

Overeaters Anonymous Western Mass Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes January 10, 2021

Attendees: Anne H., Beth C., Carol Ch., Ellen, Gwen G., John C., Julie B., Karen O., Karen S., Marlene B., Mary C., Mary I., and Rob R.

Board Reports

1. Chair's Report

Board meeting held Saturday 1/9/2021. Purpose statement and goals agreed upon. New format for agenda starting this month. Request all committee reports be submitted to Rob and Julie by Mon/Tues before Intergroup Meeting with final version emailed the Saturday before.

2. Vice Chair's Report

Carol Ch. announced that she would like us to consider her the "go to" person for any help needed. She will determine how to provide that help either directly or by enlisting the support of another OA member.

Carol is also reaching out to groups who do not have reps on IG committee.

3. Recording Secretary's Report

The minutes of the December meeting were accepted with the revision that Sue S. was voted in as Archivist at our December 2020 meeting.

4. Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

5. Corresponding Secretary's Report

Julie thanked Carol Ch for taking responsibility for the meeting attendees list.

6. Region 6 Rep Reports & WSBC Delegate Reports – Marlene

Region 6 - Marlene B. is on the PIPO and volunteered to be the Secretary. Fall Assembly minutes distributed in November.

WSBC – Marlene is the only delegate, but Region 6 is entitled to 4. Talk this up at your meetings. In January, Conference approved the change to allow conference to be held online. The Young People's committee of which Marlene is a member is planning an e-retreat on 3/6/2021 for OAs 18 to 30 yrs. old.

Committee Reports

1. PIPO

Rob encouraged all to announce at meetings that PIPO offers opportunities to serve without burden of chairing the committee. Julie offered the suggestion that OAs work in their own communities to provide PIPO services.

2. Phone Service liaison – Gwen G.

Gwen is now connected to Crocker thanks to Carol Ch. No messages received since last month's report.

3. Archives – Sue S. No report

4. Newsletter

Karen S. chair: Sue, Deb and Karen O. will serve on the committee. Karen reported that January newsletter will be short, primarily announcing events.

5. Website

Karen S. is working with Tom on updates. A working committee (Karen S., Karen O., Rob, Carol Ch., Beth, and Mary I) will meet to discuss new design.

6. Marathon – Ellen, Karen S. Gwen G., Anne H., Mary I., and John C.

Speaker chosen; all roles filled for the 1/23 event.

7. Retreat – Anne H., Kristen, and Liza

Working with Genesis on logistics and costs.

Old Business – none

New business

1. Results of WMIG board meeting:

Purpose, Principles, Practices agreed upon and included in today's agenda.
WMI Goals for 2021 also agreed upon and included in today's agenda.

2. PI/PO- need a working team.

Key Info to Take Back to Your Group – need members for PIPO and Website committees

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth C.