

Minutes
ARTS Anonymous Board of Trustees meeting
March 11, 2023

Meeting: Called to order: 8:30 pm ET.

Present: Allegra B., Cindyann W., Jay M., Matt B., Pat Q., Vickie D.

Read: The Serenity Prayer, Tradition 7, and Concept 7.

Check-In: Members checked in for 30 seconds.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the February 18, 2023. Unanimously passed.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Bank Statements:

Beginning of the month February 1, 2023

Checking balance: \$6,793.30

Savings balance: \$1,001.84

Total balance: \$7,795.14

End of the month February 28, 2023

Checking balance: \$6,811.28

Savings balance: \$1,001.84

Total balance: \$7,813.13

January 2023 Profit and Loss

Income: \$1,419.30

Expenses: \$1,401.32

Income/Expense Difference: \$ 17.98

Conference Planning Committee Report

Chair of Planning Committee (Matt B) reported:

We have dates set for the 2023 WSC as per the last Pre conference: 3 days for the conference, and then two weeks later, one more day for the Anniversary Celebration /convention-workshops.

The conference requested to table a few items to address at the next Pre-conference meeting in April, at 3:00 pm ET. The Conference Planning meeting, on April, 1st, at 5:00 pm. ET, will set the agenda to address the tabled items, such as suggested times for dividing the 4 hours evenly, with more breaks.

There are also items that take priority to be scheduled into the Conference: orientation, treasurer reports, committee reports, and new applicants for trustee elections.

There are logistic confusions regarding the meeting times for CPC meetings, and the Pre-conference meetings as they are at different times. To assist clarity, we need to communicate via the Newsletter.

We need to put a team together to assist the conference events.

Operations Report *(See Below)*

Action: Allegra to find specifics about all the costs of the books, including credit card, international domestic shipping, and printing.

Old Business:

Social Media

There is a 30 second, social media PSA script created and available to instigate more people to write their scripts.

Skills Inventory/Survey

A proposal was presented to form an In-Reach Committee to create a Skills Inventory Survey and distribute it to the fellowship. The SIS offers a provision to carry out Tradition 5, our primary purpose.

Committee actions would include: assessing the skills involved servicing A.R.T.S. Anonymous, projects ahead to carry our message, crafting question, seeking a review process, distribution and collection, communication, assessment, and in coordination with the Board, and fellowship conference.

Motion: The Board of Trustees supports forming an In-Reach committee to create a Skills Inventory Survey, and to distribute it to our fellowship. The intent of the SIS is to seek information on how to best offer service opportunities utilizing our fellowship resources. Cindyann 1st, Pat 2nd. Unanimously passed.

Reaching out to Fellowship/Announcements

Motion: To divide up the meeting contact list among the board members to operate as liaisons and develop personal contact with the meetings, including a list of talking points from the board chair that can be shared. Allegra 1st, Matt 2nd. Unanimously passed.

A.R.T.S. Board Oath of Office

Motion: To table the discussion to implement or not, an A.R.T.S. Board Oath of Office. Vickie 1st, Allegra 2nd. Yes-5. No-1. Passed. Minority opinion heard.

Closed the meeting: Serenity Prayer

Respectfully submitted,
Cindyann W.

Operations Report to the Board of Trustees – March 11, 2023

The workshop on March 18 using the pamphlet FACING AVOIDANCE is being publicized with tickets for purchase. As of 03/07 we've sold 8 tickets (\$10 each) and received a \$20 donation. Cindyann is organizing and leading with help from the Workshop Committee.

Conference-approved versions of Art and Our Spiritual Awakening, Anorexia of Avoidance and Process vs. Product are now available via the website on kindle.

Office is overhauling our contacts in Mailchimp, including creating categories to help sort out sub-groups for e-mailings. Categories could include Meeting Delegates, Meeting Contacts, etc.

Hostmonster bill of \$80.04 was paid, for something called an SSL update (Secure Sockets Layer). This is an annual fee.

Applied for a non-profit rate for a Mailchimp subscription, which will bring the cost to about \$20 a month in order to have up to 1500 contacts and send out 15,000 individual emails a month.

Stripe announced that it is raising their surcharge on international credit cards by a half point – bringing the percentage to 4.4%. The domestic rate is still 2.9%.

Website postings and updates of Zoomathon flyer, Board minutes, Pre-Conference meeting minutes, Board members listing, and Process vs. Product pamphlet (not previously available), meeting listing updates, etc.