

Hello Everyone!
Happy New Year!

We held a General Service Board meeting on January 14, 2015. What follows are brief minutes of the meeting.

Attendees:

- Sherian – Southern CA
- Jennifer – Southern CA (LA)
- Annette – Phoenix, AZ
- Hannah – Ridgeland, MS

Topics:

- We reviewed and approved minutes from our December 10th meeting
- We are very grateful to retiring EDA email correspondent Julie E. for her years of tireless and excellent service. Julie set a high standard for all future corresponded and helped thousands of EDA members and others in the community during her tenure. We are humbled and inspired by her example.
- We reviewed the *New* OSFED Brochure (replaces EDNOS Brochure). Kudos to Sherian: awesome job! There may still be some revisions, however, the attached is now the working version.
Action Item: Annette to send out the updated brochure with tonight's meeting minutes, and add the OSFED Brochure to the website, replacing the EDNOS Brochure
- We discussed a proposed Group Conscience Meeting Format. The content was excellent (thank you, Hannah!), but Hannah wasn't quite satisfied and has a few updates planned.
Action Item: Hannah to update the Group Conscience Meeting Format. (Annette will distribute the updated version prior to the February meeting.)
We will discuss the Group Conscience Meeting Format again in February.
- We discussed website enhancements. At our last meeting, we talked about using some of our funds to address some of the current website's issues.
 - Specifically, we want the website to be fast to load, support mobile devices, and utilize something other than html coding to render the list of meetings.
 - At present, maintaining meeting information requires someone with html skills, and that really should not be necessary. It is really important that we get the website information updated in a timely way and this is unnecessarily difficult with just one html-skilled person doing the updates.
 - A test site is available at www.4EDA.org/test/new. The site isn't ready for "prime time" yet but it addresses several issues, predominantly:
 - Faster to load – removed most of the graphically intense images
 - Simplified design – easier for someone to rebuild when we are ready for that
 - Utilizes the approved EDA logo design
 - Several expressed concern that the approved logo design is too feminine
 - We agreed to continue to use the new logo for the time being
 - **Action Items:**
 - Hannah, a graphic designer, will work on a more gender neutral image that the group can discuss at a future GSB meeting.
 - Annette will update the "cleaner" version of the website using neutral images from the current website.

- Annette will attempt to load the meeting information into GoogleDocs and try to get it to display on the meetings page.
- We discussed Big Book sections review and planning
 - The Doctor's Opinion – Sherian reached out to a member of the IAEDP board, however, that person is not currently available. Sherian contacted another resource and we are waiting for a response.
 - We agreed to tackle the remaining sections (Bill's Story, There is a Solution, More About Eating Disorders, We Agnostics, How it Works, Into Action, Working with Others, To Significant Others, The Family Afterward, To Employers, and A Vision For You) one per month, starting in February.
- We adjourned the meeting at 8:14 PM MST.
- Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 11th, 2015.

Please send these minutes to members of your group if your group maintains an email contact list!

Thank you to all who attended and to all who serve EDA!
Best regards,
Annette (aka Michelle)

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