

ODAAT Business Meeting Minutes

Date: April 4th, 2026

Participants: Artur K., Cody A., Coleman, Cuyler, David B., Dorinda, Ellie, Jennifer, Johanna, Kelsie R., Lisa, Lori, Manhattan, Marianna, Melissa, Tammy, Toby E., Tory

Chair: David B.

Secretary: Johanna

1. Moment of Silence and Serenity Prayer

2. Call to Order (David B.)

- David reminded members that decisions taken at the OBM apply to the 15 ODAAT meetings only.
 - Members were asked to raise their hands when wishing to speak.
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3. Approval of Minutes from March 7, 2026

- The approval of the minutes was deferred, as this item was not addressed during the meeting.
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4. Report from the Host Coordinator (David B.)

- Four new members have been trained since the last business meeting.
 - One host position (effective April 29) and four co-host positions are currently open.
 - David announced that he will step down from the Host Coordinator position on June 28. No members have expressed interest in the role so far.
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5. Committee Reports

a) ODAAT Host Safety (Lori)

- Lori proposed establishing a liaison between the ODAAT Host Safety Committee and the LAA Safety Committee. She also shared that she is currently the only member of the ODAAT Host Safety Committee and that additional members are needed.
- A broader discussion followed regarding the role, structure, and scope of safety-related service within ODAAT and LAA. Topics raised included:

- > Uncertainty about the roles and responsibilities of the ODAAT Host Safety Committee versus the LAA Safety Committee.
- > The need for greater transparency regarding existing committees, their functions, and how members can access or join them.
- > Concerns about limited service participation and whether maintaining multiple committees is sustainable.
- > Questions about whether safety-related functions could be streamlined, combined, or integrated into existing roles (e.g., Host Coordinator).
- > Recognition that safety guidelines are currently being developed by the LAA Safety Committee, with the understanding that individual groups may choose whether to adopt them.
- > Discussion about the autonomy of individual groups in handling safety matters, in alignment with the Twelve Step traditions.
- > Concerns about communication and response processes for safety issues, including the need for timely action and clear channels.
- > The importance of rotation in service positions and concerns about responsibilities being concentrated in too few individuals.
- No formal decision was made. Further discussion is needed.

b) Development and Revision of ODAAT Meeting Guidelines

- No update; the position/committee remains open (see item 7.a).

c) Web Administrator Report

- Marianna noted that she had no updates to report.
- Request to add open ODAAT service positions to the website (Johanna)
 - > Johanna proposed to add open ODAAT service positions to the ODAAT webpage rather than the general LAA service positions page.
 - > After discussion, it was agreed to proceed with adding the positions to the ODAAT page, with details to be refined as needed. Motion passed.

6. Old Business

- None
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7. New Business

a) Introduction of a proposed roadmap for key ODAAT topics (Melissa)

- A proposed roadmap outlining key ODAAT topics and the order in which they shall be addressed was presented:
 1. Create and adopt ODAAT Meeting/Safety Guidelines. Clarify expectations around conduct in MEETINGS ONLY.
 2. Create processes for handling complaints/violations of meeting guidelines in ODAAT.
 3. Update ODAAT Host Script.
 4. Review of ODAAT WAGS.
 5. Topics related to Hosting in ODAAT.
 6. ODAAT autonomy as it relates to 7th Tradition.
 7. Reviewing ODAAT Meeting Themes.
- It was explained that individual items may be developed by different members or small groups, and that their work would be shared with the fellowship for input and suggestions through a designated channel (to avoid parallel discussions). Based on this input, materials may be further refined and then brought to the OBM for group discussion and group conscience decisions.
- It was emphasized that this process is intended to be inclusive, with all final decisions remaining with the OBM. It was also noted that topics would be addressed step by step, rather than planning the entire process in advance.
- There were no objections to the general approach. A vote on the proposed approach was deferred to the next OBM.

b) Discussion of moving the ODAAT Meeting Script to the ODAAT webpage (Johanna)

- Johanna proposed to move the ODAAT Meeting Script to the ODAAT webpage, including the option to provide a sample script for the general LAA website for IBM review. Having the ODAAT Meeting Script on the general LAA webpage has led to confusion, as members of other groups have used the script without being aware that it is specific to ODAAT and that their meetings are separate.
- It was suggested to also include ODAAT meeting readings on the ODAAT webpage, allowing the group to update them as needed.
- The question was raised whether a sample meeting script already exists in the LAA Basic Text.
- No objections were raised; a formal vote was deferred to the next OBM.

8. Closing Silence and Serenity Prayer

Current open service positions for ODAAT:

- ODAAT Chair: Chris E. is currently serving as interim chair, David B. substitutes when Chris is unavailable. **A regular Chair for the OBM is needed!**
- ODAAT Host Coordinator: David is looking for a successor from July 2026.
- ODAAT Host Safety Committee: Lori is looking for members to join the committee.
- Hosts / Co-Hosts