

## **Minutes for GSR Committee Work Session at WSC (Approved)**

**October 17, 2020, Saturday, 11:15 am – 12:15 pm ET, 8:15 am – 9:15 am PT**

This meeting was recorded on Zoom to aid in the preparation of accurate Minutes.

Chair, Arden V; Interim Co-Chair, Debora G; Vice-Chair, Quin B

Spiritual Timekeeper, Leanne

The session started with the 'We' version of the Serenity Prayer.

**Please submit items for the Agenda at least two weeks prior to the meeting.**

**Reading of UA 12 Traditions - Robin (NY)**

### **Roll Call - 19 GSRs**

1. Anita (NJ), Out of the Cave, Jersey City, NJ (F2F) Tuesday, 6:30 pm ET
2. Arden V. (CA), Beyond 6 Figures (Phone), Wednesday, 8 pm ET, GSRC Chair
3. David O (VA), Sunday Night Video Community Meeting (Zoom), 6:30 pm ET
4. Debora G. (CA), Evening Step & Speaker (Phone), Tu & F 8:30 pm; Wed 9:30 pm ET GSRC Interim Co-Chair
5. Denyse (CA), Selling with Serenity (Phone), M-F, 11 am ET
6. Glenn B (UK), GSR Alternate, Selling With Serenity, M-F, 6 am ET
7. Jahara (CA), Beginners Meeting (Phone), Sun, 11 am. ET
8. Janine (CA), 9:45 am ET Step and Tools Meeting, Daily (Phone)
9. Jennifer F (MA), Amherst Steps to Prosperity (F2F), Mon, 5:30 pm ET
10. Leanne (CO), Step and Tools Meeting, Daily, (Phone) 8:30 am
11. Libby (CA), Sherman Oaks Prosperity Meeting (F2F/Zoom), Wed, 7 pm PT
12. Lydia (CT), Selling with Serenity, 6 am (Phone)
13. Michelle (OR), Artists in Prosperity (F2F), Los Angeles, Tues, 6:30 pm PT
14. Philippa (UK), UK Saturday online meeting, 5am EST
15. Rebecca (CO), Heartfelt Prosperity Step & Tools (Phone), 8:30 am ET, M – Sun
16. Rita (CA), Early Bird Turning Point, Silverlake (F2F/Zoom), Sunday, 4:30 pm PT
17. Robin (NY), Healing the Inner Child (Phone), Wed, 7:15 pm ET
18. Teresa (GA), GSR Alternate for S. Hemisphere (Phone) Meeting, 4 am ET
19. Zeus W. (NY), I Can See Clearly Now Visions Meeting (Phone) Mon., 7:00 am ET, GSRC Co-Webmaster

Non-GSR Committee Members - 0

**Motion to accept the October 16, 2020 Minutes as emailed to the GSRC, read, and corrected.**

Proposed by Lydia; Seconded by Denyse

**Motion Passed. In favor: 12; Opposed 1**

## **I. Welcoming Notes by Arden, GSR Committee Chair:**

So glad you are here! We did good work yesterday, by discussing and passing unanimously two of three top priority Motions for Sunday. Hopefully today we will pass the next most important items from our Committee for our Sunday Convocation session of 90 minutes.

## **II. Unfinished Business**

### **A. Amendments to Motion to Establish [WSC-Approved](#) Group Registration Guidelines to Register a UA Group** (20 Minutes)

(Status: Passed by GSRC on October 7, 2018; amended on June 28, 2020; new amendments discussed on October 17, 2020, but not voted on in Committee)

Proposed by Debora; seconded by David O.

(Additions are indicated by blue text, Deletions are indicated by ~~strike-through lines through the text.~~)

**Following are the only requirements to register a UA Group. Registered Groups are placed on the UA Website Meeting Calendar.**

1. The Group has two or more members who are gathered together to recover from underearning.
2. The meeting is open to all UA members.
3. The Group has no outside affiliation. Therefore, a joint Group of UA and another 12 Step fellowship will not be registered as a UA Group. Also, a Group cannot be affiliated with any sect, religion, organization, corporation or institution.
4. A Group contact person is required for the initial registration. The contact person will provide their first name and last initial, email address, and phone number to the UA General Service Office (GSO).
5. The Group agrees to update with the UA GSO its meeting location, date/time, and meeting phone or video conference information any time there is a change in this information.
6. Each Group's primary/singleness of purpose is to recover from underearning and to carry the message to the underearner who still suffers.

**These are additional Group Registration Guidelines:**

1. The GSO will keep the Group contact person's information confidential. The GSO may only share the contact person's information with the consent of the contact person.
2. It is suggested that Groups include in their meeting formats reading of the UA Steps and Traditions. Per the 4th Tradition, the Group's meeting format is a Group conscience decision, so meeting formats may vary.

3. The following types of Groups may register if they meet the above requirements:

- (a) Face-to-Face meetings.
- (b) Virtual Meeting Groups. (e.g. phone meetings, on-line email/forum meetings, and Video Conference meetings.)
- (c) Special Focus Groups. e.g. the Spiritual Marketing for Coaches and Consultants Group, Musicians and Prosperity in the Arts Group, Prosperous Possession Consciousness Group, **50 Plus, Women's, Men's, BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color,) LGBTQ, Atheist/Agnostic** and others.

In accordance with Guidelines passed at the WSC 2018, Special Focus Groups (aka Specialty Groups) are allowed as long as each such Group's primary/singleness of purpose is to recover from underearning and to carry the message to the underearner who still suffers, and they are open to all who have the desire to stop underearning.

- (d) "Pop-up" Phone Meeting Groups. (A Pop-Up Phone Meeting Group does not have a regularly-scheduled moderator. Typically, at the beginning of the meeting a member volunteers to moderate using the meeting format as posted on the UA Website.)
4. It is suggested that Groups observe the principle of rotation of service and service positions be filled by Group conscience vote.
5. UA will provide a user-friendly process to register Groups.
6. The effective date for these requirements and guidelines is the last day of the World Service Conference **where they are approved. 2020.**

**Background Information:**

*An important motion was passed at the WSC 2018 Convocation:*

*"Motion: Each group's primary/singleness of purpose is to recover from underearning and to carry the message to the underearner who still suffers.*

*This follows our traditions 3, 4 & 5 and the 12&12 page 151 paragraphs 3 & 4.*

*Pursuant to tradition 10, the body has no opinion on specialty groups so long as they adhere to the primary purpose and are open to all who have the desire to stop underearning.*

*Currently, there are no detailed guidelines on registration of a UA Group that have been passed at a World Service Conference. The GSR Committee's motion on Guidelines to Register a UA Group, which was passed on October 7, 2018, provides those detailed guidelines.*

*This motion was passed after months of extensive debate and discussion. These registration guidelines are similar to the requirements of the national organizations of our parent fellowship, AA, and our sister fellowship, DA. This motion needs to be amended in light of the guidelines passed at the WSC 2018.*

*Other amendments are included in the motion to provide clarity. Please note that the motion has two sections. The first section specifies the requirements needed to be a Registered Group. The second section provides additional guidelines to be used by the General Service Office and GSB Committees in registering Groups.*

*The text in the brackets is for explanation purposes; it is not part of the motion.*

### **III. The Work Session Closed at 12:15 pm ET / 9:15 am PT with the 'We' Version of the Serenity Prayer.**

The Minutes were prepared by Debora G, Interim Co-Chair, and Temporary Secretary, and reviewed by Arden V, Chair