**Marijuana Anonymous World Phone Meetings**

**Group Conscience Meeting Minutes:**

**Sunday, September 12, 2021**

**Summary:**

* **MOTIONS PASSED**:
  + Approve Mike as Web Administrator.
  + Approve Laura as Assistant Web Administrator.
  + Add a script announcement about the free MA World Services Convention from October 15-17 on Zoom.
  + Form subcommittee to discuss and outline a panel meeting.
  + Accept Davy O as Podcast Adminstrator.
* **MOTIONS FAILED**: none
* **MOTIONS TABLED**: none
* **DISCUSSED BUT NO MOTION**: none

**Opened with Serenity Prayer at 1:10 PM Eastern**

[**12 Traditions**](https://ma-phone.org/meeting-readings) **were read**

[**Reconciliation Prayer**](https://ma-phone.org/prayers#1fbe0845-8005-48e7-8b16-8153852b8322) **was read**

**Roll Call:**

**1 – Joseph NY**

**2 – Kim MN**

**3 – Kathryn PA**

**4 – Davy O NC**

**5 – Amy NY**

**6 – Christine ON**

**7 – Rick IL**

**8 – Laura VA**

**9 - Jackpot FL**

**10 – Roger AK**

**11 – Jennifer CA**

**12 – Jesse OR**

**13 – Mike DC**

**Summary of motions from** [**Last Group Conscience Meeting**](https://ma-phone.org/mawpm-meeting-minutes#679a3c8d-0704-4c80-910e-36de1d64de75)**’s Minutes were read**

**- Motion to approve minutes as read; seconded.**

**Subcommittee / Service Reports**

**Web Administrator and Internet Subcommittee**

- Website changes:

* Updated chairperson lists
* Removed 7th tradition announcement from script
* Actions approved at last month’s GC:
  + Amended all meeting scripts to extend the closing time of the meeting from 50 to 53 minutes after the hour.
  + Amended script request for volunteers to read one of the Twelves to state that the updated 12 Questions can be found on the MA website. "Life with Hope" printed copies contain the old version.
  + Posted Newcomer and Promises meeting scripts
* Added instructions to text the meeting phone number if there is difficulty calling in to the home, meeting schedules, meeting numbers.
* The script no longer refers newcomers to the Newcomer page on the website.
* Removed MAWMM script and information from website per Davy O’s request as they are no longer meeting.
* As an FYI, WIR phone number is changing Wednesday, Sept 15. I have submitted meeting update requests to the MAWS Internet team.

- Web Admin Update

* + This is the end of my term. Thank you to our fellowship for allowing me the privilege to serve as Web Admin for the last two years. It has been crucial to helping me stay clean through difficult times, giving me opportunities to practice the principles of our program, clarity about my character defects, and growth in humility and tolerance.

- Internet/Website Subcommittee Update

* Reviewed the Internet/Website Subcommittee guidelines and ensured there was nothing that needed to be done prior to turning over this service position.

**- Comments/Questions:**

* **MAWMM is on summer hiatus and will consider restarting.**
* **Many hosts missed the script changes and weren’t aware that the shares ended at 53 minutes.**
* **Many thanks were expressed for Laura’s work as outgoing Web Administrator.**

**Script Subcommittee**(inactive)

**Chairperson Coordinator**

- There are almost always open meetings. Rick encourages people to start new meetings including 10PM Eastern on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

- Complaint from member about being bumped from speaking on previously agreed upon date “in favor of somebody that the host favors over me”. Explained there are no leaders in our organization. Chairperson Coordinator asked for 24-48\* to see if something could be done.

- Jesse spoke up to apologize for this. She resigned as Speaker Seeker.

**"A New Leaf" Liaison**

**Treasury (7th Tradition Subcommittee)**(inactive)

**Podcast Administrator and Speaker Tapes Subcommittee**

**- A new member inquired about Podcast Administrator position. Web Administrator**

**District Service Subcommittee**(inactive; anyone can restart it for consideration at May 2022 MA World Services Conference )

**Old Business**

none

**New Business**

1. **Motion to approve Mike as Web Administrator**; seconded. No objections. Approved by unanimous consent.
2. **Motion to approve Laura as Assistant Web Administrator;** seconded. No objections. Approved by unanimous consent.
3. **Motion to add a script announcement about the free MA World Services Convention from October 15-17 on Zoom**; seconded. Approved by unanimous consent.

Discussion: It’s free and they’re asking people to register before attending. There is also a Saturday in person event in NYC: talent show and dinner.

1. (Submitted after Thursday deadline) **Consider alternating speakers with panel discussions for Saturday Night Live meeting**

Background: There have been challenges getting speakers who are willing to share on Saturday night. A couple of times a month, there could be a panel discussion with a prespecified topic and a panel or 2 or 3 people answering the topic. The meeting could be opened up for questions. The moderator would keep the topic and meeting moved forward.

Discussion:

- If we’ve been having trouble finding one person to speak, how will we find 2-3 people to be on a panel? There has been an informal role for Speaker Seeker. Who will choose a topic and find panel members? It would be good to advertise this so people know it’s going to happen. Might need to create a new position of SNL coordinator. Technically, how will this be managed using Q&A mode? Could have the panel members logged in as host so they won’t have to get in the queue. It means panel members would need to be chairpersons or meet criteria to be chairpersons in order to give out the host code.

- What are the guidelines for SNL speakers? Member who has been unofficial Speaker Seeker spoke. Others help find people. There are no rules about time in recovery or how often they can speak. It’s been organic. Suggestion to let SNL turn into something else.

- **Motion**: Motion to form subcommittee to discuss and outline a panel meeting. Seconded. No objections. Motion passes by unanimous consent.

- Discussion: Member suggested it be a separate meeting.

- Member inserted comment about scheduling of a particular speaker. Point of Order was called and discussion was returned to current business item.

- Katherine from Philly volunteered to chair subcommittee.

**Announcements**

- The positions of Business Meeting Secretary and Podcast Administrator are vacant. Chairperson Coordinator is open. Laura offered to do minutes until a Secretary is found.

- **Motion:** Accept Davy O as Podcast Administrator. Seconded. No objections; approved by unanimous consent.

- 2021 MA World Convention, hosted by District 8, will be via Zoom from October 15-17.

- Mike spoke up and accepted the position of Web Administrator.

Member requested and the Reconciliation Prayer was reread.

**Motion to Adjourn, seconded.**

**Meeting closed with Serenity Prayer at 2:21 PM Eastern.**