

GSR Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2024 - 2:30pm EST

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1. Call to order

2. Trusted Servant's Prayer

3. Attendance

- Louisa –Wednesday, London
- Meredith – Saturday, Dallas TX, Sobriety is Surrender
- Catherine – Tuesday Newcastle
- Martin – Daily 11th Step; Wednesday, Wynberg Wellness, Cape Town
- Virginia – Sunday 10am, London online
- Erinie – Saturday, London Hinde Street (in-person)
- Flo – Sunday, London in-person
- Hayley – Mon/Wed Australia
- Adam – Saturday, No Saints Men

4. Adopt today's agenda ✓

5. Accept February minutes ✓

6. Trusted Servants' reports

a. Literature & Outreach Committee

- Hayley showed examples of a virtual chip designed by an ABA member.
- We're still waiting for the board to discuss whether groups can produce their own physical chips (and save on shipping costs). In the meantime, this is something groups can use to celebrate sobriety birthdays.
- Maybe we can use the virtual chip design to produce physical chips (Eirinie)
- Adam will forward the virtual chip to Kheri for the board to look at.

b. Public Information Committee

c. GSO & Personnel Committee

d. Website Committee

Last month, we asked Kheri & Tammie whether the Newsletter could be made downloadable. Since then, Louisa spoke with Jessa & Ashley about it, and they were very open to the idea. Turning it into PDF would be easy to do. It may not be done right away, but they'll look into it.

e Self-Support Committee

Steph volunteered to be the GSR liaison with the Self-Support Committee for running the June workshop on 'The Unique Nature of ABA.' Thanks Steph!

f. GSA

g. Special Reports / important information

- Last meeting, Tammie asked if we'd be interested in creating a subcommittee to support new meetings.

We discussed this. One proposal is to incorporate it into our agenda, rather than create a separate subcommittee (Meredith). Give 15 minutes to discuss new meetings and address any issues they might have.

- This sounds like a good idea. Mention it at next board meeting (in April). Adam will contact Steph or whomever can attend (any volunteers??)

7. Old Business

8. New Business

- a) Question: Are we ok to have the workshop on 'The Unique Nature' of ABA on June 2nd? (same weekend as our GSR meeting, except on Sunday).

Yes, that's fine. No complaints.

- b) Can we review the document *Meetings, Groups and Home Groups* at the next GSR meeting in April? (Steph)

Yes. Adam will send it out prior to next meeting. Everyone read it, if you have time.

- c) Outgoing GSR's 😞

- Nida – Sunday, Dallas, *Progress Not Perfection* meeting
- Meredith – Saturday, Dallas, *Sobriety is Surrender*

9. Announcements (please read these at your meetings!)

- We need you at the AGM on March 17th from 12pm to 2pm, EDT. Every voice is important, whether you're a new or long-time ABA member. Zoom ID is 8995-585-5708; password: serve2020
- No Board Meeting this month, in lieu of the AGM.
- If you have an upcoming birthday to celebrate, consider including it in the Newsletter. Email Jessa at jessaatheart@gmail.com. February birthdays include Louisa (9 years), Gabrielle (4 years), and Simone (3 years). In March, Jessa is celebrating 5 years; In April, Amy celebrates 13 years. See the Newsletter to find out when & where the birthday meetings are held.
- A workshop on The Unique Nature of ABA is planned for June, co-hosted by the GSR group and the Self-Support Committee.
- Registration for the International Retreat is coming soon (hopefully next month). The event will not be live-streamed, however speakers & workshops will be recorded and put on the website.
- If you missed Joan's share on the Reco12 Podcast, your GSR can forward you this link (also included in Newsletter):

<https://reco12.buzzsprout.com/1117700/14429431-joan-unique-definition-of-the-drug-and-of-sobriety-in-aba-meeting-221?spush=a29sZWJhOThAZ21haWwuY29t>

10. Upcoming Meetings

- AGM - Saturday, March 17th 12pm to 2pm EDT.
Zoom ID 8995-585-5708
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- GSR - Saturday, April 6th, 2:30pm EDT.
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- Board – not meeting in March