

Board Summary for CoDA World Board Conference Call  
March 16, 2013 8:30am-10:30am PDT

Dear Fellowship,

Our March Conference Call as usual opened up with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. We also read the 3rd Tradition and the 3rd Service Concept. Attending were Evie, Lisa, Florence, David, Dagmar, Barbara and Jutta. We had no observers. We postponed the approval of our February minutes because they were quite lengthy and were not distributed early enough for everyone to review them. We unanimously voted to ratify the following motions approved by group conscience during the previous month:

- The Administrative Fellowship Service Worker will send electronic copies of the Meeting Starter Packet and the Fellowship Service Manual (FSM) to newly registered meetings rather than hard copies
- The letter to the Service Structure Committee denying their request to hire a contractor to update the FSM
- The letter to a CoDA member who volunteered to assist the webmaster thanking him and not accepting the offer

The Treasurer gave her report. She is working on completing the move of our money from our old bank to our new bank. She is also working on ensuring that we have adequate liability insurance in addition to the security bonds that we have for all the Board Officers.

The liaison to the Communication committee updated us on what is happening with the effort to have all non-administrative calls to our main phone number handled by volunteers rather than the paid answering service. We also discussed whether we want to continue to allow other CoDA Intergroups or Voting Entities to also use the online service that we use within the same account and determined that this is inconsistent with Traditions 4 and 7 so we will discontinue allowing it. This will first be coordinated with the affected Intergroup and Voting Entity to ensure that no calls are missed.

We dealt with how to respond to several emails received from CoDA members including one from Germany asking to present a report at the CoDA Service Conference (CSC) in July and to meet with us. We agreed to the first since we hope to have reports from many Voting Entities as we did last year. Germany had requested a particular length of time for their presentation. We are unable to commit at this stage pending the conference timetable and the number of other delegations. We agreed to have two members of the board meet with the German delegates.

We discussed and agreed with the proposal to invite the Committee Chairs and the Fellowship Service Workers to arrive a day early to allow a day of Team Building with the Board. An invitation will be sent out as soon as the schedule has been worked out and the Events committee has worked with the hotel to ensure that they can handle the additional people arriving a day early.

We had a short discussion on the status of the two proposals developed to have the website and the meeting search engine redeveloped. Request for Proposal (RFP) documents are in the process of being finalized so that they can be posted on the site we have chosen to solicit proposals.

We spent the balance of the meeting reviewing the proposed motions that the Finance small group developed at our February face to face meeting. We approved most of those motions and the Treasurer will work with the Finance committee to develop the motions to be presented at CSC for those items that require CSC approval. We ran out of time before we could deal with two of the motions and those will be discussed via email in order to achieve a group conscience decision.

We closed the meeting with the serenity prayer at 10:35am Pacific time.

Future board con calls:

- Saturday, April 13th, 8:30AM Pacific Time
- Saturday, May 4, 8:30AM Pacific Time

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