

Motion Title:

7th Tradition Web Page Wording

To Amend:

To amend the wording of our 7th Tradition web page

Current:

The old wording on the old website: "According to our Seventh Tradition, we are self-supporting through our own contributions. Your contributions go towards this group's expenses: Zoom account access, web-hosting, chips, pamphlets and postage.

We welcome contributions of any amount. PayPal charges a set fee for each donation, so larger and less frequent donations go farther"

Proposed:

"According to our Seventh Tradition, we are self-supporting through our own contributions. Your contributions go towards this group's expenses: Zoom account access, web-hosting, chips, pamphlets and postage. We send regular contributions to the Virtual Region, and the World Service Office {WSO} to help carry the message to other compulsive overeaters.

Give as if your life depends on it! We encourage OA members to give as much as they are able, to help our group be self-supporting. While the suggested contribution is US\$5.00 or more, we welcome contributions of any amount. PayPal charges a set fee for each donation, so larger donations go farther."

- from OA.org Suggested Meeting Format

If desired, we would encourage you to include your meeting's registration number in the 'note field' as you are submitting your contribution, to attribute the contribution to your meeting.

Primary Purpose:

Tradition Seven: "Every OA group ought to be fully self-supporting..." - Although we have been making regular contributions to WSO & VR, we had to recently cut back to a 6-month reserve from a one-year reserve to ensure we were able to maintain a prudent reserve and still continue to make those contributions.

Tradition Four: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or OA as a whole - Meetings can determine for themselves how they would wish to "word" their 7th Tradition contribution script.

Intent:

The previous script is outdated, reflecting a time when we did not have enough funds to make regular contributions to WSO and VR. The new script is taken directly from the [oa.org](https://www.oa.org) suggested meeting guidelines, and can be adapted by each meeting according to their own Group Conscience.

Rationale:

To reflect the current status of our 7th Tradition, which is no longer relevant with the older script, especially that we now are making regular contributions to WSO and VR, and also to indicate the need to "Give as your life depends on it" to truly be self-supporting by our own contributions.

Implementation:

The webteam has already updated the page to demonstrate the new script which can be adapted according to the decision of this motion.

Cost:

nil

Time Frame:

immediate

Submitted By:

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Date:

March 6th 2021

Are you willing to commit to six months of service in order to facilitate this motion, if applicable?

Yes! I am willing!