



## HAWA Minutes for 10/13/19

*Keywords: New meeting startups, Paypal changes, Convention update, conference liaison*

Meeting opened with the serenity prayer at 9:35 am.

### **Attendance**

Mike L. (Phoenix, AZ), Faith M. (Phoenix, AZ), Ole C. (Phoenix, AZ), Melinda M. (Phoenix, AZ), Aiden F. (Phoenix, AZ), Josh Q. (Phoenix, AZ), Jonathon W. (Atlanta, GA.), Chris G. (New Haven, CT), Tom H. (Atlanta, GA), Adam D. (Phoenix, AZ)

**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: \$6,000.00
- Beginning balance: 13,599.01
- Ending balance: \$13,757.58

Josh Q. looked into things with Paypal to correct the ongoing issue with removing Paul F. and unfortunately it seems that everything was originally put in Paul's name when the account was created so it has to be completely redone. Josh will need to get with the Secretary to get a new Paypal setup with both himself and Adam as signers. Josh was able to remove Chris and add Adam to the Chase account for the convention. Josh would really appreciate a report from Jonathan with how much they have brought in for the convention through Paypal, as far as registration and donations, so he can to send that money to the Chase account for the convention.

Motion to accept, motion passes.

### **Webmaster Committee Report (Chris G.)**

Chris G. says that Meagan is still the main person handling meeting updates. There has still not been a startup kit statement put on the website. They were able to draft up a new outline for each committee position and their responsibilities. There was an e-mail sent out to all people who at one point showed an interest in joining the committee, but they not heard back from anyone yet. Now that Chris is settled in, he will be taking on much more of the responsibilities over from Meagan.

### **Chips and Literature Committee Report (Faith B.)**

The new pamphlets had to be postponed because they had the old PO Box listed on them and had several typos that are being corrected. The committee is currently looking for a new startup kit

chairperson because the current chair has been in that position for a while and would like to step away. The committee was not in favor of putting a blurb on the website about getting the startup kits paid for by the district, area, or home group as they think they should be free no matter what. Faith still needs to come up with content for the Mainline about the new pamphlets, so she will also add the blurb about startup kits there as well. She is still receiving a lot of letters from inmates and she could really use members that are willing to correspond through the mail.

### **Mainline (Aiden F.)**

1,136 recipients last month. 24% open rate and 6.9% click through. The overall list is still growing a little bit each month (15-20 new subscribers each month). Last month they experimented with a new format to allow the readers to preview each column, but it did not change the click through rate. They are looking toward themed content still because they still have an abundance of content available to use.

### **Structure and Bylaws Committee (David S.)**

Not present; no report.

### **Convention Chair (Jonathan W.)**

The registration link for the hotel and the event are both up now. Jonathan has submitted both of those links and a blurb about the event to be posted on the website and will work with Chris to make sure everything can get posted. The committee is currently welcoming new merchandise ideas as they have already sold out of everything, they had for pre- registration stuff. They have several events planned to lead up to the convention next year and will be reaching out to areas for their support.

### **Conference Liaison (Dalton L.)**

The committee has updated the Area application form to get listed on the HAWS website. They recently discussed which HAWS member should be on the referral committee and it was decided that HAWS should select that person. The dates for the upcoming conference are 08/26/2020-08/28/2020 in Atlanta preceding the World Convention. Dalton said that the Conference committee had decided that all final submission should go directly to the Webmaster. There was a lot of concern with following through like this as there may need to be committees that are working together to complete all final conference changes, and it was suggested that the conference committee continue to come up with new ideas for how the distribution process will work.

### **Old Business**

Reach out to Pat B. to see if he is available to be apart of this meeting next month for any questions about his resume for the at-large position.

G suites needs a current federal filing papers which takes a while to get. Josh will submit the request and let us know when he has received it so it can be submitted to Google.

### **New business**

Motion to have Chris G. be temporary liaison to the next conference meeting until next month when we can discuss and vote a permanent member. Motion seconded; motion passed.

There was a referral put in for how to start and list a new meeting. Josh can work with someone to start brainstorming on coming up with a numbering system to list and track each meeting. Faith will have the form that is currently online for starting a meeting available to send out with the new startup kits instead of a mandatory thing online for requesting a kit and she will change the form online to simplify the process for requesting a new startup kit.

There was a new meeting started in the Washington area that wanted to be listed on the HAWS website. There was long discussion with whether HAWS would be able to list the meeting.

Aiden makes a motion to send an e-mail to the women of "Pussy Riot" letting them know we will list an abbreviated name on the website, if they are interested, temporarily, while we send the referral out to the conference for a group decision on what gets approved for names and what doesn't. Motion seconded, motion passes.

Motion to figure out meeting location via e-mail during interim as we have many members not here currently. Motion seconded, motion passes.

Motion to close. Motion passes.

**Next HAWS board meeting is Sunday, November 10th, 2019 at 9:30 am AZ time.**