

OA For Today Meditation Meeting Group Conscience Minutes

Saturday, November 5, 2024

1. **Introduction**
2. **Serenity Prayer** (All)
3. **Tradition 2:** “For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority — a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.”
4. **Tradition 4:** “Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or OA as a whole.”

5. **Minutes** (Deb B)

The minutes & treasurers report for the October meeting were approved. The following motions were discussed:

Motion 1 (Gloria) Proposal to have the pre-meeting social time cease at 7:50 am so that service filling can take place. **Second:** Cathy O

- **Vote: 26 present, yes=3, no=15, abstained=8; motion failed**

Motion 2 (Kate, Bill, Leeann, Carol) Approval to act as a committee to revise the copy/paste text and format. **Second:** Robin

- **Vote: 23 present, yes=19, no=0, abstained=4; motion passed**

6. **Treasurer Report** (Cathy O and Karen R) **None** this month b/c of absence

7. **Literature Report** (Paula M)

- Sent out newcomer packets: **We sent 16 newcomer packages**

8. **Old Business** **none**

9. **New Business** - Procedure for new business:

- Presenter will make the motion by reading it and giving more information if needed.
- Chair will ask for someone to second the motion
- If seconded, discussion will follow. Please raise electronic hand to participate in the discussion
- After sufficient discussion, call to vote.

Motion 1 (Devi) Proposal to discontinue the spelling out of the For Today website in the meeting host script. **Second:** Luke

Discussion:

Ann - does not agree because the diversity of understanding in the meeting

Robin – spelling it out helped her tremendously – in favor of keeping as is

Paula – helpful for newcomers

KarenKay – redundant – let it go

Diana – it’s just fun!

Alina – finds it helpful, easy to forget when you have been here a long time

- **Vote: 25 present, yes=7, no=16, abstained=1; motion failed**

Motion 2 (Lois) Proposal to have the speaker meeting occur on the last Saturday of the month.

Second: Deb

Discussion:

Vinnie - lots of people don't attend

Diana - it's always a good reading

Luke – we just introduced the speaker meetings, so keep it as is for now

Alice – leave as is, last day is easy to remember

Alina – just a question about what it is

Bill – will write up the recommendation to add the reading

Christy – also cannot make the weekday

- **Vote: 25 present, yes=1, no=17, abstained=4; motion failed**

Motion 3 (Bill) Proposal to clarify in the script that drinking beverages on camera is permitted.

Second: Deb

Discussion:

Diana - need to be a lot of clarification because it good be a trigger

KarenKay - could trigger people

Ann – clarity would be hard

Vini – in face to face we always drank coffee

- **Vote: 24 present, yes=5, no=11, abstained=6; motion failed**

10. Future business – Procedure for future business:

- If time permits, future agenda items may be introduced and discussed
- However, items will be tabled until next meeting's agenda

Future Agenda Items:

- 1) **Luke** – leave the For Today during speaker meeting, before speaker – **Bill** to write it up.
- 2) **KarenKay** – *“At this time, will all available sponsors please raise your electronic hand?”*
- 3) **Devi** – would like to remove “Phone participants, enter star 6 to mute and unmute, star 9 to raise your hand. Video participants, click “Raise Hand” at the bottom of your screen or in the “More” menu”

11. Motion to Adjourn: KarenKay, Devi Seconds, meeting adjourned!