

Submitted Minutes from BDA Help for Debtors (registered BDA group # 7720)

Service Meeting on May 31, 2022

Urgent business

We agreed to cancel our June 28th service meeting due to Nancy's travel schedule (and a well-deserved need for a break from our meeting schedule). **Approved unanimously.**

Minutes and treasury

April 2022 minutes were summarized. **Minutes approved.**

April 2022 treasury report was summarized. **Treasury report approved.**

Coordinator reports

Nancy presented a literature report through May 30th, including inventory. Our vision is to increase our literature service to fulfillment of an average of 1.5 literature requests per day in 2022. Our average is 1.3 requests per day through May 30th.

Quick review of our May 11th newsletter. Everyone was pleased with results and member articles. Nancy will write the front-page article for May, and Bob will write the articles for the back page. We need volunteers to write articles for July. Thank you!

Radio outreach project update for April has been included in the May newsletter and distributed to our contact list. Our new PSA (Public Service Announcement) for 2022, with an emphasis on the difficulty of saving for taxes "and other obligations," was launched on March 7th. Woo-hoo!

Quick review of our current and upcoming hosted recovery events, including progress discussion for our current conference series — BDA Business Planning Conference scheduled for April, May, and June 2022 is going well, better than expected. Our next DA and BDA Visioning Conference is scheduled for July and August 2022; followed by our next BDA Business Planning Conference in September, October, and November 2022. We are planning to host each of these events only once in 2023. We're in early planning for a Spring 2023 BDA Business Conference with an emphasis on income generation and running our businesses using the BDA Tools.

Old business

1. How do we get more members and newcomers engaged with and invited to our various recovery events and conferences and into our growing online BDA community?
2. We have a new web page at <https://www.helpfordebtors.org/active-group-conscience-decisions>, which needs to be reviewed and approved. **We have approved through the second item listed for June 2021.**

This month we reviewed and approved our entries on the page above from June 2021 through April 2022. **Approved unanimously.**

New business

1. Developing ideas for carrying the message and reaching our fellow debtors, especially business debtors and still-suffering debtors, inside and outside of the DA and BDA fellowship.

We agreed to perform a one-time outreach project to US veterans via the VA (Veterans Administration) Vet Centers. There are 333 Vet Centers spread throughout the 50 states and DC. **Approved unanimously.**

Spending plan for the above activity is as follows and has been **approved unanimously:**

| | VA Vet Centers only |
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| | 333 bundles of 45 brochures |
| 15,000 brochures (\$0.12 each) | 1,800 |
| 333 boxes (approx \$2 each) | 700 |
| shipping for 333 (approx \$5 each) | 1,650 |
| pre-printed address labels (\$0.40 each) | 150 |
| stickers: "Please share our message of HOPE." (\$0.50 each) | 150 |
| subtotals | 4,450 |
| + 10% contingency | 550 |
| project estimate | \$5,000 |
| cost per bundle | \$15.02 |

Design and development of our new outreach brochure, return address labels, and custom stickers for 2022. (Plus our mailing supply selections.) **Approved unanimously.**

Filling open service coordinator positions (see www.helpfordebtors.org)

We had no candidates for service positions this month.

6:30pm pacific / 9:30pm eastern — Closed with Serenity Prayer