

SETA Literature Committee Minutes

Date / Time: September 15, 2020 / 8:30pm

Location: ZOOM Online

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, by Hilton L.

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

August minutes read by Willie S. Brady accepted the minutes as read, and Jackie noted corrections, specifically in the Alternate Chair report, under Hilton's presentation at the July Assembly. Hilton presented the Job Description for the Area's Literature Committee Chair position, not its Alternate, as listed. Additionally, the Chair noted under Agenda Item VIII, concerning the Delegate's Report from GSC concerning Literature, that she reported on Agenda items that "did" pass, and made no mention of "gender-neutral language", as listed. The Chair motioned to have the minutes accepted as corrected, and it was seconded by Hilton.

Statement of Purpose: Brady G. – "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:

The Chair performed a screen-share demonstration of the aa.org website, and accessed the video "Love and Service", along with its letter from the GSO. The Chair referenced an email communication from the GSO's Literature Assignment Desk, Steve S., on the progress of a Literature Committee Workbook. A reminder of this Committee's workshop planning meeting on Mondays in October, through the 26th, was noted. The Literature workshop is scheduled for October 31, 2020; from 1:30pm-3:30pm, via ZOOM.

Agenda Item VI: Willie shared his experience in presenting a Literature Workshop the past February on the A.A. pamphlet "The A.A. Group...where it all begins". Jackie assisted in loading and displaying the pamphlet from the aa.org site, allowing members to read the material and subject matter presented. The Members gave feedback on the presentation, suggesting that personal experience shared with the subject matter could be helpful.

Agenda Item VII: Skit Presentation.

Jackie performed a screen-share for the draft of a skit concerning the A.A. pamphlet "Problems other than Alcohol" and was assisted by a Member in its reading. Alonso and Brady gave feedback as it relates to humor, an attempt to attract and engage potential workshop attendees.

Lisa and Alonso performed a skit concerning A.A. pamphlets in Large Print. Costume and actor issues were discussed in presenting the skit.

Hilton and Alonso performed a skit concerning the A.A. pamphlet "Twelve Steps Illustrated". Feedback centered around the use of character names and references, which may or may not be familiar to the audience.

Brady and Lisa assisted in presenting the draft for a skit concerning the A.A. pamphlet "Twelve Traditions Illustrated". Alonso gave feedback centering around the use of speech and "accents" in comedy when presenting subject matter.

The Members were mindful of the need to carry the message of the material being presented, and ideas on when to display the material (pamphlets, etc.) on the ZOOM platform were shared for Member consideration.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement: 9:55pm. Willie S. – "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."