

# 6/4/16 RitL General Services Call

Stormy

Nikki

Aarkey

Mags

Mita

Alena

Sherrie

## Agenda

### **News:**

Meetings started/changed:

Philadelphia's AA "Ties that Bind Us" meeting (been going since 2004) has changed to RitL

Long Island new meeting.

Orlando & Tampa meetings have closed.

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### **Old Items:**

- 1) Medallions and Patches (reduced cost)?
- 2) Steering Committee Set Up

### **New Items on the agenda:**

- 1) Upgrading the Wednesday Conference Call system to freeconference.com.
- 2) Stormy is open to let someone else assume the treasurer position (since beginning)
- 3) Suggestions for getting members to submit their own stories of recovery in the lifestyle.

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January 2016: Minutes accepted as they are unanimously.

### **Old Items:**

- Mita researched through his contacts and the patches cost he discovered is about what we have been paying w/ Stormy's ordering them through her vendor.
- Cost difference is negligible w/ custom enameled medallions with our design from the recovery stores vs his vendors. \$20 per coin if enameled.
- Mita will alter artwork for simplification for stamping medallions and present items for review at next meeting. It will be things like taking away the shadowing on the rope edge and lettering as they won't translate into the stamped coin. Then we can price the cost of stamped/embossed medallions once we have a final design. Designs for website don't always translate to other modes well. Motion from Aarkey, seconded by Sherrie, for Mita to make different styles of the logo for different types of printing. All in favor. Table until next time.

- POKE MITA and remind him to send PDF files when we send out general services call in September.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Reminder for Mags to follow up with lawyer volunteer re: 501c3 paperwork.
- **ODAT:** Zee suggested the idea of a daily meditation reader for RitL @ the last GS call. Is there interest in doing this? She would like to start a thread in the RitL group to see if people are interested and will post things there. No objections to starting this project were brought: Sherrie and Mags volunteered to help. Putting together a prompt for writing a ODAT. (Talk to Red also.)

### **Steering Committee Set Up**

Tabling until next General Services call and come back to it due to the challenge of figuring out how many and who can be on it, etc. The challenge is who and how many people can be on it for it to function efficiently.

- Sherrie volunteering for steering committee. Aarkey (conditional), Mags, Zee
- Clean or recovery time – 2 years of active recovery in any program
- Term limits: 1 yr and 2 yr commitments initially staggered so committee doesn't rotate all at once. Elections will be held after for 2 yr terms.
- 1 yr off after being in office
- Even # of committee members. 6 people for now.
- Semi-annually meeting for 60-90min steering committee

### **General Services Group on FL**

Aarkey will set up business group on FL for posting GS information.

### **Treasury Update**

\$578 in treasury currently with Stormy plus \$41 from Frolicon meetings that Mags still has. Making the total \$619 in treasury.

Mags will take over treasury until we find a term treasurer. She will organize with Stormy for transfer of funds and information.

Term limit for treasurer, 2yr term limit proposed. Put notice on RitL.org and in FL group.

Treasury reported accepted as they are unanimously.

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Wednesday conference call meeting will be transferring to Conferencecall.com starting July 1, 2016. This will allow people to participate via, phone, computer, video etc. rather than solely phone. They will also be adopting the Skype meeting format.

### **"Square Donation Button" and PayPal Buttons on RitL site.**

- Research "Square" and how that works to see if it is an option for us.

### **Suggestions for getting members to submit their own stories of recovery in the lifestyle.**

- Writing prompts? (Mita has some from the Leather Archives that we can look at to help.)
- Basic Outline for writing your personal story (Mita)
- Audio recording and transcribe to text. (Mita will check w/ Leather Archives to see what they use for this.)
- Share their personal story of recovery in the lifestyle as they see it.

Website traffic: Average 20 visits to website per day and usually 1 email per week.

September 10<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm next General Services call.

Meeting ended with the Serenity Prayer.