

EDRG Group Conscience-December 2023

Open with Serenity Prayer

Attendance: Started with 84 members

1. Group Rep Report-Laura – no report

2. Treasury Report- Marylee

- \$358 total 7th Tradition collected during the month of November.
- After zoom bill paid, we have \$292 to divide equally between WSO and GEA.
- Draft guidelines prepared for transition in Jan 1. Once finalized they will be submitted to group for review and approval at Group Conscience for posting to website.

3. Group Secretary Report-Jen R

- Update to Sponsorship Contact description to be updated on webpage– thank you to Bill R for reviewing and updating.
- Reminder - EDRG website has current scripts and format (everydailyalanon.org)

4. Group Conscience Chair Announcements – Amanda

- New Treasurer beginning January 1 – Bill R
- Marylee will be working to transition with Bill in the coming months.

Old Business

1. Proposed change to **Chair format**: include specific page number of that day's readings.

- Reviewed info from last GC meeting – see November 2023 minutes for those notes

Discussion & Comments:

- Amazing how many people ask. Almost already a part of format.
- Sounds like time bloating is the main issue. Suggestion: take out 'the meeting lasts 30 minutes' and add in the date and page number to chair script.
- Adding language is doing for others what they can do for themselves
- Choosing kindness. Needs to be in there somewhere.
- Nice gesture to add to the script – seems to be working.
- Removing the language about it being a 30 min meeting would be a loss.
- Chat host could continually put the info into the chat.

- What is motive? if it is how do we help others? There isn't a solution for that. If it is the Spirit providing clarity then add the fewest number of words.
- Grounding. Perhaps add part of script to "Who would like to read and share to add "from Date & Page #"
- Even when Chair adds it and says it, we say it people miss it and ask again.
- All chairs will answer the question when asked.
- Keep it as is and continue answering question as it comes up.
- Chat hosts have been repeating the page numbers. Organically working out.
- The date is all around us. I open my eyes it's right there. Precious moments. Keep it Simple.
- Love this process. We all have a voice. She's been adding it worries about doing it right.
- This meeting reads from today's date of the daily readers so clarity helps. Adding it will save us time. Simple way of going ahead and doing it.
- In an effort to be kind we can be destructive. Since people will be asking again keep it as it is.
- Thinking of the newcomer
- People don't read the chat

GC Chair posed vote by raise of virtual hands:

Who is in favor format to include spoken language about date and page number? or leave it as is answering question about what day as it comes up? (without specifics of language for format)

Add: 15

Leave as is: 11

Abstain: 10

Lack of Consensus - Issue to be tabled until EDRG Group Conscience to establish group guidelines for "substantial unanimity"? If voting, how to make voting clear & accessible?

- Suggestion to look at the service manual for the guideline on voting and establishing group guidelines.
- Review of EDRG use of Knowledge Based Decision Making (KBDM)
- Vote isn't an accurate measure – people couldn't figure out how to raise hand, or driving
- Had a different take on the vote – is that we had a question adding in voice vs answering members questions one by one when asking what date/page.

New Business

1. Length of Service for Treasurer Position

- Marylee and Bill will discuss and decide come back and introduce guidelines and give members opportunity to review for a month or so and vote to approve and be published on the website.
2. Looking for a past Chairperson to draft “how to” document to assist in Chair/Chat Host transition so new Chairs know what is expected of them. Transition document will be added to the Website in an effort to make it easier to practice the 12th step.
- **Carol L. and Gail R. stepped up to draft the document.**

Closed with the Serenity Prayer at 9:27 Pacific Time with 21 members in attendance.