

The Electronic Group (EG) Task Force has continued to meet and develop a Procedure for admitting registered Groups into our Ohio Area. The following topics were discussed:

1. The Task Force discussed past procedures for admitting Groups into the Area. It was agreed that the decision was always made at Assembly, with a vote of the groups. The Task Force agreed there is no need for a Group Representative to be present for this vote.
2. The Task Force agreed that if a group is registered with WSO, and petitions to join the Area, they are in essence notifying the Area of their desire to join. Since the group is already meeting and registered with WSO, they could be included in any Area date base or website at that time.
3. The WSO has stated that groups who were physical, are meeting electronically temporarily, and wish to remain electronic, do not need to re-register and will retain their ID number. Once the Ohio Area notifies WSO that we have a process in place, these groups will be changed in the WSO groups records data base to show they are an electronic meeting.  
We believe the WSO is still working on how this transition will happen.  
Be patient. There is no hurry to move from Temporary status.
4. Ohio Districts: Will Ohio form one new "overlay" electronic district or electronic districts in each region (or AIS)? Some Areas are leaving the District process up to district autonomy. How will new electronic groups be assigned to a District?

Two thoughts on this: some regions of the Area have groups that have moved to electronic, or are temporarily meeting electronically that want to have voice and vote at the District or AIS level. They perhaps want to remain in their current or prior District.

Other regions have groups that see themselves as only participating at an electronic level, and may want to form an electronic district in their region. It appears the Columbus AIS would like a separate Electronic District. This needs to be explored for other regions of the state. Assembly would be able to approve additional Districts, as requested.

Based on the above discussion, following Motion is being presented to AWSC for discussion and possible presentation at Fall Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,  
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