

## **Minutes from February 19,2023 Sunrise Daily Reader's Business Meeting**

Mara - Chairperson  
Adrienne L. - Secretary

Mara opened meeting with the Serenity Prayer and Tradition 2: "For our group purpose there is but one authority-a loving God as he may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants-they do not govern." She also stated that raising hands to speak would be used and she would recognize each speaker.

### **1st. Agenda Item:**

Mara read the agenda for the meeting. Next, she requested volunteers to fill the host's positions for the next month. The volunteers follow:

Sunday - Kelley	Wednesday - Cath	Saturday- Amber
Monday - Jean	Thursday - Chelsea	
Tuesday - Mara	Friday - Meeka	

### **2nd. Agenda Item:**

Mara recognized Adrienne who made a motion to have Mara made the temporary Chairperson, Amie seconded. A vote was held and 27 voted for the motion and 0 opposed, the motion passed.

### **3rd. Agenda Item:**

Adrienne made a second motion and Matt and Amie seconded to move an item from the Service Position Committee -the Treasurer position - to the top of the agenda since the need for a permanent treasurer has become critical to the group. A vote was taken and 28 voted for with 2 opposed, the motion passed.

### **4th. Agenda Item:**

Adrienne posted the proposed description of the Treasurer's position in the chat. The description follows:

Position Title: Treasurer

Duties:

- Requests voluntary contributions from members during each meeting in accordance with Tradition Seven. (suggestion to remove this responsibility from the Treasurer and instead ask in the opening text for someone to volunteer to post information re: how to make 7th tradition donations in the chat mid-meeting, when the greatest number of people are present)
- Maintains the group's financial records.
- Provide a treasurer's report/financial statement to the group at each business meeting.
- Order literature for newcomers if approved by group vote.
- Maintains prudent reserve fund for the group (3 months of fixed costs).

- If surplus exists after covering fixed costs and prudent reserve, make a proposal for donation(s) to district, AIS, Area, and/or WSO in accordance with group conscience to be voted on at a business meeting.
- Pay invoices for any meeting costs, including but not limited to:
  - Zoom costs (annual or monthly);
  - Literature to send to newcomers;
  - Group Representative's expenses to attend and participate at District and Area Assembly meetings;
  - Al-Anon Information Service (AIS/Intergroup) Representative's (ISR) expenses to attend and participate at AIS meetings. (Will this be a position?)

At the end of term; transfer of group funds to onboard new treasurer.

Requirements/Qualifications:

- Has attended the group's meeting regularly for at least 6 months.
- Has ability to collect 7th tradition donations electronically - e.g. via PayPal, Venmo.

Treasurer to use personal account or set up an account for the duration of their term?

Or will SDR set up a bank account, then create and attach Venmo & PayPal accounts to that?

Has ability to collect 7th tradition donations non-electronically - work with individual member on method that works best for that member

Term of Service:

1 year

How Position Gets Filled:

Solicit volunteer who meets the above requirements/qualifications at a business meeting.

Mara read the description, followed by discussion which focused on ways to collect funds, what larger entity SDR is part of, and the need to have the treasurer order literature.

Amie made a motion seconded by Ginger to delete from the treasurer's duties "Order literature for newcomers if approved by group vote." A vote was taken, 25 voted for the motion and 1 opposed, the motion passed.

#### **5th. Agenda Item:**

A motion was made by Rebecca to have Tammy fill the treasurers position and Jean seconded it. Tammy stated her qualifications of being an experienced treasurer for another Al-anon group; that there should be 2 signatures on the account when it is set up; and that she would apply for an EIN, employer identification number, for the account to collect funds. 27 people voted for the motion and 0 opposed, the motion passed.

**6th. Agenda Item:**

Rebecca made a motion for Meeka to be the second signatory/treasurer on the account for Sunrise Daily Readers group. Ginger seconded the motion. A vote was taken, 25 voted for and 0 opposed the motion. The motion passed.

**7th. Agenda Item:**

A discussion was held on the merits of changing the requirements for the treasurer from "Has attended the group's meeting regularly for at least 6 months." to 3 months since it was brought up that Tammy and Meeka did not meet the 6 month requirement.

Ginger made a motion seconded by Amie to change the required length of attendance that a prospective treasurer have attended the SDR meetings from 6 months to 3 months. A vote was taken 21 voted for the motion and 6 opposed. The motion passed.

**8th. Agenda Item:**

Amie made a motion to table discussion of the treasurer's position and Matt seconded it. A vote was taken 22 voted for the motion and 0 opposition the motion. The motion passed.

**9th. Agenda Item:**

Mara made a motion to end the business meeting, Matt seconded. A vote was held 21 voted to end the meeting, 0 opposed. The motion passed.

The meeting ended at 9:24 am.

**NEXT MEETING: March 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am**