

SMR Group Conscience Business Meeting Minutes

1/16/23

Call to Order: Group Conscience Secretary, Jean, opened the meeting at 8:45AM.

ACA Serenity Prayer

General guidelines for this meeting only- Volunteers read the general guidelines:

- To be called on to speak, please use the Raise Hand function. The GC secretary will call on you.
- Waiting to do your second share until everyone has had an opportunity to share (pg 595 BRB)
- To ensure everyone has an opportunity to speak, shares are limited to two minutes for Trusted Servants giving reports and one minute for questions and discussions.
- We do not interrupt one another and abide by the “no cross talk” rule. (BRB 598)
- For the safety of this meeting, the chat function will be disabled during the business meeting.
- We ask that children not be brought to a business meeting so that disruptions can be avoided. This is true for our Inner Children because they, too, need attention and are equally disruptive in meetings. (BRB 597)
- Business meeting to adjourn at 10:15 am ET

GC Secretary asked for digital hand-raise approval of the general guidelines for this meeting. 36 approval votes. 1 opposed the no children guideline as she is a single mother. Jean clarified that the “no children” referred to inner-children, not biological children. 1 abstention.

Call for Service:

Carmen M.- recording secretary

Lisa- timekeeper

Motion to adopt the agenda: Motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion to approve-Kimberly, second- Boaz. Verbal motion passed.

Read traditions: Volunteers read 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 12.

Read commitment to service: Volunteers read all nine commitments.

Approval of Minutes:

December 2022 minutes: Minutes were not posted on website. Jean shared in meeting. GC asked for any corrections be sent to her by email. Holding vote on approval of minutes until next meeting.

Reports:

- **Treasurer:** Adam K – Written report given and posted on website. Seeking new treasurer and announcing online and in meetings. We received \$890 in donations in December. After all expenses and disbursements, we have a \$27 balance.
- **Service Team:** Krista & Boaz. Written report given and posted on website. Service team: Barabra S., Conrad, Pam, Will B. Tech Hosts meeting in February to discuss close captioning. Question: Is close captioning anonymous? This is being discussed and addressed.
- **Communications:** Lisa & Joy. Written report given and posted on website. Questions: 1. What's the difference between the mailing list and contact list? Clarification - the mailing list are members that want to receive communication from the group and the contact list are those members that want to be contacted by fellow travelers. 2. If the service team will be amending the service description, will you be sharing this with group conscience? Yes, they will be shared with the members in some method/format.
- **WSO Representative:** Vivienne. Verbal report given. Looking for more 7th tradition funding of WSO and brainstorming solutions. WSO offered creative presentation that addresses this issue, and this will be posted on our website with the help of the communications group. Questions: none.
- **Website:** Conrad not in attendance. Joy shared report in meeting, and it is posted on the website. Questions: No questions

Brainstorming session: For the past two months, the sticky notes were created and categorized into themes by the GC team. We created breakout rooms for members to discuss the themes/topics presented. Session 3 involves looking at the motions and creating workable solutions. Four breakout rooms created for brainstorming: 1 – survey tools, 2 – workshops, trainings, and committees, 3 – timely motions and GC inclusivity, 4 – spiritual practice. Each room gave a group summary. This information will be sent to the GC to populate and they will be presented at the February 2023 GC meeting.

Announcements and Next Meeting: No announcements.
The next business meeting will be held on February 20, 2023.

Adjournment and Closing Prayer: Motion to close the meeting, Motion to approve, Eddie, second, Vivienne. Meeting adjourned at 10:09 AM.
Minutes by Carmen M.