



Agenda: Board of Trustees
Wednesday, June 7, 2023.
11 a.m. CT

AGENDA

1. Call to order/Serenity Prayer - Paul
2. Approval of past meeting minutes - Paul
[May minutes](#)
Colleen made a motion to approve, Fred seconded. Unanimous vote
3. Trademark due May 2024 - Elaine
 - need an "owner" or an attorney to file paperwork
 - *Kathleen's father has submitted trademark applications and believes trustees are owners. She is willing to look it and get back to the group in a week. Elaine will send the info to her.*
4. Open vs. Closed meetings - ad hoc cmt update - Kathleen
5. Finance review - Paul
[April P&L](#)
[April Comp P&L](#)
[April BS](#)
[May P&L](#)
[May Comp P&L](#)
[May BS](#)
Paul reviewed P&L. Much better financial position this year compared to last.
6. Board recruitment and retention - Paul
Farewell to Colleen
[Kathy E](#)
[Margot F.](#)
*Kathleen will reach out to both of the candidates.
Paul will reach out to Kathy.
Fred will reach out to Margot.
Trustees will meet on June 21 to discuss new candidates at 11 a.m.*
7. Communications Committee update - Colleen
Lit cmt will meet in July on the new book and a healthy meeting spiral bound book that combines all the various existing materials about meetings.
8. Affiliation vs. sharing information w/ other orgs - Elaine

Concerns about how to share our message within the scope of non-affiliation. Having our website linked in other places is fine but logo usage is not. Does this limit our ability to get noticed? Colleen suggested we create something that explains the program that could link to our website and explain the non-affiliation. Colleen offered to start something for review.

9. Defining what an EA meeting is/info to include - Fred

At our meetings we use first names only. Comments made here are treated confidentially to uphold the tradition of anonymity. Anonymity assures us that only we have the right to make our membership here known to others. Our EA group is not a class, it's not therapy – it's a support group where we help each other with emotional challenges through sharing personal experiences and using the 12-step program. No one tracks attendance or progress; no one issues report cards or certificates; we do not give advice on personal matters. Criticism and argument are avoided to ensure easy and open-minded discussion.

This is part of what Fred's group uses during a meeting. Elaine will include it in an upcoming email as a helpful thing to use if groups choose to do so.

Next Meeting June 21 at 11 a.m. to review candidates for the board.