

Sunday Strength with Voices Meeting Minutes

Sunday 8am Pacific Time

(Oldest minutes are at the bottom, newest on top)

If you would like to make a MOTION for a business meeting, by group conscience, an announcement for a business meeting must be made at least seven days in advance.

Please send MOTIONS to sunday_8am@yahoo.com

December 4, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

November 6, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

October 2, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

September 4, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: ??? in ?? volunteered. Thank you, ???!

August 7, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

July 3, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: James in ID volunteered. Thank you, James!

June 5, 2022 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

March 6, 2022 (2 MOTIONS)

MOTION (by Group Conscience) that at our 12/5/21 meeting we review our 11/1/20 decision to read two entries from Voices of Recovery at each meeting: the entry for the current day and a companion reading on the same topic selected by the moderator.

RESULT: Motion was not seconded. Dropped.

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

February 6, 2022 (1 MOTION)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Brian in CA volunteered. Thank you, Brian!

January 2, 2022 (1 MOTION)

DISCUSSION:

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

December 5, 2021 (1 MOTION)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Sherry in MO volunteered. Thank you, Sherry!

November 7, 2021 (1 MOTION)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: ??? in ?? volunteered. Thank you, ??!

October 3, 2021 (2 MOTIONS)

MOTION (by Steve in WY, second by JP): That at the end of the meeting we ask for a volunteer to facilitate fellowship, including the exchange of phone numbers and newcomer questions.

RESULT: Passed unanimously, no abstentions

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

September 5, 2021 (3 MOTIONS)

MOTION (by Steve in WY, Second by Lisa in NH): When there is a newcomer present at the meeting, the readings from Voice of Recovery will be the Daily Meditation and the companion reading will be selected from pages 1, 26, 50, 54, 63, 73, 113, or 213.

Background: When a newcomer is present, the readings may not inform the newcomer about what SAA is. These readings are from the topic of Powerlessness and Step 1. It will allow the newcomer to understand the nature of sex addiction and what SAA can do to help.

RESULTS: PASS unanimously, no abstentions

MOTION (by Marc in WA,): Add a sentence to the closing reading in the script encouraging newcomers to stay until after closing for time to ask questions:

“We’ve come to the end of our meeting and will begin our closing after which we will have time for newcomers to ask questions and for everyone to exchange phone numbers.”

So the closing paragraph would read:

We’ve come to the end of our meeting and will begin our closing after which we will have time for newcomers to ask questions and for everyone to exchange phone numbers. As a gentle reminder for all of us, anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions. What you heard was spoken in confidence and should be treated as confidential. Please keep the things you heard here in the confines of your mind. Carry no gossip and always remember to place principles before personalities.

RESULTS: PASS unanimously, no abstentions

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: James in CA volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, Brian.

August 1, 2021 (3 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: Brian in CA volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, Brian.

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Background: When a newcomer is present, the readings may not inform the newcomer about what SAA is. These readings are from the topic of Powerlessness and Step 1. It will allow the newcomer to understand the nature of sex addiction and what SAA can do to help.

RESULTS: Tabled

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RESULTS: Tabled

July 4, 2021 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: Lisa in NH volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, Lisa.

June 6, 2021 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: Tim in OR volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, Tim.

May 2, 2021 (3 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: Marc in WA volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, Marc,

MOTION: (by ????) that we replace the serenity prayer at the end of our meeting script with the 3rd step prayer:

God,

I offer myself to Thee

To build with me and to do with me as Thou wilt.

Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may better do Thy will.

Take away my difficulties,

That victory over them may bear witness

To those I would help of Thy Power,

Thy love and Thy way of life,

May I do Thy will always!

RESULTS: No second. This motion was not discussed and no action taken

MOTION: (by ????) that we create a role for a greeter who would also be a back up moderator.

RESULTS: No second. This motion was not discussed and no action taken

April 4, 2021 (1 MOTION)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: JP in VA volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, JP.

March 7, 2021 (1 MOTION)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: Marc in WA volunteered to be our moderator this month. Thank you, Marc.

February 7, 2021 (3 MOTIONS)

MOTION (by Group Conscience) that at our 2/7/21 meeting we review our 11/1/2020 decision to read one entry each from both Voices of Recovery and Mirror of Intimacy.

RESULTS: we agreed to continue to read two entries from Voices of Recovery at our meetings: one for the current day and a companion reading on the same topic. We will review this decision again at our 12/5/21 meeting.

Aye: unanimous

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULTS: Nolan previously agreed to be our moderator for the month of February (thank you, Nolan) but wasn't present at today's meeting to confirm. Sherry agreed to be the moderator if Nolan is unavailable.

MOTION: (by Marc in WA) that we change the name of our meeting published on SAATALK.INFO and SAA-RECOVERY.ORG from *Sunday 8AM PST* to something else that eliminates the *PST* acronym.

AMENDMENT (by Steve in WY) that we hold a survey for the month of January to ask people for their ideas, which we can then vote on during next month. The survey is posted here: <https://forms.gle/HqPbFzvBLgyz7Xi29>

RESULTS: through a process of voting amongst 9 different options, we agreed to change the name to "Sunday Strength with Voices"

DISCUSSION: Starting 2/14/21, we will switch to freeconferencecallhd.com (see motion made 1/3/21). The new call details are:

Number: (712) 775-7465

Passcode: 160278

January 3, 2021 (3 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Nolan volunteered. Thank you, Nolan!

MOTION: (by Marc in WA, seconded by Scott) that we continue to have moderators use an internet-based dashboard to monitor the meeting, mute callers who are making noise and drop callers who are disruptive, but move the service from FreeConference.com to FreeConferenceCallHD.com. NOTE: both services give moderators access to the entire phone number of the participants calling in, something which is not generally known about our current service, FreeConference.com. But those numbers are more readily accessible on FreeConferenceCallHD .com.

AYE: many

NAY: none

Marc will create an account on FreeConferenceCallHD.com and we can begin announcing the new number at meetings each week in the month of January. We will schedule the first phone call on the new system for February 14th.

MOTION: (by Marc in WA, seconded by JP) that we change the name of our meeting published on SAATALK.INFO and SAA-RECOVERY.ORG from *Sunday 8AM PST* to something else that eliminates the *PST* acronym.

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AYE: 2

NAY: none

December 6, 2020 (4 MOTIONS)

MOTION: by Steve in WY (seconded by Tim in OR) that we stick with Voices of Recovery for 6 months.

AYE: Unanimous

NAY: none

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?
Marc in WA

MOTION: (by Marc in WA) seconded by JP. That we continue to have moderators use an internet-based dashboard to monitor the meeting, mute callers who are making noise and drop callers who are disruptive, but move the service from FreeConference.com to FreeConferenceCall.com. NOTE: both services give moderators access to the entire phone number of the participants calling in, something which is not generally known about our current service, FreeConference.com. But those numbers are more readily accessible on FreeConferenceCall.com.

AMENDMENT: mock meeting for anyone that wants to attend.

MOTION: (by Marc in WA) that we change the name of our meeting published on SAATALK.INFO and SAA-RECOVERY.ORG from *Sunday 8AM PST* to something else that eliminates the *PST* acronym.

~~**MOTION:** (by Marc in WA and Steve in WY) that we make the following change in our script to account for our readings from *Mirror of Intimacy*: <td>~~

Business Meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month, just after our closing serenity prayer. If you would like to propose an item for the agenda, please email sunday_8am@yahoo.com

November 1, 2020 (2 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

MOTION by Marc in WA, seconded by Steve in WY, that we vote on our next book from the following list of Daily Meditation Books:

- Voices of Recovery, by SAA, SIX
- Answers in the Heart, by Anonymous, NONE
- State of Grace, by SLAA TWO
- Gifts of Recovery, by Timothy Stein ONE
- Mirror of Intimacy, by Alexandra Katehakis and Tom Bliss. FIVE

AMENDED by Tim in OR, seconded by Rick in WA that we read from both Voices of Recovery and Mirror of Intimacy

- Strongly disagree that our SAA Greenbook does not deal effectively enough with recovery and that we need to go elsewhere.
- Agree that we use both daily readers
- Group conscience was that we

AMENDED: by Marc in WA, seconded by JP in WV, that we do an inventory after 6 months to see if reading from both books is working for us.

- **AMENDED** by Nolan, seconded by Tim, that we perform the inventory after 3 months
 - AYE: at least 7
 - NAY: None
- AYE: at least 7
- NAY: 1

RESULT PASSED for the MOTION AS AMENDED: that we begin reading one entry from Voices of Recovery and one Entry from Mirror of Intimacy starting with the November 8th meeting. We will review this decision after three months to decide if we want to continue.

- AYE: at least 7
- NAY: None

October 4, 2020 (2 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Sherry volunteered. Thank you, Sherry!

Survey Results: the results are posted in this meeting's details on SAATALK.INFO: [2010 Priorities Survey.pdf](#)

Survey Discussion: though we only had 8 responses, the survey points to a couple of conclusions:

Reach: we prefer broad reach, experiences that speak to as many people as possible

Motivation: no clear GC on whether we want motivational vs. educational writings

Focus: we overwhelmingly agreed that we want literature on sex addiction vs. other 12-step programs or 12-step generic literature.

Segment Length: we prefer shorter segments that can be completed in one meeting.

Stories vs. Solution: no GC on this topic

Conference Approval: we overwhelmingly don't care if the literature is conference approved or not.

5th Tradition: we overwhelmingly agreed that it's sufficient if the meeting focuses on the newcomer even if the literature does not.

Top Three: we asked people which of the above responses mattered to them the most:

Focus

Stories v. Solution

Reach

Discussing the results, we agreed that the GC seems to point to continuing on with daily meditations. By the end of the meeting, we had identified the following books and will continue to make weekly announcements asking for people to nominate any additional books. The list of nominated books can be found in the Meeting Details for this meeting on SAATALK.INFO

September 6, 2020 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

SURVEY is posted: we currently have 6 responses and decided to wait another month, announcing the survey each week to try and get more responses.

August 2, 2020 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Sherry in StL volunteered. Thank you, Sherry!

No Survey yet. Sherry offered to help with the survey as well.

July 5, 2020 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Not recorded. Thank you for your service!

June 7, 2020 (3 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: xxx volunteered. Thank you, xxx!

MOTION: (By group conscience) that we compile a list of books we would like to consider reading after Voices of Recovery.

RESULT: TABLED

We had a group discussion about the priorities of this group in selecting our next book. Ideas started to gel around certain topics.... Should the book be encouraging vs. educational? Short or long segments? Restricted to S-literature or would any 12 step program be acceptable? If restricted to S-literature, should it be restricted to SAA literature? If restricted to SAA, does it have to be conference approved? Should it focus on the newcomer? Are stories OK or too triggering? It was clear that we were getting mired in the discussion of these topics without ever discussing a single book.

MOTION: (by Marc in WA) that we create an online survey to ask people to vote on their priorities for selecting our next book and see if that informs our decision.

RESULT: APPROVED Unanimously. Marc, Tim and Rick agreed to work on the survey.

May 3, 2020 (2 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

MOTION (by Tim, seconded by Vince) that we always ask for people to share before going to a business meeting

RESULT: unanimous

April 5, 2020 (1 MOTION)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

MOTION (by Marc in WA) that we begin limiting the length of our shares to 2 minutes by adding the following text to our script:

"The time limit for each share in this meeting is 2 minutes. If you reach the time limit, the spiritual timekeeper will say "time" in which you may wrap up your share. Is there someone willing to be the spiritual timekeeper? [Get name]"

RESULT: TABLED We agreed to instead add some text to the script reminding people that with the increase in callers, and especially newcomers, not everyone will get to share. We invite those who are new to the call to do so. We'll see how this goes for a couple of months and revisit this Motion.

March 1, 2020 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Sherry in StL volunteered. Thank you, Sherry!

February 2, 2020 (1 MOTIONS)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: JP in WV volunteered. Thank you, JP!

January 5, 2020

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in WA volunteered Thank you, Rick!

December 1, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered Thank you, Tim!

November 3, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered Thank you, Marc!

DISCUSSION: (by Marc in WA, seconded by Mark in AZ) that we pick an end date for reading "Voices of Recovery"

RESULT: We began reading "Voices of Recovery" in March 2019. Let's re-visit this question during the March 1, 2020 business meeting.

October 6, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: JP in VA volunteered Thank you, JP!

September 1, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. **RESULT:** Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!
Thank you, Marc!

August 4, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

July 1, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: JP in VA volunteered. Thank you, JP!

June 2, 2019

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

May 6, 2019

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Peter in IA,

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in WA volunteered

Thank you, Rick!

MOTION: To have a subcommittee present assemble proposed changes to our script which, at a minimum, account for switching to presentation mode earlier in the meeting. Marc in WA will drive the collection and presentation of these changes.

RESULT: TABLED until we get enough participation

DISCUSSION: around the boundary of reading quotes during a meeting. was no MOTION and no group conscience was reached on the topic. Concern was expressed that reading a quote and its author's name was essentially breaking the boundary of "mentioning the name of a book, movie, treatment center, or the like" in a share. Others felt that the boundaries as written are OK... that people who share quotes can find value in the words/ideas without having to promote the author. Someone voiced that we are governed by suggestions and not rules... that the fellowship can take what it likes and leave the rest. Still others felt that the rules are too vague. Any proposed changes to the boundaries should be sent to sunday_8am@yahoo.com (see the tabled MOTION, above).

April 1, 2019 Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Peter in IA, Steve in WY, JP in NY, Eric in CT, Vince, Simon in England, Rick in WA

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered

Thank you, Marc!

MOTION: (by Marc in WA): that we select our next book to read. Only books that received a 2nd by someone else at the meeting will be considered. If you would like to suggest a book, email sunday_8am@yahoo.com with your suggestion NO LATER THAN 3/31/19

Books that were considered back on 5/6/18 and which received a 2nd at that meeting are presented to get the conversation started:

“Voices of Recovery”

“The Outer Circle” newsletters “Hope and Recovery”

RESULT: “Voices of Recovery” was selected by group conscience

MOTION: To have a subcommittee present assemble proposed changes to our script which, at a minimum, account for switching to presentation mode earlier in the meeting. Marc in WA will drive the collection and presentation of these changes.

RESULT: TABLED until we get enough participation

March 3, 2019

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in Portland, JP in VA, Simon in England, Becca in TN, Vince in Chicago, Rick in WA, Chris in MO, Adanis in MI, Dan in AZ, Jim in IA

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in WA volunteered

Thank you, Rick!

February 3, 2019

Present: Tim in Portland, JP in VA, Vince in Chicago, Rick in WA, Marc in WA, Nicole in CA, Raj in Boston

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in Portland volunteered

Thank you, Tim!

“Voices of Recovery, vol II” 2nd by Marc in WA <http://saa-recovery.org/SAALiterature/English/52Meditation2/>

“The Outer Circle” newsletters 2nd in Bill in MI <https://saa-recovery.org/Newsletter/>

“Out of the Shadows: Understanding Sexual Addiction” by Patrick Carnes 2nd by Marc in WA

http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/9535.Out_of_the_Shadows?from_search=true

“Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions” by Alcoholics Anonymous 2nd by Rick in WA

https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/3059.Twelve_Steps_and_Twelve_Traditions?from_search=true

“Hope and Recovery” 2nd by Tim in OR “SAA Greenbook” 2nd by Vince in Chicago

January 6, 2019

Present: Matt in OR, JP in VA, Vince in Chicago, Jim in IA, Rick in WA, Marc in WA

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered

Thank you, Marc!

DISCUSSION: Vince in Chicago noted that the copy of the Ottawa Promises we use in our script has some minor typos when compared with the Ottawa SAA web site. He volunteered to track down the correct verbiage for Marc in WA to incorporate into our script. No vote was needed.

December 1, 2018

Present: not recorded

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in Portland volunteered, Marc in WA will watch the dashboard

Thank you, Tim!

November 4, 2018

Present: Tim in OR, Simon in England, Marc in WA, Rick in WA, Vince in Chicago, Charles in MI, Jim in Des Moines

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in WA volunteered, Charles in MI will back up.

Thank you, Rick and Charles!

October 7, 2018

Present: (Not recorded)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

REPORT: Charles in MI, Tim in OR, Marc in WA, Vince in Chicago and Matt in MI met on 10/3 to discuss three other teleconferencing systems that Charles presented. The reason was to see if other technologies are available that can help us deal with the disruptions we've experienced lately (2-3 per month). That summary is available at [http://saatalk.info/us/meetings/meeting?xmeeting\[id\]=96](http://saatalk.info/us/meetings/meeting?xmeeting[id]=96)

Key takeaways are:

- two of the conferencing systems allow the moderator to create and edit a persistent address book, which could be a fantastic resource in the future. Unfortunately, both of those systems also REPORT the entire phone number of the caller.
- moderators can aggressively move to Presentation Mode if the phone line is attacked by a disruptive caller in order to keep the meeting safe with our current phone system, freeconference.com
- the group decided NOT to bring a MOTION to the business meeting at this time

September 2, 2018

Present: (Not recorded)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thanks you, Tim!

August 5, 2018

Present: (Not recorded)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA and Matt in MI volunteered. Thanks to you both!

MOTION: (by Marc in WA): that we replace the SAA-RECOVERY.ORG in the 7th Tradition section of our meeting script with SAATALK.INFO Both organizations directly support our tele meeting by including us on their meeting schedule. The MOTION *assumes* that supporting funds flow in one direction... money donated to SAATALK.INFO may flow up to SAA_RECOVERY.ORG, but I don't think it does in the other direction. So if we were to include only one organization, we should consider using SAATALK.INFO. Alternatively, we could include both.

Proposed Text: "Because that activity is not possible in our telemeetings, I would encourage you to consider making a donation to the SAA Talk .info intergroup. Your donation will support the work of SAA telemeetings around the world. You can reach them online at saatalk.info"

RESULT: MOTION FAILED 3 - 2

July 1, 2018

Present: (Not recorded)

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA and Matt in MI volunteered. Thanks to you both!

June 3, 2018

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Matt in MI, Vince in Chicago, Tim in OR

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

May 6, 2018

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Charles in MI, Tom in AK, Jay in AZ, Dave in MO, Bill in MI, Vince in Chicago, Rick in WA

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thank you, Marc!

MOTION by Marc in WA: (seconded by Vince in MI) that we do NOT read the stories in the Greenbook

RESULT: the MOTION FAILED by a vote of three to one with one abstention. We will continue reading the stories in the greenbook.

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RESULT: tabled until next month

MOTION: (by Marc in WA): that we select our next book to read from one of the following:

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“Hope and Recovery” 2nd by Tim in OR

“SAA Greenbook” 2nd by Vince in Chicago

RESULT: We made it through this DISCUSSION to the point where we created our short list by seconding the selections and having people speak for/against each item. Then the question came up... did we ever agree as a group to not read the stories in the greenbook? So we tabled the vote on our next book until January 3, 2019 at the latest.

April 8, 2018

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in OR volunteered. Thank you, Rick!

March 4, 2018

Present:

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in OR volunteered. Thank you, Rick!

February 4, 2018

Present:

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Scott!

January 7, 2018

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Scott in CO

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting? **RESULT:** Scott in CO volunteered. Thank you, Scott!

December 3, 2017

No Meeting. Marc in WA volunteered last month to be the moderator for December.

November 5, 2017

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Rick in WA, Joseph in NJ, James in CA, Scott in CO

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim!

Marc in WA volunteered to moderate through December. Thank you, Marc!

October 1, 2017

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Joseph in NJ, Vince in Chicago

MOTION: By Vince in Chicago, that we should add to the format some text stating that the Green Book can be accessed online since it is our current literature. Also provide a link to the green book to the saa-recovery.org website.

RESULT: Unanimously approved

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Rick in WA volunteered. Thank you, Rick!

September 3, 2017

Present: Marc in WA,

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Marc in WA volunteered. Thanks, Marc!

August 6, 2017

Present: Marc in WA, Joseph in ePA, Tim in OR, Rick nWA, Vince in Chicago, Matt in NY

MOTION: By group conscience, our moderator is selected on a monthly basis. Is someone willing to be our moderator through our next business meeting?

RESULT: Tim in OR volunteered. Thank you, Tim, for your service!

MOTION: By group conscience, we selected our next book to read. Each book that was nominated over the previous month which received a second by someone other than the nominee was in the running. All present had

two votes and the book with the highest vote was selected.

RESULT: SAA Green Book

July 2, 2017

Present: Marc in WA, Tim in OR, Vince in Chicago, Mike in UT, Rick in NoWA

MOTION (by Marc in WA, seconded by ???): that we elect a new moderator at each Monthly Business Meeting to rotate this service position on a monthly basis.

RESULT: Unanimously approved

MOTION (by Marc in WA, seconded by Tim in Portland): that we skip reading the stories at the end of "Hope and Recovery."

RESULT: Unanimously approved

JUNE 4, 2017

MOTION (by Marc in WA, seconded by Vince in Chicago): that we adopt the latest script as it is written. The primary changes to this script are:

- a) updating the meeting information section with the new call in number, passcode, and website
- b) moving the readings to a separate file called "Sunday 8am READINGS.pdf"
- c) moving the moderator information to "Sunday 8am MODERATOR.txt"
- d) minor formatting changes

AMENDMENT (by Tim in OR, seconded by Joseph in PA)

That the 12 steps listed in the Readings be updated to use the 12 Steps found in the SAA Green Book

RESULT: Amendment Unanimously Accepted

RESULT: Unanimously Accepted as amended