**Central Office of Salt Lake City, Inc.**

**Central Office Board Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday 9/5/23 @ 6:30 pm**

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**Board of Trustees**

Chairperson: **Wade J.** Introductions

Co-Chairperson: **Shannon M.** Reads CO Preamble

Secretary: **Jake S.** AA Service Manual pg. 161 (Appendix S: General Service and Intergroup/Central Offices): In 1986, the first A.A.W.S./Intergroup/Central Office Seminar was held to discuss questions on literature distribution, pricing, and discounts, and to share ways to work together. Seminars are now held each year. Seminar history and information can be found at: [www.icoaa.org](http://www.icoaa.org). This year’s ICOAA Seminar is being held Thursday-Sunday October 12-15. Jake recommends we send Wade.

Discussion on ICOAA. Would not have enough time to bring this back to the groups. Allison asked whether the reps would decide next week- Yes, the Reps have Right of Decision under Concept 3. Shannon agrees, thinks it’s a good idea. Jim thinks it would be important to at least go once, just to find out if it’s worthwhile to send someone yearly, and then we could decide how often and how useful. Serena thinks it’s a great idea for what it’s worth. Bob says it would allow us to show others in AA how an all-volunteer central office operates and be useful to others. Wade says we could share things that are useful to them and bring back good ideas to us. Alan asks about the flyer. Jake will send flyer around. Unanimously in favor. Jake will present this.

Jake brings up that he has been contacted by two members recently with concerns regarding groups on the meeting schedule not adhering to what those individual member’s standards for being an AA meeting are, and concerns that it misrepresents things to newcomers. Proposed placing a disclaimer on the meeting list, stating that meetings are self-reported, and CO does not endorse any meeting. Brad C. brings up not having any other affiliations, for example, we should not have a Catholic meeting, any Mormon meeting, etc. Bible one crosses the line. Charlie says each group autonomous tradition 4. Allison says we are not allied with any sect, denomination, organization, etc. Kathy brings up there is a difference between groups and meetings. Vote taken.

Philip states minority opinion does not believe we need legalese on the meeting schedule. No votes changed.

Treasurer: **Mark C.** Not present.

Wade discusses the Reconciliation Report, Balance Sheet, and Proft and Loss. Got the money back from the Discover card. Alan brings up how last time we voted not to bring this up to the reps, but then it was brought up to the reps, and it was passed out to everyone because it was on the profit and loss sheet. Jim would be interested to hear from the reps if there was any feedback from their members. Allison said when she explained it to her group they didn’t really care. Jim worried if this would harm contributions, Wade believes we would see this.

Some of the volunteers questioned why we don’t have a credit card. Issue is it must be in someone’s name. There is money we could make off a credit card, it might make more sense to have things on credit card than a debit card. Cannot put it in a 503C3 business, must be in someone’s name.

Brad C. opposed, worried about the future, is there a slippery slope.

Brad M. says this has been a thorn in our side since Artie cancelled it years ago, when someone believed we cannot be a borrower or a lender. Then rules were changed saying we could not stand on our own as a business, it must be in someone’s name, however one of our officers would have to run our credit against it as a guarantor. Is worried about the credit report is going to go off the credit of the Chair or Cochair, etc. Do we really need to have the Chair or Cochair responsible that that bill be paid every month. Very much in opposition. Was furious when credit card was cancelled.

Jake suggests this is perfect thing to bring back to ICOAA conference. Tabled until November board meeting\*

Trustee at Large (District 2 liaison): **John S.** Not present.

Trustee at Large (District 10 liaison): **Sonya M.** There is a technology in AA conference this weekend, it is $45 dollars. Believes it would be good for Elan or Jeff to attend, both of which have budgets.

Trustee at Large (District 11 liaison): **Phillip W.**

Trustee at Large (District 13 liaison): **Alan B.** Fall Assembly coming up, promote with flyers.

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Immediate Past Chairperson: **Brad M.**

**Standing Committee Chairs**

Hotline Telephone: **Max D.** Not present.

Twelfth Step: **Charlie C.**

Activities: **Kim B.** Report on picnic. Over 200 people attended, will have flyers for the Chili Cookoff on October 7th. Isn’t it customary that we donate to the church when we rent their venue? Brad M. knows we did but cannot recall how much.

Newsletter: **Danny B.** Not present.

Outreach: **Jack H.** Not present.

Website: **Jeff P.** Does have a question about translating website to Spanish, but then the Spanish intergroup was no longer interested. Answer: We do still want to translate website.

By-Laws: **Brad C.** Targeting February to put together a new committee.

Volunteer: **Bob C.** Things are running smoothly.

There is a safety card in AA. There are people who call here who are deemed nuisance. There are people who need help that AA does not offer. If we have a nuisance person who continues to be a nuisance, we call the police, because they can provide help that they need. If group needs a safety card, it tells people what to do in dangerous situations, but it is important to get professional help and stay in our lane. We have them available for free. One per meeting, make copies if you want multiple on copy machine.

Literature: **Jim S.** New AA booklet coming soon for those who got sober after 60.

Archives: **Ben H.** Thank you to Danny, whoever goes to Davis County and Alano Club please pass out these flyers. Excited about his event, just need help promoting it.

Public Information: **Allison S.** Report on car show and the walk this weekend. Requests meeting list up to date so she can print off 100 for the walk. We are not doing a booth for Recovery Days; it costs $1000 to have a booth.

Treatment Facilities and Accessibilities: **Charlie T.** When Utah got to fifty years, the Archivist had made copies of Grapevine articles from Utah AA. The difference in price is that it would cost $17 to reproduce but would like to see this thing not die on the vine, Wade asks for quantity and dollar amount for next month. \*

Corrections: **Serena C.** 3 When she did literature for district 2, she would purchase books but then be reimbursed by the district. How does she do this with her current position? Wade talks about how she has a budget, and if she goes above her budget, the reps will need to approve it. Wade says if she is in her budget, she can get it reimbursed.

Cooperation with Professionals: **Karmina B.** Not present.

Technology: **Elan B.** Report on technology conference. Update on new computer for front desk, tried and failed to install windows on it. Still working on it.

Coins: **Kathy M.**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Adjourn and Close with Responsibility Statement**

**Next Central Office Board meeting will be held on 10/3/23 @ 6:30pm**