



International Business Meeting (IBM) AGENDA

June 7th, 2025

8 am pst/11 am est

Zoom: 2764161378 ID: LAA12STEP

I. Opening Prayer

a. Modified Serenity Prayer

Attendees: Tisha, Kerry, Ilu, Oskar, Heidi, Megha G, Chris, Irina, Conny, Jessica, Lori, Kristen Drake, Adil,

Chair: Tisha

Secretary: Kerry

II. Call to Order – Opening Set Aside Prayer

Tisha served as host, began with prayer, and called meeting to order.

III. Approval of IBM Minutes - Kerry shared minutes.

IV. Treasurer's Report - (treasurer not present, Tisha reports) Treasurer has access to the account now after having some difficulties with the account address. She has been asked to get a Formation Document through the Secretary of State. Balance is around \$2,000. Every time we switch treasurers, there seems to be some sort of problem. Important to take into consideration; how can we make some sort of standard? (Esp. w/out making service a deterrent)

V. International Fellowship Reports

a. ODAAT

- i. Chris shares - meetings seem to be going well. Johanna is coordinator assisted by Megha. Sometimes coverage is needed, but things are good. A few people volunteered to deal with after-hours conflict.
- ii. Tisha suggests a best-practices SOP and would love more detail about what happened and how others have dealt with similar issues

b. Christian

- i. Tisha has heard from them and reports; 2 meetings going strong. Reading *The Relationship Principles of Jesus*. Friday and Monday meetings (women's and coed, respectively). Topics rotate on Mondays.
 - ii. Conny asked about whether there is a regular host; Tisha says a host was unable to attend last-minute but the meeting continued without a host for that day.
- c. LAA/ACA Hybrid
 - i. Heidi - It's lovely and there are plenty of people
- d. Saturday West Coast LAA
 - i. Tisha mentions that host has been in contact; Pooja has confirmed the meeting is still happening
 - ii. 3:15 pm Pacific every Saturday
 - iii. Rep arrived - Kristen reports - started in 2002 as an in-person meeting but became virtual due to COVID. Things are going well. Read from *Facing Love Addiction* and the Step Guide.
- e. Russia
 - i. Irina reports. Member of Russian-speaking intergroup. In-person group and online groups. 2 groups for women, 1 group for men. 4 in-person groups.

VI. Committee Reports

- a. Website
 - i. Tisha reports- committee still working on video library; got a demo of what that looks like on the website. This will allow hosts (and anyone) to access videos about love addiction directly from the website.
- b. Literature
 - i. Tisha reports - Opening reading in Spanish and Promise 9 wording have been discussed. Promise 9 revision was posted in WAG and feedback was given (as reported last IBM). Committee is working to incorporate some of those suggestions. It will likely be posted for feedback again soon.
 - ii. "Types of Love Addiction" does not contain anorexic/avoidant. Committee is also adding that. Should be

posed in IBM WAG for feedback.

iii. Anyone who has something to consider for literature committee or to submit proposed literature for consideration can email literature@loveaddictsanonymous.org

iv. Conny asks for clarification - are they looking for literature submissions?

v. Accepting recovery stories (Saturday ODAAT) since there are not very many stories. No more than 2,000 words. Recovery stories are appreciated and anonymous.

vi. Conny asks where to send a website link that is good for Christian recovery.

1. If specifically for the Chrstaian fellowship, it should be taken to the Christian admins.

c. Safety committee looking for additional members. Interested parties can email SAFETY@LOVEADDICTSANONYMOUS.ORG

d. This is not a committee for reigning in hosts that you don't like; this is for a violation of safety. ODAAT Business Meeting (or the appropriate admin group, like Christian group for a Christian meeting) is good place to address something lower-level.

i. Lori speaks to a host who has recommended particular drug experiences to the group (during after-hours), encouraging them to try. This is an example of a concern that should be shared with admins for that particular fellowship and request to keep Tisha in the loop. Tisha will also pass along to Safety Committee to see where that behavior falls. Thanks Lori for sharing with the goal of safety despite being appreciative of service.

VII. New Business

a. Service Positions

i. Open position - LAA Email Administrator. Need 1 year-commitment; fields emails. Certain template answers exist that can be copy and pasted.

ii. New LAA Meeting - Pushed to July agenda since representative is not in attendance.

b. Drop in IBM WAG or send to Tisha if there are items anyone wishes to discuss.

- c. Ilu shares- June is pride month. Ilu and another member would like to offer a special one-time meeting for LGBTQ members. Request for this to be shared in meetings one Zoom link is confirmed (Katia offered her Zoom link). Meeting still needs to be scheduled. She will drop that in the ODAAT WAG and ask people to spread the word. Ilu will also share with Tisha to post in IBM WAG.
- d. Adil- would like help and support with BIPOC LAA group
- e. If interested in being on an In-Person Committee, reach out to Tisha
- f. Tisha's term ends in August. She is willing to stay a couple of extra months to help with the transition, but we will need a new Chair.

VIII. Meeting Adjournment – IBM Chairperson

- a. Motion to adjourn 11:52am (8:52) am Pacific Time

IX. Closing prayer - 3rd Step Prayer