SRG Group Conscience meeting August 16, 2023

**Host**: Courtney S.

**Guests**: Bob R., Bruce D (St. Louis), John L., Ron M., Neil, and Dan W.

The minutes of July 19, 2023 were read and approved.

**Old Business**:

1. **New representatives needed:**

a. elect new OIAA IGR rep. (IGR is Intergroup rep) - Courtney is the primary; Bob R. is   
 the alternate – they have been voting in OIAA. There has been no interest to date   
 from our members to participate as IGR, so they will continue until there is.

b. elect new AA GSR rep.Courtney is current GSR. (per AA, the representative needs to   
 live in West Virginia, so this is limiting factor for now; as soon asAA changes their   
 policy, we can elect a new GSR).

***Both will be tabled until next Group Conscience meeting; we will continue monthly listing these items as reminders.***

2. **Donation to AA GSO:** Per Group Conscience Decision, SRG will continue to donate $100.00 to   
 AA GSO each quarter. Since this is the 3rd quarter, we agreed to donate $100 to AA GSO. (all   
 SRG payments are recorded in the main PayPal ledger). Courtney has contacted Cleveland   
 Secular AA organization to give a donation; however, the Cleveland Group Conscience is   
 that they do not accept donations; (Cleveland Secular AA been around since late 1930s).   
 SRG has donated to Secular AA Online in past; they are not in need of donations now.

3. **Treasurer’s report**: The budget is not posted on the SRG website, consistent with   
 majority of AA groups. **SRG PayPal balance** today is $ 7,5501.30 USD (lower than last   
 month due to fees paid for web services including upgrades that were due). Prudent Reserve   
 (PR) is $2,000.00. Balance less PR: $5,501.30 Projected final balance minus PR: ~   
 $7,000.00. Courtney presented a detailed review of annual SRG expenses. Forecast expenses   
 remaining in 2023: $100.00 to AA GSO.

4. **OIAA unrest continues** – Group Conscience Decision today was to continue holding off on   
 donations to OIAA until the unrest is resolved.

5. **Replacement IT person for Courtney**: Courtney said there is nothing new on this front, it requires   
 IT skills far beyond just hosting website, but including working within our servers. Courtney   
 is looking at options. It may come down to reducing SRG website services if we cannot find   
 someone with the needed skills. Courtney backs up our website and data to our web hosting server   
 (in 3 locations) as well as a separate secure backup server in his home.

**New Business**:

1. **Update Schedule for SRG Hosts and Timers** – times in Eastern Standard Time, USA

Sunday - 1 PM: Host: Marty B.; Timer: Louise (Secular on Sunday); Bruce D (St. Louis)   
 will be timer alternate)

Monday – noon: Host: Jana S. – timer - Ron M (Speaker Monday)

Tuesday - noon: Host: Courtney S.; Timer: Dan W. (Men’s Meeting)

- 8 PM: Hosts: Robin H. and Jana S. are alternating hosts, looking for co-host and   
 a timer; Gail L. will be substitute when she can) (Beginners meeting   
 “Sober Living”)

Wednesday - noon: Host: Dan W.; Timer: Louise W. (Wednesday IQ [Inspirational   
 Quotes]);

- 5 PM – Group Conscience meeting – Host Courtney S.

Thursday – noon: Host: Bob R. - Timer: Bruce D. (St. Louis) (Secular on Thursday)

Friday – noon: Host: Dan W.; Timer: Melissa (Fearless Friday)

Saturday – 1 PM: Host: LiZa; Timer: Louise (Secular on Saturday)

Sober She Devils **-** <https://sobershedevils.com>; or <https://secularrecoverygroup.org/sober-she-devils/>;

For people who identify as women, per <https://sobershedevils>

Various hosts and cohosts per meeting, which are:

Sunday 10 AM; Monday 9 PM.

4. International Conference of Secular AA (ICSAA)

a. 2023: October 2023, there will Zoom international meeting, check   
 their website for details <https://www.aasecular.org>

b. 2024: September 20 through the 22nd; in Orlando, FL, Mikey is the local Secular AA   
 person there – check <https://www.aasecular.org/international-conference-of-secular-aa> as   
 the links and details will be posted when available. (last month’s minutes were incorrect as   
 to dates; the above dates are accurate)

(1) ICSAA is requesting our support – motion was made to donate $100.00 to ICSAA now,   
 provided the donation is to the international meeting, not their general fund; Group C  
 Conscience Decision today was that Courtney will contact them and if our donation   
 can be specific for the meeting, he will arrange for SRG donation of $100.00.

(2) During the ICSAA 2024 meeting: Discussion ensued as to whether SRG holds a   
 separate gathering of SRG members during ICSAA, such as renting a meeting room, or   
 going to dinner together, then return to the later evening ICSAA activities. Courtney   
 and others said this has been done at other ICSAA meetings and all who attended   
 enjoyed it.

Submitted in service

Dan W.