

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS BOARD OF TRUSTEES QUICK RESPONSE MEETING
OCTOBER 21 – NOVEMBER 04, 2020**

Andy R., Chair of the Board of Trustees called for a Quick Response Meeting and the item that was voted on, is as follows:

To temporarily approve online meetings as outlined in the **Temporary Guidelines for Video Meetings** (see attachment) which would deem said meetings as sanctioned Gamblers Anonymous Meetings.

Temporary Guidelines for Video Meetings

- I. Protocol for entering and staying in video meetings using platforms such as Zoom, WebEx, etc. and video meetings in which members can attend either by video or telephone.
 - a. Attendance only by video
 - i. In order to enter the meeting, members should first be placed in a “waiting room” if the platform has this type of functionality. The purpose of the waiting room is to quickly determine the identity of the attendees and let them into the meeting either one at a time or en masse. When the waiting room feature is utilized, it is recommended that the meeting consider having at least two facilitators, one to monitor the waiting room and one to facilitate the meeting.
 - ii. If the platform does not have this type of functionality, the meeting secretary or facilitator must assume the duty of identifying all attendees before the meeting begins as well as any attendee who arrives after the meeting has begun.
 - iii. Attendees who are not known to the waiting room facilitator should be further questioned as to the reason for their attendance. If they identify themselves as compulsive gamblers in need of a meeting or new members, they should be taken at their word and admitted to the meeting. The nature of the meeting (open or closed) will also determine the admission of those other than compulsive gamblers, and the final say on admission will rest with the waiting room facilitator.
 - iv. If anyone refuses to identify themselves to the waiting room facilitator, they should immediately be dropped from the waiting room.
 - v. The meeting, through a group conscience, may elect to have all attendees turn their cameras off.
 - vi. If #5 above does not occur, attendees should still be given the option of turning off their cameras and appearing on screen as a “placeholder” or avatar.
 - vii. Attendees should caption their pictures, “placeholders”, or avatars with their first name and last initial only or any other caption that masks their true identity.
 - viii. Virtual backgrounds that may camouflage others who are sharing the member’s meeting space should not be used
 - b. Attendance by telephone
 - i. Members who wish to attend a video meeting by telephone must be screened using the same methods as above so their identity is known to the waiting room facilitator and/or meeting facilitator.
 - ii. Callers who refuse to identify themselves or whose caller ID is either blocked or shows “anonymous” shall not be allowed to attend.
- II. Announcements that should be read before each and every meeting (if not included in that meeting’s customary announcements)

- a. There will be absolutely no video or audio recording of any kind, including screenshots.
- b. Our meeting facilitators have done everything humanly possible to ensure that this is a secure meeting. However, because of the nature of the media we are working with, we cannot guarantee absolute security and thus, anonymity. Therefore, we ask that members not discuss...
 - i. Any crimes for which they may still be prosecuted
 - ii. Anything of such a sensitive nature that it could potentially harm that member or any other members should that information be surreptitiously recorded and leaked.
 - iii. Members who are especially concerned about their anonymity are invited to turn their cameras off and/or change their screen name.

<i>Area</i>	<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Vote</i>
1	Bruce W.	Yes	3F	Julian F.	Yes	13A	Rick L.	Yes
	Carlos F.	Yes	4	Richard F.	Yes		Nan V.	Yes
	Hugh G.	Yes		Debbie R.	Yes	13B	Craig F.	No
1A	Jack R.	Yes	5	Sean N.	Yes		Andy G.	Yes
	Dean W.	Yes	5B	Adrien R.	Yes	14	Ira C.	Yes
1B	Anita R.	Yes	6	Steve H.	Yes		Maury C.	Yes
	Laura M.	Yes		Jo Anne B.	Yes		Stuart B.	Yes
2	Jared H.	Yes		Steve C.	Yes		Mitchell M.	Yes
	Beth Z.	Yes	6A	Dave T.	Yes	15	Alan J.	Yes
	Harold A.	Yes		Mike R.	Yes		Jesse C.	Yes
	Chris N.	Yes	6B	Ron B.	Yes		James G.	Yes
2A	Paul N.	Yes		Steve P.	Yes		Joe B.	Yes
2B	Charlene L.	Yes	7C	Jim G.	No		Mildred N.	Yes
	James B.	Yes	8	Reba-Anna L.	Yes		Stanley C.	Yes
2E	Debra B.	Yes		Bob C.	Yes	16	Carl D.	Yes
2G	Connie M.	Yes		Cindi M.	Yes		Wayne C.	Yes
	Pam B.	Yes		Pam E.	Yes	16A	Dan L.	No
2H	Cindy M.	Yes	8D	Jo K.	Yes	17	Ronny W.	Yes
	Doris S.	Yes	9	Patrick G.	Yes	18	Andy D.	No
3	Mark S.	Yes		Janet S.	Yes		Daphne C.	Yes
	Michael C.	Yes	9A	Pat D.	Yes	18A	Yvonne R.	Yes
	KC B.	Yes	10	Brad G.	Yes		Mark C.	Yes
	Pilar L.	Yes		Ed G.	Yes	18B	Dot R.	Yes
	Rob P.	Yes	10A	Norm B.	Yes		John H.	Yes
3A	Butch G.	Yes	10B	Gary B.	Yes	21	Angel B.	Yes
	Hugo V.	Yes		Steve B.	Yes		Juan B.	Yes
	Karen T.	Yes	12	Walter G.	Yes	28	Irving H.	Yes
3B	Paul G.	Yes		Ted S.	Yes		Martha G.	Yes
	Ron G.	Yes		John F.	Yes		Hector Luis T.	Yes
3C	Terry D.	Yes	13	Scott S.	Yes	33	Moises A.	Yes
3D	Jim L.	Yes		John B.	Yes			
	Pat M.	No		Marla J.	No			

Ninety-four (94) Ballots were received and the vote follows:

Yes 88 No 6

Passed

The above results were counted and verified by 3 members of the Board of Regents on November 21, 2020.

The Gamblers Anonymous Guidance Code Article VIII Board of Trustees, Section 18: states “Any Trustee that misses two (2) consecutive Board meetings is automatically removed from the Board of Trustees, and the area in which he or she serves shall be duly notified to hold an election for that vacant Trustee position. A quick response meeting will count for attendance at the Board of Trustees meeting. Absentee ballots from Board of Trustees members from areas outside of the U.S.A., will count as physical presence at the Board of Trustees physical meetings”.

Therefore, the following current members of the Board of Trustees were not in attendance during this Quick Response Meeting and are officially deemed absent.

<i>Area</i>	<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Trustee</i>
5B	Claude G.	29	Konstantin U.	36	Odie B.
18	Russell K.	33	Moises H.		

Respectfully submitted,

Karen H.

Karen H., International Executive Secretary