

LAA *Love Addicts Anonymous*

Meeting Type: Ordinary ODAAT Meeting

Location: [Zoom Link](#)

Date: April 6, 2024

Start time: 10:30 a.m. PST (52 m.)

Attendees: Andrew, Jennifer, Alex, Anj, Dorinda, Nicole, Sarah, Shaina, Tisha, Wesley, Karen, Norma, & Pamela

ODAAT Service Positions

Chair: Andrew

Secretary: Pamela

Timekeeper: None

- I. Opening Verse:** Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
- II. Review & Approval of Prior Minutes:**
 - i.** Pamela screen-shared the meeting minutes from March 2nd for final review and approval. On March 17th, a draft of the minutes was posted on the WAGs for fellowship-wide review. Andrew motioned to approve the minutes and Pamela seconded. None opposed. Andrew's motion to approve the minutes from March was seconded, and the minutes were adopted.
- III. IBM & Committee Reports:**
 - i. IBM Report** – Pamela reported that the IBM meeting was very productive. The LAA literature committee, chaired by Tisha, is active once again and is in the process of reviewing the literature for updates and revisions. Tisha was nominated and voted in as the next IBM chair. Lindsey and Tisha will confer regarding the transition. Pamela's commitment as secretary will end in July, and she has tendered three months' notice of resignation.
 - ii. ODAAT (ad hoc) Literature Committee (Pamela)** – The committee is in the process of drafting a table of contents (TOC) for the host training manual. Pamela invites members, particularly experienced hosts, to join the committee to assist in developing a host training manual. A draft of the TOC was posted to the service and business WAGs for review, feedback, and suggestions.

- iii. **Safety Committee** (Tisha) – Other than a few personality conflicts, no safety violations were reported.

IV. **Discussions & Motions:**

- i. **ODAAT Business Chair** (Andrew) – Andrew announced that he intends to step down as the ODAAT business meeting chair in three months. If anyone is interested in serving in this role, please post a reply in the ODAAT Business WAG.
- ii. **LAA Secretary** (Pamela) – As of August 2024, Pamela will no longer serve as the secretary for the IBM and ODAAT business meetings. If anyone is interested in serving in this position, please contact her.
- iii. **Reading of the Twelve Traditions** (Norma) – In addition to reading the 12 steps, Norma moved that all 12 traditions be read at each ODAAT meeting. Norma’s rationale was that the traditions are foundational, and she believes reading all the traditions during meetings will heighten awareness of the principles and concepts of 12-step recovery, which should help guide participants’ behavior and conduct both in and outside of meetings. Shaina agreed and seconded Norma’s motion. A robust discussion ensued both for and against the reading of all 12 traditions. Pamela opposed, citing that reading all 12 traditions during meetings would only increase the amount of reading that already takes place. Andrew advised that meeting hosts already have the discretion to ask participants to read all 12 traditions during meetings, if desired. Thus, Norma retracted her motion.
- iv. **Anonymity and Confidentiality (Meeting Script)** – Highlighting the importance of anonymity and confidentiality in meetings, Shaina moved to revise the meeting script to reposition the anonymity/confidentiality clause from the end of the script (i.e., after shares) to the beginning of the meeting guidelines portion of the script (i.e., before sharing). Andrew seconded Shaina’s motion, and the motion passed with no objections. Per group conscience, the ODAAT ad hoc literature committee will update the meeting script with this change.

V. **Closing:** Andrew adjourned the business meeting with the LAA Closing Prayer:

God,

We pray for inner strength and wisdom

to do together

what we cannot do alone.

Thank you for the courage to change.

*Show us how to open our eyes
to your unconditional love for us,
and teach us how to love ourselves and others
in a healthy way.*

*May we find hope for a brighter tomorrow
and pass that on to others in need.*

Thank you for a better way to live.