

We Agnostics Meeting Format

Good evening everyone. Welcome to the We Agnostics group of Alcoholics Anonymous.

My name is _____ and I am your secretary. This is an open meeting of A.A. The stories you hear are told in confidence. They should not be repeated outside this meeting. This group maintains a tradition of free expression. We neither oppose nor endorse any particular religious or philosophical point of view. We encourage everyone to follow whatever path is most consistent with their own background, experiences and personal beliefs.

If you are new to this meeting we would like to get to know you. Usually, members identify themselves by their first name only. Is there anyone attending their first, second or third A.A. meeting that would like to introduce themselves?

Anyone in their first 30 days of sobriety?

Anyone from outside the area or at this meeting for the first time?

Are there any A.A. birthdays this week?

Are there any A.A. related announcements?

I have asked _____ to read our opening excerpt from Chapter 3 of the big book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*.

The format of this meeting is for the secretary or another member to speak briefly or share something on a topic relevant to recovery from alcoholism. This is followed by open discussion. No one will be called on. We do allow crosstalk but not interruptions.

We will now observe our 7th tradition. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership. The money collected in the basket is used to pay the expenses of this meeting and to support the Central Office and General Services. The H&I pink can is passed separately. H&I donations are used to provide literature for people in hospitals and institutions who would otherwise not have access to it.

I have asked _____ to read our closing excerpt from Chapter 5 of the big book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*.

For those who would like to join us we will now close the meeting by reciting the First Tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous: *“Our common welfare should come first, personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.”*