

Western Mass. Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2007

Present: JoAnne, Lyn, Jon, Beth, Marie, Terry, Rose, Francine, Martin, Henasusha, Dan, Sue, Alice, Jeff, Rhea, Anne.

Opened with Serenity Prayer at 6:32.

Read Concept Seven.

Read Tradition Seven.

Recording Secretary's Report: Went over and approved May 14, 2007 minutes. Email Etiquette sheets going out to meetings. JoAnne is checking for past approved minutes for Dan to put on the web.

Chair: Finance Committee has taken charge of treasury. They are setting a date to meet. Rent was mentioned as a concern.

Vice Chair: No report. Glad everyone is here!

Treasurer's Report: Rhea did the reimbursing. Finance Committee is presently handling the treasury.

Corresponding Secretary: \$180 was turned over to Sue and Jeff. The Verizon Yellow Pages bill has been paid. The bank statement was given to Rhea. We received an MBI newsletter.

Archivist: Sue is stepping down as Archivist. Thanks for your service!

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Soft Literature: We are stocked on literature! We are low on Newcomer Packets.

Hard Literature: We now have the large-print 12 & 12.

PI: No report/no one filling this service position at this time.

Newsletter/Meeting Lists: Newsletter is 8pp! July Mass Directory given to the Corresponding Secretary. Terry and Beth did not have their emails and phone #s in the Newsletter; they will be put in there. Clean copies will attempt to be made for the web. **Please** let Lyn know if your meeting is a) a safe seating, b) air conditioned, and/or c) handicapped accessible.

World Service: ?

Marathon Committee: Martin and Ann have taken the positions! No report?

12th Step Within: The back of this month's newsletter is the proposed daily checklist of tool use (including prayer and meditation)! Four groups are now having a 12th Step Within meeting once a month! Sue will be stepping down as 12th Step Within Coordinator. Thanks for your service!

Fundraising: Nuttin' new

Website Coordinator: Hits were down in June. There is a new company now handling our website. Recovery Lines and the newest Meeting List have been put on. To the Designated Downloaders: you can download what you see or want on the website! Printable copies come in Word or you can hit the link. Dan will email you about changes. His website email is websitecoordinator@oawmass.org.

Region 6: Note: Region 6 gives money for ad blitzes (buses, the T, etc.).

CUC: Lyn made a flyer for the next meeting on August 4th, 2007 from 6-7pm. Passed. Will be put on website w/contact #.

Old Business: Terry was Ok-ed for \$50 of literature for the Monday Night Beginner's Meeting; she bought \$28 with her own \$ (she needs to be reimbursed). She would like to get the rest in Hard Literature. She did receive some from a meeting that closed. Reimbursement and getting the rest in hard literature was passed.

The letters and labels for meetings will be postponed a few months; it will be going under CUC. *- they will put together.*

Soft Literature: Terry was given \$ for newcomers (newcomer packets?) which she will return when her other literature sells. Motion to give Terry \$60 for Newcomer Packets *and ^{and} ??....passed?*
sponsorship packets

Pages will be created for Terry and Beth to sell more literature! They will email their inventories.

Looking at groups to see if they have literature. Suggestion made to order 100 old Lifelines for groups which don't have literature. The "OA Handbook for Members..." pamphlet suggests that each group have a literature chair.

Binders: New and improved bylaws will be delivered or sent out with letters and labels next month.

New Business: The tape dispenser story: a woman sat alone at many meetings, so she listened to tapes. Suggestion made to have a "Tape Dispenser"☺ Suggestion also made to sell the tapes and get CDs. Please bring this suggestion to your meetings to see if we can get a volunteer Tape Dispenser/CD Slasha! The tapes/CDs will be OA.

Question asked if the North Hampton Noon Wednesday Meeting can get monetary? help. They are switching from being a BB meeting to a Second Edition meeting. Not passed.

Email Etiquette sheets may be put on the web.

Group Concerns: Go-to-the-meeting-in-Lanesboro-by-biking-on-the-Rail-Trail-in-the-Autumn suggestion made☺

Good of the Order

Closed with the Serenity Prayer.