

CoDA Literature Committee
March 13, 2021, 4:00 pm EST
Minutes

Attendance Terry (Chair), Salle, Barbara, Gillian, Alyse, Leslie, Abbey, Sara (Secretary), Addie from CoRe (Guest), Kathy from CoRe (Guest)
Absent: Teresa

1. **Opened** with Service Concept Three and the Serenity Prayer at 4:02 EST
2. **Coloring Book:** Addie and Kathy
Two more pages for “My Thoughts” at end.
Removing “Slogans”? Will GC use of the word. (There are slogans in Tools for Recovery, some used in the coloring book)
Page numbers in references?
Bubble words? Inspiration as they were putting the book together.
CLC comments: Page numbers change. Slogans aren’t a thing. Couldn’t view. Great. More boxes to write in answers would be great if possible. Loved the pictures. Good for people to not have page numbers so they have to search them out. Will buy and work with sponsees. Lovely, how much time people will be connected to each Step Tradition and Promise, page number and which edition. Coloring books are popular now. Another project used 100 slogans but called them “Meeting Wisdom”. Don’t put pages numbers because they change. Put slogan in there but not call it a slogan. Liked it a lot better than I thought I would. Not artistic but liked the verbiage. Enchanted by pictures, didn’t look at what was written.
85% quotes
Addie: Committee GC’d everything. Now Addie and Kathie to work with CLC.
Where do we go from here? CLC GC on 3/27 (4 ET). Discuss edits with Addie and Kathy on 3/27 (4 EDT). Joint motion?
It doesn’t look like it will take much work.
3. **February minutes.** Accepted
4. Announcement: **CSC will be via Zoom** on July 26 – 30. Motions must be in 75 days prior: around May 10.
5. **Coloring Book** Updates see above
6. **Growing Up in CoDA** Proceeding. Editing the last chapter and tons of odds and ends. Will have enough stories. Will have more exercises, one for each chapter. CLC continue to make suggestions. Spanish Outreach would like to work with CLC and add stories to *Growing Up in CoDA*, but not Story Gatherers. Would like the translation process into Spanish speeded up.
Terry will ask SPO for stories by April 10th. Won’t have it done by CSC.
7. **Newcomers Handbook, Second Edition** CoRe is waiting to reprint until all are sold.
CLC to finish GC on 3/20. Input must be in before then.
8. **Making Choices** Priority to have ready for CLC.
Leslie: Yvonne is cost conscious but may have to do a short run and then switch over.

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CLC review and make comments on document and we'll have one GC session on April 3 (4 ET)

9. **New Daily Reader** Salle resigned from subcommittee
We only have eight so far.
In This Moment took four years to write.
Idea: Have samples of submissions on screen for CSC
CLC to help write submissions next year.
10. **For all projects:** Ask for submissions to email blast again, on the Outreach site, and to intergroups.
Terry will contact coda.org to "banner" a request for submissions
If we ask for a copyright, do we have to publish? Why is it in the workbook and Toolkit?
11. **Story Gatherers** Will have over 30 stories. Concern: Task Force (Jerry and Dagmar) is also looking for stories all around the world. Big Australia triangular complaint about a 10-year-old issue about submissions.
Alyse will help after other project.
Gillian: Sending copyright to submitters.
Gillian: Announcing that it won't be done this year.
12. **Twelve Concepts Booklet** Gillian, Leslie, and Sara continue to meet weekly and are up to Service Concept Eleven. Style sheet corrections and rewording some things that aren't clear to us.
13. **TX Motion on Patterns and Characteristics:** Salle was contacted and they withdrew the VEI.
14. **CoRe Reprints** good. Common Threads, Peeling the Onion, and Twelve Step Handbook will be reprinted as is.
Leslie and Terry will meet with Yvonne.
Workbook 7 months Terry will ask Yvonne for pdf
15. **Concern** that has been on our agenda for a while: Discussion about other people writing literature without CLC involvement. Not an issue anymore. Abbey read CoRe's P&P; it could include writing.
CoRe's Coloring Book is a rare example of them actually writing new literature and they are working with us.
16. **New Literature Task Force** passed at last CSC, but the main person on CoRe who wanted it is no longer there. CLC was not in the motion. Yvonne spoke with the Board and they want CLC members to be on the Task Force. Board gave the Task Force their own Zoom account.
17. **"Codependency and Recovery: The Differences."** Still a question of provenance. Long time member, Mary I, gave names of people to contact.
Terry will contact people
18. **Extended Serenity Prayer, (not "long" version that's a different one)** Iran is using it. Still looking into provenance for copyright. It was in the Newcomer's Handbook, but could be Quaker or something.
Don B is not the legal liaison anymore and Nancy is very busy.
May be languishing.

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- Terry will keep working on it.**
19. **Policies and Procedures update** after CSC Terry and one or two other volunteers. TABLED
 20. **Style Sheet update** after CSC TABLED
 21. CoRe and CLC could put together a Motion for **vetting new VEI literature**. TABLED TO APRIL
 22. Terry to send **Website updates** to board DONE.
 23. **Google Docs Document Manager** to keep tabs on the folders. Alyse to be point person. Leslie will mentor.
 24. Rumor: **New Boundaries** pamphlet may be presented but it's similar to what we have." Something to do with the Teen Boundary piece.
 25. **Terry will contact Pam W/Connections for stories**. TABLED
 26. **Goals for next year**
 - Help write the daily reader
 - Polish *Growing Up in CoDA*
 - Choose a maximum of one piece of existing literature per year to make major edits
 - Schedule a retreat (in person?)
 - Add new members
 26. Announcement: There is a **Google translate button** on website!
 27. **Next meeting**, Saturday, April 10, 4:00 pm EDT (1:00 pm PDT)
 28. **Ended** around 6:01 pm EDT