Membership Committee Report, 2022

Membership List

There are currently forty-one active members of S.O.A.R., and three inactive members. Twenty-seven members are listed as Peer Supporters, with one being on Leave of Absence. We anticipate more members after the Fall 2022 Peer Support training is completed.

We are currently working on updating the list of paid members, as we do not have a record for several members re dues payment for 2021-2022. A reminder that 2022-2023 dues are due at this AGM, in addition to any back dues in order to maintain your membership. Payment of $10/yr can be made by cash, cheque, or by e-trans to treasurer@survivorsofabuserecovering.ca (Be sure to include your name in the e-trans note so the treasurer knows who is sending the dues!)

The official membership list is located in a secure area in the Google Workspace. This is kept updated as new information arises. Data includes names, roles in S.O.A.R., status of dues payment and Criminal Record Check updates, record of trainings and certifications, and contact information. Access to this document is restricted to the chair of the S.O.A.R. Board, chair of the Membership Committee, chair of the Peer Services Committee and the S.O.A.R. Coordinator. Only the Membership Committee chair can make changes to the document. The others can post requests for changes as they receive relevant information.

Members' Area on the S.O.A.R Website

The S.O.A.R members contact list is available in the password-protected Members' Area of the S.O.A.R. website. For further security, the contact list is also password protected. The passwords for the Members' Area and for the Contact List are changed each year at the time of the AGM. Contact the coordinator for the current passwords. We ask members to delete old versions of the members' contact list. This list is not to be shared with anyone outside of S.O.A.R. and is not to be used for mass emails or mailings. Note that some members may have requested not to be included in the circulated contact list.

The Members' Area of the website has been updated with fillable online forms for peer session reports (either to report one session at a time or to report once on a set of six sessions). There is now an online form to report Support Group sessions. There is also a link to the Anonymous online Peer Sessions Evaluation Form (that you can give to your peers to provide feedback), and to downloadable versions of the CRC Application form, Travel Log, and the S.O.A.R Confidentiality Agreement.

We have recently increased the security of the online forms by having them auto-populate a secure spreadsheet in the S.O.A.R Workspace that is accessible only by the Coordinator and the S.O.A.R IT Manager. This avoids sending data via insecure email.

The Members' Area also includes the list of books available to members from S.O.A.R's Lending Library.

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