

## OA WMI Meeting Minutes—Approved

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

The meeting was opened by Chair, Beth B, at 5:01 with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

**Roll Call** by Beth B.

### **Attendees**

Beth B. Chair, Lynn W. VR Vice Chair Friday 5 PM Longmeadow, Joette VR Treasurer, Sondra S. VR Recording Secretary Tuesday 5:15 PM Holyoke, Carol CH VR Corresponding Secretary, Carol I. VR Archivist Saturday 2 PM Chicopee and Thursday 4:30 PM Belchertown, Ann H. VR 10 AM Monday and 6 PM Wednesday Westfield, Julie B. VR Saturday 8:30 AM Amherst, Erika S. VR Saturday 10 AM Greenfield, Deb T. VR Friday AM Longmeadow, Kim T. VR 5:00 PM Amherst, Leslie N. VR Longmeadow, Gwen G VR Thursday 5:15 PM Longmeadow.

Tradition 2 and Concept 2 were read by Ann H. Tradition 2 Spiritual Principle is trust. OA groups have no leader. OA seeks and trusts our Higher Power's will to make decisions.

### **Board Member's Reports**

**Chair Report:** Beth reported that both her and Joette were in West Springfield to sign some paperwork for the main account and retreat account. Beth B., Julie B., and Joette will be getting together to fill out the 990 N form to show that WMI does not make over \$50,000 a year. Beth thanks everyone for being aware of the 5:00 PM-6:15 PM meeting time today.

**Vice Chair Report:** Lynn W. reported that she got back into the Google account. The application for the Google PI Blitz is done and will be finalized and sent after the budget is approved. Lynn also signed the accounts so they are squared away.

**Recording Secretary Report:** The motion was made and seconded to accept the draft minutes as submitted. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report as submitted. Joette's report was approved by unanimous vote.

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Carol Ch reported that there were 2 changes to the meeting list: 1 contact person changed and 1 group disbanded.

**Phone Liaison Report:** Google Voice received 1 call.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

**PIPO:** Ann reported that there were no changes and nothing new to add. If anyone can bring information to doctors' offices, please call Karen at 413-636-8237.

**Donate button/Website:** Lynn W. reported that there were 2 contributions using the donate button. There were 67 clicks on Google ads in December and 55 clicks on Google ads in January. Eight of those clicked through. The Campaign clicks could be better but still met the threshold.

**Share-a-Thon:** Lynn reported no changes, nothing new to add.

**Retreat:** Ann H. reported that there is a potential leader from Rhode Island for the July retreat. The next meeting is February 15 at 5 PM to meet the leader candidate.

**Archives:** Carol I reported that she is doing research on organizing strategies for the archived material.

**WSBC:** Sondra reported that she has registered for the WSBC in New Mexico and the room has been booked. There is a possibility of a roommate. Sondra also reported that she may have to have surgery soon, and will let the group know if it interferes with her going to WSBC.

**Region 6:** Lynn W. and Carol CH stated that registration starts on February 24, 2026 for the April 11, 2026 Assembly. Lynn W. plans on attending in person while Carol Ch plans on attending via Zoom.

### **Old Business**

**PI Blitz Proposal:** Lynn will submit it after the budget is approved. She clarified that we are requesting \$500 from Region 6 and WMI will pay \$500.

**WSBC:** The delegate has registered.

**R6 Assembly:** The representatives are on track to register on 2/24.

**WSBC Agenda Questionnaire Survey:** Carol Ch reported that the surveys are coming in. So far, out of 27 groups, there have been 12 group responses and 8 individual responses, but the survey doesn't close until February 15.

**Policy and Procedures:** Beth reported that once the Policies and Procedures are completed, Intergroup is required to send the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures to Region 6 Trustees. This discussion was moved until after the WMI budget review, but then there wasn't time to address it.

### **New Business**

**WMI Budget:** Joette reported that we need to close out the 2025 budget. The donations for Region 6 and WSO need to be voted on so they can be sent out. Carol CH stated that WSO has an investment fund of more than \$2 million. Out of that investment WSO had to take out \$250,000 to balance their budget due to a decrease in literature sales. There was a motion made and seconded to have \$1,000.00 sent to WSO and \$500.00 to be sent to Region 6. There were 11 yes votes with one abstention.

The 2026 budget was presented. There were some concerns with the numbers. Joette stated that the current budget is a running budget and depending on what is taken in and sent out, the numbers will change. A motion was made and seconded to pass the 2026 budget as presented. The budget was approved by unanimous vote.

Joette agreed to update the budget monthly as part of her Treasurer reports.

**Group Concerns:** A motion was made and seconded to have the time for the meeting change to 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM every second Sunday of the month. The vote was accepted with 11 voting in favor and 1 abstention.

Please remember to send agenda ideas and reports to Beth before March 1, at least one week before the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 6:11 PM with the Responsibility Pledge.

Sondra S. Recording Secretary