

**November 2009 Business Meeting Minutes and  
Proposed December Agenda**

**Monday Night Phone Meeting  
Business Meeting Minutes  
November 1, 2009**

Present: Peter, Sarah, Osk, Andrea, Clo, Gabriel, Chris, Amie, Amy, Tanya, Jeannie.

1. Serenity Prayer
2. Treasurer's Report – We currently have 280.00 and 12 books in our account. Also, we have a request to donate a book to a member who currently is unable to purchase one. It was decided to go ahead and donate this.
3. When the meeting should end on weeks in which we have a business meeting was discussed. It was noted that we typically end at 9:20 Eastern time to accommodate this. Osk will note this on the preamble on the website (it is in Word format) and will inform Darlene and Amie that she did this.
4. Having a monthly chairperson. After some discussion it was decided to have a monthly chairperson. This person will be decided upon at each business meeting and will chair for the subsequent 4 weeks (so will chair up to and including the first week of the next month). Chris volunteered to do this for the next four weeks.
5. Osk is stepping down from her service positions as she is moving back to Iceland. One position is being one of two people on the speaker committee and the other is sobriety milestone marker for those celebrating one year of sobriety. Chris will announce these vacancies at upcoming meetings for the time period that she is chairing. Thank you so much Osk for your service!
6. There was some discussion as to what constitutes our home group. It was noted by Sarah that having everyone on the email list be considered a home group member would be best as it will keep them in the loop by them receiving minutes and agendas and this might encourage them to attend business meetings.
7. Serenity Prayer.

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**Agenda for December 7, 2009**

- 1. Serenity Prayer**

## 2. Treasurer Report (Andrea)

### Donation to the GSA

## 3. Old Business

- a . Reflections on the **Preamble** from Osk D.
- b. Thought be given to creating a more comprehensive Newcomer Pak for **folk who have no computer and cannot access ABA-related websites etc** - e.g. including hard copy lists of meetings and phonenumber.
- c . Suggestion that **Meal Support** be put forward as a **Ninth Tool** in ABA's list of Tools: this will require careful consideration and debate, so feedback welcomed.
- d . Where has the sentence or two inserted over a year ago into the Preamble **explaining the Traditions** gone? (Sarah B. believes something concise here is still called for.)
- e. Suggestion that email list include cell phone number and cell phone carrier.

## 4. New Business: