

EDRG Group Conscious Meeting 12/5/24

Opened with serenity prayer

1. GR report from Laura: No report
2. Secretary: Nothing to report
3. Treasury Report: Bill R.
 - a. New Treasurer starting January 1: Nkechi
 - b. As of December 1st, 2024, EDRG Treasury:
 - i. \$250.00 (prudent reserve).
 - ii. \$426.00 was collected in November.
 - iii. \$213.00 disbursed to GEA on November 30th.
 - iv. \$2,796.55 disbursed YTD to GEA as of November 30th.
 - v. \$213.00 disbursed to WSO-AFG on November 30th.
 - vi. \$2,796.55 disbursed YTD to WSO-AFG as of November 30th.
 - c. Anticipated expenses are as follows:
 - i. NO MORE ANTICIPATED EXPENSES IN 2024
 - ii. Zoom One Pro Annual \$159.90 due March 22nd, 2025.
 - iii. Zoom 500 Participants \$600.00 due March 22nd, 2025.
 - iv. Website Hosting (3 years) \$396.00 due January 5th, 2026.
 - v. Domain Registration (10 years) \$126.10 due January 1st, 2033.
 - d. See July GC Minutes for other means of making donations.
4. Old Business
 - a. New Format Committee: Reach out to Gordy
 - b. Phone list:
 - i. Ideas
 1. Split into three tabs:
 - a. Sponsor
 - b. Temporary Sponsor
 - c. Outreach or general phone list
 - d. Create pivot tables
 2. Filtered view in Google Docs and create three documents
 - c. Music in meeting was not discussed. Will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
5. New business
 - a. Discussion of holidays in a meeting as an outside issue
 - i. Tradition 10 — No opinion on outside issues
 - ii. Tradition 2 —
 - iii. We can talk about our own individual experience but not wish everyone a happy (holiday name)
 - iv. Paths to Recovery and Service Manual suggests that we make a meeting specific to the holiday though people can mention their experience. Paths to Recovery mentions that those who know “better” have a responsibility to speak up.
 - v. Important to emphasize to use only CAL

- vi. We can't control what people say. If we want to put something in the script, how will it be worded?
- vii. Suggest that we speak in a general and principled way. This is advanced Al-Anon and those of us who are more advanced can hold this space
- viii. Al-anon table tent card: Please keep the focus on Al-Anon . . .
 - 1. Used to have these for in-person meetings
 - 2. Not able to do this in Zoom meetings
- ix. Idea of a gentle reminder
 - 1. You can share your experience, strength, and hope
 - 2. Gentle reminder to not wish everyone a happy (holiday name)
 - 3. Maybe add language of above-mentioned tent card to format
- x. Can we add something at the end of the after meeting to celebrate people's milestones such as natal and Al-Anon birthday. Might be a separate discussion point)
- xi. Maybe add to script
 - 1. Take what you like and leave the rest
 - 2. We share our experience and are not speaking for Al-Anon as a whole
 - 3. Mention traditions 2 and 10
- xii. Several people offered to share what is in the scripts of other meetings that address this issue
- xiii. Motion: Add to script that would summarize this discussion
 - 1. Maker of motion will discuss specific wording of the motion with Gordy, chair of the Format Committee
 - 2. Motion will be presented at the January Group Conscious meeting
 - 3. Motion will be voted on at the February Group Conscious meeting

Respectfully submitted by Sarah S., Substitute Secretary