Date: 1/2/25
Time: 8:00PM EST
CHAIR: Liz P

In attendance

Liz P, Big Bob, Albert C, Lisa M, Renee R, Carla S, Joe W, Ato A, Rachael C, Eddie V, Sofia T, Marissa M, Ash, Joseph Fl, Julie C, Andi S

Quorum

Yes

Opening Prayer

Serenity Prayer, Renee R

Twelve traditions

Eddie V

Old Buisness

-Bylaws motions (2) from Duane and Steph NJ

New Buisness

-Sc attendance and membership

- New Software for the Trudge and Cost of the Software

- Reports

Bylaws Motions

Bylaws motions are tabled. Members at Large are suggested to review the Bylaws and Liz with reconvene with the Bylaws Committee. The Bylaws Committee will review the Motions and make recommendations to the SC. Bylaws Committee will consist of the Members at Large.

SC attendance and membership

6. Steering Committee Attendance will be recorded by the Secretary. If a member misses three consecutive meetings (any combination of SC and GC meetings) the secretary will place that member as an agenda item for the SC to consider at their next meeting. The Secretary will inform the person that their membership will be discussed.

Andi S as Asst Secretary been taking SC attendance at all SC and GC Meetings, and informed Evie and Julie C that due to their consecutive absences without notifying the other SC members, that their membership shall be placed on the agenda for today for discussion.

Liz discussed the issue of steering committee attendance, noting that two members had missed three consecutive meetings and were up for reelection. The question of whether these members should step down or be ineligible for reelection was left open for discussion. Renee shared that Evie, the alternate IGR, had been involved in the OIAA conference but communication between them was poor.

The meeting focused on the issue of unexcused absences from steering committee meetings. The group discussed the need for accountability and adherence to the principles of the organization. They considered the language in the bylaws, which states that if a member misses three consecutive meetings, their membership will be discussed. The group agreed that this was not meant to be punitive but to ensure the group's business could be conducted. They discussed the need for members to show up to meetings when their membership is being discussed. The group also discussed the need for members to notify the group if they cannot attend a meeting. The conversation ended with the group considering further action if members do not show up to meetings when their membership is being discussed.

In the meeting, Andi expressed concerns about the disrespect shown to the steering committee and the group. Eddie suggested adding more details to the bylaws and offered an example of effective communication by providing written input and suggestions. Julie apologized for being late and discussed the importance of accountability in meeting attendance. Liz proposed monitoring the situation and revisiting the issue after elections and bylaws amendments

New Software for the trudge

Lisa presented to the SC "Flip HTML" , and the cost to the use of Flip HTML for the trudge, with Lisa explaining its features and benefits. Cost is $35/ Month and $299/ Year. Lisa proposed the adoption of a software, Flipbook, for the publication of the trudge. The software costs $25 per month or $299 per year. Lisa suggested that the trudge be published bi-weekly and that the software be used for all trudge publications. She also mentioned that the software would be beneficial for keeping track of the trudge's progress and for staying ahead of the publication schedule. The committee members discussed the potential benefits and drawbacks of the software, with some members expressing concerns about glitches and the cost of the software. The committee voted (13 Yes/ 2 No) to consider the proposal further and to try the software for 3 months before committing to a yearly subscription.

Secretary Report

Andi S discussed the Secretary's report, mentioning two separate motions from members and a nomination for a member at large. She also noted a motion from Albert that was rescinded and encouraged everyone to pre-nominate and qualify people through the Secretary email for the next election. Liz clarified that the nomination process would be formalized to avoid a long meeting on a Monday night. Big Bob raised questions about the nomination process, and it was decided to clarify the process and email those who had already nominated someone.A

Treasurer Report

Rachel reported the treasurer's activity, mentioning a donation and a payment towards the big book program.

Scheduling Report

Ash reports that we have lots of open spots, and that TS are preferring to sub in instead of taking permanent spots. Ash is hopeful that the Winter Workshop and the Q and A workshop will help with the gaps.

IT Report

Liz presented the IT report, highlighting the website updates, the resolution of the IGR email issue, and the implementation of Google Calendar. She also raised the issue of providing proof of attendance and the withdrawal of reboot plans.

IGR Report

renee shared her experiences with the oiaa, including the challenges of getting listed and the successful change of their name in the search directory. eddie pointed out that the name change did not fully resolve the issue, as the name still appears as "aa space home group" when searched online. joe clarified the process of transferring new members oiaa access.

Safety Report

Marissa discussed the need for updating the disruptors and ROS lists. Julie asked about the process of returning to service work after being removed, and Liz explained the probationary period. Albert asked about the potential conflict between two workshops scheduled for January 4th, and Liz confirmed they were the same workshop. The conversation ended with Liz asking the non-steering committee members to leave for a closed session to discuss a safety matter.

Training Report

Joe announced a workshop for all trusted servants to discuss issues and improve service. Joe states that the goal of the Q and A workshop is to make service as fun as possible. Joe also states that training has been experimenting with different times for the Alternative Night Training.

Grievance report

Liz reports 2 grievances, and one Safety concern, and says all are being addressed.

Closed portion

"JW" James was unanimously voted to be placed on ROS for 30 days.

Tabled Items

-The bylaws committee will meet and make recommendations to the SC

Closing Prayer

Serenity Prayer, Andi S

Resposiblity statement

All

Next SC meeting

Thursday January 2nd, 8:00PM EST, GC/ Training Zoom Room