

SETA Literature Committee Minutes

Date / Time: August 18, 2020 / 8:30pm

Location: ZOOM Online

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, by Brady G.

Introduction of Members present: Lisa A. (D52), Willie S. (D32), Hilton L. (Alt. Chair), Brady G. (DCM D70), Jackie S. (Chair).

July minutes read by Willie S; accepted as read by Brady, second by Hilton.

Statement of Purpose: Lisa A. – “The purpose of the Literature Committee is to raise awareness for A.A. Conference-approved Literature, audio-visual, and other special items”.

Report from Chair:

Jackie informed the Members about the “SETA-announce” communication process; where email posts could land in the IT postmaster’s spam folder, and therefore not sent as intended. The Chair shared the need to ensure those communications are sent, and added the issue was corrected by contacting the IT postmaster. Brady commented on whether the “new platform” design for the SETA website would reduce such issues. There were no other experiences to share with the “SETA-announce” communication process at the time of this meeting.

Alt. Chair Report:

Hilton shared his experience at the SETA Assembly, where he presented the Job Description for Alternate Chair (of this Committee). The report included actions taken by this Committee, and notice of upcoming rotations.

Agenda Item VII: Online Workshop

The Members shared progress to-date on ideas of presenting a virtual workshop. Hilton presented a script for the Pamphlet “Twelve Steps Illustrated”, and was assisted by Willie in the skit. The Members discussed issues/challenges in presenting skits, as it related to sound, screen images, actors, etc. on the Zoom platform. Jackie and Hilton performed an “audio test”, to determine if potential workshop attendees could follow the actor/speakers. Jackie and Lisa demonstrated a skit on the Pamphlet “Women in A.A.”. Willie shared experience as an attendee of Kentucky’s Area 26 Literature and Grapevine workshop, where the use and function of a PowerPoint presentation was helpful in transmitting information. As that method required a “screen-share” function in the Zoom platform, Jackie was able to demonstrate that task. The Members were to revise/revisit ideas for presentation of a virtual workshop, for discussion at this Committee’s next meeting. The Chair would explore the budget needed to present the workshop event, and present to the Members, when available.

Agenda Item VIII: Delegate’s Report from GSC concerning Literature

The Chair, as presented by The Area Delegate, informed the Members that “The Policy on pamphlet updates” did not pass a recommendation to include gender-neutral language.

Agenda Item IX: This Committee's next meeting will be Tuesday, September 15, 2020, 8:30pm via ZOOM.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement, 9:50pm: Hilton – "I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible".