
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

A meeting of Awakening Together Trustees was held on 10/1/2018 at 5:45 MT. Attendees included Regina, Jacquelyn, Jay, Ken, Carrie, Kathy, Doreen and Helen. Meeting adjourned at 7.15pm MT.

Approval of minutes: minutes from 9/17/18 approved

Contemplation of quote:

“We should never desire to be over others. Instead, we ought to be servants who are submissive to every human being for God’s sake.”

– *St. Francis of Assisi*

A. Prayer Circle Discussion: Continuing from last meeting, discussion around whether an offline prayer circle led by Carrie and Doreen is desired and whether it aligns with AT’s core values. Decision that prayer circle aligns with the second core value and the fifth core value, but concerns that those praying may remain stuck in perceptions of suffering or that things in form need to be a certain way which is not in alignment with AT’s teaching and is a disservice to those praying. A short training that teaches ministers offering to pray is suggested. Regina proposes a vote for the offline circle with training for prayers. Motion passed 7:1 Regina says webpage will be updated to reflect the change to prayer circle. Doreen and Carrie will develop the training.

B. Ideas for Retreats at the Retreat House: House purchase will be closing at 10am on Friday morning. First retreat will be January and Regina has scheduled times for retreats during the year. Suggestions for retreats: Doreen suggests a liturgy retreat and potential soul collage retreat. Jay suggests Dyad retreat, a sharing retreat, a silent retreat with contemplation, an art creation retreat. Helen suggests yoga retreat. Carrie suggests silent nature retreat and a hand drum making workshop with noise limited to away from house. Jacquelyn suggests writing with inner wisdom workshop. Jay suggests Craig Holliday or other satsang speakers could be invited to lead a retreat. Kathy would appreciate a dyad or introspective retreat. Suggestions to be emailed to Regina.

C. Leadership Update from Regina:

- **New Sanctuary Schedule:** Immediately when back from Italy retreat, there will be a new schedule.

- **Effort to hire new Sanctuary Director:** Interviews will be wrapped up this week.
- **New Platform:** Still unsure when Sanctuary will be moving over to Zoom from Paltalk. Ken, Jacquelyn and Regina will create a transition plan.

D. Forum Update from Jacquelyn and Jay: No update from last meeting.

E. Ministers' Subcommittee Update from Carrie: Newsletter is going from bimonthly to quarterly.

Helen Avery

Acting Secretary

Date of approval

