

EA Bylaws Review Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, January 3, 2020
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Pacific)

Members present: Steve B (Chair). George S., Jeff D., Dave M., Margot F., Scott J., Jimi A.
(Joined at 1:04pm), Charlie B. (Joined at 1:06pm)

1. Called to order at 1:00pm Steve B.
2. Serenity Prayer Group
3. Administrative Items Steve B.
 - a. Confirmed next meeting at 1:00 p.m. (Pacific) January 17, 2020
4. Definitions (see Attachment 1) Group
 - a. Jeff moved to add the term “International Service Center.” to the list of terms to be defined. Dave seconded.
 - i. Discussion. (NOTE: Jimi added to the call at 1:04pm, and Charlie added to the call at 1:06pm)
 - ii. Voted 7-1 in favor. Motion carried.
 - b. Steve moved to consider the definition of the term “EA Trustee.” Dave seconded.
 - i. Discussion. Debated defining a singular Trustee, Trustees, or Board of Trustees
 - ii. Motion withdrawn by Steve.
 - c. Steve. moved to consider the definition of the term “EA Board of Trustees.” Seconded by Charlie and Jeff.
 - i. Discussion.
 - ii. Voted 7-1 in favor. Motion Carried.
 - d. Steve moved to adopt the definition of “EA Board of Trustees” as “A committee of trusted servants who have ultimate responsibility for EA administrative matters and act as guardians of the fellowship as a whole. They provide protective supervision and oversight of the International Service Center (staffed by an Executive Director and office staff).” George seconded.
 - i. Discussion.
 - ii. Steve made a sub-motion to change the term “EA administrative matters” to “EAI administrative matters”. Seconded.
 - iii. Discussion.

- iv. Charlie made a sub-motion for the first sentence to read “A committee of trusted servants who have ultimate responsibility for EAI administrative matters and act as guardians of the EA fellowship as a whole.” Seconded.
 - 1. Voted 5-2. Motion carried.
- v. Discussion.
- vi. Scott moved to remove the word “ultimate.” Seconded.
 - 1. Discussion.
 - 2. Voted 8-0. Sub-motion carried.
- vii. Charlie moved to change “administrative matters” to “administration”
 - 1. Discussion.
 - 2. Voted 7-1 in favor. Sub-motion carried.
- viii. When the meeting adjourned, the group had not voted on a final definition for EA Board of Trustees. However, the working definition under the motion was amended to: “A committee of trusted servants who have responsibility for EAI administration and act as guardians of the EA fellowship as a whole. They provide protective supervision and oversight of the International Service Center (staffed by an Executive Director and office staff).”

5. Dave moved to adjourn at 2:01pm. Jeff seconded.

6. Serenity Prayer Steve B.

7. Adjournment Steve B.

Addendum to Jan 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes

These are the current suggested definitions, as passed by the EA Bylaws Committee.

Emotions Anonymous (EA)	A worldwide fellowship of people who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other so they may seek emotional health, and to help others recover from their emotional problems.
EA Fellowship	See Emotions Anonymous.
EA International (EAI)	A not-for-profit corporation which serves Emotions Anonymous by handling the financial, legal, and administrative needs of the Fellowship.
EA Member	Per Tradition 3, any person who desires to become well emotionally, and identifies as a member of EA, is a member of EA.