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Secular AA 6 October 2024 **Secular AA Board AGENDA** 2PM ET/11AM PT

Meeting ID: 864 4075 0033

Passcode: 121212

Call to Order - by Chair Will.I.Am

AA Declaration of Unity:

“This we owe to AA’s future: To place our common welfare first: To keep our fellowship united. For on AA Unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.”

Attending Interim Meeting

Board Members (Start Date)

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| Will.I.Am | Chair (01/2023) |
| Jeff S | Vice-Chair (06/2023) |
| Margarita A | Secretary (01/2023) |
| Kurt R. | Treasurer (07/2022) |
| Dale K | Member at Large (01/2023) |
| “Jeb” James | Member at Large/Virtual ICSAA 2023 Committee Chair (01/2023) |
| Lisa P | Member at Large (06/2023) |
| “Sonny” Sherman | Member at Large (01/2023) |
| VACANCY | |
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| Mikey J | Technology Coordinator (01/2023) |
| Alison P | ICSAA Orlando 2024 Committee Chair (03/2023) |
| Joe C | Advisor to Acting Chair (Nonmember) |

Agenda Items

Agenda Item 1) Secretary - Margarita Reporting: RATIFY BYLAWS that were approved by the Board of Secular AA in April 2023 and are accessible here:

https://www.aasecular.org/files/ugd/c732f8_b4e5c963a01b4c748a8644f08a4988de.pdf

Accompanying pdf, “Secular AA Bylaws - to Ratify Oct 6 2024” shows the amendments in red for added wording and in blue for wording that has been removed throughout the document.

Agenda Item 2) Nominating Committee – Vice-Chair Jeff S Reporting: ELECT 2 new Secular AA Board Directors for Jan 2025- Dec 2028 terms.

Agenda Item 3) ICSAA 2026 Site Selection Committee – Vice-Chair Jeff S Reporting: VOTE to approve ICSAA 2026 Site. The cities’ proposals will be made accessible at

<https://www.aasecular.org/icsaa-2026>

Agenda Item 4) VIRTUAL ICSAA 2025: Vote to approve a virtual conference for the fall of 2025.

Agenda Item 5) Service Positions Available: UPDATE/Q&A

- VIRTUAL ICSAA 2025 committee Chair and committee members
- In Reach Committee
- Fellowship Committee needs a volunteer to assemble resources for starting secularly formatted online and in-person A.A. meetings; needs volunteers for our monthly Global Speakers Tour to invite groups, make flyers, run meetings (security, chair, post in chat, simultaneous translation), edit recordings, etc.
- The IT Committee needs a volunteer with UX experience.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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NEXT Secular AA BOARD MEMBERS MEETING 2pm ET/11am PT Oct 19, 2024



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Mission Statement

“Our mission is to assure suffering alcoholics that they can find sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous without having to accept anyone else’s beliefs or deny their own. Secular AA does not endorse or oppose any form of religion or belief system and operates in accordance with the Third Tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous: The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking.”

Vision Statement

“Secular AA recognizes and honors the immeasurable contributions that Alcoholics Anonymous has made to assist individuals to recover from alcoholism. We seek to ensure that AA remains an effective, relevant and inclusive program of recovery in an increasingly secular society. The foundation of Secular AA is grounded in our experience that anyone - regardless of their spiritual beliefs or lack thereof – can recover in the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. Secular AA exists to serve the community of secularly-minded alcoholics by supporting worldwide access to secularly formatted AA meetings and fostering mutual support within a growing population of secularly-minded alcoholics.”

Board Meeting Procedures

Parliamentary authority per Robert’s Rules of Order within the principles found in AA’s 12 Concepts for World Service, AA’s 12 Traditions, AA Service Manual and our Bylaws. Bylaws – should be considered a work in process, please provide the chair with any suggested amendments.

Committee process

- o Status reports at board meetings
- o Board functions as oversight and holds committees responsible to the collective group conscious.
- o Work to be done in committees not at board meetings.
- o Committee chairs should involve non-board member Secular AA Members in committee work.

Agenda - be prepared to table new topics if needed.

Back to Basics and Keeping it Simple

LINK TO BYLAWS:

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