

Approved July 8, 2017

1. Request Volunteer to take minutes

Laurel volunteered

2. Note Round Robin Order

Geff, Don, Laurel, Tracey joined midway through item #6.

3. Serenity Prayer

4. Approval of April 2017 Co-NNections Meeting minutes, see attached minutes

Unanimous approval

5. Chair report on the crash of coda.org and the impact on Co-NNections mission.

Crashed in March, submissions link was broken on the Co-NNections page, came close to having to dig into archives. Geff: probably will be a new website by year-end. Board is aware there is a problem.

Geff: a number of links are still non-functional

Don: We are still not getting submissions at the same level prior to the crash.

6 New proposed language for the Copyright waiver to be GC'd see attachment

Since our old copyright waiver was for text only, and we are now approved for audio + video, Don drafted a new waiver.

Geff: 1. I'm assuming "podcasters" is for MIP. Could someone please define exactly what that word means in the sense that's it's going to be used by MIP? Not sure if it fits here.

2. I'd suggest changing "videographers" to something like "video submissions".

Group Conscience: We approved the copyright waiver as it is currently written subject to Board's legal department approval

7 Suggested Guidelines for Audio and Audio Video Submissions to be GC'd see attachment

Geff:

1. PP #2 change "articles from CoDA members" to just "articles" (to me "from ANYONE" would be implied by the omission of "CoDA Members" or it could be changed to state "anyone").

GC: OK with keeping it the way it is

2. Do we want to add a reminder that politics is not allowed anywhere & that includes documentaries? Or perhaps just remove the word "documentaries" from the statement? And the later politics statement imo should have no implied exceptions per the 12 traditions. I see the need for a 100% political ban

GC: OK with keeping it the way it is

3 Suggest adding "or less" to "length.... "5 minutes"; i.e. "5 minutes OR LESS".

GC: Agreed to add "or less" after "5 minutes"

8 Chair report on the GC'd changed language on the Co-NNections page.

Don: The language has been changed to make it consistent with our Policy & Procedure language and also in the Trusted Servants area

9 Chair report on Board of Trustee reversal on standing committee email address alias policy at April Chairs Forum Meeting.

Don: We had a big GC about that issue. Mary said they (the Board) were no longer requiring liaisons to be on standing committee aliases, it was up to committees to invite who they wanted to invite.

10 Meetings in Print Subcommittee: report

Don: I was there. June's issue should be sent out any moment.

Geff: Do they want an email blast to let people know their stuff is up?

Don: Yes, they always do. They're basically waiting for weekly reading trickle-down, and of course they're not getting any because we're not getting any. Length is the determining factor, but we have no definition of length. Discussion about establishing a word count. Discussion about sending their own email blast.

Geff: Should we GC sending Resa's submission to MiP?

GC: Yes!

11 Weekly Readings Subcommittee: report

Geff: Really short on submissions. GC'd them via email for efficiency's sake. Not ideal but thanks. I'm concerned that we've been asking enough that it's too soon to send another email blast asking for submissions. We're not yet at the point of using archives, but we're close. Beth agreed to edit the current batch.

12 Book Work Group Subcommittee: report

Don: Tracey is the newest member and has created a google doc so we can collaborate. I would like everybody in the book work group to have access to editing the document, while Tracey wants just Don and Tracey to have access.

Tracey: I gave everyone in the book work group access to the document. Everyone can look at and comment on the document. Just not editing. All kinds of [editing] "accidents" can happen.

Geff agrees with Tracey

Geff will provide to the Book Work Group links to archives.

All: Seems a Book Work Group meeting is in order.

Committee members can send submissions directly to codaworkbookgroup@gmail.com

13 Call for New Business:

Geff: I am concerned we are not getting great attendance at our meetings, maybe we should revisit what is a good day and time for people?

Don: I will assume that task, thank you

14 Next meeting July 1, 2017, 12 PM PDT via Zoom Video Conferencing (**pending item #13 above**)

15 Serenity Prayer