

RitL General Services Call 6-13-2015

Minutes taken by Zee

1. Treasury Report (Stormy)

We have \$82.

Some patches were sold, which paid for June web site domain hosting which is \$30 each domain.

\$88 owed to Stormy (from the \$278 advance outlay on patches)

Expectation is that additional money is coming from patches sold.

Open for discussion: Is it worth keeping both RitL.org and Recovery in the Lifestyle?

Consensus is in favor of keeping both domains - passed unanimously

2. Patches

Patches are \$18ea

Suggest that we charge a \$3 shipping charge to the patches (that may encourage people to order quantity)

Vote taken and passed unanimously to add shipping fee of \$3.

\$278 cost for 20 patches

3. Medallions

An ongoing question that comes up is if we have medallions for the fellowship.

It is suggested that we establish prudent reserve before making other purchases.

We recommend getting \$100 operating prudent reserve - withdrawn.

Mags recommended getting a 2 year prudent reserve with some wiggle room. \$200

Also, that we not order anything patches or otherwise until the prudent reserve is met.

Aarkey will add a 7th Tradition link to the website.

Stormy has one of the original medallions used – there were originally 75 bought to distribute.

These were 99 cents each for aluminum.

It would be \$2.25 + shipping for gold/silver



Suggested that we post something on the menu for 7th Tradition Contributions

Meeting Format Suggestions and Format

Positive results:

We see more new people (especially couples) coming out and then they don't make it back.

We reached out and found that folks had a hard time making it.

Any 50 shades crowd?

No one is seeing that.

Traditions discussions:**1. Change from "men & woman" to "people":**

With us being in the Lifestyle, we're not in a binary gender world any more. We can open the doorway and take the lead.

Vote is in favor but was not unanimous

2. Change God to HP in Steps and Traditions

In the Skype meeting God has been changed to Higher Power and "that Power" where appropriate throughout the Steps and Traditions. (See meeting format for Conference Call for an example.)

It was determined that since this has a large impact and was only added recently, we'll be tabling this for 3 months to give all of the groups time to discuss it and get a group conscious and consensus.

It is recommended that we reach out using every method possible to the groups and members for feedback. Aarkey will:

- send an email to his contacts
- post a thread on FetLife
- post it on the Recovery on the Lifestyle site with a link to the discussion on FetLife

It was agreed that we want this issue exposed to as large an audience as possible and should have discussions everywhere we can.

Discussion and vote to be held Sept. 12th noon EST.

vote passed unanimously

Meeting closed with "we" version of the Serenity Prayer.