

Group Conscience Minutes
09.26.2023 - 7 PM EST

aaHomeGroup

Welcome Lindsey G, Chair

Opening Prayer Sarah C Rochester NY

12 Traditions Reading Audra the Glateful

Tradition of the Month Big Bob and Roy Waterbury CT
***Tradition Nine:** "A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."*

Old Business None

New Business

- Motion regarding profanity in Chair's leads
 - Out of respect and consideration for meeting attendees that take offense, or might take offense by excessive explicit language/profanity, we ask that AA Chairpersons who are given to curse and/or use excessive explicit language while hosting, to make a serious effort to moderate their language.
 - Motion presented by Susan, seconded by Carolyn Arkansas
 - Discussion
 - Motion to vote by richard, seconded by Shawn Redbeard
 - Votes were cast; 43 total votes 3 abstain, 31/43 no 12/43 yes
 - Motion does not pass
 - Motion to have workshop on chair best practices
 - aaHG to have a workshop on Chair Best Practices on Saturday October 21 2023 at 3pm est to review chair best practices and make recommendations for updating best practices.
 - Motion presented by Lindsey G (LG), seconded by Katy F
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- Discussion
 - Motion to vote Richard, seconded by Sarah C
 - 34 total votes, 6 abstain, 32/34 yes
2/34 no
 - Motion Passes
 - Approval of August Minutes [attachment A] Liz P/ Paul MA
 - Approval of August Treasurer's Report [attachment B] John F MN

Reports

- **Secretary Report** - Lindsey G, Chair
 - Minutes August 2023 (Attachment A)
 - **Treasurer Report** - Lindsey G, Chair
 - Report August 2023 (Attachment B)
 - **IT Chair Report** - Richard T Atlanta, IT Chair
 - Paypal contributions set up on website and working properly
 - Working on adding people efficiently to various TG chats
 - **Online Intergroup Service Report** - Lindsey G, Chair and Katy F, member
 - OIAA website, youtube, events page worth checking out
 - Katy F offered personal invitation to connect with any OIAA related questions
 - **Scheduling Report** - Victoria, member of scheduling committee
 - Offered clarification on no-show policy (3 no-shows in a month period results in removal from permanent schedule and can only sub in for a month)
 - **Security Report** - Elizabeth (Lizard) Co-Chair
 - Working on culling BOLO/ROS list
 - Discussion of zoom community standards
 - **Training Report** - Lindsey G, chair
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- Training schedule has changed, now do one sunday/monday and one friday/saturday a month
 - **Communications/Literature Report** - Lindsey G, Chair
 - All readings/videos/audio must be approved by literature committee before being used on platform
 - **Grievance Committee Report** - Lindsey G, Chair
 - Motion to accept all reports- Katy F, second by Carolyn Arkansas. 26 total votes 26/26 yes 0/26 no
 - Reports accepted
 - Motion to adjourn- Big Bob, seconded Katy F

aaHG Related Announcements

- October Group Conscious will be Saturday October 28th at 11AM EST **IT IS AN ELECTION**
 - If you are interested in running for a position (opening positions will be posted on the main page as an election notice) email secretary@aahomegroup.org
 - We also allow floor nominations
 - Nominee must be present at meeting or have previously indicated to the steering committee they would accept nomination if unable to attend meeting
- Friendly reminder: Per GC in Feb 2022, ALL audio and video that is used during a chair's lead needs to go through the review process by the communications/literature committee before it is used on platform
- Next Service Training will be THIS Friday September 29th at 8pm est and Saturday September 30th at 2pm est. Fill out 'service member volunteer form' under the 'service' tab on aahomegroup.org OR email training@aahomegroup.org to get set up for the training and join the team!

AA Related Announcements TBA

Closing Prayer Katy F

Adjournment All - Responsibility Statement

ATTACHMENT A- August Group Conscious Minutes
Group Conscience Minutes
08.26.2023 - 1 PM EST

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Welcome	Lindsey G, Chair 1:06 PM EST
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Opening Prayer	SofiAA T Okland
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12 Traditions Reading	Liz P NY
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Tradition of the Month	Members SofiAA Oklans, Lisa M Boston, Mark A, and Liz P NY shared their experience with tradition 8 8h Tradition: <i>“Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers.”</i>
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Old Business	None
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New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of July Minutes [attachment A] Liz P/ Paul MA• Approval of July Treasurer’s Report [attachment B] John F MN
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Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Secretary Report -Liz P NY<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Minutes approval, July 2023 (Attachment A)○ Inbox fully up to date○ Motions need to be submitted to secretary at least one week prior to GC meeting• Treasurer Report - John F MN, Treasurer<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Group discussion of BB program including clarification of program, question on how much to fully fund program- clarification by Carla needed.○ Discussion of nonprofit status- Evie to connect with John F. at this time we continue to cover operational costs and special programs with 7th tradition contributions• IT Chair Report -Richard T Atlanta<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Everyone should have access to sheets for schedule and security (request access if not), all TG chats functional
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- PayPal link has been added to site for 7th tradition contributions
 - Clarification needed for 'member at large email'- receiving non-delivery notices
 - Mark A requested quarterly or every 6 month updates to schedule of meetings on website, IT/Chair to discuss
 - **Online Intergroup Service Report** - Grady, Co-Intergroup Rep
 - Update on OIAA meeting finder, next scheduled committee meetings can be found on OIAA website, upcoming OIAA virtual convention. Meeting/event page updated. OIAA has new youtube page.
 - OIAA has plenty of service opportunities for those interested
 - **Scheduling/Security Report** - Elizabeth (Lizard)
 - Openings on schedule- check schedule and comment, delete your comments please
 - Member wants to reiterate chair best practices, robbie (training) states group needs to know when chairs are deviating from best practices
 - Future motion for GC inc. 4 to 5 permanent chair spots weekly
 - i. Member wanted to mention need to prevent burnout among members
 - Member wanted to state that chairs should be respectful, compassionate, welcoming, and mindful of how the message is carried and how they serve
 - **Training Report** - Robbie OH/ Diane B Training Co-Chair(s)
 - Updates provided on training subcommittee- now have enough members that training can essentially happen around the clock
 - Member wanted to mention need for chair best practices when dealing with newcomers- she saw chair cut off newcomer who was struggling.
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- Update has been made to training dates- now happening sunday/monday AND friday/saturday each month
 - Email clarification- service@aahomegroup.org
 - **Communications/Literature Report** - Lindsey G (LG) Chair
 - REMINDER: anything that is screen shared/read/ studied on aahg must be approved by the literature committee per GC
 - Member asked if PSAs put out by AA are approved- will check with literature committee
 - **Grievance Committee Report** - Lindsey G, Chair

Motion to approve reports- Liz P /2nd Scooby

No further discussion or request to separate out any reports
25y/1n out of 33 participants, reports are approved

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- Next mandatory service team in-service will be Friday September 8th 2023 at 8pm est in GC/ Training Room. Please plan to attend if you chair, host, or do security on aaHomegroup

AA Related Announcements None

ATTACHMENT B- AUGUST TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer's Report				
August 2023				
Beginning Balance as of August 1, 2023				\$570.54
			Approved by GC	Disbursed
Income through September 2023				\$379.60
Expenses through September 2023				
	BB Program August 12			-\$300.00
	Kirk monthly Zoom			-\$59.32
Total Expenses				-\$359.32
Fund Balance as of September 31, 2023				\$590.82