



The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A.,  
Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES 24 Aug 2024

Time: 7:00 a.m. UTC, 3:00 a.m. ET, 2:00 a.m. CT, 12:00 a.m. PT,  
4:30 p.m. (Darwin, AU): 2 hour + 45 minutes meeting

### 1) Opening Matters

- Check-Ins/Sobriety Statements – Phoenix G. (TX), Rick B. (FL.), Jack F. (AUS), Jeff R. (WA), John S. (CA), Patrick D. (UK), Chris D. (CA)
- a. Readings:
  - Twelve Concepts – Concept 8 - (Non-Chair Member with most seniority) – **Phoenix G.**
  - Twelve Traditions - Tradition 8 - (Member next most seniority on the BOT) – **Rick B.**
  - 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 meeting 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.* – **Jack F.** (Member with the third-most seniority on the BOT)

### Start Recording (\*9)

### 2) Assign roles

- a) Facilitator – **Chris D.**
- b) Record Keeper – **Jack F.**
- c) Timekeeper –
- d) Spiritual Reminder – **All**

### 3) Announcements

- BOT Committee reports and new BOT member introductions are due to the F.W.S. Newsletter Editor tomorrow (Sunday, 25 Aug 2024).

- Please provide three goals for each BOT Committee at the 7 September 2024 BOT meeting.
- Thanks to Rick who is editing the first draft of the Talking Points for the 8/3, 8/4 and 8/10 BOT meetings that he sent out on 8/12.
- There is a postmortem of the 2024 ABM on 8/29 at 4:00 p.m. PT. Only the ones most involved are joining so it can be an effective but short meeting.
- A member emailed a complaint about several South American countries and the USA not being invited to the ABM. Chris will respond to let them know that everyone was invited. Complaint in Dropbox.

4) **Approval of Today's Agenda** - (BOT Meeting Agenda 24 Aug 2024)

no objections – approved

5) **Approval of Prior BOT Meeting Minutes** - (BOT Meeting Minutes 10 Aug 2024)

no objections - approved

**BUSINESS**

**ELEVATED PRIORITY:**

- A) BOT Orientation.
- B) Finish Board Committee assignments & 2<sup>nd</sup> Board Liaisons
  - BFC: **Jeff R. (WA)**
  - BCTC: **Rick B. (FL)**
  - BDC: **Chris D. (CA)**
  - BHRPC: **John S. (CA)**
  - BOC: **Jack F. (AUS)**
  - BPDC: **Patrick D. (UK)**
  - BABMPC: **Phoenix G. (TX), Chris D.**
  - BTC: **Vacant**
  - B7TC: **Phoenix G. (TX)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Board Liaisons discussed & appointed below:**

- BFC: **Phoenix G. (TX)**
- BCTC: **N/A**
- BDC: **Jack F. (AUS)**
- BHRPC: **Rick B. (FL)**
- BOC: **John S. (CA)**
- BPDC: **Rick B. (FL)**

BABMPC: **Chris D. (CA)**

BTC: **Jeff R. (WA)**

B7TC: **Patrick D. (UK)**

C) BOT Conference Committee Liaison assignments (request made that International BOT members be provided first choice)

- CAC (Conference Anorexia Committee)
- CBC (Conference By-Laws Committee)
- CCC (Conference Charter Committee) **Chris D.**
- CDC (Conference Diversity Committee)
- CFC (Conference Finance Committee)
- CHRC (Conference Healthy Relationships Committee)
- CICC (Conference Intergroup Communications Committee)
- CJC (Conference Journal Committee)
- CLC (Conference Literature Committee)
- CMRC (Conference Member Retention Committee)
- CPIC (Conference Public Information Committee)
- CSC (Conference Service Committee)
- CSPC (Conference Sponsorship Committee)
- CSTCC (Conference Steps Traditions and Concepts Committee)
- CTIOC (Conference Translation and International Outreach Committee)

**Conference Committees discussed & appointed below:**

CAC (Conference Anorexia Committee) **Rick B. (FL)**

CBC (Conference By-Laws Committee) **Phoenix G. (TX)**

CCC (Conference Charter Committee) **Chris D.**

CDC (Conference Diversity Committee) **Jeff R. (WA)**

CFC (Conference Finance Committee) **Jeff R. (WA)**

CHRC (Conference Healthy Relationships Committee) **Phoenix G. (TX)**

CICC (Conference Intergroup Communications Committee) **Rick B. (FL)**

CJC (Conference Journal Committee) **John S. (CA)**

CLC (Conference Literature Committee) **Patrick D. (UK)**

CMRC (Conference Member Retention Committee) **Phoenix G. (TX)**

CPIC (Conference Public Information Committee) **Jack F. (AUS)**

CSC (Conference Service Committee) **John S. (CA)**

CSPC (Conference Sponsorship Committee) **Patrick D. (UK)**

CSTCC (Conference Steps Traditions and Concepts Committee) **Jack F. (AUS)**

CTIOC (Conference Translation and International Outreach Committee)

**Rick B. (FL)**

D) Motion made to make a bank resolution making Chris D. a signer on financial institutions accounts.

**Friendly amendment made by Rick B:**

To authorise the execution of bank resolutions for Chris D (chair) & Jeff R (treasurer) for

financial institutions on the 24th of August 2024

**Chris D accepted the friendly amendment**

**Motion by:** Rick B      **Seconded:** John S      **Vote: Unanimous**

- E) Motion made to make a bank resolution making Jeff R. a signer on financial institutions accounts.

**Motion withdrawn**

- F) Vote on any outstanding board committee applications.

- Hernan V. on the BFC.

**MOTION:** To appoint **Hernan V** of the Board Finance Committee

**Motion by:** Jeff R      **Seconded:** Phoenix G      **Approved**

- John D. on the BFC.

**MOTION:** To appoint **John D** of the Board Finance Committee

**Motion by:** Jeff R      **Seconded:** Phoenix G      **Approved**

- Michael S. on the BFC.

**Unanimously approved via email – agenda item withdrawn**

- Diana S. on the BOC.

**MOTION:** To appoint **Diana S** of the Board Outreach Committee

**Motion by:** Jack F      **Seconded:** Chris D      **Approved**

## Stop Recording (\*9)

### Closing Matters:

**Check-outs:** Phoenix G. (TX), Rick B. (FL.), Jack F. (AUS), Jeff R. (WA), John S. (CA), Patrick D. (UK), Chris D. (CA)

### **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.*  
– **Patrick D. (Member with the least seniority on the BOT)**

**Meeting Schedule for CY 2024-2025 (Central Time, All 3 hours)**

<del>24 Aug 24</del> Special/BOT Orientation	7 Sep 2024	5 Oct 2024
2 Nov 2024	7 Dec 2024	4 Jan 2025
1 Feb 2025	1 Mar 2025	5 Apr 2025
3 May 2025	7 Jun 2025	5 Jul 2025
2 Aug 2025		