**Marijuana Anonymous World Phone Meetings**

**Group Conscience Meeting Minutes:**

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

**Summary:**

* **MOTIONS PASSED**:

**Motion:** Table Chairperson Coordinator to next meeting. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by acclamation.**

**Motion:** Tess wants to nominate herself. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by acclamation.**

**Motion** to create a Saturday Night Live Speaker Meeting subcommittee and solicit membership. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by acclamation.**

**Motion** to create an SNL speaker coordinator(s) service position description and find volunteers. SNL subcommittee would do the work of drafting service position description and volunteer, with GC vote to approve position description and appointment. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by consensus/acclamation.**

**Motion** to combine speaker list and podcast list into single shared spreadsheet, with access given to podcast administrator and SNL speaker coordinator(s). **Seconded. No Opposition. Motion Passed by acclamation.**

**Motion to Adjourn, seconded. No objections. Approved by unanimous c onsent.**

* **MOTIONS FAILED**: None
* **MOTIONS TABLED**: None
* **DISCUSSED BUT NO MOTION**: Mike (DC) proposes we create a new Assistant Chairperson to relieve the workload of the Chair.

**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: 19**

**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, changing the three items under Motions Tabled to Discussed but No Motion.**

**-Motion to accepted amended minutes; seconded. No objections. Motion passed by acclamation.**

**Subcommittee / Service Reports**

- Web Administrator: Script announcements updated numerous times with chairperson openings.

- Internet Subcommittee: did not meet

- Script Subcommittee (inactive)

- Chairperson Coordinator: Today is Rick’s last day as Chairperson Coordinator. He has served over a year.

- Concern expressed about someone signing in during the meeting with the host code, criticizing the active chair, using profanity, and booting the chair off of the meeting. There is a time and place to criticize the chair but during the meeting is not it.

- One person entertained the possibility of becoming Chairperson Coordinator said they may submit it as an agenda item next month.

- Encouragement for anyone who might be interested to step up. Rick will mentor a new Chairperson Coordinator.

- "A New Leaf" Liaison: no submissions

- Treasury (7th Tradition Subcommittee) (inactive)

- Podcast Administrator: Speaker shares are up to date with being uploaded to the web as podcast episodes. There have been over 20,000 hits. The average is about 80 plays/podcast episode. Members were encouraged to spread the word to districts and MAWS about our extensive Marijuana Anonymous speaker recordings. The most recent “Carry the Message” MA newsletter had an article about the speaker recordings and it was discussed in numerous workshops at the recent MA World Services Convention.

- Speaker Tapes Subcommittee: no report

**Old Business**

- Chairperson Coordinator

- Position description was read. A call was made for nominations from the floor to serve as Chairperson Coordinator.

- Rick shared his experience, strength and hope about serving in this position.

- There is no specific time schedule for doing the duties of this position.

- **Motion:** Table Chairperson Coordinator to next meeting. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by acclamation.**

- Motion rescinded: Make a separate announcement about the vacancy.

- Requested amendment to not lengthen the script.

- Current announcement was read.

- Group Conscience Secretary: **Motion:** Tess wants to nominate herself. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by acclamation.**

- A member asked if she meets the requirements of the position. Service position description was read. Nominee stated she has over 9 months sobriety.

- Make Speaker Seeker for Saturday 8 PM (ET) a formal position (motion in New Business)

- Develop a separate Saturday 8 PM (ET) (Speakers Meeting) Script (motion in New Business)

- How to manage second share in meetings

- Member asked for background of this item.

- Chairperson Coordinator shared that sometimes individuals take it upon themselves to enter the queue with a 2nd share when there is a lag time between shares.

**New Business**

-Tess is nominating herself to be Group Conscience secretary (see Old Business)

-A member submitted the following:

1) **Motion** to create a Saturday Night Live Speaker Meeting subcommittee and solicit membership. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by acclamation.**

-Member suggested that we have 1 subcommittee be tasked with motion 2 and 3 rather than create 3 separate subcommittees.

-Davy O. & Susan will assist in subcommittee.2) **Motion** to create an SNL speaker coordinator(s) service position description and find volunteers. SNL subcommittee would do the work of drafting service position description and volunteer, with GC vote to approve position description and appointment. **Seconded. No opposition. Motion passed by consensus/acclamation.**

- GC Chairperson stated this would be the SNL chairperson & that we need a clarification of the position of SNL chairperson.

- Point of information: the meeting chairperson is a separate service position from what is being proposed.

-Members discussed the need to clarify a position before we can nominate someone to that position.

3) **Motion** to combine speaker list and podcast list into single shared spreadsheet, with access given to podcast administrator and SNL speaker coordinator(s). **Seconded. No Opposition. Motion Passed by acclamation.**

- Point of information: group should vote so that current service positions are aware of group support to merge the 2 lists.

- SNL subcommittee will create speaker seeker job description and formalize the option that people can be recorded but not necessary published to podcast.

- Point of information: if there’s no opposition motion passes.

\*Mike (DC) proposes we create a new Assistant Chairperson to relieve the workload of the Chair.

- Splitting job so that one person can look for permanent speakers and one to chair unfilled meetings.

- Need to clarify chairperson coordinator position at next meeting.

- Needs to be made as a formal motion.

**Announcements**

- The positions of Business Meeting Secretary is vacant & Chairperson Coordinator is open.

-MAWS is putting out ballot to change the word, "God," to, "Higher Power."

-MAWS conference delegates normally vote on things that effect MA as a whole, but with this large change, the vote is going out to every single member of MA. Our group conscious will calculate votes from MAWPM. Contact the outreach committee for more information. Conference is in May.

-Need to clarify how to count votes.

-Motion to discuss “god” vs “higher power” change

-Point of order: agenda page has rules of order that we have adopted, items that were not proposed as motions before the meeting are just discussion, items to be discussed on agenda must be submitted 3 days prior to the business meeting.

**Motion to Adjourn, seconded. No objections. Approved by unanimous consent.**

**Meeting closed with Serenity Prayer at 2:40 PM Eastern.**