

DA/BDA AGM Intergroup Westminster Methodist Hall

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1. Serenity prayer and 12 Traditions

Present

DB Chair
EF Treasurer
FK Secretary, GSR Swiss Cottage BDA Thursday
BS Webmaster
SN GSR Ogle St Tuesday
CC GSR Hind St Saturday morning
SC GSR Brighton Tuesday
NC GSR Tuesday phone meeting
A GSR Tabernacle
TP GSR Bayswater Saturday (Stand in)
JC GSR Stevenage Tuesday
MA GSR Swiss Cottage Sunday
P GSR Soho BDA Wednesday
EP Internet and Telephone
S Westbourne Park Friday

Apologies

IN Events Officer GSR Epsom Monday
PA Public Information
JS Literature
AA Literature shipping officer
SL ISR
RH Bristol Monday
DD Westbourne Park BDA Monday
MC Cambridge

March Minutes approved

SN proposed **EF** seconded minutes approved by IG

Service opportunities available

Positions available are

Events Officer

CC agreed to take on the role of events co ordinator for the convention with help from **SN** and **A**

Reports from groups around the UK

P Soho Wednesday 10-20 regulars the group is going through a lot of changes has a new committee tradition 7 takings are down.

FK Swiss Cottage Thursday BDA meeting is doing well 15-20 attending and sending regular contributions to IG

S Westbourne Park Friday meeting is doing well 30 regulars rent paid up to date all positions filled

JC GSR Stevenage Tuesday The group is struggling at present the rent has increased the meeting has n]been advertised in the local press.

CC Hinde St Saturday meeting doing well has 30 regulars all positions(except chair person) filled gave a donation of £50 to IG the meeting is solvent

SN Ogle St Tuesday meeting is doing well 10-25 attending lots of newcomers.All positions filled with the exception of secretary.

TP Bayswater Saturday meeting is good 15-22 regulars sent £30.00 to **IG** this month has a healthy prudent reserve but is struggling to get people to fill the positions.

FK Richmond Sunday meeting is doing really well 10 -12 regulars all but 2 positions filled and the group is solvent

NC Phone meeting Tuesday meeting is doing well it has 2 secretaries and a treasurer and is looking into a way of collecting sent £10.00 to **IG**

SC Brighton Tuesday meeting is doing well has 10-12 regulars and the group is solvent it also holds a BDA meeting which is doing well.

DD Westbourne Park Monday BDA GSR meeting is doing well has 40-60 regulars and has focused on raising personal tradition 7 contributions meeting is solvent and sends regular contributions to **IG**

A Tabernacle Wednesday meeting is doing well has 35 regulars

RH GSR Bristol Sunday is changing to Monday nights

MA GSR Swiss Cottage Sunday Tmeeting is doing well and is getting a lot of newcomers.

PA St Mary's Islington Friday BDA has 6-10 regulars decided to have one meeting a month for PRGs.The rent is paid but the group is struggling to build a Prudent Reserve.The group asked that the matter of a Starter Pack be discussed in AOB.

Reports from Service Officers

EF Treasurer gave the Treasurers report and informed **IG** that the bank was still going through the process of changing the signatures on the bank account and she hope that this would be completed by the next **IG** and she will be able to present **IG** with an up to date report.The account will have a new password in the next week.**IG** discussed having a third signature on the

account **DB** volunteered to be the third signature **IG** voted in **DB** as the third signature .**IG** thanked **EF** for her service

NS Webmaster gave a printed version of the history of the website and **IG** discussed the possible upgrades and changes to the website. **NS** also informed **IG** that he had held this position since 2008 and that he should consider handing in the commitment in the near future.**DB** advised that as it is such an important subject and position that **IG** should have a PRG on this matter possibly with the **PI** group.**DB** to discuss with **PI** first before any decision can be made **IG** agreed to this .

IG thanked **NS** for his fantastic service over a long period of time.

JS Literature Officer informed **IG** that there was still problems with getting Literature from America due to the fact that the position of **WS Literature Officer** still hasn't been filled.**IG** asked if there was anything that we could do to help speed up the process **IG** to ask **SL** to ask **World Service** for an update as it was becoming a matter of urgency.**IG** thanked **JS** and **AA** for their service.

PA Public Information informed **IG** that meeting for all PI reps is being scheduled. There are a lot of ideas been floated. A big thing is noticing the theme of money, clutter etc are common themes on problem pages in magazines and pages. For example, the letter in Good Housekeeping (August's edition) is hoarding.

Number of reps - 3 PI reps from groups have been recruited. We have a retired journalist in number who really wants to get involved

DA got mentioned in The Sun problem letter page. I have done my best to develop a relationship wth the person responsible for the section, explaining that we also did telephone meetings and about my own personal experience of DA and she said that as we covered things such as compulsive spending, debt and clutter that we would be mentioned again. Given there was no phone number to contact her on, all this has been done by e-mail. We agreed that she can contact me directly.
IG thanked **PA** for her service.

SL ISR Was not able to give the ISR report as she is in America for the annual World Service convention.

RN Events organiser sent her report by email **IG** thanked **RN** for her service

EP Internet and helpline the internet and helpline received 11 emails and 18 telephone calls **IG** thanked **EP** for her service

JF Loner support has received 23 requests from all over the country **EP** asked if it would be helpful to have a female Loner Support Officer as well **IG** agreed to discuss further. **IG** thanked **JF** for his service.

AOB

EP Informed **IG** that the Monday Morning group had designed a newcomers pack and she would send it to **IG** for all GSRs to take back to their groups. **IG** Thanked **EP** for her service

MA Informed **IG** that she was planning to open set up the first DA meeting in Greece and to set up DA in Greece and that she was looking for support and advice from **IG** volunteers to do service or chairs there.**IG** offered various forms of advice regarding

setting up a new meeting. **IG** thanked **MA** for her service and wished all possible success with DA in Greece

IG committed to discussing the subject of a new meeting starter pack at the next AOB

Next Intergroup Meeting to be held on the 29/09/2018

Meeting Closed with the Serenity Prayer