

aaHomeGroup

Group Conscience Minutes 04.30.2022 - 12:00 NOON PM EST

Welcome: Carla, Co-Chair
Prayer: Kaylee, Secretary
12 Traditions Reading: Kirk

Old Business:

New Business:

a. *Elections:*

Each open position up for election will require a nomination/second of a member, by a member of aaHG. This member must accept the nomination, but does not need to be present at this meeting. If only one member is nominated, they are automatically appointed to that position. If more than one member is nominated, the nominees may be asked to qualify (nominee shall verbally state that they meet the requirements for the position, including sobriety date & experience with relation to AA). After qualifications, all nominees will be put in the Waiting Room for the vote. The nominee with the most votes, is elected to that position.

- a. *Chair:* Amanda is nominated and accepts nomination, re-elected unopposed.
- b. *Treasurer:* Patty is nominated and accepts nomination, re-elected unopposed.
- c. Security Co-Chairs (4)
 - a. *Co-Chair (2) 3 Months:*
Brooke is nominated and offers to step down
George is nominated and accepts nomination and is voted in.
Liz is nominated and accepts nomination, re-elected unopposed.
 - d. *IT Co-Chair:* Kirk is nominated and accepts nomination, re-elected unopposed.
 - e. *Communications Chair:* Lindsey LG and Carolyn are nominated and both accept nominations.
Lindsey LG is voted in.

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1. Approval of aaHG Bylaws Meeting for July 9, 2022. - Kaylee, Secretary
M/S/C no discussion. (Shawn Redbeard - Liz P)
Motion PASSES

REPORTS

2. Secretary Report - Kaylee, Secretary
 - a. Group Conscience Minutes from 03.22.2022 (Attachment A)
 - b. Please update your contact info on the sub list/ directory- send PM to me.
3. Treasurer Report - Patty, Treasurer
 - a. March 2022 (Attachment B)
4. IT Chair Report - Duane Utah, IT Chair
5. Online Intergroup Service Report - Jo H, Intergroup Rep
6. Scheduling Report - Jessica, Scheduling Chair
7. Security Report - John F, Security Co-Chair (Attachment C)
8. Communications Report- Lauren H, Communications Chair

aaHG Related Announcements:

- Anniversary Event - June 4, 2022! Please contact Kaylee or Misty dawn if you would like to be on the Committee! WE NEED YOU!

A.A. Related Announcements:

Prayer- Carla, Co-Chair

Adjourn

Attachment A

Group Conscience Minutes 03.22.2022 - 6:00PM EST

DRAFT

1. Welcome: Amanda, Chair
Prayer: Kaylee, Secretary
12 Traditions Reading:
2. Secretary Report - Kaylee, Secretary
 - a. Group Conscience Minutes from 02.22.2022
 - b. Please update your contact info on the sub list/ directory- send PM to me.
3. Treasurer Report - Patty, Treasurer
 - a. February 2022 (Attachment B)
4. IT Chair Report - Duane Utah, IT Chair
 - a. Local, EST & UTC date/time added to front page
5. Online Intergroup Service Report - Attachment D Jo H, Intergroup Rep
6. Scheduling Report - Jessica, Scheduling Chair
 - a. New Link: <https://aahomegroup.org/Literature.html> for all approved aaHG Literature. If you would like to use literature for your meeting that is not included on this list, please email the Secretary at secretary@aahomegroup.org and submit your request.

7. Security Report - Attachment C Eric C, Security Co-Chair
8. Communications Report- Lauren H, Communications Chair

Approve Reports M/S/C No Discussion. (LG - Kaylee)

Old Business:

New Business:

9. Approval of Disbursement of 7th Tradition Funds from Venmo (currently closed) to aaHG Programs - Literature & 1-Year Coins (50%), Dr. Bob's House (25%) and Stepping Stones (25%) in the amount of \$3,424.30. - Patty, Treasurer

M/S/C With discussion. (Patty - Brooke)

Motion PASSES

aaHG Related Announcements:

10. Anniversary Celebration: June 4th, 2022
11. Next GC, April 9, 2022 at NOON EST, dedicated to the update of aaHG ByLaws

A.A. Related Announcements:

12. AA National Conference: April 22-24th <https://aa.org.au/event/aa-national-convention-2022/>
13. Prayer, Adjourn

Attachment B

Treasurer's Report			
March 2022			
Beginning Balance as of February 1, 2022		\$3,426.31	
7th Tradition contributions thru March 2022 - Venmo closed		\$188.00	
Total Balance and Contributions			\$3,614.31
Expenses thru March 2022			
2-year Grapevine Subscription		\$88.14	
IT misc. - Duane		\$101.87	
Total Expenses			\$190.01
Prudent Reserve			\$0.00
Fund Balance (not Venmo) as of March 2022			\$3,424.30

Attachment C

Security has been relatively quiet over the past month. The platform saw a modest uptick in trolling due primarily to the timing of spring breaks at schools.

Training: Training continues every other week. Our next training sessions will be

Mod 1 May 8 at 1 PM EST

Mod 2 May 9 at 8 PM EST

Over the past month we have trained sent out about 4 invitations to train and we have had about 11 come through Mod 1. We have lost many service volunteers between Mod 1 and Mod 2. John F MN will reach out to those who did not complete Mod 2 to see if there was something in particular that was off putting.

Coverage: We continue to encourage new trainees and existing trusted servants to take a permanent slot on the schedule. We continue to have coverage issues mid day and middle of the night.

Guidelines: The Steering committee changed Waiting Room policy to allow Zoom user and I-Phone users access to the meeting. It was determined that the risk associated with a troll entering does not justify the downside of not allowing access to an Alcoholic who does not know how to use Zoom.

In-Service: An in Service meeting for all Trusted Servants in Security will be held May 12th at 8 PM EST

Break-out The Break out rooms have been up and running for about a month now. We have no received any negative feedback from trusted servants on their existence and use.

Attachment D

Online Intergroup Service Report: 26th Apr 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to do service.

aaHG Report:

Updated IOAA on service and group members, website footfall,
the introduction of a sobriety chip
and BB scheme.

GSO Quarterly News:

Activities of the General Service Board Including A.A. World
Services, Inc., AA Grapevine, Inc.

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/F-14_Qtrly_January_2022.pdf

Workshops and items of interest:

Calling all members:

Re: Call for stories – “A.A. for the Black and African-American
Alcoholic” pamphlet

Deadline: October 31, 2022, pamphletstories@aa.org

The trustees’ Literature Committee has opened a call for recovery
stories in response to
the 2021 General Service Conference advisory action regarding
the pamphlet “A.A. for the
Black and African American Alcoholic,” stating that the pamphlet
be updated to include
current stories of recovery and a new title that is respectful and
inclusive.

The committee is seeking stories of recovery from all African American, Canadian, Caribbean A.A. members from the English, French and Spanish-speaking Black communities in the A.A. structure in the United States and Canada.

Stories of recovery may also include:

- Experience, Strength, and Hope
- Steps, Traditions, Concepts
- Ethnic, cultural, gender and LGBTQ diversity
 - Diversity of social status
 - Sponsorship
 - A.A. Service
 - Safety & Racism
 - Military
- Black Mental Health and Diverse Abilities
 - BIPOC A.A. meetings
 - Atheist/Agnostics

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 500-800 words, double spaced, in 12- point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 6 pages.

Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of your manuscript. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files. The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or

not.

Instructions for submitting your manuscript:

Deadline: Please submit on or before October 31, 2022.

Email: pamphletstories@aa.org

Subject Line: A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic
Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment, General Service Office,
Box 459, Grand Central
Station, New York, NY 10163

On the envelope: The word "Pamphlet" should be written on the
envelope and at the top
of the first page of the manuscript.

Thank you for your participation in the process!

5th Edition BB Stories

Call for stories – Fifth Edition of the Book Alcoholics Anonymous
—Big Book

Deadline for submissions: October 31, 2022

Online submission: aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th

The Preface to the Second Edition of the Big Book explains that
revisions to the personal
history section of the book were made in order “to represent the
current membership of
Alcoholics Anonymous more accurately, and thereby to reach
more Alcoholics.”

In that spirit, the 2021 General Service Conference recommended
that “a Fifth Edition of

the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, be developed, including an update of stories to better reflect the current membership, keeping in mind the 1995 Advisory Action:

“The first 164 pages of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, the Preface, the Forewords, ‘The Doctor’s Opinion’, ‘Dr. Bob’s Nightmare”, and the Appendices remain as is.”

In response to the 2021 General Service Conference Advisory Action requesting the development of a Fifth edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous, the trustees’ Literature Committee is seeking a wide range of A.A. recovery experience of members in the Fellowship.

The trustees’ Literature Committee is searching for recovery stories of our members for possible inclusion in the Fifth Edition which are from a broad cross-section of our local communities, all stories are of value. As Bill writes on page 29 of the book Alcoholics Anonymous: “Our hope is that many alcoholic men and women, desperately in need, will see these pages, and we believe that it is only by fully disclosing ourselves and our problems that they will be persuaded to say, ‘Yes, I am one of them too; I must have this thing.’”

It is the Literature Committee's shared hope that any new stories from our current membership will help future alcoholics to identify and find recovery in the pages of a Fifth edition.

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 3500 words, double spaced, in 12-point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 6 pages. Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of the submission.

A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files. The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or not. Stories will be accepted in English, French or Spanish. If you have any questions, please write to 5BBStory@aa.org.

Instructions for submitting your manuscript:

Deadline: Please submit on or before October 31, 2022.

Online: aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th Email: 5BBStory@aa.org

Subject Line: Fifth Edition of the Book Alcoholics Anonymous
Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment, General Service Office,
Box 459, Grand
Central Station, New York, NY 10163

On the envelope: The word "5th Edition BB" should be written on the envelope and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

Thank you to all who are participating in this process!

On tradition 7, IOAA is currently awaiting a response for finance and treasurer positions to be filled.

IOAA minutes for April:

Chair's Report and Agenda -April 2022 Gwen M, Officer
Greetings Assembly,

Welcome all! Especially if you are new, we are glad you have joined us!

There is no new business this month but plenty of work in progress (old business) which is noted below. The business is followed by the committee reports which were sent out to the fellowship earlier this month and are pasted below for our archives. However I must say thank you to OIAA's outgoing web chair Tom C.

for his years of service!

There are two items of OLD BUSINESS on the agenda this month and no NEW

BUSINESS - OLD BUSINESS:

1) Bylaws and Certificate of Incorporation Ad Hoc Committee - Update

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Meeting weekly, frequently joined by OIAA's pro bono legal counsel to

keep the project moving forward.

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PAC (Policy and Admissions) is also in attendance and contributing to this effort.

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As per OIAA's guidelines "All motions to amend the Bylaws must be submitted to the Policy and Admissions Committee (PAC) for review before being placed on the Agenda

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OIAA Bylaws, Guidelines and documents about this process are available to all members: <https://members.aa->

[intergroup.org/](https://members.aa-intergroup.org/)

In 2018 and 2019 Tom was on an epic wilderness adventure, alone in the woods scrolling on his phone through the meetings listed with OIAA and thought perhaps there is a better way...and he did something about it! He came to OIAA and offered to be of service! Thank you Tom for your vision, leadership, humility and humor as you led the web efforts these past 2+ years. OIAA has touched millions of alcoholics around the world since then! As you rotate out we thank you from the bottom of our hearts and appreciate you TOM C! One man alone in the woods reached millions of alcoholics...!

- 2) Recruitment: Want to make a difference? We need you!
OIAA's Web Committee: Web still needs a few more trusted servants with experience in one or more of the following areas:
- o Servants with WP Forms and Word Press programming experience
 - o Volunteers interested in doing simple data entry in Google spreadsheets
 - o Someone versed in (languages) php, react, html and other
 - o If you are willing to be a part of a great team please email web@aa-intergroup.org for more info.

Finance continues to look for volunteers.

- o Financial background not required but familiarity with basic financial literacy would be helpful.
- o The finance meetings are open to all members and is where you are likely to see all three trustees

together discussing finance but also other key areas of concern for OIAA.

- o The last Tuesday of the month finance meets at 6:00 PM Eastern Time. Zoom ID 505-982-8932 and Passcode 505-505 (These meetings are English only.)

Treasurer: We need someone willing to serve as Treasurer. If you are

interested in a role as Treasurer or with finance please email
finance@aa-
intergorup.org!

o Maintains the Intergroup's financial records, including a detailed account of

receipts and disbursements, which he or she summarizes and reports to the

Intergroup at least quarterly.

o Maintains the Intergroup's tax returns, if any, and records relating to

exemption from taxation of the Intergroup as a nonprofit entity.

o Receives contributions and maintains the Intergroup's funds in an account in

the name of the Intergroup in such financial institution as the Treasurer, with the

consent of the Voting Members, may designate.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC).

o Interested in service with the Professional Community? Please email for more

information: gwen.oiaachair@gmail.com. This committee is currently inactive.

Let's get it up and running again.

NEW BUSINESS this month - none

Of interest to our members:

! FYI - Registration for the 2022 National AA Technology Workshop

(NAATW) has opened.

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Visit the NAATW.org workshop page for all the details!

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Call for Presentation Topics - The call for topics closes May 6th

**! FYI - Registration is now open for the 59TH INTERNATIONAL
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

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**FEBRUARY 16TH - 19TH, 2023 in DALLAS/ADDISON, Texas,
USA.**

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It appears there will be a hybrid option as it is mentioned on the
website.

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Details may be found on the website: [https://
internationalwomensconference.org/](https://internationalwomensconference.org/)

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See Event Flyers in English and Spanish at the end of this
document!

THANKS!

And to all members of OIAA, thank you for your attention to the
agenda and
matters of business!

In humble, grateful service, Gwen

April Agenda:

Week 1 (April 1-7) Week 2 (April 8-14) Week 3 (April 15-21) Week
4 (April
22-30)

- Group and Committee Reports - Discussion -
 - Discussion continues
 - Chair's Report & Discussion
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The remainder of the report this month includes.

1. Web Committee Report: Previously sent to OIAA's Assembly
on April 4th
 2. Steppers Committee Report: Previously sent April 6th
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Web Committee Report - March Recap

We see consistent visitor numbers continue - over 247,000
visitors and 749,000

views this month. We submit graphics depicting all traffic monthly
as well as

which top 10 countries in which visitors live.

We now have 4 new committee members to introduce on the web
team. Please

welcome Mark, BJ, Tamara, and Jeff.

- ! "Mark is the current Alt Chair and is a specialist in program direction and tech leadership/oversight experience. Mark will help advance our technologies mission and feels comfortable “put the pieces together”.

- ! "Tamara is programmer and program manager and web editor, as well as infrastructure and internal communications skills.

- ! "Jeff is word press and site maintenance manager, skilled in SEO, backend and full stack development.

! BJ is a new data entry specialist, with background in data analysis and management. BJ will assist working with meeting list data on our current system.

Together we plan on forming a new relationship in developing a tech committee

which will develop the website, a backend with secure data management and uploading capability, an events calendar and a new automated and simplified meeting entry data system.

I will be stepping aside as web chair as we move into April. We will now begin working on the new interface/website – which I will serve in an advisory position

to assist our newer and incoming committee members. They will work with a paid programmer to renovate and update our current site to meet the needs of the committee as we grow. We have outlined this process in our budgetary expenditures for FY2022 and fiscal planning for FY2023. I look forward to seeing our new trusted servants forward our mission of carrying the message to the sick and suffering via our technological medium. And may we meet on the broad tech highway in the future.

In Service,
Tom C
Web Committee

Steppers Committee Report - March Recap

Good day, Assembly -

Dirk T., member of our Web Team, has sent the Steppers data and graphs for March 2022. We are so appreciative of his doing so every month.

Thank you,
Dirk!

Before providing our statistics, we thank Franco G., IGR of Delray 10AM, for

suggesting that instead of comparing our statistics month-over-month, we use

year-over-year comparisons. Beginning this month, we will do exactly that! If you, Franco, for your excellent suggestion. In March 2022, Steppers received 478 requests for help. Twelve were duplicate requests, meaning we heard from 466 individuals. Requests were from 18 identifiable countries. 324 requests were from the USA with South Africans sending 78 requests. Steppers sent 1,932 replies, averaging 4.15 replies per urgent request. In comparison, Steppers received 483 requests from 29 identified countries in March 2021. Twenty-nine requests were duplicates, and 1 was a test, leaving 808

In grateful service,
Mary M., Steppers Chair
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Gary W., Steppers AltChair
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Thank you one and all for joining me on this journey! ¡Gracias a todos por acompañarme en este viaje!

Yours in fellowship

Jo H