

ARTS.

Pre-Conference Meeting

Topic: 15th January 2022 Pre-Conference Meeting
Time: Jan 15, 2022 3:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Location: Zoom Via Registration Link

Facilitator: Florence F.

Minutes: Tracey W.

Timekeeper: Jay M.

Present:
(alphabetical order)

Time (approx)	AGENDA ITEMS for the 15th January Pre-Conference	NOTES/ MINUTES / MOTIONS MADE
10min	<p>OPENING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Serenity Prayer (10seconds) ● 12 Traditions (2min) ● 12 Concepts (2min) ● Housekeeping Announcements (2min) 	
15min	<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Each board member introduces themselves (2min each) ● Allegra to announce openings on the board (2min) 	Val G: asked during the meeting for a job description for each opening
	<p>HELLO FROM EVERYONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2min each 	
40min	<p>COMMITTEE REPORTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Committee reports (4min each) including a call for members / recruit international <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alphabetical order: Allegra B, Chris, Cindynn, Jay M, Matt B. Pat Q, Tracey W, Vicki D ● Pat to mention nominations committee (4min) 	<p>Allegra-Literature: Open and asking for literature from members, however needs someone to take the lead in the future.. And left email address,, writing skills, editing skills, experience with 12 step lit</p> <p>Chris-Outreach: have put together an arts strategy doc. 2nd Jan meeting.. Actions were prioritized.. But going slow and steady.. One action - pamphlet for the youth ... plus questionnaire.. On how people came in.. make it less of a 'miracle' to find arts.. Meeting again in feb to keep things moving. Soon to talk with David F.</p> <p>Cindynn W.-Inreach: could call a special zoom meeting for all the meetings, need members to step up for service. Feels she's flying solo and a little tentative about her role</p>

Jay M-Website: meeting every other week. Lots of work done. Went through website page by page.. And listed the actions in three (3) columns.. Expecting to hear back from the board very soon about priority one tasks..

Goal is to make it more accessible for search engines..

Matt-Regions: It's been difficult.. 3 regions have signed up so far. No structure within arts, no intergroups, no connections within the groups. Members in australia are looking at forming intergroups. Will need to pass this committee on due to board commitment

Matt-LGBTQ: Looking at starting a LGBTQ Meeting.. May end up being one of his board roles. Very little rep in arts.. (maybe education on gender diversity matt (questionmark)

Drafting a pamphlet at the moment. A call made for any in arts who are interested in the LGBTQ committee.

Pat-ByLaws: last updated 21 years ago.. Mentioned three audiences for the bylaws. Open to members. Looking for

Tracey-Events: looking for new members with a flair in event creation, but also willing to stick to their committment

Vicki-P&P: doesn't really fit arts.. Conference is the group convenience of the fellowship. Making sure we are following the steps and traditions.. Group conc defines what that means. Arts conference is the over-see'er of 'everything else' important to get a good structure for the conference. On the arts website the conference charter is, but its all AA and it doesn't make much sense for ARTS.

PAT/Nominations Committee: would like to make a motion for a new committee to oversee nominations for trustee applications.. To identify people in the fellowship who have excellent representations and be given the opportunity to become trustees. Committee should have some trustees on it.

20min

EDUCATION ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A DELEGATE

- How do you become a delegate?
- What does a delegate do?
- How does a motion come to conference?
- Deadline for motions
- Registration form for delegates
- QUESTION TIME (2mins)

QUESTION TIME

ALLEGRA: Effort needed to be coordinated in terms of members visiting meetings and informing about delegates for the WSBC

CINDYANN: mentioned the need for something and flo said we will be discussing this in this meeting. Missed what it was

JAY: Flow chart. Step by step. For what's going to happen (GREAT IDEA!). **IDEA FOR:** A group together and create a flow chart

VICKIE D. Shared the form she created with the meeting

DONNA D. How will a regular arts member get their vote to the floor

PAT Q. Inviting motions in the pre-conferences

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10min	<p>PUPPET SHOW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donna D & Matt B - Puppet show on what the WSBC is 	<p>*be good if the ‘performance screen’ could be the main screen for everyone. Is this possible. It would be good if there was a script for this ahead of time. I’d like to create my own puppet for it.</p> <p>February 19th Next Pre-Cone</p>
60min	<p>MOTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of the proposed voting method (Flo/Tracey) (10min) QUESTION TIME (5min) MOTION: To send one delegate per meeting with an Alternate. If the meeting has more than 5 members you may send two delegates and an alternate to the 2022 World Service Business Conference (WSBC) (20min) QUESTION TIME (5min) 	<p>Proposed voted method for Pre-Conference motion on Jan 15th PLUS ARTS Pre-Conference Meeting 2022 Motion Form</p> <p>Donna - Donna asked that a motion be sent out to the fellowship regarding using the proposed voted method..</p> <p>Vicki said it was a great idea.. (what was the idea)</p> <p>Pat Q: mentioned a voting method called ‘knowledge based decision making’.. Says that perhaps the proposed voting method proposed is inherently adversarial and the ‘knowledge based decision making’ could be better.</p> <p>Jay: can Pat please share his knowledge based decision making with us so we know about this alternative..</p> <p>Pat: mentioned we need to set realistic goals, rather than dealing with everything on the table.. We need to set up a winning streak.. (still no idea on the practicalities of what Pat just said).. Its criticism, not helpfulness.</p> <p>Val G: wants to talk about this huge change that has been happening. We are all floundering around not knowing what we are doing, which is normal, as this will take time. Ie what are we meeting for each month? When will the conference be? What kind of changes do we want? Is this happening too soon cause we are now trying to figure out what we are considering this big change. It feels a little scary right now.</p>

		<p>Flo: Previous conferences were only a day and a half. However CODA is 4 days. NEED a conference to start looking at these things.. But we are starting with a simple process to get things moving in terms of voting.</p> <p>Donna: Would like a longer meeting.. Mentioned something about that those who have been part of longer meetings 'know what this is supposed to look like'.</p> <p>Flo: maybe we can have a longer pre-conference next time.</p> <p>Allegra (closed the meeting): we need delegates, people to serve on committees, people to serve on the board.</p>
30sec	<p>WRAP UP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serenity prayer • Adjourn - Time adjourned 4:30pm (guesstimate for now) 	Meeting adjourned 5:07pm (EST) / 9:07am (AEST)

TRACEYS NOTES

There seems to be some real confusion about the ARTS structure (especially voiced by Jay).

What is the obligation of a committee to the board when there was no connection?

COMMITTEES (allegra's explanation)

The committees are so important.. They are gathering up the group's conscience about what is important.