**DDO COMMITTEE MEETING MAY1ST 2025**

**MINUTES**

**1. WELCOME by CHAIR**

**2. READ: “THE “SET ASIDE PRAYER”**

God, today help me set aside everything I think I know about You, everything I think I know about myself, everything I think I know about others, and everything I think I know about my own recovery so I may have an open mind and a new experience with all these things. Please help me see the truth.

**3. A MOMENTS SILENCE TO CONNECT WITH A GOD OF YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING**

**4. READ: TRADITION 2 (SHORT FORM)**

**5. READ: CONCEPT 12**

**6. READ: INFORMED GROUP CONSCIENCE**

The group conscience is the collective conscience of the group membership and thus represents substantial unanimity on an issue before definitive action is taken. This is achieved by the group members through the sharing of full information, listening to individual points of view, and the practice of AA principles. To be fully informed requires a willingness to listen to minority opinions with an open mind.

On sensitive issues, the group works slowly— discouraging formal motions until a clear sense of its collective view emerges. Placing principles before personalities, the membership is wary of dominant opinions. Its voice is heard when a well-informed group arrives at a decision. The result rests on more than a “yes” or “no” count—precisely because it is the spiritual expression of the group conscience. The term “informed group conscience” implies that pertinent information has been studied and all views have been heard before the group votes.

**2.**

**7. READ: MEETING PROCESS**

1. Each member has 2 minutes to speak to any topic
2. Minority voice to be encouraged
3. “General feeling of the room” is the primary decision-making process
4. If a vote is required 2/3rds or 66% majority is needed, unless otherwise stated in the meetings procedure document.

**8. PRESENT –** Denis P, Deb H, Kara, Mick G, Elina, Marg

**APOLOGIES –** Judelle, Sam,Daz

Absent – no apology – Kate, Matt, Darren

**9. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Accepted Elina, second – no eligible member present

**10. OFFICE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

See attached

**11. QUESTIONS ARISING**

Concern over the amount spent on printing cartridges. (Over $1000 since September). Printer current supply is good, and we have back up in each colour, so should be good for a while. Note to go on printer reminding members to print AA material only.

**12. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

1. Shredder update – new shredder has been installed and works well. Thanks Deb and office volunteer David P.
2. Report from Media Sub-committee – see attached.

Meeting agreed that the recommendations as attached should be presented to the GSR’s for voting on June 5th meeting

1. Rotation of Jobs. All jobs on the District Committee (11) become vacant this September.

**All jobs (5) on the Area Committee are vacant. Area Assembly Sunday May 18th at 10am to elect a new Committee.**

Please make sure this is announced at meetings. Current job holders can rotate on. Start work on your replacement.

1. Proposal from Area Assembly that at Quarterly Meetings the GSR’s be asked for an update on their Group’s Safety policy

5. DCM and Editor Serenity Times job vacancies.

6. Email from council with an opportunity to get air con serviced. Deb to coordinate. Service has been done – awaiting invoice.

7. Mick G asked Registrar to list the number of meetings, and the number of Groups in the District. To go on the agenda for the next Quarterly meeting. *Matt to coordinate.*

8. Update on meeting venues at close of the use of St Pauls Centre. Friday night will move to the Senior’s Hall at Coconut Grove. Monday night still looking around.

**14. NEW BUSINESS**

1. 80th anniversary Big Book – special edition launched at the National Convention. Contact Daz if you want us to order a copy.

2. Committee member to attend Area Assembly on May 18th in absence of a DCM – Deb will attend as DDO Committee representative.

3. Founder’s Day BBQ with quiz? Tuesday June 10th – no interest

**15. WHATS ON YOUR MIND?**

**16. CLOSE WITH PLURAL SERENITY PRAYER**

Meeting closed at 7.47pm. Next meeting is a Quarterly GSR meeting on June 5th.