

H.A.W.S., Inc.
Monthly Business Meeting
7-14-24
9:30am AZ time



Meeting opens at 9:32am AZ time with Serenity Prayer

I. Attendance:

1. Adam D. (Chair; Phoenix, AZ)
2. Ole C. (Co-chair; Phoenix, AZ)
3. Sara R. (Webmaster Chairperson; Columbus, OH)
4. Pat B. (Secretary; Rochester, NY)
5. Anna A. (Outreach Chairperson; Lafayette, CO)
6. Lindy H. (Hospitals + Institutions; Menominee, MI)
7. Alex L. (Non-Heroin Addict Advisor); Rochester, NY)
8. Aaron M. (At-Large Member; Gilbert, AZ)
9. Eric E. (Trustee (Central); Green Bay, WI)
10. Ben S. (Conference Liaison; Ohio)
11. Justin W. (Trustee (Northeast); Rochester, NY)
12. Stevie S. (Trustee (Southwest); Austin, TX)
13. John C. (Trustee (Southeast); Hoover, AL)

II. Tradition of the Month

-Read by Pat B, Tradition 7

III. Minutes (June 2024)

-Minutes approved

IV. Reports

A. Treasurer

Given by Wayne:

Chase Main Account: \$20,969.60

Chase Savings Account: \$17,500.67

Convention Account: \$7,837.13

Paypal Account: \$2,141.13

Two Conference Officers have been partially reimbursed for travel expenses.

1. Ian F - \$507.97

2. Renee B - \$385.95

If there are any other questions or any concerns please let me know.

B. Webmaster

Given by Sara:

Updated emails and meetings

Updated the Mainline

Have not been able to get to much this month

Chips + Literature

Given by Pat for Yonah:

- Been in contact with Bobby and everything is going well. All orders have been getting sent out and a couple of address/shipping issues have been rectified. I know Bobby has to reup recently on chips. Unfortunately, I'm not able to provide a P&L report right now. I had to factory reset my phone this week and now can't get into the PayPal account. I will get that fixed this week and send it later this week.

Merch:

Only one shirt has been ordered from the website.

Starup Kits:

I have gotten caught up on the startup kits. Did not realize that there was a special email address just for them. But I found it, reached out to everyone and get everything sent out. I also sent their information to Anna for outreach. I overlooked sending them to the webmaster for adding them to the meeting list online. I will be sending the information there too.

C. Mainline

Given by Pat for Logan:

- 34.4% opens / 3.5% clicks

We had some errors on our trello card which put us back a few days, other than that everything is running as it should and we are looking forward to having 2 of our 3 members at conference !

D. Structure + Bylaws

-Given by Pat B:

-no report

-Adam asks Pat and Sara to look into google meets recording.

E. World Convention (2024)

-Given by Pat B:

-Steering committee meeting weekly

- Large merch orders coming in
- Pat will request reserve fund in new business
- Gave hotel and pre-reg numbers
- Discussion about left over merch

F. H.A.W.S. Conference Liaison

Given by Ben:

- Issues with participation, Chairperson pushed members to show up. Talking about logistics and delegates, head counts. Had Pat send email reminder for all delegates to pre-register. Reaching out to Hotel liaison about making room commitment numbers, Adam notes that room block is not guaranteed at 30 days out but there is no penalty for not meeting the block.

G. Personnel Committee

-Given by Ole:

- Planning a few new items of business. No report in July.

H. Public Information

-Vacant

I. Outreach

- Outreach Chair, Anna A., reports recent outreach duties include:
- Continued to encourage book flyer distribution
- Shared regional meeting spreadsheet with HAWS member wanting to do outreach with trustee
- Wrote annual Outreach update
- Wrote monthly HAWS update for mainline

J. Intellectual Property

-no report

K. Hospitals + Institutions

-Given by Lindy H:

- Sent out a request for a meeting start up kit to a prison meeting in Montana. An incarcerated individual needs materials and she can start a meeting within the facility.
- I've been working on getting the details worked out for our H&I Traditions study. I am having a difficult time getting the Google meets account more easily accessible, been working with Pat and hashing out whether it would be easier to use a zoom account instead.

V. Non-Heroin Addict Advisor

-Advisor Committee:

No report in April, book writing is primary focus, will circle back in few months. May- Alex has someone interested and will work to bring them on, aiming for September. No report in June or July.

-Book writing Task Force:

Book committee is strong. Alex brings up idea of reaching out to the medical profession and trying to get insight from medical professionals who have dealt with HA to provide possible writing to the book. Alex says that there are clear guidelines set, Kesting C will be contacting person, committee member is professional journalist that has helped to craft this approach. Parameters such as 1500 words, no complicated medical jargon, etc. Alex reads form letter being used by the committee. Discussion follows about anonymity of members contacting professionals. Three stories received so far. The flyer that went out has had good traffic. Alex asks for feedback from trustees about flyer interaction. Discussion follows about story collection engagement.

A. Trustees (by region)

-Pacific

Erik S: No present.

-Southwest

Stevie S: Just had regional meeting 2 weeks ago, talked about conference submissions with area will collect spreadsheet of each area to see how they want her to vote collectively.

-Central

Eric E: Illinois and Michigan will be at the conference, cannot find representation from Indiana and Missouri.

-Northeast

Justin W: Planning to begin regular regional meetings again soon.

-Southeast

John C: Regional meeting next Sunday, some turmoil in southeast over delegate stepping down, alternate stepped up, got plane tickets situated. Making sure all delegates are pre-registered. Has extra money in regional account to help with travel. Several delegates from southeast coming to conference.

VI. Old Business

- A.** Ole makes motion to separate C&L from Merch committee. Motion to table is made after discussion. Motion is tabled, February- stays on table, April-stays on table. May- Yonah says he doesn't see major reason to make this change but would like to consider for another month, stays on table. June, stays on table. July stays on table.

- B. Aaron, motioned to create \$23 step and traditions banners 2'x5', with \$750 budget. There will be 20 items total (ten of each) in first shipment. Price will be determined by CLM committee. Motion passes. May- still in process, June, still in holding. July- Eric plans to bring sample banners to convention in NY. Discussion follows about holding off on printing due to possible future changes. Adam suggests reaching out to the conference S&B committee for correct current verbiage.

VII. New Business

- A. Pat- Motion that the Board approve \$3,000 in emergency funds to be made available to the convention for any last-minute emergency. Discussion follows. Motion approved.
- B. Motion to reimburse all board members who attend the conference. Discussion follows. Discussion about this method versus full reimbursement. Motion passes.
- C. Discussion about full reimbursement priority list, Wayne will compile a reimbursement budget for august meeting.
- D. Motion to approve document from Finance Committee regarding donations. After discussion the Board feels that these methods can be implemented within the current Website chairs duties and a motion, or new, non-conference approved document is not needed. Motion fails.

- VIII.** Next HAWS meeting is Sunday August 11th, 2024. Meeting adjourns, with motion to close accepted, at 11:30 am AZ time.