

MINUTES

May 27th, 2022 - A.R.T.S. BOARD MEETING

Meeting Type: A.R.T.S. Board Meeting

Date & Time: May 27th 2022, 7:30 pm ET

Facilitator: Allegra (Chair)

Minutes: Tracey (Interim Secretary)

Present: Allegra B, Dave F, Florence F, Matt B, Pat Q, Tracey W, Vickie D

No.	AGENDA	TIME	MINUTES (actions in red italics) (motions in blue italics)
N/A	OPENING Serenity Prayer Tradition 7: Every A.R.T.S. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions. Concept 7: The Board of Trustees has legal rights and obligations while the rights and obligations of the Conference are traditional. Feelings Check in (30 seconds each) Facilitator to start recording	5mins	
N/A	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 5/15 MINUTES • Motion to accept minutes from 15th May 2022	7mins	Matt 1st, Vicki 2nd. Unanimous. Passed.

N/A	 Checking: \$7,561.75 Savings: \$786.75 Highlights: Tomorrow we will be paying Craig, the web administrator, \$810 for work done to date In June we will be paying \$435 to 6 months dues for the director's indemnity insurance Billing hours were reviewed, investigated and discussed and the amount is accurate and reasonable. Craig is charging us half his normal rate and in addition to that discount he took \$100 of this latest bill and converted it into a donation to ARTS. 4/4 - 4/28 of this year Craig worked 26.5 hours @ \$35/hr = \$910, which he modified to \$810 	8mins	 Discussion re: should we be accepting reduced rates, does this clash with Traditions. Craig made part of his invoice a donation; is he a member of ARTS? Hourly rate for Craig is \$35. Clearly we can't accept donations from outside organisations. Need to communicate to those outside the fellowship that we don't accept outside donations. Allegra moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Vicki 2nd. Unan.
N/A	ANNOUNCEMENTS Reports on Meeting/Delegate outreach Office Lease	5mins	MEETING REPORTS: Some trustees don't have the list of meetings they need to visit. Allegra to email again to trustees. OFFICE LEASE: Up in Sept. They have offered a 3 year lease @ \$250 per month.

ı	OLD BUSINESS		
(i)	Trustee Term limits	20mins	 Some trustees asked how we will set the staggered terms and what that decision would be based upon. Some questions about bringing in new trustees at the upcoming conference. Trustee Number min & max suggestions Min: 7 Max: 21 Min: 6 Max: 14 Min: 6 Max: 12 Discussion around the term of service being changed to two (2) years, rather than three (3) years. Clarification of board jobs as a trustee required. Possibility of one year elections of officer positions (eg. Chair, Vice, Secretary etc) Having odd numbers can help with avoiding tied votes (this is in the current bylaws and happens after each conference)

(ii)	Conference Planning and leadership	20mins	 Idea to have Board take leadership in planning the Conference is based on Concept 9 - board assumes primary leadership Tradition 2 - as trusted servants we are called to lead, not govern Proposing that a planning committee plan the conference. Based on group conscience (not control). An ongoing thing for ARTS. Possibility of two different committees: Conference Planning Committee & Convention Planning Committee.
			 At the Conference Planning Meetings, we will actually vote on what we want and need for the conference. Let's remain clear we are maintaining traditions and that we are simply providing leadership Lots of committee members who aren't on the board who could participate The conference\convention needs to be fun too. Lets prepare the motions to the delegates before the conference, so they are familiar with the issues before, so they'll be ready to vote and we can get them done first. At what point does the pre-conference become the conference?
			 Do we have a draft of the conference agenda? Can we get to this as quickly as possible We all need to pull together to do this - it's definitely not just for board members Want to make sure there's no competition over which sessions to attend. Let's prioritize the REALLY IMPORTANT issues at the Conference.

 Board retreat would be a great place to discuss this Agenda item for next PreConference meeting: we
transfer from the pre-conference meetings and initiate that these gatherings will be now called the Conference Planning Meetings.
 Lets not separate pre-conference with conference. They are the same thing run by the same committee
(going forward likely called the 'Conference Planning meeting')
Name of the Conference committee?Name of the entertainment committee?
 Agenda item for pre-conference: that we will have a Conference Planning Committee, with a Convention
planning committee subcommittee under the Conference planning Committee. (or a separate one.
not sure yet)
Can we rethink how we actually run these pre-conferences Let's try to set a precedent for how
they will be set up (well structured ect) and then just work on continual improvement.
 No longer call the pre-conference, but call them the conference planning meetings.
The relationship & relationship between the board, committees and conference needs to get worked out
Ideally, going forward the 'Conference' will elect its own chair
 What happened at the Steps & Traditions Workshop could be extended to the conference
 Next pre-conference - June 18th. At this lets make the most of the excited energy about the convention.
 Let's discuss this stuff at a pre-conference meeting Could have people in break-out rooms for 20 minutes.

			 Zoom has a whiteboard feature that could be used. Vicki moved that we elect Matt as Conference Planning Committee Chair. Allegra 1st, Pat 2nd. unan. Passed Pat (or was it Vicki) motioned we transfer name of meetings from pre-conference meetings to Conference Planning Meetings. Vicki 2nd (or allegra) 5 yes, 1 absent. Allegra moved to continue this discussion for another nine (9) minutes. Round Robin discussion continued as reflected in the points above.
(iii)	Board Retreat Scheduling (Matt and Tracey)	10mins	TABLED
II (i)	 NEW BUSINESS Literature - Pamphlets and kindle, Abby booklet proposal, Avoidant Phobic Syndrome - task force? 	15mins	TABLED
N/A	CLOSING Date of Next Board meeting: Suggested - Fri June 10 @ 6:30pm (ET), 3:30pm (PT), 4:30pm (MT) 8:30am Sat in Australia (AEST). Motion to Adjourn by Pat Q Serenity Prayer	3min	
	TIME CALCULATED	93mins	
	ACTUAL TIME	1hr, 20mins	