

LAA *Love Addicts Anonymous*

Meeting Type: Ordinary ODAAT Meeting

Location: [Zoom Link](#)

Date: May 4, 2024

Start time: 10:30 a.m. PST (32 m.)

Attendees: Andrew, Adam, Deborah, Erica, Jennifer, Karen, Lindsey, Merci, Natalie, Nicole, Zuzana, & 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 April 6th for final review and approval. On April 18th, 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, and the April minutes were adopted.
- III. IBM, Committee Reports, & Announcements:**
 - i. IBM Report** – For the past couple of months, Lindsey has been serving as interim IBM chair. Tisha will step into the role as of June 1st. Lindsey reported that Promise 9 was edited to read as follows: *“I can leave anyone who is abusing me in any way,”* per an IBM group conscience vote on May 4, 2024.
 - ii. ODAAT (ad hoc) Literature Committee (Pamela)** – Per a group conscience vote on April 6, 2024, the anonymity/confidentiality clause will be moved from the end of the meeting script to the sharing guidelines portion of the script. The revised/updated script will be disseminated via the WAGs and posted on the LAA website. The table of contents for the host training manual will be finalized soon. As chair, Pamela requests that active meeting hosts with at least six months’ experience take part in writing the host training manual. If anyone wishes to serve on this committee, please contact Pamela.

- iii. **Safety Committee** – No safety violations were reported.
- iv. **ODAAT Business Chair** (Andrew) – Andrew has announced his resignation as chair of the ODAAT business meeting, as of August. If anyone is interested in serving in this capacity, please let us know.
- v. **LAA Secretary** (Pamela) – As of August, Pamela will no longer serve as secretary for the IBM and ODAAT business meetings. If anyone is interested in learning more about this position, please contact her.

IV. **Discussions & Motions**

- i. **Timing of Business Meetings** – At the last ODAAT business meeting, a member raised the question of why the IBM and ODAAT business meetings are both held on the same day (i.e., first Saturday) versus separately. As secretary, Pamela stated that taking notes and keeping the minutes for both business meetings on the same day can be taxing. According to Pamela, taking notes and preparing minutes for both meetings could also pose a barrier for anyone considering the secretarial role due to time demands. Pamela is actively recruiting her replacement, and the lack of time has been cited as a reason for not volunteering for this position. It should be noted that the number of hours required to take notes and prepare minutes for both business meetings will vary depending on the level of experience. Andrew suggested the fellowship should consider splitting the secretarial roles/duties for each business meeting to alleviate the burden. That is, it might be better to create two secretarial positions to cover each respective business meeting.
- ii. **Open Service Positions** – Pamela screen-shared the current listing of open and upcoming service positions including host coordinator, cohost, secretary, and ODAAT chair. Lindsey made a pitch for the host coordinator position, stating it is a great service position for anyone wishing to get more integrally involved in LAA. On the international front, various service positions are currently available in the South Africa Fellowship, including WAG admin. If anyone is interested in any open or upcoming service position, see the LAA Announcements and Service WAGs.
- iii. **Closing:** No new business was discussed, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 AM PST.