1. **Opening Matters** 
   1. Check-Ins/Sobriety Statements - Jay G.(OH), Seth S.(MA), Rick S.(PA), Christina M.(CA), Gabriel G. (CA), Jaclyn R. (MN), Hernan V. (CA), Suzanne D.(TX), Juanita J. (VA), Jim B. (CA - non BOT Record Keeper)
   2. Readings:
      * + [Twelve Concepts](https://slaafws.org/download/core-files/The_Twelve_Concepts_of_SLAA.pdf) - (Non-Chair Member with most seniority) – **Jay G.**
        + [Twelve Traditions](https://slaafws.org/download/core-files/The_Twelve_Traditions_of_SLAA.pdf)- (Member next most senior on the BOT) – **Rick S.**
        + **BOT Preamble** - *Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous is a Twelve Step, Twelve Tradition oriented fellowship based on the model pioneered by Alcoholics Anonymous. The only qualification for S.L.A.A. membership is a desire to stop living out a pattern of sex and love addiction. S.L.A.A. is supported entirely through contributions of its membership and is free to all who need it. The BOT is a business meeting. We are the business arm of our recovery organization. Respecting the Second Tradition, we need to put individual feelings aside when we work for the BOT and focus on what serves the Fellowship best. This is a job. We are trusted servants. We abuse that trust when we do not act professionally in discharging the business of the Fellowship*. – **Christina M.**

**Start Recording (\*9)**

1. **Assign roles**
   1. Facilitator – **Seth S.**
   2. Record Keeper – **Jim B. (non-BOT member – present)**
   3. Timekeeper – **Gabriel G.**
   4. Spiritual Reminder – **All**
2. **Announcements**
   1. New bookkeeper has been brought in and is working. They are a good fit for the organization so far.
3. **Approval of Today’s Agenda** (***BOT Agenda 12 11 2021.docx***) *---approved.*
4. **Approval of last Month’s Minutes and 12-3-21 Special Meeting Minutes**

(BOT Minutes 11 13 21.docx) and (BOT Special Minutes 12 3 21.docx)  *---November minutes were BOT approved and will be sent to the FWS office by Christina. BOT Special Minutes to be revised to remove names under item “a” of Elevated Priority, and then sent back out to the BOT.*

1. **Monthly Action Items**
   1. Post preliminary Agenda for 12 11 2021 in DropBox – **Seth S** – (DONE)
   2. Forward October and September BOT Meeting Minutes to Beth and Pam – **Seth S.** – (DONE)
2. **Routine Reports**
   1. Suggestions to the Board Report – NONE
   2. ED Report and ED Sales Summary – No Report
   3. Webmaster’s Report (2021-12 Webmaster Report.pdf) *---detailed report provided.*

**BUSINESS**

**ELEVATED PRIORITY:**

1. Discuss orientation process for Juanita and review of assignment of Board Committee responsibilities – **Jaclyn R. & Seth S.**

*---Suggested to provide a more in-depth orientation than in the past. Proposed for a Sunday evening rather than during a regular Board meeting. Suggested to also include the mechanics of the position (passwords, sign-ins, etc.).*

*---Juanita to join the BPMC and BCTC.*

1. Review and discuss 2022 ABC/M and discuss ABC/M survey. – **Seth S.**

*---letter received from the CDC concerning format of the ABC/M. It supports a virtual or hybrid format.*

*---Discussion about options as follows:*

* *A BOT member supports having an in-person ABC/M. Believes there is much support for both virtual and for in person. Supports going hybrid in 2023.*
* *A BOT member supports having an in-person ABC/M. Thinks it will help prepare for hybrid meeting in 2023.*
* *A BOT member supports having an in-person ABC/M. Believes there is a more powerful spiritual experience this way. Also strongly supports going hybrid in 2023.*
* *A BOT member supports having an in-person ABC/M. Also supports going hybrid in the future.*
* *A BOT member supports having a virtual ABC/M for 2022. Also strongly supports having hybrid for 2023.*
* *A BOT member supports having a virtual ABC/M for 2022. Believes it is more inclusive, cost effective, and efficient. Supports staying virtual moving forward.*
* *A BOT member supports having an in-person ABC/M for 2022. Wants to allow time to learn how to conduct a hybrid meeting for future ABC/M.*
* *A BOT member supports having a virtual ABC/M for 2022. Strongly supports having a hybrid or virtual ABC/M for the future (as soon as possible).*
* *A BOT member supports having a virtual ABC/M for 2022. Has concerns over Covid 19 spread with a large in-person event. Also does not believe that there is enough time to successfully make an in-person event happen.*
* *Noted that Sacramento was still willing / interested in hosting an in-person ABC/M.*
* *Suggested that if it is virtual, the process be outsourced to a private company due to limited volunteer time.*

*---Motion made for 2022 ABC/M be held in-person, and that the BOT fully explain to the fellowship why the board believes in-person is better than virtual, that we are committed to holding a full hybrid ABC/M for 2023, and that we are committed to providing assistance to any intergroups willing to send a delegate. Motion seconded, vote as follows: 5 in favor, 0 abstain, 4 opposed.*

*---Minority Report taken, with new vote as follows: 5 in favor, 0 abstain, 4 opposed.*

*---Group Conscience challenge and vote taken: 7 versus 2, agreed that it was a group conscience. Motion passes.*

*---Appointments made by the Chair for Jaclyn, Christine, Hernan and Suzanne to draft the announcement, and then send out to the board for review and input. It will* ***not*** *be posted to the fellowship until all BOT members agree with it.*

1. Discussion about Host City for the 2022 ABC/M – **Jay G.**

*---Suggested to hold the event in Sacramento.*

*---Suggestion for event being held in Los Angeles.*

*---Discussion about costs in each city.*

*---Motion made to hold the event in Sacramento. Seconded and voted on. 5 in favor, 2 abstain, 2 opposed.*

*---Minority Report taken, with new vote. One BOT member left the meeting prior to the vote. Vote was: 4 in support, 2 abstain, 2 opposed. Motion passed.*

1. Further discuss BPDC and LCEP. – **Jay G & Suzanne D.**  *---tabled until next month.*
2. Review and discuss change to “free shipping” policy from $75 to $50 for qualifying order. – **Suzanne D. & Jaclyn R.**

*---Support from the BPDC to change the free shipping policy. Suggested to start on January 1st with the lower order amount threshold for free shipping.*

*---Motion made to lower the order threshold from $75 to $50 for free shipping. It would start on first day feasible to post on the website and would end of March 31st of 2022. Motion seconded, with vote taken. BOT voted unanimously to approve (8-0-0).*

1. Review and discuss the current CLC plan to put 13 pieces of literature in front of the 2022 ABC/M either as a motion or an IFD. – **Jay G.** *---tabled until next month.*
2. Discuss role of BOT liaison. – **Seth S.** (Dropbox: BOT Orientation Liaisons.pdf [p.10]) *---tabled until next month.*
3. What are the most significant challenges facing the Fellowship today? Setting a strategic plan for the Fellowship. – **Seth S.** *---tabled until next month.*

**REGULAR PRIORITY:**

1. Discussion around possible BOT virtual retreat(s). – **Seth S.** ---*tabled.*

**Stop Recording** **(\*9)**

**Check-outs:**  Jay G., Seth S., Rick S., Christina M., Gabriel G., Jacyln R., Hernan V., Suzanne D., Juanita J., Jim B.

**Closing Prayer:**

*Higher Power- make me worthy to serve You through this Fellowship and the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. Help me to be generous with my time and effort, to give without counting the cost, to give back wholly for what I have so freely received without looking for any reward, other than that of knowing I have done your will. Through my service, may I give hope and peace to those who still suffer.* – **Juanita J.**

**Meeting Schedule for Conference Year 2021-2022**

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| *~~21 August 21 – Interim~~* | *~~11 Sept. 21 – Regular~~* | *~~9 Oct. 21 – Interim~~* |
| *~~13 Nov. 20 – Regular~~* | *~~11 Dec. 21 – Interim~~* | *8 Jan. 22 – Regular* |
| *12 Feb. 22 - Interim****14* Mar 20 – Regular** | *12 Mar. 22 – Regular* | *9 April 22 – Interim* |
| 14 *May 22 – Regular* | *11 June 22 – Interim* | *9 July 22 – Regular* |