



HAWS Minutes for 7/14/19

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

Attendance

Mike L. (Phoenix, AZ), Adam D. (Phoenix, AZ), Josh Q. (Phoenix, AZ), Ole C. (Phoenix, AZ), Faith M. (Phoenix, AZ), Jonathan W. (Atlanta, GA), Tom H. (Atlanta, GA), Chris G. (Phoenix, AZ), Tim L. (St. Charles, MO), Melinda M. (Phoenix, AZ), Robert W. (Austin, TX), Brian B. (Auburn, NY), Meagan F. (Birmingham, AL)

Tradition: Tradition 7 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: \$14,064.43
- Ending balance: \$14,974.01

Josh Q. met with Sharmyn T., the recent conference chair, to get the final conference expenses which he received this morning. This will include the conference secretary's travel, audio-visual costs, and some miscellaneous costs. The total will be approximately \$1,250 which will be presented at next month's HAWS meeting.

Josh Q. spoke with Kennedy E., the incoming conference chair, and he said he would get the budget to HAWS by the end of the year so that HAWS has it in a reasonable amount of time before the conference.

Webmaster Committee Report (Meagan F.)

Meagan would like an organized list of what to change on the web site. Faith and Meagan will work together to change various aspects of the web site, however some of this is dependent upon the conference literature committee communicating the exact changes to the literature.

Chips and Literature Committee Report (Faith B.)

An article was added to the Mainline about people being able to sponsor inmates. There were responses to this entry so some of the inmate correspondence to the PO Box are being put into contact with these potential sponsors.

Faith is going to get with Ian F. (the conference's literature writing committee chair) and Meagan F. (the Webmaster) about the changeover of pamphlets as a result of the conference decisions.

There was recently an unhappy individual who wanted to sell HA keytags for us. We declined. They are selling what resembles poker chips that have the HA logo on them.

Mainline (Aiden F.)

Brian B. reported for Aiden F.

At the conference, there were surveys passed out asking the fellowship what they would like from the Mainline. Brian B. collected them and the committee will go over them.

There is a new editor at the Mainline with an excellent resume.

They have a few other people wanting to join as content seekers (hoping for one in each region).

They are looking to have mainline representatives in each of the areas.

There are currently 1,041 subscribers. There is a 31% open rate and a 6% click rate.

Structure and Bylaws Committee (David S.)

Nothing new to report.

Chris G. brings up that it would be a good idea to re-structure the HAWS board to fit the conference.

Tom H. advises that at AA the desks at GSO parallel with each of the conference committees.

David mentions that for CA, there is a WSOB option to submit referrals.

Convention Chair (Jonathan W.)

They are looking for a timeline over the next year. Jonathan also some finance and registration work to do in the near future for making sure the deposit is paid for, etc. They are still looking to fill a few positions.

Jonathan will be working with the conference to gain their experience so that there can be a successful conference held in Atlanta before the next HAWS convention.

Jonathan presents the progress on the current registration page.

Conference Liaison (Chris S.)

No report.

Old Business

There is discussion about finding a new webmaster. Three resumes were read that were submitted for this position. However, all of them had more technical experience and less organizational experience. It was suggested that Brian B. have the Mainline run the Webmaster position in the Mainline again.

Chris G motions that Josh be allowed to pay for the extra conference costs. The motion is seconded and is passed.

Chris G. motions that Robert W. and David S. start brainstorming and perhaps drafting new guidelines for HAWS to fit better with the conference.

Chris G. motions that Meagan F. purchase heroinanonymous.com if it is less than \$100. If is more, she will contact everyone on the HAWS board for approval.

Meagan F. removed the Singleness of Purpose pamphlet from the web site because it seemed urgent at the conference. For the other pamphlets to be removed/added, direction will need to come from the conference committees.

The conference mentioned that they wanted HAWS to create their own e-mails. This is tabled until later when our articles of incorporation are updated because getting free G-suite will require non-profit validation which required updated articles.

Josh Q. will ask Kennedy about who else from the HAWS board should be on the referral committee

New business

Due to conversations at the conference about it being undesirable to hold multiple voting positions, multiple HAWS board members are reconsidering their current commitments. David suggests that as the conference chair, he is unable to vote at the conference, which takes away a vote from HAWS. David may step down from his HAWS board position by the end of the year or so.

Chris G. will soon vacate his position as he is leaving the Phoenix area and the Secretary needs to be present.

Two at-large members may drop their delegate positions at the Phoenix area to maintain their HAWS board position so as not to hold two votes at conference.

There is a motion to close and the motion passes.

Next HAWS board meeting is Sunday, August 11th, 2019 at 9:30 am AZ time.