

Overeaters Anonymous Western Mass Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes April 10, 2022

Voting Attendees: Anne H., Beth C., Carol Ch., Ellen C., Gwen G., Julie B., Karen S., Marlene B., Mike P., Rob R., and Sean R.

Visitors: Mary I.

Board Reports

1. Chair's Report—Rob reported that six IGs in Region 6 had applied for Blitz funding. Three who had not previously applied were awarded grants. WMIG can reapply in the fall.
2. Vice Chair Report—Carol Ch. asked all present to check their group's listing on OA.org. Sometimes the info between our website and OA.org doesn't agree. Our help in discovering discrepancies is always appreciated.
3. Recording Secretary's Report—The March minutes were accepted as written.
4. Treasurer's Report—The March report was accepted as written.
5. Corresponding Secretary's Report—Everything going well. Nothing new to report.
6. Region 6 Rep Report—Marlene reported that Spring Assembly had fifty-one attendees. Sue S. is stepping down from the position of Secretary. Region 6 has thirty-six Intergroups, seven hundred ninety-six registered meetings and twenty-six unaffiliated meetings. Fall Assembly will be held on September 17, 2022. The virtual conference will be held October 21-23. Region 6 is in sound financial condition, having saved a lot because of meeting virtually over the past two years.
7. WSBC Delegate Reports—Marlene invited anyone interested in observing the WSBC, which will take place virtually April 27 – 30 to contact her. She would be happy to meet and sit next to interested nonparticipants. You can reach Marlene at 413-335-6046 or mybarnett09@yahoo.com. Two hundred fifty delegates will attend the conference. This year will be Marlene's fourth conference. She has mentored a delegate for the last couple of years. The conference membership reviews literature and votes up or down on proposed changes. This year they are reviewing the Twelve Traditions Of OA Workbook.

Committee Reports

1. Phone Service liaison – Gwen reported that we are consistently getting 1-3 calls per month and believes it is worth the cost of our current plan.
2. Retreat Committee – Twenty people are registered, three of whom have been awarded scholarships. There are a few openings left. The Retreat Committee will meet again on Wednesday, April 13 at 6:30 and Thursday April 28th at 6:30. Anyone interested in attending, the Zoom Meeting ID is 2517925996, password 1232021.
3. Marathon Committee—The 2022 OA Marathon will take place on September 10th from 8:30 am to 3:15 pm. The venue will be the Bethany Assembly of God Church in Agawam. The church will accept a donation. WMIG will donate \$150 to the church which was the amount paid to St. David the last time the Marathon was held there. The committee is still discussing format. Karen has contacted Jeb from Provincetown to request he present his Mapping Recovery workshop as part of the program.

Old and New Business

1. Zoom Account Sharing – Carol Ch reported the results of the survey concerning interest in sharing the Greenfield group’s zoom account. Eight groups were surveyed, three from out of state. One reported that the timeslot won’t work for them since it conflicts with their own meeting time and the account won’t accommodate simultaneous use. Four responded “no thanks.” Two are waiting to respond after checking with group members. One did not respond at all.
2. Karen S. presented her revision of the Corresponding Secretary’s job description. After discussion of the changes, it was decided to postpone a vote since further revision was suggested.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, May 8, 2022, at 2pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth C