

Any Lengths Online AA Group

Business Meeting Minutes - Saturday, July 31, 2021

Pat reported that Laura couldn't attend the meeting today, so we need to be responsible to take turns when speaking and not to speak over each other.

The meeting was called to order at 1:08p PDT by Pat D, Group Secretary, who led the group in the Serenity Prayer.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Kris E, Group Treasurer, reported that the Any Lengths Group contributions for the month of June were \$120 and \$230 for July which brings the current bank balance to \$1234.82. This brings YTD contributions to \$1680.

In June she reimbursed Pat D, the Website Host \$149.90 for Zoom charges and other group-related expenses. Our prudent reserve was maintained at \$700 leaving us with a closing balance for the month of June of \$304.

In July Kris will make contributions totaling \$250 to Intergroup and General Services but hasn't done so yet. This will be the first contributions since March 2 of this year. Holding back a prudent reserve of \$700, this leaves the group with a closing balance for the month of July of \$226.92, pending approval of the contributions and the \$57.90 reimbursement for birthday cards and chips.

A motion was made, seconded and approved (M/S/A) (Dee/Scott W) to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and to reimburse Kris E for expenses incurred as the Birthday person.

Coins/Birthdays Report

Kris E, Group Treasurer, reported on the number of months of sobriety represented by the cards she sent out in July.

A motion was M/S/A (Dee/Scott W) to accept the Treasurer's Coins and Birthdays Report as presented.

Website Host Report

Pat D, Website Host, stated that he had little to report because he had been on vacation and his vacation would continue for another week. He said that he had prepared a page for all the information related to business meetings and that by the next business meeting that will all be up-to-date. Pat explained that during his vacation he had been doing a lot of traveling and often had no internet, or even phone, connection.

A motion was M/S/A (Marsha/Dee) to accept the Website Host's Report as presented.

Chair Reports

Sunday - absent

Monday - absent

CHIPS	
3 Months	1
9 Months	1
EMAILS	
24 hr	1



Tuesday -Laura left a message saying that this meeting is going well.

Wednesday - absent.

Thursday - Paula said she is enjoying the meeting and thinks it's going fine.

Friday - absent

Saturday - absent

OLD BUSINESS //

Treasurer Backup for Kris E

Kris E reported that the group's Wells Fargo account will be linked to Jack P in the near future. Jack has just returned from vacation.

Long-Term Group Service Positions Backups/Alternates

This item, related to service position terms and possible alternates for various group-level service Roles, was tabled for discussion at a later date.

A motion was M/S/A (Lisa F/Mike G) that this item will be tabled.

Origins and History of the Any Lengths Group

Pat D reported that he hasn't completed writing this document yet due to his vacation, but said it is 3/4 of the way finished. Then it will need to be reviewed by several other group members before it is posted on the website. He said it was taking longer than previously anticipated.

NEW BUSINESS //

Pat read the following new business items which were not addressed due to the June business meeting being cancelled because of the illness of the Group Chair.

- 1) Discuss whether current attendance will sustain the number of service spots available and whether combining roles can help fill service positions.
- 2) Extend service rotations from two months to three months.
- 3) Who's responsible for enforcing group conscience or do we change the group conscience and who will enforce the service rotation limits.

Pat presented the following new business items which have been submitted for discussion at the July business meeting.

- 1) Putting person in co-position to backup Pat.
- 2) Women's informal meeting to be announced by Chair. Pat said it's not a business meeting decision, but thinks the person who submitted the item is looking for people with more sober time to attend the informal meetings. He pointed out that the informal meetings are not affiliated with the Any Lengths group and would not be discussed in the business meeting.
- 3) Service people to be present at the meeting by 20 til the meeting start time so that service people can prep for the meeting. Pat said this is already in the service descriptions and needs to be enforced by the Service Coordinator.
- 4) Vote in the new Service Coordinator. Pat said this is the biggest issue that needs addressing immediately.

Service Coordinator

The Service Coordinator and the Alternate Service Coordinator had to step down from their positions due to responsibilities in their personal lives. Pat said that Service Coordinator is a new position for the Any Lengths group and other online meetings. As such, it's something still being shaped and can be a difficult

position to step into. Training is a huge part of the job. JC has stepped up to take the position. He has time to do the job, he has experience, he has training in all the positions and he has a good heart for the group. Pat polled the group to see if there was opposition to JC taking the position.

A motion was M/S/A (Cate/Marsha) for JC to immediately step into the role of Service Coordinator. There were no opposing votes.

Pat said that JC is already of the mindset to train throughout the current two-month service rotation in order to have enough people trained for the upcoming service rotation. In answer to a question, Pat said that all training would go through JC and that members were not to be training others on their own without checking with JC first. This can provide better uniformity of training being provided.

Pat suggested that all new business items from June and July related to service be referred to JC.

Backup for Group Chair

Pat reminded the group that there is already a provision for selecting a backup to his Group Chair Position which begins November 1, 2021. Leon T suggested a backup be chosen sooner so that if something unforeseen happens to Pat, such as his illness in June, the group would still be able to conduct business in the regular business meeting. The Chairs will announce at the meetings that we are looking for backups for positions.

A motion was M/S/A (Scott/Cate) for Pat to add to the chair's scripts that the group is looking for backups for certain Group level positions.

A motion was M/S/A (Marsha/Cate) to pass the service-related new business items to JC when he takes over as Service Coordinator to be decided by him and/or in the business meetings, as needed.

Chat Hosts and Chairs

A motion was M/S/A (Mike G/Scott W) that Melody J and Susanne be voted in as chat hosts. Currently serving chairs were never voted into the position because we didn't have the June business meeting.

A motion was M/S/A (Dee/Cate) that the currently serving meeting chairs be voted in.

The question was then asked who can open the Zoom rooms. Pat said that the following people can currently open the room: Pat, Laura, Susanne, Melody, Mike G and Marsha.

A motion was M/S/A (Cate/Scott W) that the Service Coordinator also be able to open up the meeting room.

There was never a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Pat D closed the meeting by leading the group in the Responsibility Statement:

"Who is responsible?"
"I am responsible... When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am responsible."

The meeting finished at 2:15p (PDT).

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**[Treasurer's Report Below]**

## Treasurer's Report (Includes May for Postponed June Meeting)

### ANY LENGTHS ONLINE AA GROUP July 31, 2021

#### MAY 2021

|                                        |        |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Beginning Balance                      | 884.72 |
| Contributions Received                 | 150.00 |
| Debits                                 | 0.00   |
| Reimbursements                         | 0.00   |
| Prudent Reserve                        | 700.00 |
| Contributions Distributed              | 0.00   |
| Available Balance on February 27, 2021 | 334.72 |
| Bank Statement June 7, 2021            | 924.82 |

Available balance does not include prudent reserve

#### JULY 2021

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Beginning Balance         | 1,004.82 |
| Contributions Received    | 230.00   |
| Debits                    | 0.00     |
| Reimbursements            | 57.90    |
| Prudent Reserve           | 700.00   |
| Contributions Distributed | 250.00   |
| Available Balance         | 226.92   |
| Bank Statement            |          |

Available balance does not include prudent reserve

#### JUNE 2021

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Beginning Balance           | 1,034.72 |
| Contributions Received      | 120.00   |
| Debits                      | 0.00     |
| Reimbursements              | 149.90   |
| Prudent Reserve             | 700.00   |
| Contributions Distributed   |          |
| Available Balance           | 304.82   |
| Bank Statement July 8, 2021 | 1,024.82 |

Available balance does not include prudent reserve

#### Year To Date 2021

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| YTD Contributions Received | 1,680.00 |
| Debits                     | 0.00     |
| Reimbursements             | 613.83   |
| Prudent Reserve            | 700.00   |
| Contributions Distributed  | 1,750.00 |