

Overeaters Anonymous WMI Business Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2023

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 10 was read and discussed by Rob R with thoughts shared on the value of the **Spiritual Principle- “Neutrality”**.

Concept 10 was also read and discussed by Rob with thoughts shared on the value of the **Spiritual Principle- “Clarity”**.

Attendees: Anne H., Carol Ch., Deb T., Ellen C., Joette S., Julie B., Karen S., Marie M., Maureen M., Rob R., Sister Susan, & Mary O. (Guest observer).

Board Reports

- Ellen apologized for all emails and attachments that were sent out for this meeting.
- Julie reported that she sent out the 30 day notice on the bylaws for our Nov 12th Intergroup mtg. She also created a group for all the “contacts” in WMI.
- Recording Secretary Minutes: Motion made & voted to accept the minutes as written with no corrections.
- Treasurer’s Report: Motion made & voted to accept the report.
- Corresponding Secretary: No report

Standing Committee Reports

- **PIPO:** Maureen reported that she is still looking for someone to share this committee role with & also she is hoping to start a meeting at Mercy Hospital to coincide with their Bariatric program. She has also been placing Life Lines at various public places, ie. Bradley Airport.
- **Phone Service:** Patty reported to Ellen that she had 2 phone calls since our last meeting on 9/10/23. Also that she enjoys this role and will continue in 2024.
- **Website:** Rob shared that the usage of the website is pretty stable as evident by his statistics.
- **Marathon:** Joette reported that there has been interest for more members joining the planning committee for next year’s marathon and they will be having a meeting in the future.
- **Retreat:** Karen reported that the retreat will be at Hampshire College on 6/7, 8, & 9th. The change was necessary because Genesis was raising the fee again for the weekend. The cost for next year will be \$245. This includes 5 meals and linen except for a pillow in all single rooms. The college requires \$1,396.00 deposit for the weekend. Intergroup voted to advance \$1,000 to the Retreat committee to assist with this deposit.
- **WSBC Delegate:** position still vacant
- **Archives:** No report
- **Region 6:** Karen reported that she will be chairing the Web & Publication Committee for Region 6. Region 6 also thanked WMI for the donation of water and tissues left over from the Marathon.

Old Business:

Tax Exemption Status: Julie had nothing to report at this time. Karen wanted it noted all the hard work that Julie has done on this project.

Intergroup Membership Survey: Julie volunteered to send the link from Rob for the survey out to her WMI contact group.

Region 6 Convention: Karen & Rob are both attending.

New Business: Nominations for 2024 WMI Officers will be at the November mtg.

WMI bylaws state that officers are able to run for a consecutive 2-year period. All of the present officers started in 2023, so if they wish to run again, that is allowed.

Ellen will not be running for Chairperson for 2024.

December 9, 2023 Pot Luck Supper & Meeting in Southwick from 5-8pm. Karen will send out flyer.

January 1, 2024 Workshop at St. David's from 1-5pm. Flyer to be coming out soon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm with recitation of the Responsibility Pledge.

Next meeting is on Sunday, November 12, 2023, at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb T.

Recording Secretary