

Overeaters Anonymous WMI Business Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2024

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm by Chairperson Ellen with a full moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call was by Julie.

Tradition 3 was read by Ann with thoughts shared on the value of the **Spiritual Principle- "Identity"** by Ann & Julie.

Concept 3 was read by Deb and she and Sister Susan shared thoughts on the Spiritual Principle – **"Trust"**.

Attendees: Anne H., Carol Ch., Claire H., Deb T., David B., Ellen C., Julie B., Lynn W., Marie M., Rob R., Sister Susan, & Carol (Visitor).

Board Reports

- **Chair Report:** Ellen reported that Maureen would not be attending tonight's meeting so that she could attend the Longmeadow Sunday night meeting which is in danger of closing. Joette and Karen were also absent.
- **Vice Chair Report:** Julie reported that she was able to complete and submit the application for Tax Exempt Status for WMI. She also completed changes to the Bylaws which have been sent to Rob for placement on the website.
- **Julie also reported on the possibility of having a "Donate Button" for contributions to OA being developed for the website.** She will report on this at the April meeting and is also looking for members to help with this project.
- **Recording Secretary Minutes:** Motion made & voted to accept the February minutes.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Motion made & voted to accept the report.
- **Corresponding Secretary Report:** no report.

Standing Committee Reports

- **PIPO:** Maureen reported that she has been contacted by Cooley Dickinson Hospital because they have a Psych unit with eating disorder and would really like some OA information. David is going to contact Mo because he is interested in helping also.
- **Phone Service:** Carol reported Patty had 1 phone call over the past month.
- **Website:** Rob reported that Victoria wanted us to be aware of issues with a breach of our website. He read us a letter from Victoria to explain the issue and the possible consequences if we don't address the potential problem. Lynn W. has volunteered to help Victoria with the problem of the breach of the WMI website.
- **Marathon:** David reported that everything is going well, and everything is booked. At the end at 1pm they will be showing the film, Roseanne's Story.

- **Retreat:** Claire reported for Linda G. (chair of Retreat) that they will be having a committee meeting (ZOOM) on 3/16/2024. So far there have been only 7 registrations. There is a total capacity for 50 registrants. 36 registrations are needed to hold the retreat. There will be 5 Scholarships offered on a "first come, first serve basis".
At the present time, we still do not know if WMI is donating monies for scholarships. Also, discussion was brought up whether the retreat will be open to commuters?
 - **WSBC Delegate:** Joette will be attending the conference in May.
 - **Archives:** Sue is actively involved with them & is always looking for help from anyone interested.
 - **Region 6:** Karen along with Archivist Sue will be attending the Assembly in April in Albany.
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- **Old Business:** None
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- **New Business:** In April we will need to give Joette WMI's input regarding the voting items prior to her attending the WSBC.
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- **Group concerns/Brainstorming:** No items.
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- Ellen requests if you have any items for the April WMI meeting please forward them to her.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm with recitation of the Responsibility Pledge. **Next meeting is on Sunday, April 14, 2024, at 6pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Deb T.
Recording Secretary