

Group Conscience Minutes
12.03.2022 - 12 PM (NOON) EST

aaHomeGroup

Attendees:

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| ● Alex Porras | ● hAArold - Boston, MA | ● margaret b. |
| ● Alicia H. Branson, Mo | ● Hope K | ● Marissa M, Lincoln, NE |
| ● Alison G | ● j b | ● Mark A ((albeesoer)) |
| ● Annie-Mobridge | ● James M Cowboy | ● Mistydawn MS |
| ● Ash B NY 3.18.20 | ● Jeff B (St Louis) 8/13/2021 | ● Monica Mc DE/USA |
| ● Ato H - Colorado | ● Jenny L - Chattanooga | ● naomy b |
| ● Big Bob NJ/USA | ● Jo H England | ● nicole c (bowdoin, maine) |
| ● Bonnie - WI | ● Joe & Pinkie | ● patty m long island N.Y. |
| ● Brandi K TN | ● John F MN | ● Pete. S. Lancaster, Pa |
| ● Brooke, Biloxi, MS | ● Katy F | ● rich m |
| ● Carla S WA | ● Kevin C Derby Ct | ● Richard T - Atlanta |
| ● Carolyn B Arkansas | ● Kevin S Scooby, Baton Rouge | ● Roy D Waterbury, Ct (FYT) |
| ● dAAniel OR | ● Kimberlee B, NJ | ● Ryan L. Pa |
| ● David The Fish | ● Kirk Sudsbury, CANADA | ● Stacey Sacramento |
| ● Debbi Poconos Pa | ● Larry M. (SOWETO) (He) | ● Tarquin |
| ● Debbie in CT | ● Lindsey G (LG) | ● Tee Tee So-cal |
| ● Duane - Utah | ● Lindsey W (Missouri) | ● Todd L |
| ● Eddie E • NYC | ● Liz P-H NY | ● Tyler Stump |
| ● Edward Z. (RI) | ● Loretta (Tennessee) | ● Vanessa C - Los Angeles |
| ● Elizabeth (Lizard) | ● Maggie S. | ● Vanessa, Montana |
| ● Felix San Antonio/Corpus Cristi | ● Marcelino ODAAT | ● Wendy P |

Meeting started at 12:03 PM ET

Welcome: Lindsey G, Chair

Opening Prayer: Liz, Secretary

12 Traditions Reading: dAAniel, Training Co-Chair

Tradition of the Month: Roy, Co-Chair

Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Old Business

None

New Business

a. *Consideration of Group Conscious meetings for the first half of 2023*

Motion brought by: Lindsey G, Chair

DAY	DATE	TIME
Wednesday	January 11 th	7 PM EST
Saturday	February 25 th	11 AM EST
Tuesday	March 28 th	8 PM EST
Saturday	April 29 th	12 PM NOON EST
Tuesday	May 30 th	7 PM EST
Saturday	June 24 th	11 AM EST

Motion: Lindsey (LG) / Second: Roy D Waterbury, Ct (FYT) / Carried (35 yes / 1 abstain / 0 no)

b. *Motion to identify a Venmo account to use to direct 7th tradition funds to as soon as possible. The fund raising would be capped at 1,000. Proceeds would be used to cover ongoing costs associated with maintaining aaHG's Zoom license, domain, security and hosting services.*

Motion brought by: John F MN, Treasurer

Motion: John F MN / Second: Kirk Sudsbury, Canada / Carried (39 yes / 1 abstain / 0 no)

Reports

1. **Secretary Report** - Liz P NY, Secretary

- a. All correspondence has been processed and mailboxes are up to date
- b. Trusted servants should check and update contact info on the sub list/ directory - send PM to Secretary.
- c. Minutes approval, 08.24.2022 & 09.24.2022 & 10.25.2022 (Attachment A)

2. **Treasurer Report** - John F MN, Treasurer

- a. Account has been zeroed out and this will be reflected in the upcoming report. We have paid forward all of the obligations we had to keep the website running. Motion submitted (and carried) to raise additional funds needed due to increased costs for meeting rooms. Currently investigating different options on obtaining not for profit status, with a goal to bring recommendations to the Steering Committee at the end of the month.
- b. September 2022 (Attachment B)

3. **IT Chair Report** - Duane Utah, IT Chair

- a. Obtained a 500 seat extension license for auxiliary room at the last GC to accommodate additional participants for the meeting. This adds an additional \$50/monthly to operating costs. This fee can't be paid forward as there is no annual version of it.

- b. Kirk recommended that we sign up for the seat extension on an as needed basis as most GCs will not reach the meeting cap.

Motion to amend meeting agenda to include a vote to extinguish the extension after the Group Conscience in January.

Motion: Kirk / Second: Tarquin / Carried (36 yes / 1 abstain / 1 no)

Motion to extinguish the Zoom Room seat extension after the Group Conscience in January.

Motion: Kirk / Second: Duane / Carried (37 yes / 1 abstain / 1 no)

- 4. **Online Intergroup Service Report** - Jo H, Intergroup Rep
 - a. Onboarding Grady on materials from Intergroup going well.
 - b. Key meetings coming up are General Assembly (first one over Zoom) and AA International Convention (2025 in Canada).
 - c. There are delays and backorders for literature orders from GC. Additionally there are changes coming to the Grapevine and the GSO office in NY is open again.
- 5. **Scheduling Report** - Brooke, Scheduling Chair
 - a. Lizard subbed for Brooke and reported that we need more security volunteers. Additionally, she reminded Trusted Servants to delete their comments on the scheduling sheet.
- 6. **Security Report** - Joe & Pinkie/ Kevin Scooby, Security Co-Chair(s)
 - a. All issues are being addressed according to the traditions.
- 7. **Training Report** - dAAniel OR / Jeff B, Training Co-Chair(s)
 - a. 41 service forms were received for the month of November with 15 people completing Mods 1 & 2. Additional Mod training is happening this weekend.
 - b. Team is working on switching current presentations to Google Slides for accessibility and flexibility.
 - c. Trying to find a better solution for a training schedule. Many people are reaching out in Mock Training chat and it is difficult coordinating times and trainers.
 - d. 8 people completed the chair-only training and will be shadowing soon.
- 8. **Communications/Literature Report** - Carolyn B, Communications Chair
 - a. The next issue of the newsletter is being worked on and submissions for the new version have started to come in.
 - b. Literature committee discussed submissions that have come in and are bringing them to the next Steering Committee meeting.
 - c. LG reminded everyone that per GC, all reading are approved by the Steering Committee and new literature requests should be directed to communications@aahomegroup.org.

9. Grievance Committee Report - Lindsey G, Chair

- a. 5 grievances have come into the committee of which 4 have been closed and 1 is still open
- b. LG reviewed what the Grievance Committee does and reminded participants that grievances can be submitted to concerns@aahomegroup.org

Motion made to accept the reports.

Motion: Bob / Second: Liz / Carried (34 yes / 1 abstain / 0 no)

aaHG Related Announcements

- a. Look out for announcements for January security/chair in service and for service member meet-and-greet
- b. Elections for some steering committee positions with terms which are ending January 31st will be happening at the January GC meeting. Look out for the election announcement.

AA Related Announcements

Closing Prayer: Alison G

Adjournment: All - Responsibility Statement

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 PM

NOTES - will not be included in final

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Questions

Roy: liked 1000 cap, will there be 2 signatures, who is watching who - what happens if someone is unavailable

Directing money to duane since he is handling billing

Money will go to companies. We will be able to reconcile on a short time basis.

Patty: Steph and Patty were doing it and when Venmo came out there was tax. Doesn't know how much it's tax. Over \$600 is tax. Are we still looking at longer term

John: Understands that 1K will be under the limit.

Duane: Doesn't know what limit is but isn't going to let a little bit of money get in the way. As long as it doesn't get over a few thousand per year.

If we get donations above that limit we can return

Issue of elections coming up and

LG: Goal is to set up a longer term solution to be able to open longer term solution

Kirk: Have looked into Canadian tax laws - maybe able to use PayPal internationally - need to set up legitimate paypal account May consider paypal rather than venmo with canada as base

Richard: Has Intergroup given any additional guidelines around online communities handling donations.

John: They have not.

Joe: OIAA is having a meeting for officers today. Once they get new officers in position, will be able to resume investigation