HAWS Minutes for 10/8/2017

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Meeting opened with the serenity prayer at 9:40 am.

Attendance


Tradition: Tradition 10 was read.

Previous minutes read

There was a motion to accept the previous minutes and the motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report (Josh Q.)

- Prudent reserve: $6000.00
- Beginning balance: $7244.26
- Ending balance: $9741.80

Faith mentions that there is about $1000 in PayPal right now in addition. Josh will make the transfer in the near future.

Webmaster Committee Report (Meagan F.)

Our domains are going to be renewed soon. We are currently unsure of the cost.

They are making some rotations in the webmaster committee.

Aiden reminds the committee that HAWS had previously bought multiple domains to ensure others did not purchase those.

Jason suggests that Meagan redirects all of the other domains to the main HA web site.

Meagan agrees and will redirect them.

Chips and Literature Committee Report (Faith B.)

Faith put in a chip order with the new logo on it.
The chip color issue (orange looked like red) should be fixed.

Faith is going to keep a better handle on inventory so that we have better tracking of our needs.

Faith ordered the shipping label printer this morning.

The webmaster committee put the Chips and Literature FAQ on the web site but Faith would like its location to be changed.

The Chips and Literature Committee is formulating a new structure because there can be confusion in filling orders.

The last chip order went up to 45 years.

They are considering creating an H&I-specific startup kit. In AA, people write the WSO asking for information to send to inmates. They’re doing the same with us but they aren’t specific to prison.

Faith is going to look into whether we have the ability to send kits internationally because we don’t ever have requests.

**Writing Committee (Ian F.)**

There is a group in Phoenix writing a new pamphlet. There is a group in Prescott condensing two pamphlets into one. Faith sent Ian a pamphlet from a correctional facility in IL.

Ian would like to have 15 pamphlets total, one of which would be specifically geared toward H&I.

Ian has material he wrote about starting a meeting that he will submit to the delegates because the “Starting a Meeting” pamphlet is not good.

For the reading, “A Way Out”, Ian would like to have amendments in the future. They would also like a closing reading.

Mainline (Aiden): They could always use more submissions. They’re still deciding how much to change about the committee and its function (i.e. design, e-mail tools, etc.).

They are hoping to reach out to more cities for help with the writing committee so that writing is not so “AZ-centric”.

Aiden suggests that a HAWS member gives updates on the board meetings in the Mainline. Claire offers to help to this end.

Aiden brings up that there is sometimes controversial entries and they would like to formulate a method to deal with this.

**Structures and Bilaws Committee (David S.)**

No report.

**Convention Chair (Paul F.)**

There is a $12 fee per month for bank fees. At the last fundraiser, they made ~$550. They sent out a 7th tradition report to the board members.
They have $1659.88. There is another fundraiser this month and a larger fundraiser in December. Paul reached out to the meetings in the northwest, and they are started calling every meeting on the HAWS website. They are going to put an article together about that for the Mainline. They are going to start sending flyers to meetings to create awareness and excitement.

Please register ASAP and book rooms.

Only about 10 people are currently registered.

**Conference Chair (Sharmyn T.)**

David: No change from last meeting except that they are planning to meet with delegates to the meetings remotely.

David says that the Conference Advisors are present on the phone and he would like to ratify them in New Business.

David asks Paul about the conference/hotel update. Paul suggests that the contract for that gets signed ASAP.

**Old Business**

Chris G. says that the logo can be trademarked without a lawyer. As soon as the new chips are received, this should not be a problem. He also talked to a lawyer from Legal Zoom about the confusion with the .com owner and the lawyer said that we could do nothing about it. The trustee, Dave J., said that if he got the details, he could look into the matter as well. Chris G. and Meagan F. will get this information together.

**New business**

David: There are 4 positions that are in place for a “temporary trustee”-type position. They can answer questions about how to proceed toward a successful conference.

Dave J: Oct 24th 1993 is the sobriety date. He is a lawyer for a long time and is winding down. He has experience with legal stuff as it pertains to HA.

Aiden F: Mainline e-mail gets a lot of requests for insights from him. 2/20/08 is his sobriety date. He has served on HA committees a lot. Is also an advisor for Portland HA.

Chris T: Local in Phoenix. Served 2 terms on HAWS board. Helped form the first local H&I committee and many other things.

Randy G: was unavailable.

The 4 Conference Trustees were voted in.

Ian talked about presenting the steps to the conference using different wording, and there was discussion but no motion.

**Next HAWS board meeting: Sunday, November 12th, 2017 at 9:30 am AZ time.**