1. **Opening Matters** 
   1. Check-Ins/Sobriety Statements - Jay G.(OH), Gabriel G. (CA), Hernan V. (CA) (*arrived late, no check in*)*,* Suzanne D. (TX), Juanita J. (DC), Sam E. (NJ), Phoenix M. (TX), Rick B. (FL), Jim B. (CA – non BOT Record Keeper), Pam Reyes (Executive Director)
   2. Readings:
      * + [Twelve Concepts](https://slaafws.org/download/core-files/The_Twelve_Concepts_of_SLAA.pdf) - Concept Seven (Non-Chair Member with most seniority) – **Jay G.**
        + [Twelve Traditions](https://slaafws.org/download/core-files/The_Twelve_Traditions_of_SLAA.pdf)- Tradition Seven (Member next most seniority on the BOT) – **Gabriel G.**
        + **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*. – (Member with the third-most seniority on the BOT) – **Juanita J.**

**Start Recording (\*9)**

1. **Assign roles**
   1. Facilitator – **Suzanne D.**
   2. Record Keeper – **Jim B. (non-BOT member)**
   3. Timekeeper – **Phoenix M.**
   4. Spiritual Reminder – **All**
2. **Approval of Today’s Agenda**  **(*BOT Agenda 8 July, 2023*)** – *Agenda, with addition to Regular Priority (adding item “b”), was unanimously approved.*
3. **Approval of last Month’s Minutes *(BOT Minutes June 10, 2023)*** *---Minutes unanimously approved.*
4. **Monthly Action Items**
   1. Post preliminary Agenda for July 8, 2023 in DropBox. – **Suzanne D.** (DONE)
   2. Forward BOT July Agenda to Jim and Pam – **Suzanne D.** (DONE)
   3. Forward June BOT Minutes to Pam. – **Rick B.** - (DONE)
5. **Announcements**
   1. BCTC, BFC, BHRPC, BPMC, BTC missed report inclusion from the ABM Binder, due to missing deadline of July 1st. BOT members who missed the deadline are responsible for making sure delegate attendees receive a copy of the reports at ABM. – **Suzanne D.**
   2. Executive Director noted that the office will not be shipping any orders for the next two weeks, to allow time for staff to prepare for the ABC/M. – **Pam Reyes**
   3. Updated By-Laws are posted on the Website. – **Suzanne D.**
   4. Self-Evaluations for board committees are due this month. – **Suzanne D.**
6. **Routine Reports**
   1. Suggestions to the Board – *None*
   2. ED Report and ED Sales Summary – **Pam Reyes**  *---Report posted to the Dropbox. Report covers May and June.*

*---Question concerning defective Basic Text replacement. First shipment of replacements (500 books) has arrived. Staff are in process of coordinating the return shipment of the remaining defective books, and then receiving the new ones. There are 4,500 more to be replaced. Noted that the printer has (and will continue to) cover all costs for replacements, with no out-of-pocket expense to the FWS.*

* 1. Technology Director’s Report – **(Position current vacant)** *---no report.*

1. **Board Committee Chair Reports**
2. Copyright Translation – **Julie M.** *---Julie M. was not in attendance.*
3. Development – **Suzanne D.** *---Report in binder for ABC/M. Will also post to Dropbox. No questions, no discussion.*
4. 7th Tradition Committee – **Rick B.** *---Report in Dropbox. No questions, no discussion.*
5. Finance – **Jay G.** *---Report in the print binder for the ABC/M. Pointed out that 2023 ABC/M expenses are substantially higher than amount included in the budget. Noted that this was due to inflation in room rate costs, higher attendance of delegates, and greater preference for single room occupancy.*
6. HR/Personnel – **Juanita J.** *---No report. One will be provided at the ABC/M. Still working on bringing in new Technical Director / Webmaster. Brief discussion about possible job duties of the replacement. Noted that office related tasks formerly done by the Technology Director are now being covered by FWS staff.*
7. Outreach – **Hernan V.** *---Report provided to Dropbox yesterday. No questions, no discussion.*
8. Programs and Memberships – **Gabriel G.** *---Report in Dropbox. Question concerning re-use of google groups for ABM-PC to help retain information for future ABC/M’s. Committee will take this idea up for further discussion.*
9. Technology – **Gabriel G.** *---Report in Dropbox. No questions, no discussion.*
10. Publications & Distribution – **Phoenix G.** *---Report in Dropbox. Committee will be meeting twice a month going forward.*

**LCEP Subcommittee Update** – *Looking into whether this subcommittee is still needed.*

* *Question concerning status of the Spanish translation of the Basic Text.*
* *Response stated that it is on the agenda for this committee to review and publish, but there is no specific timeline for completion.*
* *Noted that publishing this could increase revenue via paper or electronic literature sales.*
* *Stated that this translation was done by a few dedicated individuals who volunteered their time, and that a version by a professional translator would potentially incur large costs.*
* *Pointed out that review of this translation is beyond the capabilities of the BPDC.*
* *Suggested that the BPDC developed a report with a plan for how best to complete this project.*
* *Pointed out that there is already a guide for how best to complete a translation. Suggested to remove this from the literature review process as the Basic Text already is approved literature.*
* *Recommended to create an ad-hoc committee with members from the BOC, BPDC, BCTC and BPMC to review this issue and determine how best to proceed.*

1. **Board Liaison Reports**
2. **Jay –**  CSC *---Noted that this committee is inactive.*
3. **Gabriel –** CDC *---No questions, no discussion.*
4. **Hernan -** CHRC, CPIC *---No report, no discussion.*
5. **Suzanne –** CCC, Chairs  *---No questions, no discussion.*
6. **Juanita –** CICC *---No questions.*
7. **Sam –** CLC, CSTCC  *---No questions, no discussion.*
8. **Julie –** CJC, CSPC, CTIOC *---No questions, no discussion.*
9. **Phoenix** – CFC, CAC  *---No questions, no discussion.*
10. **Rick –** CBC, CMRC *---Question concerning proposed By-Law amendments, specifically the motions at the ABC/M referencing BOT meeting notice requirements and indemnification requirements.*

* *Concern that the CBC has only two active members, and that they may not have expertise in By-Law language.*
* *Stated that the By-Law amendment referencing BOT meeting notice requirements is not a motion, but instead and IFD.*
* *Requested that the motion concerning the indemnification requirements be converted to an IFD, for further discussion at the ABC/M.*
* *Suggested to have a lawyer review the suggested amendments, and provide a legal opinion.*
* *Recommended to forward Jay G.’s email with analysis of issues to the committee.*
* *Rick will forward to the CBC the board concerns and request to convert the indemnification motion to an IFD.*

***---Pam Reyes left the meeting after these Reports.***

**BUSINESS**

**ELEVATED PRIORITY:**

1. IFD: Does the BOT have a position on the legal ownership of the unofficial S.L.A.A. YouTube channel. – **Hernan V. / Shoky P.’s request to the BOT (donation of domains)**

*---Requested to table the legal ownership of the unofficial S.L.A.A. YouTube channel question until next month. Discussion continued concerning the Shoky P. purchase of slaayoutube.com / .net / .org domains and request to donate them to the FWS.*

* *Noted that this was previously discussed. Current practice of the board is to deal with our website only.*
* *Suggested to keep a separation between the board and conference work.*
* *Recommended to accept donation of the three domain names for possible future use. Noted that it should only occur after due diligence is conducted to make sure there is no potential conflicts or issues.*
* *Pointed out that domains cost money to keep each year. The current costs for holding a domain is approximately $100 per year, for a total of $300 per year to maintain all three.*
* *Motion made to accept three domains as a donation, find out when they expire, and let the donator know that the board will decide what to do with them. Motion seconded. No vote taken.*
* *Motion made to table this issue until more information on expiration dates and renewal costs has been obtained. Motion seconded, with vote as follows: seven in favor, one opposed, none abstained (7-1-0). Motion was tabled for follow up.*

1. Motion to approve – B7TC Contribution Policy edited version. – **Rick B.** *---Contribution policy has been posted to Dropbox. Updated with edits for clarification. Discussion as follows:*

* *Noted that the endowment fund donation policies were not included in the updates, but should be to avoid conflict between the two policies.*
* *Motion made to amend the motion to approve the policy update to include alignment with the endowment fund donation policy. Motion seconded, with vote as follows: eight in favor, none opposed, none abstain (8-0-0). Motion passed.*
* *Suggested to take the revised policy back to the committee for review before voting on it.*
* *Motion made to approve the most recent version of B7TC Contribution Policy, as amended during this discussion. Motion seconded, with vote as follows: eight in favor, none opposed, none abstain (8-0-0). Motion passed.*
* ***Action item for Rick B:.*** *to change the date at bottom of document, make amendments, and then forward the final version of the document to Pam and include in all appropriate locations.*

1. Election of Officers. – **Rick B.**  *---Clarification as to when board trustee and officer position terms end. Concern over new board trustees voting on board officer positions without any experience on the board. Discussion as follows:*

* *Noted that Texas law requires that the new board positions take effect immediately upon conclusion of the voting process.*
* *Stated that officer terms are included in the By-Laws.*
* *Noted that the new board should be electing the new officer positions.*
* *Suggested to write a policy specifically detailing that the new board chair will be voted into office by the new board on the final day of ABC/M.*

**REGULAR PRIORITY:**

1. 2023-2024 Virtual Retreat to set goals for the Conference year. – **Suzanne D.** *---tabled until next meeting.*

1. Discuss best ways to review major changes to the ABC/M process. – **Jay G.** *---tabled until next meeting.*

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

**Check-outs:** Jay G., Gabriel G., Hernan V., Juanita J., Sam E., Phoenix G., Rick B., Suzanne D., 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.* – **Rick B.**

**Meeting Schedule for Conference Year 2022-2023**

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| *~~10 Sept 22 – Regular~~* | *~~8 Oct 22 – Interim~~* | *~~12 Nov 22 – Regular~~* |
| *~~10 Dec 22 – Interim~~* | *~~14 Jan 23 – Regular~~* | *~~11 Feb 23 – Interim~~* |
| *~~11 Mar 23 - Regular~~* | *~~8 Apr 23 – Interim~~* | *~~13 May 23 – Regular~~* |
| *~~10 Jun 23 – Interim~~* | 8 Jul 23 – Regular | F2F (TBD) 2023 |