

Any Lengths Online AA Group Business Meeting – October 31, 2020

9 in attendance: Ken M, Pat D, Darron V, Cate C, Dee N, Mike G, JC Q, Jason C, Kris E

Reports:

Treasurer's, Kris E: Contributions in Sept-\$232, in Oct-\$256; Total contributions since 6/1/20: \$1651. Available balance: \$1629. \$292.45 in payouts to be paid next week by Kris. No contributions to district, GSO and AA home office yet. All in favor.

Website, Pat D: Finishing up review-ready draft of a password-protected area of our website to host the official group phone list. Also following numerous websites downtimes over the last 30+ days, Pat is looking into making some broader changes. All in favor.

Coins and Bday chips: Trouble communicating with Colleen and Deb, not their fault. In Oct had: 24 hrs plus many 3m, 6m, 9m, 2-1 yr, 2 yr, 3 yr, 2-30 yr, 34 yr, 44 yr. All in favor.

Old Business:

- Discussed prudent reserve again, but decided to table it to next month when reimbursements have all been paid out. Our estimated annual expenses will be \$1500.
- Discussed reimbursing Pat D. for his data use outside of meetings for website work, group email mgt and other group-related data usage. Agreed to reimburse Pat D. on a monthly basis; he will look into and report an amount to be set in next business meeting.
- Implementing the back-up chairperson contact list approved in a prior business meeting remained an open – that new meeting chairs should have a list of former chairpersons they can contact for coverage if the need arises. Pat D will make it a part of the information new meeting chairs are given when voted in during new service rotations.
- SIDEBAR [Pat D]: An out-of-cycle business meeting dated September 26, 2020, our second of two September business meetings, was held in order to transition the cycle of our business meetings from the first Saturday of each month to the last Saturday of each month. Coming off a full early September business meeting wherein we worked through a hearty and challenging agenda, the latter meeting included little in the way of notable discussion; the few minutes that were captured contained little substance, with one exception - one brief discussion ending with a group conscience vote. Therefore minutes from the latter meeting left nothing to translate into 2nd business meeting report for September, nor was a report emailed out to the group or posted on the website. In lieu of the absent report, let this sidebar suffice, set under *Old Business* which it now is. The one

issue of substance that was addressed and voted on is this: To keep the "parking lot" time after each meeting more purposeful, more aligned with the AA tradition of "the meeting-after-the-meeting" being a time to talk more casually with newcomers in a less formal setting, the following phrase was unanimously approved for insertion into the closing paragraph (bold text) of each meeting script:

- "If you have time to chat, please stay for informal conversation in what we call the Parking Lot after the closing prayer. **Please focus on newcomers**, be considerate, avoid gossip and avoid discussing people who are not present.

(The phrase was added to each of our five scripts; revised scripts were posted 10/1/2020)

New Business:

- All chairs for November/December unanimously approved.
- Rotation for new b-day members to handle chips, coins and virtual 24hr. email announcements comes up mid-November. Kris E accepted the position with the understanding that someone else would help with 24hr. virtual chips by email. All voted in favor.
- Pat D. proposed having a member's area of our group website where members can post personal stories and/or useful information to others, possibly in both private and public areas. Darron V. agreed to work with Pat D. to bring a plan for this idea back to the business meeting in November. All voted in favor.
- Jason C. agreed to stay chair of the Sat. speaker meeting for the next two months. All voted in favor.
- Ken M. has developed a step by step list of tasks for the meeting host. Discussion about super admin members assisting Ken and Pat D. to deal with the complexities of the technical and administrative issues of running a meeting. Ken proposed that he will train Mike and Sarah in that position. All voted in favor.
- Mike asked if the group can be announced at the upcoming Soberfest.org in November. All voted in favor.

Meeting closed and was adjourned at approx. 2:20 PM.

[Treasurer's Report following page]

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Beginning Balance on September 1, 2020	\$	1,141.00
September Contributions Received	£	182.00
Debits	\$	0.00
Reimbursements	\$	0.00
Prudent Reserve	\$	
Contributions Distributed	\$	
Available Balance on September 30, 2020	\$	1,373.00
Account Statement	\$	1,513.00

OCTOBER 1, 2020 - OCTOBER 31, 2020

Beginning Balance on October 1, 2020	\$	1,373.00
October Contributions Received	£	256.00
Debits	\$	0.00
Reimbursements	\$	0.00
Prudent Reserve	\$	
Contributions Distributed	\$	
Available Balance on October 31, 2020	\$	1,629.00
Account Statement	\$	

2020 YEAR TO DATE

Beginning Balance on July 1, 2020		436.00
Contributions Received		1,651.00
Debits		22.00
Reimbursements		0.00
Prudent Reserve	\$	PENDING
Contributions Distributed		0.00
Available Balance on October 31, 2020		1,629.00