**Overeaters Anonymous Western Mass Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes**

**May 7, 2023**

Meeting opened at 6pm by Chairperson Ellen with a full moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call was called by Julie.

Tradition 5 was read and discussed by Joette with personal insights shared.

Concept 5 was read by John C.with sharing his value of “full discussion” pertaining to the concept.

**Attendees:** Anne H., Carol Ch., Deb T., Ellen C., Joette S., John C., Julie B., Maureen M., & Sean R.

**Board Reports**

* Ellen stated that the first order of business is to accept the Secretary and Treasurer’s reports from March because of not enough members present, they weren’t accepted at the April Mtg.

Voted to accept the reports from March.

Ellen & Carol reported that the Thursday meeting in Belchertown & the Amherst Monday 5:15pm meetings are now using the WMI Zoom link for their meetings.

* Julie reported that she is still working on a report regarding the taxes.
* Recording Secretary: voted to accept the minutes for April. Joette has volunteered to take minutes in June because of Debbie’s absence.
* Treasurer’s Report: voted to accept the report for April.

Voted to reimburse Victoria $215.40 for migration, etc. Also voted to increase her fee to $100/month. However, Carol & Joette volunteered to draft a letter to Victoria to get her thoughts on whether the $100/month would be an acceptable pay for her services.We will revisit this item at the June meeting.

**Standing Committee Reports**

* **PIPO**: No report
* **Phone Service:** No report
* **Website:** No report
* **Marathon:** September 9th and a speaker has been found.
* **Retreat:** Karen reported that there are 3 spaces left until May 15th.
* **WSBC Delegate:** position still vacant
* **Archives:** Maureen reported for Sue that she has found some old OA commercials in VHS format & is questioning how they can be moved into a digital format
* **Region 6:** No report.

**Old Business:**

**Tax Exemption Status:** Julie is still working on this.

**Intergroup Survey:** Ellen is still discussing with Rob what we should do about this.

**Updated WMI Contact List:**  Debbie voiced confusion as to what is exactly wanted since she volunteered to update the list. Clarification was provided & Carol will be sending what info she currently has for Debbie to complete this request.

**New Business**

**Dispersal of Excess WMI Funds:** John brought up for discussion using some of our large treasury funds to make donations to World Service & Region 6. Motion made and accepted to donate $1000 to World Service & $500 to Region 6.

**Skipping one Summer Intergroup Mtg.** Discussion about which month to omit. Motion made and accepted to omit the JulyWMI meeting.

**No Concerns or Brainstorming**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm with recitation of the Responsibility Pledge.**

**Next meeting is on Sunday, June 10, 2023, at 6pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Deb T.

Recording Secretary