

OA Creative Reprieve business meeting Saturday 26th Mar. 2022 12.15pm (est time)

Serenity Prayer -Said by Marty

Step of the month (Step 3)- Ready by Liana

Tradition of the month (Tradition 3)- Read by Marty

Concept of service of the month (Concept 3)- Read by Liana

Establishing Ground Rules - Read by Marty

1. The purpose of this meeting is to make decisions that affect our Creative Reprieve. I encourage everyone here to participate. Everyone here has a vote today, if they wish to use it. We welcome everyone's viewpoint; we can all learn from one another. "Please remember Tradition Five: 'Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the compulsive overeater who still suffers.' Therefore, anything we decide at this meeting must reflect that purpose. No matter what we believe as individuals, we must be united in our purpose to carry our message as best we can to the compulsive overeater who still suffers. That person is our focus. May we do our best for him, her, them.

2. Please use the "Raise Hand" function to be recognized by the Chair. Please only use the chat for sharing relevant links (if necessary) and to communicate "point of information" etc.

3. Should the meeting become chaotic, any member may make a motion to close the chat or remove the ability for participants to unmute. We will then take a GC before proceeding.

Approval of Minutes from last meeting (plus minutes from January meeting)- skipped.

Review of Agenda

Reports (5 minutes plus 5 minutes for questions)

OACR Treasurer's Report for November & December

(Vote to accept Treasurer's report)

Updates on previous business (5 minutes plus 5 minutes for questions per item)

update on ezine (Alix or Carly)- Tabled for next time. Carly cannot be as involved as she wanted.

Review of new meetings (2 way prayer, guided meditation, finding joy) (Marty or the reps for those meetings)

Marty - Finding Joy meeting is going well.

Ben- Guided meditation meeting is going well/ being received well. Many agree it is a great meeting. Sharon is grateful for the meeting.

Marty - The two way prayer meeting is a work in progress but is a nice and special meeting on tuesday nights.

We care list update (Sharon)

-Sharon is updating that the outreach committee was off to a slow start- taking some time to catch on. No more than 5 folks signed up for outreach. Perhaps a blessing in disguise because we do not have many "out reachers"

-Carly suggests we could streamline the announcements so that the We-Care list does not get lost

-Liana suggests we could share a link to a page with all announcements instead of posting all in the chat.

Script pronouns (Marty)

-Marty explains that it is all in the works

-Liana thinks all the scripts are good to go

Blog (Alix)

-tabled for next time

Discussion on permission form for social media (Marty)

Marty- This is in place. A permission form will be signed whenever someone speaks

Tiktok update (Marty)

Marty updated the group that we voted during the intergroup meeting to keep our tiktok account/ group. Exciting news for creative reprieve!

Potential new logo for creative reprieve (Alix or Mike or Marty)

Marty- new logos are on the go! Monica thinks they are amazing and Sharon agrees.

Coffee House (Alix, Brenda ,Marty)

Branda- We are closing in on having enough performers.

Some discussion about if it will be ok to sing a song with a religious focus on christianity. Folks suspect that this will not be an issue- especially because it is not a meeting but an event.

1 year and up anniversary parties (Marty)

Marty- it could be simple or meeting focused. Marty pitches that people could speak at meetings when they hit their anniversaries.

Sharron- shares that in meetings that folks were given 5 minutes to share about their recovery for their OA birthdays. Marty and Liana love that idea.

The group is expressing some confusion about the actual terms milestone and birthday- whether it being about abstinence or since entering the program. - This will be tabled and discussed at a future meeting.

OACR virtual conference update (Marty)

Marty explains that it is in the works and meetings have been happening.

Sharon proposes we have another meeting the following Sunday to open up discussions again and get more involved in discussions.

New Business

New Saturday night relapse and recovering meeting (Theresa or Marty)

-Teresa proposed this meeting to take place at 8pm eastern on relapse- a topic close to home and that she is quite knowledgeable about and has led on about in the past. A supportive meeting with the creative focus.

-Marty says the ball is rolling in terms of asking the virtual intergroup and registering the meeting with OA.org

-The plan is for the meeting to begin next saturday. Teresa has created a flier for the meeting and will connect with Mike to get the new logo on it.

-Teresa pitches that we have a time to give day counts and define abstinence. As well as steps and warning signs and a supportive component.

-Ben and Marty and Sharon are excited about this new topic.

Script changes to include meeting times and days and update the condensed scripts to google docs (Liana or Marty)

-Marty- This is in the works.

-Liana- suggests we need a shorthand way of saying when our meetings happen and putting that in the scripts.

-Marty suggests we do a group conscience on this in the leaders group chat. Scripts have been updated by Suz and Liana and have been updated.

How a group conscience works (in the whatsapp leaders page) (Marty)

-Marty explains that this would happen at the beginning or end of a meeting- sometimes there is a separate meeting for this all together.

-Sharon suggests that if a group's conscience gets heated we can propose to move it to the business meeting. She also asks for clarifications

-Teresa gives a description of different ways to make a group conscious- explains that it can be specific to different groups

Newcomers welcome (Marty)

-Marty just wanted to say great job at welcoming new members.

Leaders (people off topic)

-Kat-I suggested we remove the word "even" in the script for "even a doodler" because that is real art too. We have to be careful not to minimize any form of art.

-Marty says we can do a group conscious in every meeting about this.

Any other business

Motion to close the meeting

Liana made the motion- Carly 2nd.

Serenity Prayer (We version)

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