includes the floor. Change is to require floor and OC approval for new Intergroup committees (e.g. committees that serve across groups), but not for subcommittees created to support OC activities. e.g. committee to investigate options for the phone system and report back to the OC on recommendations
6.4.3 (9.4.3)	Clarified that group donation information will only be provided to that group	For privacy reasons the information for a group will not be made available to all groups

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6.4.4 (S8.1)	Removed “A past Chairperson of GTA Intergroup becomes a member of the subcommittee (ORC) upon leaving office.”	No longer required
7.1 (9.5.1)	Removed requirement to present hiring decisions to GTAI floor for ratification	This is the responsibility of the Finance Committee and OC
8.2 (11)	Removed requirement that a motion to change the Procedures cannot be debated for 3 months after it has been motioned and seconded. Instead a Notice of Motion is presented at one meeting, and must be seconded at that meeting to proceed. At the next GTAI meeting, the floor discusses the motion and votes as to whether the motion will proceed to a referendum on the proposed changes. Referendum period changed to 2 months.	Shortens the time required to make a change to the Procedures. Lets Intergroup reps make the decision on whether the motion proceeds. Still allows time for change(s) to be reviewed by groups at their business meetings over a 2 month period.
10 (S7.1)	Removed “the Past Chairperson will continue on the EC for 6 months following his/her term of office in a non-voting advisory capacity”	It is assumed Past Chairperson will be available for advice if needed, but doesn’t need to attend the OC meetings unless asked to
12 (new)	GTAI employee responsibilities lists added	For information only. Put in Appendix as they are subject to change as needed.

In addition to the above changes to the Procedures and Guidelines, there were formatting and cleanup changes such as:

- Removed committees that no longer exist (e.g Literature, Institutional Services...)
- Updated employee job titles
- Headings sometimes added for clarity
- Some statements moved to a more logical place in the document
- Wording updated for clarity