

Families Anonymous
Final Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
March 15, 2025

INTRODUCTION

1. Call to Order: 12:03 pm EDT, by Maria S, Chair

2. Roll Call: by Jan B

<u>Name</u>	<u>WSB Role</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Monthly Report</u>
Maria S	Chair	P	W
Chris Y	Vice Chair	P	W
Cindy C	Treasurer	P	W
Jan B	Secretary	P	W
Greg C	BMAL	P	W
Bob S	BMAL	P	W
Chris Z	BMAL	E	N
Guy B	BMAL	E	W
Helen L	BMAL	P	N
Lori H	BMAL	P	W
Judy B	BMAL	P	W

Attendance Key: P=Present, A=Absent, E=Excused, LOA=Leave of Absence

Monthly Report Key: W= Submitted by deadline, L=Submitted after deadline, N=No report submitted, E=Excused for extenuating circumstances, LOA = Leave of Absence

3. Acceptance of Published Agenda:

- Maria moved to accept the Agenda, Cindy seconded, voted on and accepted.

4. Tradition One:

- Read by Bob: *“Our common welfare should come first; personal progress for the greatest number depends on unity.*

5. Approval of February, 2025 WSB Minutes

- Jan moved to accept the February, 2025 WSB Minutes, Lori seconded, voted on and approved. Jan to distribute.

6. Chair's Report: Maria S

- There were no other comments or questions concerning the Chair's Report.

7. Treasurer's Report: Cindy C

- Cindy provided the monthly financial reports for February, 2025 as part of her monthly report.
- There were no other comments or questions concerning the Treasurer's Report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee

SC-1 Public Information
SC-2 WSO
SC-3 Literature
SC-4 Serenity Messenger Newsletter
SC-5 Bylaws, Parliamentary
SC-6 International Groups
SC-7 Budget Committee
SC-8 Sponsorship
SC-9 Group Outreach
SC-10 Financial Oversight
SC-11 Technology
SC-12 Long Range Planning

Chair

Cindy C (Board Liaison)
Maria S
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Robert S
Maria S (ad interim)
Helen L
Cindy C
Helen L
Chris Z
Chris Z
Chris Y
Greg C

AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee

AH-1 Convention Liaison
AH-2 Intergroup Support & Development
AH-3 Document Review
AH-4 Education
AH-5 Literature Access Initiative

Chair

Cindy C
Greg
Jan
Maria S
Maria S

- There were no comments or questions regarding the committee reports.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

TABLED ITEMS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review of the Dashboard (Cindy C) (See Attachment A).

Growth: 1 new group this month, in Sydney, OH.

No starter kits purchased.

1 group closed this month. This was In Springfield, MO where they had both an in-person group and a virtual group, and the virtual group shut down.

Awareness & Outreach: Facebook, Instagram interactions and Video views continue to grow.

Literature and Events: No new literature this month.

2025 Conventions: UK April 11-13, WS Convention in Chicago suburb of Oakbrook, July 25 - 27. Encourage all Board members to attend and build interest in your groups.

Niche Groups: All three original groups going well. New teen sibling group and S.O/Spouse (SOS) groups to start soon.

Education: Future offerings: Sponsorship, Co-Dependency and Bipolar Disorder.

New Niche Group: SOS - Significant Other/Spouse group, will launch with first meeting on April 9th. It will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 12 noon ET, purposely during lunch hour for their convenience. Judy B will be the contact person for that group..

New Niche Group: Teens, ages 14-19, will launch April 13th and will meet on Zoom the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 5PM ET. Caitlin, who is in the Siblings Niche Group, will be the adult leader of this group.

2. MOTION: Approval of PPG-06 Intellectual Property Policy & Limited License (Maria)

Motion: Move that the WSB approve the updated version of PPG-06 *Intellectual Property Policy and Limited License*.

Rationale: This policy was due for review. The document was updated to reflect the correct usage of registration marks and copyright notices in FA materials.

Feasibility: The updated document was sent to the WSB for review on February 20, 2025. No additional changes were suggested.

Implementation: Once approved, the WSO Chair will provide the WSO DMC with:

- A Word file (with the updated information) to serve as the Golden Master
- A pdf file (with the updated information) for filing on the website.

Cost: There is no cost associated with this motion.

Motion made by Maria, Bob seconded, voted on and approved unanimously.

3. MOTION: Motion to Approve update of PPG-09 Telephone Policy (Maria)

Motion: Move that the WSB approve the updated version of PPG-09 *Telephone Policy*.

Rationale: This policy was due for review. No substantive changes were needed.

Feasibility: The document, with updated review dates, was sent to the WSB for review on February 20, 2025. No additional changes were suggested.

Implementation: Once approved, the WSO Chair will provide the WSO DMC with:

- A Word file (with the updated review dates) to serve as the Golden Master.
- A pdf file (with the updated review dates) for filing on the website.

Cost: There is no cost associated with this motion.

Motion made by Maria, Chris Y seconded, voted on and approved unanimously.

4. MOTION: Motion to Approve update of PPG-12 *Policy and Procedures for Volunteers*. (Maria)

Motion: Move that the WSB approve the updated version of PPG-12 *Policy and Procedures for Volunteers*.

Rationale: This policy was due for review. No substantive changes were needed.

Feasibility: The document, with updated review dates, was sent to the WSB for review on February 20, 2025. No additional changes were suggested.

Implementation: Once approved, the WSO Chair will provide the WSO DMC with:

- A Word file (with the updated review dates) to serve as the Golden Master.
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Cost: There is no cost associated with this motion.

Motion made by Maria, Jan seconded, voted on and approved unanimously.

5. Motion to Approve update of PPG-19 *Donations Policy*

Motion: Move that the WSB approve the updated version of PPG-19 *Donation Policy*.

Rationale: This policy was due for review. No substantive changes were needed.

Feasibility: The document, with updated review dates, was sent to the WSB for review on February 20, 2025. No additional changes were suggested.

Implementation: Once approved, the WSO Chair will provide the WSO DMC with:

- A Word file (with the updated review dates) to serve as the Golden Master.
- A pdf file (with the updated review dates) for filing on the website.

Cost: There is no cost associated with this motion.

Motion made by Maria, Greg seconded, voted on and approved unanimously.

6. MOTION: Approval to invest in 12 month \$50,000 CD (Cindy)

MOTION: Move that the Families Anonymous World Service Board (WSB) Treasurer invest \$50,000 in an FDIC-insured 12-Month Certificate of Deposit (CD) with Chase Bank.

RATIONALE: Rates of return for CDs are currently higher than the rate earned from the fellowship's Savings account. The fellowship could earn more interest income while keeping funds fully insured by the FDIC. The fellowship's projected cash needs over the time period of a 12-month CD allow for this investment. The interest rate as of March 11, 2024, for a 12-month \$50,000 CD is 3.00% Annual Percentage Yield (APY). Note: rates are updated daily. At a 3.00% rate, the fellowship would earn approximately \$1,500 during the 12-month period of the CD. In comparison, the Savings account earns approximately \$24 annually.

IMPLEMENTATION: On approval, the Treasurer is authorized to invest \$50,000 into a 12-month Certificate of Deposit with Chase Bank when the existing \$100,000 CD matures on March 25, 2025.

COST: None

Motion made by Cindy, Jan seconded, voted on and approved unanimously.

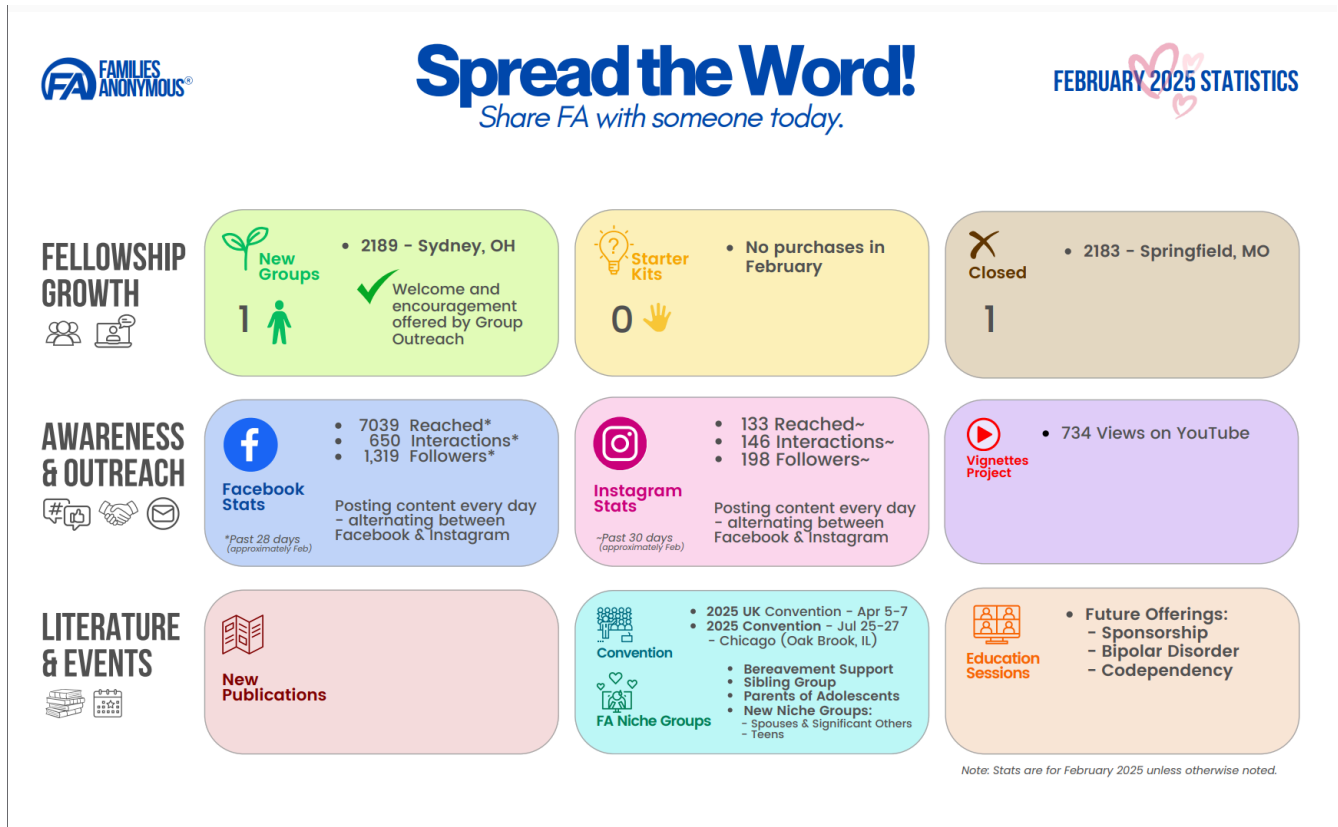
CLOSING

1. Announcements / items forgotten to mention:

2. Adjournment: Maria moved to adjourn, Lori seconded, voted on and approved. Adjourned at 12:21 pm ET.

3. Closed with Serenity Prayer

Attachment A



AWARENESS & OUTREACH - NEWEST NICHE GROUPS



NEW

SOS
SIGNIFICANT OTHERS & SPOUSES

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- For **Significant Others & Spouses (SOS)**
- Launching **April 9**

- Meet **Online 2nd & 4th Wednesday** of the Month via Zoom at **Noon Eastern Time**
- Contact: Judy at **JudyBoltBrams@aol.com**



You are not alone.

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COMING SOON

Teens



- **Exclusively** for **Teens ages 14-19**
- Launching **April 13**
- Meet **Online 2nd & 4th Sunday** of the Month via Zoom at **5pm Eastern/4pm Central**
- Adult oversight, but not a professional counseling group
- Safe place for teens to share experiences and develop tools for navigating concerns about someone else's substance use.
- Contact: Caitlin at **caitob@proton.me**