

**General Service Association of ABA**

Board Meeting minutes

September 21, 2020 at 6:00 pm MST/8:00 pm EST

Recorded by Julie L.

<b>Present</b>	<b>Regrets</b>
Amy G. - Director Bonnie S. - Guest Kheri T. - Director Leslie H. - Guest Tammie - Director Inna - Director Alison E. - Director Judy B. - Director Caren J. - Director Julie L. - Director Casey - Guest Joan - Guest Mike - Guest Carey - Guest	Myra R - Director

$\frac{2}{3}$  quorum for the entire meeting

- Meeting called to order at 6:15 PM Mountain time
- Agenda changed to move the Inventory Committee later in the meeting and to add recent executive meeting notes
- August 17 board meeting minutes carried
- Bylaw Review:
  - Bylaw number 17 read with no questions or further comments.
- Board director nominations
  - We are short two directors
- Website and Literature committees need support.
- Executive Committee report:
  - The Executive Committee met on Thursday, 9/17 to discuss two issues:
  - First, the person who is illegally selling the print on demand first edition of the ABA book has started to sell on Amazon and various websites again. We will contact him using legal language for him to cease and desist.

- Shahin may need some personal time off. Kheri T. will work with her to have an understanding of her workload.
- Motion to ratify the decisions made by the Executive Committee - **MSC**
  - Motioned by Judy B., Caren J. seconded

### Officer's Reports

- **President's Report:** (Amy G.)
  - The President's report stands
- **Treasurer's Report:** (Tammie N.)
  - There was a profit reported again this month of \$268.44.
  - Donations were down through August.
  - The account balance is \$11,976.41 as of the month-end of August.
- **Office Manager's Report:** (Kheri T.)
  - The Office Manager's report stands.
  - Motion that ABA can move their bank account from TD Canada Trust to Scotiabank so they can take advantage of the debit visa card so no one has to use their personal card for ABA purchases - **MSC**
    - Tammie N. motioned, Kheri T. seconded
- Motion to accept all three Officer's Reports - **MSC**
  - Judy B. motioned, Tammie N. seconded

### Committee Reports

- **Financial Shortfall and Self-Support:** (Caren J.)
  - The committee is continuing to plan fundraising workshops and will post about them soon. The workshops include things like chair yoga and French lessons.
- **Group Inventory** (Tammie N.)
  - There are 72 survey responses.
  - The committee is waiting on more survey responses before analyzing the data.
- **Literature and Outreach** (Joan)
  - The layout is completed and we need to approve the number of copies for the first printing.
    - Motion to order \$500 second edition books from Friesens for the amount of \$5832.75 plus roughly \$140 in freight.
      - Amy G. motioned, Alison E. seconded
      - This price includes the initial formatting of the book into a printable version.
      - Amended to: Motion to order 500 second edition books from Friesens for the amount of \$5832.75 plus roughly \$140 in freight, but to not place the order until we have sold half of the books through pre-orders - **MSC**
    - It will cost \$11.11 to produce each copy of the book. Motion to set Each copy of the second edition book at \$25 a book - **MSC**
      - Motioned by NOT RECORDED, NOT RECORDED seconded

- Bulk pricing of second edition will be drafted by Tammie and brought to the next meeting
- **Retreat and Conference Committee** (Dawn A)
  - No report
- **Public Information Committee** (Alison E.)
  - Report stands
- **GSO and Personnel Committee** (Kheri T.)
  - Report stands
- **GSR Committee** (Mikey)
  - The website describes the ebook as “faith-based” which the GSR believes is out of line with the traditions.
    - Tammie N. will verify and change the description
  - The fellowship is concerned about past announcements regarding the financial health of the GSA. If the GSA does not have the funds to operate, what happens to the rights of the book?
    - Julie L. will reach out to Joan to discuss this
  - More safety issues happening
    - Julie will reach out to Mikey to confirm details
- **Website Committee** (Tammie N.)
  - No report
- **Ad Hoc Safety Committee** (Julie L.)
  - Motion for the board to approve the modified version of the safety statement discussed in the meeting to post on the website and distribute to in-person and online meetings - **MSC**
    - Motioned by Julie L., second by Judy B.
- **Review of Old Business**
  - N/A
- **New Business**
  - N/A
- **Closing Minutes**
  - The next board meeting will be held on Monday, October 19th, 2020 at 6 PM Mountain time/8 PM Eastern time.
  - The meeting was concluded with the third step prayer at 8:01 PM Mountain time.