

## I. MARCH 2022 BUSINESS MEETING

### A. Meeting convocation and preamble read.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:50 am.
2. Both in person and zoom participants were in attendance.

### B. Call for reports by Chair, he asked people to proceed noting a packed agenda.

#### 1. Secretary's Report:

- a. Motion to extend daycounting in zoom meeting to one year failed.
- b. Vote to distribute excess prudent reserve was approved and awaiting treasurer's report regarding suggested amount.
- c. Question regarding how to handle sponsorship effectively at the zoom meeting remains.
- d. Motion made to approve Secretary's report and continue discussion of distribution in new business.
  - i. Move to accept motion.
  - ii. Motion accepted.

#### 2. Treasurer's Report:

- a. Starting balance: \$9,769.28.
- b. Prior amount collected: \$3,375.47(\$172.00 pink can; \$3,203.47 7<sup>th</sup> tradition & literature).
- c. Amount dispersed for expenses: \$3,526.55.
- d. Ending balance: \$9,618.20.
- e. Prudent reserve: \$10,000.00.
- f. Funds available for distribution (-\$381.80).
- g. Motion made to approve Treasurer's report.
  - i. Discussion ensued: Roger inquired about January motion to distribute excess monies; Chair noted that the necessary analysis had not been done by the Treasurers to make the distribution; One of the Treasurers, Michael, said it would be done and the distribution amount could occur next meeting.
  - ii. Rodger inquired about the distribution of funds in excess of the prudent reserve; noted this issue had been raised in a motion twice in 2020.
  - iii. Joe also raised a request to distribute the funds noting that the group conscience had twice asked for their distribution.
  - iv. Kent called die caution about the amount of distribution.
  - v. The treasurers stated they had completed an analysis and made a calculation based upon GSO guidelines for prudent reserves.
  - vi. One treasurer, Phil cited \$3,445 as average monthly expenses and suggested adjusting prudent reserve.
- h. Motion made to approve Treasurer's report and continue discussion of distribution in new business.
  - i. Move to accept motion.
  - ii. Motion accepted.

#### 3. GSR Report: Elliot reported on the distribution of SENY questionnaire.

- a. 10 questions to be considered, reviewed overall topics and told attendees where the questionnaire could be found.

- b. Asked to schedule a zoom meeting and date/time set for Tuesday, March 22 on zoom
- c. Motion made to approve GSR report.
  - i. No discussion for Elliot ensued around the event.
  - ii. Move to accept motion.
  - iii. Motion accepted.
- 4. Intergroup Delegates Report: Joe reported the Bill W. dance will be a virtual event.
  - a. Motion made to approve Treasurer's report and continue discussion of distribution in new business.
    - i. Move to accept motion.
    - ii. Motion accepted.

**C. Chair opened meeting for new business.**

- 1. Chair alerted the group: Lease for in-person meeting expires April 30th.
  - a. Question of whether to renew the lease, noting that we need to notify current landlord (Project Renewal) whether we are or are not.
  - b. Given the amount of the current lease and projected deficits in collections, Roger proposed looking into alternative venues.
    - i. Offered to reach out to church at 123 West 70<sup>th</sup>.
    - ii. Noted in prior search they offered a rent that was 30% lower than current rent.
  - c. Motion made to form a group to look into alternative locations.
    - i. Members who wished to be part of the search were encouraged to speak to John and Rodger.
    - ii. Move to accept motion.
    - iii. Motion accepted.
- 2. Chair raised an issue from March meeting: There is no effective way to communicate with potential sponsors except going through the chair people.
  - a. Andrea, Zoom Vice Chair discussed the pros and cons of opening the chat room as an effective means to connect sponsors and sponsees; Said she had compiled a list of sponsors.
  - b. Deena described her experience of zoom bombing when chat was open; expressed enthusiasm for keeping a list of sponsors.
  - c. Joe stated he thought this had been decided in the prior meeting and approved; just need to add it to the script.
  - d. Elliot agreed with Joe, encouraged script change and reminding people to communicate their desire to sponsor others.
- 3. Chair reminded group that in the prior business meeting the In person meeting voted to be mask optional given city & state laws and the landlord allowances.
- 4. One of the treasurers, Phil, raised the issue of the treasurer's report about how much money to distribute to Intergroup.
  - a. Rodger encouraged the prudent reserve be lowered to 7k as per the treasurer's recommendations.
  - b. Joe concurred.
  - c. Members asked allowed about when this would occur as the treasurers would need to cut the check directly to Intergroup.
  - d. Phil agreed to send the check for 3k..

- e. Discussion ensued as to whether a formal motion was necessary for distribution; it was agreed that the motion had been made and passed.
  - f. Phil agreed to distribute the funds prior to the next business meeting.
  - g. Chair agreed this was warranted.
5. Chair proposed motion to adjourn the meeting.
- a. No discussion ensued..
  - b. Motion accepted.

**D. Meeting adjourned: Serenity prayer recited**