9/15/2021; Group Conscience meeting, SRG 5 PM EST

Host: Courtney S.

Guests: Bob R, Peter F, Ana C, Robert F, Sandy J, Robin H, Bruce D, Marty B, Dan W

**We reviewed the minutes of August 18, 2021**. No changes.

**Treasurer’s report**: Peter (in Montana) has been the Treasurer - he has stepped down due to other commitments); Peter in SF will continue as co-Treasurer.

 Courtney explained recurring charges, payments, and expenditures. The SRG money is currently in the Montana bank arranged by Peter, and as he will no longer be the Treasurer, SRG can no longer use that bank. The money will be sent to PayPal rather than another bank, eradicating bank fees. This was discussed, and the budget was reviewed and approved.

The current amount of the SRG balance is $1,300.00 (not counting our “prudent reserve”). Discussion ensued as to when to disperse funds beyond the prudent reserve – we agreed to table that to the end of 2021, then reassess.

**Old Business:**

**Timing of shares:** seems to be working well the last several weeks, allowing many more people to share when there is a time limit. Attendees have adjusted well.

**Schedule for Hosts and Timers** – this will be published to all, not just in the minutes.

**Designated Hosts and Timekeepers**:

Sunday – Host: Marty B. - Timer: **Open** (temporarily Bob R. is timer)

Monday – Host: Sandy (instead of Courtney); Timer – Robert F

Tuesday – Beginners Meeting - Hosts: Robin H and Gail. Timer: not necessary now

 – Men’s Meeting: Host: Courtney S. - Timer: Dan W

Wednesday – Host: Courtney S. - Timer: Mike (Ecuador)

Thursday – Host: Bob R. - Timer: **Open**

Friday – Host: Dan W. - Timer: Ibby (while available) ***will need backup if/when Ibby not available***

Saturday – Host: Dan W, - Timer: Robin H.

Hosts: We agreed more women are needed to be hosts – Sandy offered to host Monday meeting and will begin next Monday; Ibby may be able to host Friday or Saturday, depending on her job status – to be determined.

**New Business:**

1. **Need New Treasurer** – requirements include an understanding of how to do spreadsheets, use computer well and understand finance, assets, liabilities, debits, basic P&L statements (profit and loss), etc.; we **agreed to table this until next month**; in interim, Courtney and Peter F. will discuss and talk with candidates, until candidate is selected, Courtney will be interim Treasurer
2. **Current IGR’s** with OIAA Voting Privileges

- Bob R., Carol P., Robin H., Courtney S., and Marty (the SRG alternate)

- Dan will research requirements to be an IGR - Robert F emailed Dan pertinent web site:
 <https://aa-intergroup.org/about-aa/oiaa-members/join-oiaa>.

- after the meeting, Dan learned that there is no requirement that a group have a Group
 Conscience meeting; the only recommendations are that the IGR have at least one year
 of continuous recovery and attend that particular mtg regularly

 3. **Cross Talk**: we discussed crosstalk and that it means different things to different people. **Our group
 consensus** is as follows: “Giving direct feedback or giving advice to another’s share or
 commenting on another’s share in a disrespectful way is **not** the group norm. We agreed that
 sharing in an empathic way with respect and kindness is the group norm.” We agreed not to
 include a formal statement about crosstalk in the reading by the host at the start of the meeting;
 instead, to be handled by the host if/when the issue arises.

4. **Chat** – one member prefers no chat during the majority of the meeting, that it can be disruptive and
 not facilitate listeners’ attending to the person sharing; discussion ensued. OIAA has told SRG
 to turn off private chat; in the past there has been “big pushback” in SRG meetings against
 turning off chat. The concerned member made a motion that the chat remain turned off from the
 beginning of the meeting, until 10 minutes before the close of the formal one-hour meeting.
 There was no 2nd of the motion, hence, no vote.

Submitted in service

Dan W.