

[00:00:02.260] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you. Dana will be on shortly, I guess right now her internet's not working. Okay, let me jump into my report. I'm still working through the conference to do list. I spoke to Casey. The number one thing the number one thing is that we buy precon tickets. So please do that this week. Please. We are not doing a dinner. We are going to be doing the precon event. Please buy our tickets. That was one of the biggest things from our conversation. To give you a little bit more details. The committee is still feeling unsupported and not great about us. It is what it is. Certain things we can't change. There are certain things we can't, I guess, overcome. We can do our best. And doing our best means buying precon tickets and showing up. So that's what we can do. Do it. Thank you. I will speak to Danielle myself. We still don't know which boardroom are in exactly. They are doing another walk through. A final walk through hi dinner. They're doing a final walkthrough on excuse me, monday. After that point, we should know what boardroom we're in. So I'll speak to Danielle. I'll also speak to Casey. They're having their meeting tonight. We said that we would connect probably tomorrow. And yeah, we'll go from there. We had a bylaws revision call this evening. It did not happen to be the last one. So we are not in a position to present the bylaws, the revised bylaws to the group. They're just not quite ready yet. Keep an eye out for that to be finished. When it's finished, we're going to discuss the physical address of the bank account. We are going to discuss seating arrangements for the main meetings. We're going to be electing an outreach share. We will start the discussion on disbursements, just general points of reference. And we will be doing tradition and concept tonight as well. So that's what our day is looking like. Any questions before we move on to co chair and treasury report? Okay, thank you. Go ahead, Bob. Thanks for sending agenda, Bob.

[00:03:28.290] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

You're welcome, Bobby. Report shenanigans. Let me pull up the thing that I need. Oh, that's so small. All right, so since our last call. I mean, fair. It's a reasonable assertion. So since our last call, host brought in \$929.58 registrations. They brought in \$120.10 from precon sales \$22. And seven tradition spent \$875 on the deposit for the AV. So overall balance is 30,000 689. One. We are 89% of our budget covered. Shout out to Ryan, the registration chair by cutting his budget by \$764.98. So we still need 4585 78 to pay for the rest of our expenses. We need 14, 24, 35 in order to our precon expenses. So that's where we're at financially. Our account and the host nine account are left unchanged. Nothing's happened in the last, like, three weeks with that since I transferred money. So, yeah, that's the treasury shenanigans.

[00:05:37.260] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you, Bob. Any questions for Bob? Even though we already accepted the report, okay. Sarah was unable to join us tonight, so I will read her report very quick. It does not appear that she sent in a report. We will approve these minutes.

[00:06:09.540] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

She did. She put it on the wrong thread.

[00:06:13.290] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay.

[00:06:14.340] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

She submitted the minutes from 912.

[00:06:19.440] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay.

[00:06:22.140] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Motion to approve the minutes from 912 2nd.

[00:06:26.190] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you, guys. Okay, other pressing reports. Adam, do you want to talk about hotels really quick?

[00:06:53.840] – Adam [Hotel Chair]

Sure, if you would like. Adam, alcoholic. I actually spoke to Dean about an hour ago. They did add more rooms last week, but he said the code wasn't working again, which probably means they sold the rest of the rooms that they were given again. So he reached out to the Hilton again, and Tracy wasn't there today, which I believe she's not on Monday. So he's going to reach out to her again tomorrow and see if we can get more rooms. If not, then it's to the Overflow Hotel, which there is a cutoff date of the 14th. So he's going to see where they're at with that tomorrow so we can get moving on the Overflow Hotel. That's all.

[00:07:45.740] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Adam. Any questions for Adam? Okay. Thank you, sir. Moving on to tradition and concept. Who's doing tradition? Seven?

[00:08:14.400] - Stephen

Jeff.

[00:08:18.150] – Jeff

Hi, Jeff. Alcoholic. And I'm such an alcoholic that I forgot that I was doing this. Which is fine, because I'm pretty sure I understand it enough to give you a little summation of it. So let me be responsible and go to some type of literature so that I can pull it up and read it right. I'm irresponsible, sick, alcoholic, and I forget about shit. So sorry. Not sorry. All right, here we are. Every AA group out to be fully self supporting, declining outside contributions. So when I first came into the rooms I joined a very small AA group in a small town outside of Binghamton with about five members, and they made me their treasurer immediately, without even a question, they said, here's the treasury and the key. Adam and I were the youngest members of the group by, like, 40 years of age and sobriety. So they were just excited to have some young folks come along to take over everything. So I learned very quickly, like, what had to be done. So it was one of those small groups that a bank account. So I had to set money aside, and I had to learn. And these old timers taught me, like, make sure that their supplies, make sure that the rent is paid, make sure that we're donating to Alcoholics Anonymous. And then as I progressed in my sobriety, I started to want to learn more about the traditions. And I got a sponsor who was very traditional, strong, and there's a couple of different forms of this, or opinions, I should say.

[00:10:04.050] – Jeff

I had a sponsor named Tom Stewart who told me that when he reads this. The way that he takes it is that self supporting means that your group should be taking AA's money and buying stuff with it. That we should be putting that money in a basket separately at our group conscience to pay for supplies and rent. And that the money that AA members are putting in the basket at your meeting should be donated back into AA to support Alcoholics Anonymous. And I like that a lot. Unfortunately, my group doesn't abide by that. I would like them to, but that's not something that ever gets voted in when I'm trying to make that happen. So I accept the group conscience for the vote that it is. But in my opinion, self supporting means that we should not be taking money from other AA members and spending it on other things other than a economy is a beautiful thing. So as far as this goes for me, I've had a pretty terrible experience with figuring out financial stuff at the end of my host year, which turned out to be a great learning experience for me and helped me understand a lot of stuff that I thought I knew. And when I hear a group say, you know, a is fully self supporting, I feel like I don't like to put my money in the basket at every meeting because I don't know where that money goes. And being involved in general service has helped me realize that not every AA group is going to help AA out. And that's okay. My home group donates their money back into Alcoholics Anonymous because it's very important to me and to my group that AA is supported and that I know the information. Like, the GSO is always living on their Prudent reserve because we don't give them enough money because they still people are still putting a dollar in the basket when really we should be putting, like, \$13.25 each in the basket to match what it was happening in the 1940s. And, yeah, nobody ever wants to talk about money. It absolutely sucks. I hate talking about it. It makes me uncomfortable. But for me, the 7th tradition means that we should be supporting our groups, and the money that we collect from other AA members in our group should be supporting Alcoholics Anonymous. That's my interpretation of the 7th tradition. It may not be everybody else's, and I respect that, and I'm all for hearing other opinions. And again, sorry that I'm a forgetful old man and I totally forgot about this, and I just absolutely love being here. Thank you so much. I love you guys.

[00:13:06.980] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you Jeff! concept seven?

[00:13:21.780] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Bradley.

[00:13:24.630] – Bradley [Web-Chair]

Oh, yeah. I thought I was doing tradition seven, and then I remembered last week that Jeff said, can you do the concept instead? Right when he started talking. I know enough about it, so I'm just going to read it. Concept seven. The conference recognizes that the charter and the bylaws of General Service Board are legal instruments that the trustee are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the conference charter itself is not a legal document, better owes instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the Aapurse for its final effectiveness. Just in short, to simplify, the board can override the conference when necessary. Essentially, it places it's kind of like, how is this actually applicable? When I hear the concepts, I'm just like, what does this even mean? And what it really is kind of how it relates to my life. And most of yours, if you're on advisory, is it's saying that the host committee has autonomy but advisory can step in? And AA needed this because it's a bunch of alcoholics running around and they needed a separate trustee board to make sure that they didn't screw everything up. So it's kind of the balance of power in a nutshell to keep everybody in check. And I hope that simplified it for everyone, and that's what they have to say today.

[00:15:40.460] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bradley. Short and sweet. I love it. Good stuff. Thanks, team. Any questions before we move into business? Okay, discussing physical address of the bank account. Somebody remind me where we left off with this. Jeff, was it you who's going to touch base with GSO? Go ahead.

[00:16:12.390] – Jeff

Hi, Jeff. Alcoholic. I heard I left a message Sunday night because I thought I could just call Monday morning. Then I realized that I should probably leave a message so they can call me back with an answer. I got a call back this morning and their response was that this is really an autonomy thing and that in their experience. That they would suggest that whoever holds the position of secretary treasurer. However your group does that. That they should just use their physical address. That most banks require some type of. Like. Brick and mortar type address and that P O boxes are just like. Very kind of obsolete to banking now. And that was their suggestion. And I did call Bobby who said, Ikeypad does the same thing, which is whomever the treasurer is. They use their bank account and it just kind of rotates as the person is elected. And that's what GSO's suggestion was. So that's all I got.

[00:17:24.060] - Carolyn [Chair]

Can someone remind me what it is currently?

[00:17:28.940] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

My parents house.

[00:17:30.890] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay, so it's still technically Bob. Corey, go ahead. Hey, I'm Corey. I'm an alcoholic. I was doing a little bit of research, but not enough research. But I found that how we were talking about potentially doing like, a central location for a storage unit for archives. You can actually have that as a mailing address, and I don't know if that helps anything, but maybe an idea to look in further. We know if a storage address would suffice as a bank account address.

[00:18:14.010] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

I mean, probably the only issue being is if mail gets sent there.

[00:18:22.190] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay.

[00:18:26.910] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Let'S because I just doubt that the owners of the store facility that we rent are just going to be like, yeah, we'll hold on to your tax documents or bank information. Like.

[00:18:47.160] - Bradley

There are stores that have mailboxes you could rent from storage facilities. However, I think that might bring us back to the PO box. Like a different PO. Box somewhere else.

[00:19:02.540] - Carolyn [Chair]

Yeah. Go ahead, Jamie.

[00:19:16.050] – Jamie

All right. If this needs to be a motion, then add the words I moved to the beginning of it. What if we just leave it where it is? Since Bobby's the treasurer right now and that's his actual address, if his parents are okay with it, then let's leave it alone.

[00:19:33.300] - Adam

Second.

[00:19:38.030] - Carolyn [Chair]

Do we need a motion to leave something as it is?

[00:19:41.330] - Dana

I don't know. If we do, then I move to do it. If not, then I don't think so.

[00:19:49.130] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

We should probably put, like might be something to add to the bylaws. Like.

[00:19:58.280] - Carolyn [Chair]

Probably write this down, please.

[00:20:01.280] - Adam

On top of.

[00:20:04.500] - Carolyn [Chair]

The motion was seconded.

[00:20:09.000] - Dana

If we don't need a motion, I would draw it. But if we could just add it into the bylaws that whoever the Treasure is, the physical address is their address.

[00:20:21.980] - Carolyn [Chair]

Jeff.

[00:20:25.130] - Jeff

Are we still working on a bylaw like motion, or can I just speak freely?

[00:20:32.330] - Carolyn [Chair]

Speak freely, Jamie. Withdraw the motion, then withdraw it. All right.

[00:20:37.800] – Jamie

Okay. I won't go back.

[00:20:43.430] – Jeff

So if there's no motion, then what I wanted to say was, if GSO suggests an ICYPAA is practicing it, then I don't understand what the big deal is. That's all.

[00:20:55.730] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Jeff. So, you know, what were you going to say?

[00:20:58.650] – Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

I was going to get all Roberts rules, but it's late and I'm tired.

[00:21:05.480] - Carolyn [Chair]

Is emotion. Can you just withdraw a motion after it's been seconded? Or you can't, can you?

[00:21:10.200] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

No, because then it becomes the property of the group, which opens it up for discussion, which, you know what we would technically have to do if we felt like being like this.

[00:21:21.000] - Carolyn [Chair]

We're going to revisit that because protocol is everything. The motion was to keep the physical address of the bank account the same. It was seconded by Bradley, I believe.

[00:21:35.550] - Jamie

Yes.

[00:21:36.240] - Carolyn [Chair]

Is there any discussion to be added? No. Okay. All in favor? Okay. All post any extensions. Motion passes. Thank you. Great job. Okay. And Treasure is going up for elections. I believe this rotation. So we can just change it then. Phenomenal. Okay. Returning to the discussion corey, is your hand up? No. Returning to the discussion of seating arrangements at the main meetings. Where did we leave off, Bob?

[00:22:45.630] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

So I thought of something at the end of this, right when we decided to table it. There's always an area of, like, the host committee, just not all of them. I'm not sure if they're doing state stuff, but not all of them can fit on stage. At one point in time. Just throw us behind the host committee. Cool with that? Stick us behind them. That's my thought.

[00:23:15.710] - Carolyn [Chair]

Relapse row, I'm afraid. Okay. Anybody got anything on this Zach?

[00:23:29.960] - Zach

Name Zack. I'm an alcoholic. I think it's definitely imperative for, like, all the white committees in New York State to stick together for that unity thing. And I think that it really shouldn't matter where advisory sits unless you're announcing the committee that gets away to the convention, go, like, mingle with people in AA. That's how I feel about it.

[00:24:04.760] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Zach. Bradley?

[00:24:10.540] – Bradley [Web Chair]

Sure. Yeah. My thought is that we sit in the last row and hear me out. So, like any AA I've ever been to in my entire life, from the first one to the most recent one, I've always sat in the back because I wanted to avoid talking to anybody because I'm slightly introverted and kind of fancy social. So I think that if we sat in the back, this isn't just a play for me, but it would discourage other people from sitting in the back, and it would force them towards the front. And I know when Buffalo hosted, there was a guy that I sponsored at the time, and I encouraged him to sit up front. And when they called for under 30 days, he ran and he slid to the front. And he still calls me. He's not sober, but he still calls me and tells me that was one of the best days of his life. So that's why I was saying we should sit in the back, to encourage people to move towards the front. That's all.

[00:25:08.660] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bradley. Anybody else on this topic?

[00:25:23.650] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

Well, I like what Bradley just said, and I feel like it's silly for my joke about sitting in the back, but I really like that same.

[00:25:35.650] - Zach

Yeah, the last row has always been kind of an honest last row, and I think for us to be back there and do what Bradley was talking about, that's awesome.

[00:25:50.760] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay, there can be a motion entertained from the floor, or we can just kind of move on from this up to you guys. Zach, is your hand up?

[00:26:10.540] - Zach

No, I guess I just forgot to put it down. But if I can't add this one.

[00:26:14.140] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thing, since he called me Zach, then Jamie, go ahead.

[00:26:22.540] - Jamie

Yeah, I guess we kind of started talking about this incorrectly, if I know, but we kind of started talking about this because of the whole advisory being separate from the rest of all of YPA. And once again, I guess regardless of whatever we do, I just feel like that's still the image that we're going to portray, instead of just being like, I'm just another fucking alcoholic at this convention, and I played, like, a role in a back room, but, like, now I'm at the convention kind of deal, and it's just how I feel about it.

[00:26:56.360] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you, Jamie.

[00:26:57.580] - Jamie

Dana, where does host want to put us.

[00:27:05.430] - Carolyn [Chair]

Too shy. You done? Yup.

[00:27:11.580] - Jamie

That's it.

[00:27:12.540] - Carolyn [Chair]

Dana, go ahead.

[00:27:15.550] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

So the one reason for us being closer to the stage is for being able to announce where it's going next, just putting that out there. And then I think it's also important that we remember our unity and that like I don't know, I'm just thinking about this being the last time that I'll be at an escape as part of the advisory. I know, Carolyn. I don't look at me as part of the advisory council and how, like, this committee has been through so much together. And there have been times when I've served on this committee with people that have been like, I don't want to sit anywhere near you. And then something happens where, like, having to sit near each other at the convention and realizing, like, oh, yeah, this is why we do this, and this is why we stay on this committee even when we don't want to, and this is why we work on our unity as well. That's important too. So I just wanted to throw that out there.

[00:28:14.200] - Carolyn [Chair]

I'm so mad at you. I didn't think about leaving until right now. So thanks for that. Jeff, go ahead.

[00:28:23.730] - Jeff

Hi, Jeff. Alcoholic. I brought this up because I think that one of the things that we've had many discussions about was our relationship with the host committee and the other bid cities. And being somebody who bid for many years and being put behind the advisory council more than once so that they could be in the front row just seemed wrong to me. I have to be honest. It's like the opposite of, like, we serve them. It's like, don't forget and I mean, this is verbatim out of former advisory members mouths. Don't forget to put us in the front row at your main meeting. That has been said to me last year now. Brand new committee. I know that, but I just don't see how that's us serving the host committee and other members trying to bid for this conference when we want to reserve the front row for us big, important people. I think that walking from the back of the room is a much more dramatic entrance to announce the next place than it is sitting in the front row and hopping up to the mic. But the reason I brought it up is because I just think that reserving the best seats in the house two nights in a row is not where we should be. And I stand by that. Thank you.

[00:29:58.090] - Carolyn [Chair]

I have my heating powder on my head because I'm freezing. I was going to ask because I've just been sitting here looking at a fucking scarecrow. Thanks, Jeff. Dana, go ahead.

[00:30:14.140] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

First of all, that's a good look. Second of all, like, oh, my God. Cory. So we're moving up to Corey. That sounds so good. Yes. Past members of this committee, there have been whatever it's been a committee of alcoholics, right? It's been a committee of sick people trying to be better, myself included. So I think hanging on to what people have said in the past is not especially helpful for us. Like, that's why we're trying to revise the bylaws, make them more egalitarian and, like, be more in touch with the social and stuff and whatever. So, like, I understand there been times when it's like, why the fuck are you serving on this? Oh, for the ego trip. Okay, cool. But, like, those people are gone now, so that's good. You can thank God for that. Sorry, I just got really real. But this is pretty standard across the area conventions. I've been a part of different service conventions in different places. Like the current delegate and the area officers and the convention planning committee just sit right in the front. I don't think it's principles before personalities, right? I don't think it's the ego trip that some personalities that have been on this that have served on this committee, turned it into. I also feel like this is getting a lot of time. You know what? This is reminding of me of? Carolyn and Bobby will remember this the night before, or, like, the last meeting before our convention. ESCY four. We were, like, ready to go. We were all excited, blah, blah, blah. And then we got into an argument about who was going to sit on the stage. And it took up, like, hours of time. Everybody left with a really bad feeling. And frankly, I don't want to relive that right now on this committee. So I'll sit on the fucking roof if I need to, but I want to be at ESCYPAA with all of you and go there in love and service. So I'm going to mute myself.

[00:32:42.230] - Carolyn [Chair]

I remember that. Thanks. Dana, test the room really quick. Do you all want me to talk to Casey about where host may want us to sit, or do you want to keep this contained to us? What do we prefer?

[00:33:12.940] - Adam

I like the idea of asking them because we're just supposed to be there as the custodians. Like, we're just you know I don't think it should be our decision. That's just my opinion.

[00:33:39.940] - Jamie

What about asking the program here?

[00:33:46.460] - Carolyn [Chair]

Well, what I was thinking was that I would ask Casey and they would be able to discuss as a group at their next call. Which, not seeing that I can't ask the program to do that. But I have a call set up with Casey tomorrow.

[00:34:00.790] - Jamie

Okay, well, then ask Casey.

[00:34:03.940] - Carolyn [Chair]

Is that what we're feeling like, I'll do it. All right, I'll ask Casey. Fine.

[00:34:14.160] - Adam

I dare you to do it.

[00:34:20.360] - Carolyn [Chair]

Putting it in the calendar. If you know me, you know that I have about six calendars. Talk about unmanageability don't put that in the minute.

[00:34:39.860] - Jamie

Merge them into one. No, don't. That creates more chaos.

[00:34:44.430] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you. Okay. Thanks for the discussion. Guys, I'll talk to Casey and let you know. New business. I am feeling a little bit silly, because I know we discussed selecting an outreach here. Last call. And I know that please correct me if I'm wrong, but Jeff volunteered or Adam volunteered, or maybe Roger volunteered.

[00:35:17.440] - Jamie

Stephen volunteered.

[00:35:23.810] - Carolyn [Chair]

Somebody volunteered to lead the next monthly a meeting.

[00:35:28.110] - Adam

Steven did.

[00:35:34.050] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you, you guys. So are we electing a new treasurer, or are we waiting until elections at the convention?

[00:35:41.890] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

No, because nobody wanted to stand for it, Carolyn. That's why we didn't have one last meeting.

[00:35:46.500] - Carolyn [Chair]

Well, it's on the agenda, so I thought it might be tabled, and I wanted to give everybody equal opportunity.

[00:35:51.790] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

I didn't update the agenda, I just posted it.

[00:35:54.880] - Carolyn [Chair]

I know. I updated the agenda.

[00:35:57.860] - Zach

The general consensus from the last meeting was that there's only like, a couple of weeks until the convention. So we'll just wait.

[00:36:06.420] - Carolyn [Chair]

I'm taking off the agenda. Bye. Okay, so on the agenda, I included approving the bylaws. Obviously, that's not what we're going to do tonight. So that's postponed to whenever we finish them, which is hopefully next week, but we'll see. We do have a timeline in which will allow us to approve new bylaws prior to the convention. So stay tuned. Okay. Next thing I have a new business is starting the discussion on disbursements. So what I kind of wanted to work on as a group is, you know, starting just starting to talk about it. Starting to talk about what it might look like. When I spoke to Casey this past week, I had mentioned that we were hoping to give the host committees in the future more autonomy over there, disperses in our new revised bylaws, including this year. So, granted, we approve these by laws part to the convention. Hi, Steven. Welcome. So she asked me to communicate with you all about how we can avoid the difficulty from prior years and what we really got out with the back and forth. So what she had proposed is that we come up with an outline as to what we might approve, what would probably be the most likely we would approve.

[00:37:50.020] - Carolyn [Chair]

And she would bring that to her committee and kind of coach them in the cherly way she can to then send the disbursement outline back to us so that we can approve it. So we really want to try to avoid the back and forth that we see a lot of years, especially last year. So I figured we would begin the dialogue now so that we were kind of prepared for this process to kick off. Because they want to start a few bob. They want to start lickypaw as soon as they possibly can, potentially even before they disband as escupaut, which they know that they would still have a commitment to escupad. It would be a separate commitment, but they just kind of want to know what they're up against. So that's why we're starting the discussion now. Bobby, go ahead.

[00:38:38.360] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Why don't we just roll with the thing that we're presenting in our by law amendments and let them do whatever the fuck they want to.

[00:38:50.110] - Carolyn [Chair]

Do we want to talk about that?

[00:38:51.800] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Just me. Just let them decide where it goes, what bad is going to happen, and if they need help, like, they can ask us and we'll kindly give some input if they want it. But they know service. We trusted them at the conference. Let them decide. That's where I'm at.

[00:39:14.860] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bobby.

[00:39:15.690] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

Dana bobby, you're funny. Yes, all of that. Can we just send the GSO pie chart, which I'm sure most of them have seen, but we'll send them a whole fucking pamphlet?

[00:39:36.660] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Yeah, I'm sure they're not going to get but hurt over us sending them a pamphlet.

[00:39:40.860] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

I have, like, ten paper copies I can give to them.

[00:39:50.660] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Go ahead, Adam.

[00:39:55.240] - Adam

I always think I'm unmuted and then I'm not. So I think sending that pamphlet also, along with the previous distributions that have been done over the past years, that as well, so they can have, like, a general idea of what has been done previously over the last seven conferences, that's it.

[00:40:16.310] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Adam. What is a way that we can connect with this committee on a more personal level with disbursements? Like, yes, sending them the information, but is there a good time to meet with them to go over the information? I don't want them to just be like, oh, they just send us fucking pamphlet and that's that. Because that's kind of been the attitude. So if we can help remedy that attitude a little bit, I think that'd be helpful. Bobby, do you have a suggestion?

[00:40:53.510] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

I take my hand back, because my things to say, we're not going to be nice, so I will shut up now.

[00:40:59.340] - Carolyn [Chair]

Good for you, sir. Maybe. I mean, do we invite them to our call, the next following call? Do we go to theirs? Jamie? Jamie.

[00:41:28.750] - Adam

Sorry, I thought I hit on mute. I didn't I was going to basically, what you just said about inviting them to be on our call and then we just set aside 15 minutes to go over the pamphlet and the pie chart.

[00:41:45.630] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Jamie. Bradley.

[00:41:49.530] - Bradley

So I think having them on our next call makes a lot of sense and just providing them the information of historical disbursements and letting them do whatever they will with that information. But, yeah, I think a good way would be like a Q and A, 15 minutes, the beginning of our meeting. Have them on people, the steering committee, or whoever would be involved with it.

[00:42:25.680] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bradley. Logistically. Okay, me then. Zack and Bobby, just to give you guys some context, in our bilateral revision, we discussed bids. We discussed the committees that do not win the bid and inviting them to our following call. So that. We can discuss the improvements that they need to make so that we can have a positive meeting with them directly after the big meeting on Saturday when they don't win the bid. Historically, those conversations have not gone well, so we wanted to kind of bypass that and focus on what they did well at that meeting. Invite them to our next call to discuss what they need to improve on. So our following call will include that if that's passed into bylaws as well as incorporating hosts and disruptions, etc. So just keep that in mind. Zack then. Bobby Zack, where did your handle I.

[00:43:26.980] - Roger

Just put it down since you had the order already. So my exact I totally agree with everything that's been said and I just feel like if we are going to invite them in on our next call to do this. We should make a definitive decision as a committee now of whether they're going to have to like. Whether we're going to carry out this bylaw change and they're going to have full autonomy where we don't vote and have to agree on where they're sending the money. Or we do have to vote. Which I'm personally in favor of just letting them. Like Bobby said, we're trusting them with a convention. We trust their group conscience with a convention, so we should trust the group conscience with where the disbursements are going.

[00:44:20.130] - Carolyn [Chair]

Bobby and Roger.

[00:44:23.280] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Logistically, we could not have them on our call before the conference because we meet every week and they meet every week and they start meeting at a 15 and we meet at a 30. So that's 100% just not an option. So we could work around that idea outside of it. I'm like, I'm at the point with the host committee when you want something for me, let me know. Like, I don't see us just trying to provide them information or any of that really doing anything beneficial. So that's kind of where my head's at with all of it. Like, we pick them, I trust them.

[00:45:04.170] - Carolyn [Chair]

They're freaking fit.

[00:45:05.380] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

The alcoholics who've all done service before. They can decide where this person go. They probably read the pamphlet before too.

[00:45:12.240] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

That's all.

[00:45:12.810] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Yeah.

[00:45:14.280] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bobby. Go ahead, Roger.

[00:45:17.580] - Roger

Yeah. How do I see this? What happens when something like last year happen? They've haven't disbanded yet, right?

[00:45:35.800] - Bradley

And.

[00:45:38.280] - Roger

Whether it's one or a couple of the host group members come and say, hey, listen, under the concepts, we would like to try to amend some new information. Tell them tough. It doesn't matter what you have to say. Your committee's already made a decision. It doesn't matter if you're part of post. I think we might be sending the wrong message at that point because that's what happened last year.

[00:46:21.530] - Carolyn [Chair]

Abby.

[00:46:24.900] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Like, what if the situation happened, if I was asked prior situation like that happens, we encourage the members of the host committee to go back to the host committee with the right of appeal as according to concept five.

[00:46:40.880] - Carolyn [Chair]

And.

[00:46:41.270] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

That'S how it would handle that situation in any circumstance. So if they ask if a host committee from this year asks me, hey, what do I do? Say, submit an appeal to concept five. And if you need help figuring out to format that, I'd happily do so. But I don't think it's our job nor our authority to be like, now you have to have a business meeting or anything like that. I don't think that's reasonable to what we should be doing. That's all I got.

[00:47:16.000] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bobby. Keep in mind this discussion will be ongoing, and we will have it as many times as may be. Zach, what happened?

[00:47:31.380] - Roger

Steven raised his hand, and he hasn't spoken yet, so I want him to go first.

[00:47:35.560] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay. Steven, then Zack.

[00:47:39.030] - Zach

Well, thank you, Zach. Steven alcoholic. Maybe one of the things that we might want to take a look at is the history of what was always done in the past and how it got to that point where advisory kind of, like, held the last word, because there's obviously some experience with that that we're not drawing off of. So I think it might be prudent if we kind of, like, maybe ask some OGS maybe at the convention or something like that. You know, how that came to be, because there might be something that we're missing.

[00:48:21.480] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thank you. Thanks, Steven.

[00:48:34.810] - Roger

I don't think I want to share anymore.

[00:48:38.340] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay. Anything to add on this topic tonight? Okay, we will visit in the future. Does anybody have anything else? Because I do not. Bradley?

[00:49:09.550] - Bradley

Yeah, I just wanted to know if anyone was opposed to me changing the website before I changed it. I can show you all if you want.

[00:49:23.880] - Adam

Yes, show it up. Let's see what it looks like.

[00:49:28.150] - Bradley

Okay. How do I do that? So it's just this. Can you see my screen? And then it does this. It's cool. The bar changes. Really cool. Fancy. But I would obviously add back what we already had on the other pages with this theme, as opposed to white and blue. My idea when I took this on was to have them submit, but I realized that probably is not the best idea for sustainability. But yeah, that's all.

[00:50:27.310] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Bradley. Dana, go ahead.

[00:50:32.490] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

I was wondering what was happening with the Heavy Pot elections tomorrow, because Dan randomly mentioned it to me at the host campaign, and then I never heard anything again.

[00:50:47.190] - Carolyn [Chair]

Let's pause on this really quick. Everything with the website, is there a motion to entertain on the floor? Are we just good with Bradley moving forward as a trusted service?

[00:51:11.730] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

Yeah, I think that it looks amazing.

[00:51:16.530] - Roger

Yeah. Good work, Bradley.

[00:51:18.480] - Carolyn [Chair]

Good job, Bradley. Thank you.

[00:51:22.600] - Adam

It looks more colorful, for sure.

[00:51:28.600] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay, we can move on to HVYPAA Danny might have messaged me at one point about it.

[00:51:43.000] - Jeff

Didn't roger, didn't you mention it when you sent your report.

[00:51:47.350] - Roger

So yes, they are having their elections tomorrow at six. That is all I know. Communication is really broken down since the heavy pop out, which is unfortunate. They are having some problems from what I understand. And I honestly don't know too much about it because like I said, communication is working down. I just know that some people in that committee feel like other people are just kind of steamrolling other people and that's not it. I wish there was something else I could do or say for them. But every time I reach out there's no silence or your silence.

[00:52:55.510] - Carolyn [Chair]

Are they bidding?

[00:52:58.960] - Roger

I don't know at this point. I know that the plan was they were going to.

[00:53:28.240] - Carolyn [Chair]

Go ahead. Jeff.

[00:53:29.960] - Jeff

Hi Jeff. Alcoholic. I've had like some communication with Evan. We do send each other like daily readings back and forth every day. But we don't talk about heavy pot too much. I know that he's reached out to Adam a few times about some hotel stuff, but they've had a lot of issues with a member that just won't follow like some sort of protocol and just like wants to do everybody's job all the time. And it's been really tough on the group members that they have, which is very few. I think that they might have four members maybe. I know that Brian moved away and I don't think he's actively on the committee anymore. The person that was being their treasurer kind of just like stopped coming to the business meeting, I think to be completely transparent with you guys. I asked Danny to stop calling me and texting me because he drives me absolutely fucking bonkers. And I asked him to please stop or else I was going to block him because he just will not listen to anything he tells him. So I had to set a boundary with for myself because I can't do it.

[00:54:45.040] - Jeff

And I've given him some suggestions when he asked me for it. And he just doesn't lot like what you say to him and then he just won't leave you alone. So on a personal level, I'm happy to talk to any of them. But I had to ask Danny to stop contacting me because he just is relentless. So I've tried and I continue to reach out to Evan because I really love him and that's the only person that I really hear from. So thank you.

[00:55:14.210] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks Jeff. I reached out to Danny to see if they did need a facilitator. Unfortunately unavailable, but just to get an idea as to where they're at. The person who is taking on a lot of responsibility. Are they in the steering committee? I guess the steering committee is all they really have at the moment. Right?

[00:55:47.040] - Jeff

I guess as far as I know because I speak to Evan a little bit. Like Evan and Danny were both kind of working on hotels together. But that's the only information that I know. I don't even know about anything else. They still never gave any type of information to Roger about the finances from their camp out. They didn't even have that information still, so I don't know. Like, they're just like Roger said, they're hard to get a hold of.

[00:56:20.450] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, John.

[00:56:25.200] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

Has anybody talked to Melissa?

[00:56:31.730] - Roger

I have talked to her. I talked to her through text messaging a little bit. That kind of went silent a few weeks back. But she was talking to me about how difficult of the time she was having because of specific someone, and.

[00:56:55.730] - Carolyn [Chair]

She.

[00:56:56.120] - Roger

Wasn'T feeling like it was wiped off to her anymore. And that's unfortunate.

[00:57:08.790] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Roger. Bobby.

[00:57:17.460] - Bobby [Co-Chair]

Hey, Bobby. Alcoholic. I don't want to sound crass, but none of these individuals have asked us for help. Doesn't seem like there's anything we could do about it. I know we all want to and want to be of help, but,

like, I can't help people who don't want my help. So I'm not sure there's anything for us to do here. So I think we should move forward.

[00:57:54.590] - Carolyn [Chair]

Steven.

[00:58:00.790] - Stephen

How you doing? Steven, alcoholic. I don't know. Maybe in opposition to what Bobby says. I think about our experience with the host committee and how they came to us finally was like, nobody's contacting us this, that, and the other thing. So we can't help people who don't want it. But I think it's our responsibility as members of Alcoholics Anonymous and also members of the advisory Council to kind of check in with them the same thing way that we give the same due deference to host right now. We make a list and make sure everybody's contacted on host. I don't see any reason why we shouldn't do the same thing. Just reach out and check in with them. We don't have to ask them anything about their bid, anything. Maybe just give them some AA style support. Thanks.

[00:59:01.130] - Carolyn [Chair]

Thanks, Stephen. Roger, if you can have an update for us about their elections next week, that will be great.

[00:59:11.180] - Roger

Yeah, I'll definitely try to I don't know if I can get on tomorrow, but I'm going to try.

[00:59:17.510] - Carolyn [Chair]

Okay. Does anybody have any other topics they would like to discuss this evening? All right.

[00:59:44.530] - Adam

How about a motion to close?

[00:59:46.630] - Jeff

Second.

[00:59:48.880] - Carolyn [Chair]

Your motion to close more than anybody else?

[00:59:51.730] - Adam

Me?

[00:59:52.600] - Carolyn [Chair]

Yes.

[00:59:53.420] - Adam

This is the first time I've motion to close that.

[00:59:55.420] - Carolyn [Chair]

No fucking way.

[00:59:56.860] - Adam

I'm pretty sure it's actually the second time, but that's fine.

[01:00:03.430] - Carolyn [Chair]

I love that Adams keeping track. I'm not.

[01:00:07.570] - Adam

I'm just messing around. I really don't even know.

[01:00:10.930] - Carolyn [Chair]

Oh, you guys kill me. Okay, updates to come. I love seeing you guys every week. It makes me so happy. Okay. All right, dana, will you very gently take us out?

[01:00:29.600] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

Sure. Let's have a moment of do it as you wish followed by the version of the serenity prayer.

[01:00:41.080] - Carolyn [Chair]

Grant.

[01:00:46.800] - Dana [Prayer and Unity Chair]

God, grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change, courage to change the things we can and the wisdom to know the best. Good night, y'all.

Meeting ends.