

# The Woodland Online Group

## Secretary Script

November 2024

Do not read aloud material that are underlined, in italics, or contained in a text box.

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### Prior to the meeting, choose readers for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> How It Works (BB, 58)                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Any specific readings you will use in the meeting (Daily Reflection, page of As Bill Sees It, portion of Living Sober, etc.). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The 12 Traditions (BB, 561)                            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choose someone to close the meeting out with a prayer. | <input type="checkbox"/> You may ask someone to keep track of the newcomers, visitors, and birthdays.  |

*As the meeting begins, ask the host to mute all participants. Remember to unmute yourself!*

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### Welcome

Welcome to this meeting of the Woodland Online Group! We're glad you're all here, especially the newcomers! My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm an alcoholic. Let's open the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer:

**God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.**

### Preamble

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

### Cameras

If you are able, we ask that you turn your camera on. If you are not able to do so, please stay: you are welcome here.

### Readings

I have asked \_\_\_\_\_ to read a portion of **How It Works on page 58**.

I have asked \_\_\_\_\_ to read the **12 Traditions on page 561**.

## Announcements

- Are there any AA related announcements?
- Are there any other AA related announcements?

## Seventh Tradition

AA's 7th Tradition states we are self-supporting through our own contributions. There are three ways you can contribute to the Woodland Online Group, they are Paypal, Venmo and postal mail. The link to make a contribution is posted in the chat. **"The Woodland Online Group thanks you for your contributions!"**

## Some Security Settings for the Meeting

For security purposes, the room will remain muted during the meeting. To unmute, please raise your virtual hand (located at the bottom of your zoom screen) and I will ask you to unmute. Also, the chat will be disabled for the meeting, however you will be able to private chat with the host/co-host and make general posts to everyone. Please be respectful in your posts.

## Newcomers, Visitors, and Birthdays

- Do we have any newcomers or anyone in their first 30 days of sobriety that would like to introduce themselves? This is not to embarrass you but so we can get to know you.
- Do we have anyone attending this meeting for the first or second time that would like to introduce themselves?
- Do we have any birthdays or milestones for the month of \_\_\_\_\_?

## Fifth Tradition

Tradition 5 states, "Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers." The Big Book is the guiding text of Alcoholics Anonymous and contains the basis of our program. Because newcomers are the most important people in the room and the Big Book is a vital part of the program, if any newcomer -- or anyone here, new or not -- needs a copy, the Woodland Online Group wants to provide one for you at no cost within the US. If you already have a Big Book, the group can also provide you with a copy of *The 12 Steps & 12 Traditions*, at no cost as well. Please send the **Host** a private chat message with your name, mailing address, and which you books you would like.

We also provide coins for those celebrating AA milestones. We have 24-hour coins, monthly coins, and yearly coins. If you would like one or more of these, please also send the host a private chat message with your name, mailing address, and which coins you would like.

## Sponsorship

A sponsor is someone who has a working knowledge of the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous who can help you work the steps. Please raise your hand (real or virtual) if you are willing to be a sponsor, a temporary sponsor, or even if you are just willing to answer questions about sponsorship. You may also put your name and number in the chat.

If you need a sponsor or just more information about sponsorship, please reach out via chat to those who raised their hands. You can also stay after the meeting to talk with other members of the group!

## Host Assistance

If you feel uncomfortable, or unsafe for any reason during the meeting, please contact the Host via private chat for assistance. Our host is \_\_\_\_\_ .

## The Main Event

This is a/an (As Bill Sees It, Big Book, 12&12, Daily Reflection, Speaker) meeting, **PLEASE keep your shares to 2-3 minutes to ensure that all who wish to speak get a chance to do so. REMINDER!** Please use the hand raise feature and I will ask you to unmute.

**ABS!**: \_\_\_\_\_ has volunteered to choose a topic from As Bill Sees It, read and share on it

**Big Book/12x12:** \_\_\_\_\_ we are on page \_\_\_\_\_

### Speaker/Discussion:

Our speaker will share for approximately 15-20 minutes and then pick a topic for the meeting. After that, we will open the meeting for shares.

## Closing

Thank you to [speaker, host, readers, those that shared, and everyone for being a part of the meeting]. The meeting will stay open after the meeting for questions and fellowship. **We encourage newcomers to stick around so we can get to know you!**

## Prayer

\_\_\_\_\_ please take us out with a moment of silence and a prayer of your choice. Thank you.