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)
   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 seniority 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 – not present)**
   3. Timekeeper – **Suzanne D.**
   4. Spiritual Reminder – **All**
2. **Announcements**
   1. No Announcements

1. **Approval of Today’s Agenda** (***BOT Agenda 09 11 21.docx***) *---approved with time and meeting access code revised.*
2. **Approval of last Month’s Minutes**

Minutes from August 21, 2021 Meeting. *(****BOT Minutes 8 21 21.docx*** *)*

*---the minutes were received on this day. Some small changes were suggested, but the minutes were tabled until next month to give all members a chance to review.*

1. **Monthly Action Items**
   1. Post preliminary Agenda for September 11, 2021 in DropBox – **Seth S** – (DONE)
   2. Forward Face to Face BOT Meeting Minutes to Beth and Pam – **Seth S.** – (Pending)
   3. Post June Financial Report to the Newsletter – **Jay G.** (DONE)
2. **Routine Reports**
   1. Suggestions to the Board (None)
   2. Webmaster’s Report (2021-07 Webmaster Report.pdf) *---No report provided.*
   3. ED Report and ED Sales Summary – Pam Martin (ED Report to BOT 07Sep21.docx and ED Sales Comparison JulAug 20 v JulAug 21.xlsx) *---there are only 18 books left of the mis-printed ASOG meditation books, and the printing company just wants to refund the money for those. FWS wants them replaced with correct versions. Pam is working with the printing company to get those last 18 correctly printed books.*
3. **Board Committee Chair Reports**
4. Copyright Translation – **Seth S.** *---no questions, no discussion.*

(BOT BCTC REPORT 0.docx )

1. Development – **Seth S.**

(The BDC has not yet met)

1. 7th Tradition Committee – **Rick S.** *---It was asked if the FWS had made a request for funds from the donor’s estate that provides matching donations? Beth has sent a report / request in to the estate, and FWS is expecting the funds to arrive soon. It was noted that the funds should be directly deposited to the money market account.*

(B7TC REPORT TO BOT.docx)

1. Finance – **Jaclyn R.** *---no questions, no discussion.*

(BFC Report to BOT 9.7.21.docx)

1. HR/Personnel – **Jay G.** *---no questions, no discussion.*

(The BHRPC has not yet met)

1. Outreach – **Hernan V.**

(The BOC has not yet met)

*---Hernan is getting acquainted with committee. Discussed with Seth a few potential members of the committee.*

1. Programs and Memberships – **Gabriel G.**

(The BPMC has not yet met)

*---Gabriel is currently working on bringing in non-BOT committee members.*

*---He is also working with New York Intergroup on their ABM application for 2022.*

*---Houston will be submitting an application for hosting the 2023/24 ABM.*

1. Technology –**Christina M.**

(BTC Report to BOT 2021 09.docx)

*---Motion made by Christina to approve the newly reformatted French translation of the Eight Core Documents. Motion seconded and discussed as follows:*

* *Suggestion to change indentation to match English versions.*
* *Pam pointed out that the document needs the copyright in both French and English.*
* *Requested to table for a month while the documents are revised to include the correct copyrights.*
* *Additional discussion occurred about what should be included in the copyright.*
* *Requested that the BCTC review the documents for copyright and provide clear direction on what is needed.*
* *New motion made to: (1) utilize the S.L.A.A. logo; (2) add copyright information; (3) and then forward to the BCTC for coordination and final approval. Motion seconded and approved (7-for, 0-against, 1-not present for vote).*

*---Jaclyn requested to transfer from the BPMC over to the BTC. Agreed to by the Board.*

1. Publications & Distribution – **Suzanne D.** *---no questions, no discussion.*

**LCEP Subcommittee Update**

(BPDC Board Report September 2021.docx)

1. **Board Liaison Reports**
2. **Jay –** CLC, CSC *---Pam made note that staff are excited to see new literature coming from the CLC. No other questions or discussion.*
3. **Seth –** CCC, Chairs Call *---no questions, no discussion.*
4. **Rick -** CAC, CMRC *---no questions, no discussion. Noted that the CMRC has not yet met since the ABM, so no report yet.*
5. **Christina –** CSTCC, CTIOC (CTIOC Postcard) *---requested by CTIOC to place postcards in all international literature shipments with information about the CTIOC and what it does. Funds requested for 500 postcards. Christina seeking BOT input to take back to the committee. Round robin discussion as follows:*

* *Question raised as to where the money would come from. Paid for by FWS, or from the committee budget?*
* *Some concern about setting a precedent. Noted that it could be specific to international literature orders.*
* *Pointed out that the international community is not as well served as domestic and that it would be good to provide more assistance.*
* *Pam brought up that there is a policy in place with procedures on how a conference committee would go about getting assistance from FWS office staff.*
* *Current process clarified. First, committee must request funds from Finance Committee. Then, the committee needs to follow the policy noted by Pam.*

1. **Gabriel –** CDC, CICC *---No questions, no discussion.*
2. **Jaclyn -** CBC, CFC ---*No questions. Jacyln noted that she has been unable to contact the chair of the CFC and therefore has not attended any meetings. She will reach out via phone to the chair.*
3. **Hernan –** CHRC, CJC *---No questions, no discussion.*
4. **Suzanne –** CPIC, CSpC *---Question on who the chair of the CPIC currently is. Celia is new chair. David B. is now vice chair.*

**BUSINESS**

**ELEVATED PRIORITY:**

1. Discuss Non-BOT Board Committee Applications for approval – **Seth S.** – Chair (For the record: Fredrik L. (BCTC) and Michael S. (BFC) approved via email vote since last BOT meeting. Pending: Michael S. (B7TC), applicant (BDC), Sam E. (B7TC), Anthony P. (LCEP), Rita H. (LCEP), Jeff R. (LCEP), Lee W. (LCEP), Stephen S. (LCEP), Deb W. (LCEP). Missing Non-BOT members for committees: BOC, BPMC, BPDC, BTC(?).

*---Motion made to approve Michael S. for the B7TC, seconded and unanimously approved (8-0-0).*

*---Discussion concerning applicant, with motion to approve. Seconded and approved (5-for, 3-against). Minority report occurred, with second vote (4-for, 4-against).*

*---Motion made to approve Sam E. for the B7TC, unanimously approved (8-0-0).*

*---Motions made to approve all proposed Non-BOT members to the LCEP. All were unanimously approved (8-0-0).*

1. Review of the 2022 Budget – **Jay G./Jaclyn R.** (Dropbox: FWS Budget 2021-2022 BFC revised.pdf)

*---This is the line-item budget for P&L. Budget initially presented to BOT at the FTF meeting. Board made decisions and provided direction. The BFC reviewed decisions / direction from the board, and implemented as applicable. Highlights as follows:*

* *Now includes a $6,500 income.*
* *Assumes a face-to-face ABM, which costs about $30,000 more than it brings in.*
* *$5,000 for conference committees, with CFC being responsible for dividing that among and distributing to committees.*
* *Prudent reserve policy requires an amount based on the budget, which will now be $216,000 (approx.).*

*---Question asked about how a “hybrid” option, with free attendance for the virtual participants, to the ABM might affect it. Response was that it would have a negative financial effect.*

*---Motion made to approve budget for 2021/2022, seconded and unanimously approved (8-0-0).*

1. Review and discuss ABC/M Application form – **Gabriel G.**

*---The ABM Application form was discussed at the F2F meeting, and then updated accordingly. The form will be posted to dropbox for the October board meeting.*

*---Discussion tabled for the next meeting.*

1. Discussion about ABC/M location for 2022 – **Gabriel G.**

*---Board is concerned about making the decision very soon for planning purposes. One intergroup has expressed interest, but has yet to satisfactorily complete the application. Discussion as follows:*

* *Concerns about adequate hotels in the potential location. Cost could be an issue.*
* *Suggestion that a hard deadline be imposed for the intergroup making application.*
* *Location will need to be determined quickly.*
* *The board may need to handle the ABM.*
* *Motion made to deny the application from the intergroup, and then have the board take over managing the ABM, at a location to be determined. Seconded, with a split vote (4-for, 2-against, 2-abstain).*
* *New motion made to give the requesting intergoup one week to turn in a complete application, or that location will not be approved. Seconded and approved (7-for, 0-against, 1-abstain).*

1. Discuss future of the LCEP – **Jay G./Suzanne D.** *---tabled until next meeting.*
2. Review and discuss reformatting of the 8 core documents – **Christina M.** (Dropbox: 8\_Core\_Documents\_reformatted.pdf) *---see discussion under Board liaison report for the CTIOC.*
3. Review, discuss and approve ABM Manual – **Gabriel G.** *---tabled until next meeting.*
4. Discuss role of BOT liaison – **Seth S. (**Dropbox: BOT Orientation Liaisons.pdf [p.10]) *---tabled until next meeting.*
5. Setting a strategic plan for the Fellowship – **Seth S**. – Chair  *---tabled until next meeting.*

**REGULAR PRIORITY:**

* 1. Discussion around possible BOT virtual retreat to do strategic planning for the BOT and the Fellowship – **Seth S.** *---tabled until next meeting.*

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

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

**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.* – **Suzanne D.**

**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* |