AA Home Group Minutes of Group Conscience Meeting September 23, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Welcome and Prayer: Robert S. South Miami, Chair
- 2. Secretary Report: Matthew R. outlined the procedures by which the meeting will be conducted. Motions are to be moved and, if seconded, discussion will be opened. Members may state their position, offer amendments or ask for clarifications. Members were asked to refrain from restating a position already made to streamline discussions. The meeting will conclude no later than 9:00 p.m.
- 3. Treasurer Report, Patty M.: Patty M. reported contributions through August 31, 2020 are \$3,708.27.
 - a. Patty reported that she and Matthew R. have researched the steps needed to incorporate the group, secure a non-profit tax identification number from the IRS and open a bank account for the group. Patty moved to authorize Matthew R. and herself to file incorporation documents and submit the appropriate registration fees, estimated to be \$350.00. The motion was seconded and carried.
 - b. Patty moved to set an annual prudent reserve at one year's operating expenses of \$2,000.00. The motion was seconded and carried.
 - c. Patty moved to donate excess funds above the prudent reservice to AA General Service Office, on a quarterly basis. The motion was seconded and carried.
- 4. Information Technology Committee Report: Duane moved to nominate Michael F. as Co-Chair of the Information Technology Committee. Efforts to confirm Michael F.'s acceptance of the nomination were unsuccessful prior to the meeting and the motion was tabled.
- 5. Election Schedule and Terms: Election Schedule and Terms: Robert S., South Miami moved to stager the elections of the Steering Committee members and Committee Chairs as follows: The Chair, Treasurer, Information Technology Committee Chair & Co-Chair and the Inter-Group Service Representative elections would be held prior to terms ending the last day of September, January and May. The Co-Chair, Secretary, Scheduling Committee Chair and Security Committee Co-Chairs (1 male and 1 female members) elections would be held prior to the terms ending the last day of November, March and July. The motion was seconded and carried. The Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs/Vice Chairs elections will be held prior to the terms ending the last day of September, January and May. Staggering the terms would facilitate a smoother transition in the event that several members currently serving do not succeed themselves into the new term. The motion was seconded and carried.
- 6. Elections: Election for the positions of Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer were announced.
 Robert S. was nominated as Chair, accepted the nomination and there being no additional nominations was elected unopposed. Christine W. was nominated as Co-Chair, accepted the nomination and there

being no additional nominations was elected unopposed. Matthew R. was nominated as Secretary, accepted the nomination and there being no additional nominations was elected unopposed. Patty M. was nominated as Treasurer, accepted the nomination and there being no additional nominations was elected unopposed.

- 7. Approval of Group Inventory: Don, O., Georgia move approval of the draft version of the Group Inventory. The motion was seconded and carried.
- 8. Signor for Deaf Members: Dave B., London moved to hire a professional signer for 2 meetings per week. Dave B. was emailed requesting he research the costs associated with his motion, but he failed to respond. The motion was tabled.
- 9. Change of Meeting Schedule: Amanda, So. Cal moved to change the early morning meetings schedule for the hours of Midnight to 5:00 a.m. due to a limited number of members available to serve. The proposed schedule changes would reduce the number of meetings from five (5) to three (3) for the period of Midnight to 5:00 a.m., as presented:

Midnight to 1:30 a.m.

1:30 AM to 3:00 a.m.

3:00 am to 5:00 a.m.

The motion was seconded and carried.

- 10. Security Committee: Amanda So. Cal moved to make the Security Committee a stand-alone committee. The Committee is currently a sub-committee of the Scheduling Committee. The Security Committee has commenced to provide additional services including training for all Hosts, Chairs and Security servants as well as provide online security for each meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.
- 11. Service Resources and Mediation Committee: Kelly S. moved to appoint a Service Resource and Mediation Committee charged with the following:
 - a. Assisting members in crisis or conflict;
 - Recruit trained addiction support specialists and other professionals from within our community;
 - c. Serving in an advisory capacity for conflict resolution in gray area matters for both members and trusted servants;
 - d. Address the needs of the Accessibility community by providing resources and adaptive services;
 - e. Address the needs of the Accessibility community by providing advocate list;
 - f. Offer meetings trained service resource navigators;
 - g. Evaluate meetings to be co-listed as Accessible meetings;
 - h. Assist Communications Department (Committee) addressing complaints and concerns.

The motion was seconded and failed.

12. Committee Chair and Co-Chairs Requirement: Kelly S. moved to require all Chairs and Co-Chairs of Committees to have a Service Sponsor who is aware of progress in the persons sobriety and their role in service. The Service Sponsor would be required to step in and serve as interim should the Service

Sponsee require additional support with their personal program or role in service. The motion was not seconded and falls (not open for discussion).

- 13. The next Group Conscience meeting will be held Saturday, October 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. EST.
- 14. Adjourn & Prayer Robert S.