CODA UK National Service Committee Meeting Saturday 1st May 2021

1-5pm

Zoom Meeting, see email for sign in details

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Attendees

Bryony – GSR Monday Night Manchester, North Region Comms Secretary, Website

Committee, Temporary NSC Proposal Secretary

Tony - NSC Chair and CoDA North Rep. Fallowfield Thur Eve

Pete - Literature Secretary Bournemouth Mon & NSC Website Committee

Alison – NSC Secretary, NSC PLI Insurance Rep. Bournemouth Mon

Philip F – GSR Penmaenmawr

Candy - Bournemouth online group

Dipak – GSR Watford NSC Communications Secretary (part)

Mari – GSR Bournemouth Group – online

Stuart - GSR Sunday 9.15am Men's online meeting Tuesday evening LGBTQ group

Frank – Sponsorship Workshop Commitee (Part)

Kate F – Website Committee and PI Committee

Hilary – NSC Sponsorship Workshop Rep home group Kingston

Pete H - NSC Website committee

Kate P – GSR Cheshunt Sat am, Co-regional Service Rep LSER

Bruno – NSC Treasurer & GSR Chiswick

Annie – GSR Nethergong LSER Comms Secretary

Sue - GSR Liverpool

Agenda item	Start	Finish
1 Welcome, moment's silence, Preamble, 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, 12 Service Concepts and sharing guidelines. Reminder of 30 second time out with serenity prayer if anyone requests. 20 mins	1.00	1.20
2. Introductions and Feelings check with meetings info from General Service Representatives (GSRs) and AOB requests from any attendee who wishes to have an issue discussed that isn't on the agenda. 20 mins	1.20	1.40
3. Request for a member to take minutes and agreement on how this will be done 10 mins	1.40	1.50

4. Voting entity established and appointment of a spiritual time keeper 5 mins	1.50	1.55
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5. Reports and updates from members in service circulated in advance – are there any questions arising from these? 20 mins	1.55	2.15
a. Treasurer		
 b. Literature Secretary Question – request for position – is there an outstanding fee due either TO or FROM the "literature supplier"? This is a legacy issue - not raised for 12-18 months + needs to be resolved if it hasn't been ACTION - Ask literature secretary to present summary - with a view to prepping a plan of action Frank - Offer of ESH around contract we signed 		
c. Sponsorship Committee		
d. Contacts Management working group		
e. London & SE Region (LSER) – verbal report from meeting 10 th April 2021 and background document attached		
f. North Region draft minutes – NSC to note, especially the discussions held about the three AOB items which they would like to share with the wider fellowship		
6. Treasurer proposals: 30 mins	2.15	2.45
a. Zoom subscription renewal – vote Bruno - Query - does NSC agree to pass payment for license ~ £119 (cost is fluctuating)		
VOTE for: unanimous - pay for NSC zoom account		
b. Set up Paypal or Givt account – discussion and vote Proposal - none - come back to this - bring back to the agenda		
c. Lloyds Bank signatories – discussion for guidance Bruno - we have 4 signatories - no co-signatory		
Query - should we share account to make it possible to make payments when Bruno is on holiday		
Pete - Query - can the 4 signatories achieve control in the event they're required?		
Bruno - to check complexities - and report back		
Tony Query - who are the other signatories?		
Signatories: Gillian(North), Andy (LSER), Guy		

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Proposal 1: Do we put more checks and balances in place? Bryony seconded		
Vote: 4 Abstain: 8 Against: 0		
More information required to make a more informed decision		
7. Public Information (PI) proposals – discussion and votes 20 mins	2.45	3.05
a. Introduction of a formal PI budget		
b. Set up simple way for groups to engage with PI work		
Alison - Proposal - establish cost of units / books to be distributed ~100 to post - feasibility to distribute through the literature company - bring back costs		
Bryony - seconded Votes - 10 Abstain - Against - Carried - PI team come back with costs for 100 packs		
Proposal - mechanism - to build functionality to donate funds - to send out conference books / material to institutions - (share with committee)		
Seconded - Pete		
For - 6		
Against - 2		
Abstain - 6		
Motion - not carried		
Break	3.05	3.20
CoDA IIV to register as a shority discussion and vote 10 mins	ui	3.30
8. CoDA UK to register as a charity – discussion and vote 10 mins		
Proposal - Prepare more information for this piece to be circulated		
9. Service positions – discussion and votes 30 mins	3.30	4.00
a. Service role job descriptions		
Bryony - service pages on website need work - help appreciated		
Tony - propose we prepare job descriptions - asap - each role holder - prep - PI, comms etc		

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Pete - fire the job descriptions to the web master email		
b. Service role service role length, vacancies and appointments		
Bruno - can we put forward suggestions of "length of service" in the job description.		
Tony - agree - consensus - to put detail on website once agreed		
c. Role of trusted servants		
10. Service positions available – discussion and votes 30 mins	4.00	4.30
a. PLI coordinator – Nomination received and role description attached		
Alison - Guy has come forward - attended 3 + meetings, familiar with GDPR and computer skills required to undertake this position.		
Tony - Nomination has been received, usual process the person is in the room, and in a position to qualify their background, and a vote to follow. Instinct to wait for Guy to attend and explain his position.		
b. Secretary – role description attached, nominations required		
Tony - propose that we circulate this to the entire fellowship - put this forward - a comms piece		
c. Chair – Handover proposal attached and role description to be added here before meeting; nominations required		
11. Confirm future meeting dates & times – discussion and vote 10 mins	4.30	4.40
Proposal - continue to meet online - Next meeting first Saturday 7th August , Saturday 6th November		
Seconded : Dipak, Bruno		
For:9		
Against:3		
Proposal - Bryony - do we need a follow up in 6 weeks time - for business discussed today?		
For: 7 (unanimous) Propose we meet - 19th June		

12. AOB 15 mins	4.40	4.55
* CSC Member required		
* Thanks to Alison - for her assistance as secretary		
* Create the proposals in a single document - to save paper / make it easier to review		
13. Close – Promises and long form Serenity Prayer 5 mins	4.55	5.00

The following agreed proposals from recent NSC meetings may guide us in our service:

20th March 2021 NSC meeting

Agenda item 1

That the minutes to NSC meetings be limited to the proposals/ votes only and relevant committee member's reports detailing business information e.g. Treasurer's Report/ PI/ Hospitals and Institutions.

The minutes will include 'dissenting voices' which will be specifically relayed to the secretary after the vote; the comments will be attributed to the member who made them.

Abstain – 0 Against – 0

In favour – 15 – motion carried

5th December 2020 NSC meeting Agenda item 15

For this and the next NSC meeting we go with a majority vote i.e. the total of the in-favour votes is greater than the sum of the against and abstentions. The total of the votes is based on how many people are in the meeting and eligible to vote. Abstentions are made as members don't have the confidence to make a yes or no decision so need to be accounted for.

Abstain – 1 Against – 0

In favour - 9 Motion carried

5th December 2020 NSC meeting

Agenda item 7

Propose that when discussions diverge away from the agenda item, the Chairman can clarify with the sharer the new discussion point and raise it as an independent AOB item added to the end of the meeting or a sub-committee to discuss the item and report back to the NSC.

Abstain – 2

Against – 0

In favour – 8 – motion carried