

# **GSR Meeting Agenda**

**July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - 2:30pm EDT**

## **1. Call to order**

## **2. Trusted Servant's Prayer**

## **3. Attendance**

- Hayley – Mon/Wed Aus
- Martin – Wynberg Wellness Wed Hybrid; Daily 11<sup>th</sup> step
- Adam – Sat Men's No Saints
- Louisa – London Wed online
- Stephanie – Fri Intl Hope
- Maria – Dallas Progress Not Perfection, Sunday
- Eirinie – Wed group; Sat 11:30 in person
- Kathryn – President of Board

## **4. Adopt today's agenda - Yes**

## **5. Accept last month's minutes - yes**

## **6. Trusted Servants' reports**

### **a. Literature & Outreach Committee**

i) weekly meditation book (Hayley)

- Lou is busy putting it all in order

ii) New Podcast link on the website – on main page, 'Listen To Our Podcast'

iii) Audio book (Hayley)

- Have done all chapters for part 1 except chap 15. When done will be ready to be uploaded. Will go onto a platform – be it website or podcast website

iv) a process flow chart was created by Amy to manage translations. Allows things to be more streamlined.

### **b. Public Information Committee**

### **c. GSO & Personnel Committee**

### **d. Website Committee**

i) Newsletter can now be downloaded as a PDF off website

### **e Self-Support Committee**

### **f. GSA – Kathryn**

i) Streamlining questions taken to the board – see ‘Committee Report Template’

- Is separate from meeting minutes. The template is like an overview/the highlights for committee meetings
- Helps the board move more quickly through concerns/questions
- The template has three spots to fill out: What has been achieved? What remains to be done? Questions for the board? The questions should be restated and put in the table at the top.
- Our comments:
  - Makes it nice and tidy. Should be filled out by whoever has the issue
  - Perhaps share this via Google Docs. That way can be done collectively by the GSR’s
  - Fill out the draft together at the end of GSR meetings. Louisa & Adam can finalize and send to board

ii) Ensuring accurate local meeting times on the website – create service position to oversee this?

- In the past, portions of the meeting list were shared among volunteer GSRs who used the list to verify details on website (Louisa)
- Suggestion by the board – GSR’s do bi-annual check and inform head office of necessary updates (Kathryn)
- Anyone interested in managing the meeting/GSR list? (Adam can update and send to you)
- One idea is to have individual GSRs responsible for updating their own meeting info. Challenges with this idea – not every meeting

has a GSR, some meetings close without anyone updating website

- Maria will take it on. Also, she is willing to ask for additional help via the newsletter. Louisa (?) will

### iii) Questions *from* Kathryn to us

- London Group printing their own chips - has this been resolved and can it be taken off the board's agenda?
- Lou sent us the virtual logo. Hayley will verify if we can use to produce real chips

### iv) Question's *for* Kathryn

- #1: RE Sunday London meeting financially supporting the Wed meeting – what are the Board's thoughts on it (Eirinie)? Answer: as long as it's within the same group (Kathryn). Could the London meetings be put under the same umbrella, become one 'group' (Louisa)? The meetings should be made aware of the difference between Groups vs Meetings. The document 'Meetings, Groups, ...' has been shared already, but Louisa will re-send the document to Eirinie.

### g. Special Reports / important information

- Thanks to Martin for attending the board meeting for us!
- retreat is going ahead
- Wynberg group planning to print the ABA text in South Africa. Literature committee is helping them draft a contract for a local printer. Contract will be sent to board for approval, then to the printers

## 7. Old Business

### a. Progress report on supporting new meetings

- Steph: plans for a new LGBTQ meeting beginning Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 😊! Will be advertised in newsletter.

## 8. New Business

none

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

- adequate funds have been raised for the Hebrew translation of the ABA text. However, fundraising continues for the Polish translation
- The newsletter can now be downloaded off the website (Click on the edition you want and scroll down below the final page to where it says “Download the PDF”). Thanks to the Website Committee for doing this!
- Thanks to those who attended the June workshop on *The Unique Nature of ABA*. Thirty individuals attended and \$600 was raised for ABA!
- The October 18-20 in-person retreat is going ahead. Twenty have registered so far. Partial scholarships are available. Contact head office if you have questions.

## **10. Upcoming Meetings**

- Board is off for August. Next meeting is Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>
- GSR's off in August too! Sept 7<sup>th</sup> will be our next GSR meeting