

OA CREATIVE REPRIEVE  
Meeting Minutes – November 27, 2021

Opened with the serenity prayer

Alix read the step, tradition and concept for the month of November

Deb established ground rules and encouraged participation in opening statement

Deb reviewed agenda

No sign of our secretary, no sign of minutes from October. But it may be on a recording.  
This meeting is recorded for minute taking Deb said. Deb was going to contact the secretary again.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Treasurers Report by Alix

update on bank account - We do now have a bank account, we have all signing officers

Alix has the debit card.

and paypal pool is back and link will be posted

amount in paypal is \$0 for November

Alix shared link for the donations to paypal account

no questions on treasurers report

vote to accept that report

No objections so report approved and accepted

Update on the motion that creative reprieve put to our VIG

Deb Said

About us being grand parented in to the same Zoom deal and that motion was accepted

Alix said we have the go ahead to do it and the vote went through

New Business

Deb shared how Shanelle needed to step down. Deb thanked her for her service.

Election for vice chair.

Duties: Ensuring agenda keeps to time, run security for meeting, and to step in for the chair if the chair is unable to attend. Abstinance 1 year required

Marty Expressed interest in that position

Alix nominated Marty

Heather seconded it

No other nominations We ran a pole 100% approval

Discussion on leaders for meetings raised by Alix

Alix said we have a Whats app group for leaders.

Alix said she is going to put off leadership training in the way of a workshop.

Hoping that people can take a day of the week that they will lead on.

Marty said that we are improving but we are still having blank spots with no leader where no one knows where the scripts are.

Sharon said she is encouraging people to share and has done some training

Alix said she is rebuilding the website with the scripts and when she gets time she will get that up and that will make it easier for us to get the scripts.

Heather talked to the idea of one person taking a meeting of a particular day

Sharon said she asks during the meeting for someone to lead the next days meeting.

Stephanie said it is hard for people to commit to the time. She said that some meetings have a leader that commits for 3 months.

Marty asked if we could get a link to the script on zoom.

Alix said it needs to be a link to a website as zoom doesn't have that feature.

Discussion on the Whats app non realtime group brought up by Alix

Alix said she has been trying to have a group conscience but no one has turned up.

She is tired of policing a group that doesn't want to be policed. She stepped down. She said if it is e going to keep being an OA group it needs a group conscience. Or it could just be a chat group.

Deb thanked Alix for her service. Deb said she left that Whats app group a while ago.

Sharon said the group is frustrating, she left and came back. She thinks the people just want to show their art in that group.

Mimmi said she doesn't know what the rules are and what we are allowed to share and would love to have a group where she doesn't have to be worried about breaking the rules. She said she likes the group.

Deb says the group can make the group whatever they want it to be with group consciences and still has to follow the OA guidelines as a registered meeting.

Marty said we like to share our artwork and that helps our recovery and we don't like being limited and we should lift the rules about being able to share our work.

Deb said about the group conscience was had so that shares of artwork only happen on Mondays.

Monica asked if we could share our art openly at any time. We should open it up to be our reprieve at all times instead of just on Mondays. She talked to the tension and the all Caps shouting in the whats app meeting and that she left that group.

Alix said the group conscience was put in place to limit to just Mondays was because it limits their bandwidth on their devices. The crosstalk is an issue she said. We encourage that talk to be done privately. She also stopped going to the virtual art studio too she said.

Discussion on long? Short term vision for the creative reprieve.

Deb suggested we think on this topic and chat about it at our next meeting.

No objections so that topic is tabled.

Other Business

Alix announced from virtual region to participate in the upcoming convention to hold our meetings and a type of artist in residence period where we create and share how our art helps our recovery. She said we need a lot of people to pull this off. We are making a service committee on signal to make this come together. Feb 18<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022.

Sharon asked how this is going to be brought to all the meetings

Alix said by the reps in the announcement slot of the meeting.

Alix said she would get that info on the website as soon as she could so it could be shared.

Heather asked is their a cost to attend that conference?

Deb said a 7<sup>th</sup> tradition possibly

Alix said she didn't suspect a cost

Alix posted links in chat for convention

### Other Business

Heather asked about the reps where some reps don't come to the respective meetings anymore.

Deb explained how being a rep works and the duties of each.

Deb asked for a list of reps.

Alix volunteered to move the Thursday evening meeting to Monday evening.

Alix put motion to close meeting

Seconded by Marty

No objections so Deb closed the meeting with a big thanks you to all who attended