## DA-HOW Phone Meeting Intergroup Meeting Minutes Friday, July 10, 2015

## **Talking Points for Intergroup Reps**

- \$100 disbursed to ISR for attendance at WSC.
- Paypal now set up on the PMI website.
- Decision made to list all DA-HOW meetings we're aware of with explicit language that being on the list doesn't imply endorsement of PMI by that meeting.
- I. Opened with Serenity Prayer
- II. Treasurer's Report
  - a. \$100 disbursed to ISR for attendance at World Service Conference
  - b. Current balance \$128.49
  - c. Spending plan for PMI still under development. Treasurer will meet with ISR following the conference and report back to PMI.
- III. ISR Report
  - a None
- IV. Old business
  - a. Meeting Listings
    - Motion to list all DA-HOW meetings that are listed on the DA website and/or that we are aware are still meeting, with a caveat that we don't know for sure whether they are meeting or whether they are still DA-HOW meetings.
    - ii. Motion seconded.
    - iii. Discussion
      - 1. Our primary purpose as the PMI is to provide resources to DA-HOW meetings and to the DA-HOW newcomer. Therefore, and especially since the DA website/phone list is still out of date, it is important that we make available to newcomers as comprehensive a list of available DA-HOW meetings as possible.
      - 2. This will not be a part of the listing of meetings which have chosen to be listed on the site. Those meetings have their own page with additional information about their meetings, links to format, etc.
      - 3. It will be made clear that these are simply meetings that PMI is aware of. (e.g. "In addition, DA-HOW meetings are available at...).

- 4. Are we apologizing too much for what we are trying to do? We don't want to offend anyone, but our intention is to spread the message to the newcomer about DA-HOW.
  - a. Meeting information is public and not proprietary. We do not need permission to list this information.
  - b. We don't want to be disrespectful to those meetings that have not voted to have their own listing on the website, but it is too important to get the word to newcomers to DA-HOW about available meetings.
- iv. Motion carried
- b. Meeting Listings, part II
  - i. Motion to include explicit language that listing on that list of meetings does not imply affiliation between the meetings or PMI.
  - ii. Seconded
  - iii Discussion
    - 1. AA as a whole does not endorse individual intergroups or meetings etc. This is the same thing. Listing on the PMI website does not imply any affiliation between PMI and individual DA-HOW meetings. We don't endorse them, they don't endorse us. It's just a list so newcomers can find meetings and resources.
    - 2. We want to create a safe and respectful resource site for newcomers and for DA-HOW meetings.
  - iv. Motion carried

## V. New Business

- a. Paypal
  - i. Treasurer has set up a Paypal account for our PMI account. Just need to decide whether to put onto website.
  - ii. Motion to add "Donate" page with Paypal button.
  - iii. Second
  - iv. Discussion
    - 1. It would be clear exactly what this is for (to send an ISR to WSO)
    - 2. PMI spending plan info would be added as available.
  - v. Motion carried
  - vi. Treasurer and webmaster to figure this out.

## b. Quorum

- i. Does PMI need a quorum to hold a meeting?
- ii. It was thought that since we did not have a registered membership, nor any voting requirements, a quorum was not actually possible to establish.
- iii. Motion: If 2 or more people attend, the meeting can happen. If those two feel any vote is too significant and requires greater attendance, they will table the vote.
- iv. Seconded
- v. Motion carried

- c. Questions about New Meetings
  - i. An email was received from a DA-HOW member wanting to revive the Tuesday Promises meeting and wanting information on how to do that. She also had ideas for additional meetings. Question was raised as to what PMI's role is in addressing this.
  - ii. Discussion
    - 1. PMI has no authority on this issue. We can only state that per PMI group conscience, what qualifies a meeting as a HOW meeting is that it be led by a DA-HOW sponsor.
    - 2. We will respond to the person with our standard email inviting her to attend our next PMI meeting to get questions answered live. We will include the following information:
      - a. Gratitude for her enthusiasm and wanting to spread the message to the newcomer! ©
      - b. Per group conscience, the Tuesday promises meeting officially disbanded and therefore does not actually exist, even if people continue to show up due to outdated information on the DA website. Therefore to "revive" this meeting would actually be starting a new meeting. Information about how to do so from the DA website will be included as a link.
      - c. PMI suggests that, per PMI group conscience, a HOW meeting must be led by a HOW sponsor.
      - d. Several phone numbers of persons attending the PMI will be included in case this person would like to follow up with individual members for experience, strength and hope.
  - iii. Motion: Add a resource page on the PMI website on "Suggestions for Starting a Meeting."
    - 1. Friendly amendment (accepted): Content to be added later through PMI meeting votes. Webmaster to take first crack at content and submit before next meeting for review (will be sent to mailing list.)
    - 2. Seconded
    - 3. Motion carried
- d. Tabled for next meeting: Some who want to attend PMI find it too early. Discuss time of meeting.
- VI. Closed with Serenity Prayer