

**OA Foot Steps  
Business Meeting  
October 2021  
17 October 2021 / 3PM EST**

Serenity Prayer done  
12 Steps - Read by Sharlotte  
12 Traditions - Read by Heather  
12 Concepts - Read by Alix  
Establishing Ground Rules - Read Chair Carrie C.

Total Voting Members: 32

Approval of Minutes - no amendments, approved 100% Alix motion to approve and Sandra second

Review of Agenda by Chair Carrie C.

**Reports**

1. Treasurer - Member contributions in \$3013.78 for the month, WSBC line item added to the budget for \$2500 for each fellow attending, additional money or allocation might be needed since the intergroup is worldwide, Sandy added we need to make smaller contributions to WSO and VR for a bit and save the money for the reps. She also stated there will be a time commitment for the attendees for about one week. Deb motioned to approved, no objections, 100% approved
2. Sponsorship - full report on the website
3. Literature - Susie reported that the Literature Committee is looking for members and has several positions to serve its mission to share literature with fellows who can not afford it. They will request funding once the amounts are determined. Ann P commented that the literature should not be bought second hand as the WSO frowns upon it for taking money away from the OA bookstore.
4. Intergroup Representative Basics (formerly Green Dot) Ann P reported about the purpose of the IR Basics Committee for MTG Rep training and IG information. She is open to training people outside of the scheduled training times.
5. Creative Reprieve Business Committee - Deb C reported that the CR business meetings occur on the last day of the month. The group of meetings have their own business meetings and have a board. They are part of the OA Footsteps intergroup but have their own Zoom Platform. <https://oa.creative-reprieve.art/>
5. Committee to hire a Webmaster - Ruth reported that Heather Harold is open to being the webmaster for \$50 per month and her charges for extra work are a la carte charges. We have a contract that has been being reviewed this past month. Discussion was had about adding or discussing with Heather about keeping data that she has access to private. Sandy, Caroline and Lisa B all had information to share on this. GDPR and privacy of data and information was also discussed by Robyne C. There could be a

provision added into the contract that generally covers this issue. The information can be compiled easily according to Lisa and Caroline as the VR already has. Alix amended the motion to include that the current contract would be updated to add the privacy provisions and it was motioned and seconded, brought to a vote: 97% approved

### **Election of Board Members**

1. Chair - Voted in Renee, nominated by Alix and second by Carolyn, vote: 94% approved
2. Vice Chair - Voted in Clair H, Ann P nominated by Renee and she could not do it at this time. Clair H nominated herself and there were two fellows that seconded it but names could not be heard or seen, Martin and another? vote: 97% if votes came in with approval
3. Secretary - Voted in Mari, Mari volunteered, she was then nominated (Renee Wed 11P MH) and seconded (Alix)
  - Abstinance requirement waiver - 94% approved, 97% voted in and approved
4. Treasurer - Alix as Treasurer, Martin nominated and Deb C seconded, vote: 97% approved

### **New Business**

1. Select Delegates (6 month abstinence required) for the VR Special Assembly, we get one representative for every ten meetings in the OA Footsteps VIG, we have 140+ meetings right now, we can send 15 fellows to the special assembly November 7th noon EST, scheduled for 3 hours. 13 people volunteered by hand and sent Carrie their contact information - emails and phone numbers, no objections to the volunteers, motion made by Alix to allow for the VIG Board to add 2 more delegates if they become interested after the meeting, Martin seconded the motion, approved with No Objections.
2. Motion to submit Proposal to Update WSBC Bylaws at the WSBC 2022 to allow for Hybrid WSBC as of 2023.  
Also included: Proposed Motion to WSBC (in conjunction with the United Kingdom, Europe and Beyond intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous (OAUKEB) Virtual Intergroup) upon approval. Sandy seconded the motion and then a Vote: 100% approved (Alix motioned for Sharlotte be added to the list of reps being sent VRSA, Martin seconded and group afforded)
3. Motion to allow OA Creative Reprieve meetings access to the same Zoom plan, Deb C spoke to the motion, they are using their own platform right now but are OA Footsteps meetings on the VIG meeting schedule. They have a 12 month prudent reserve and their Zoom charges right now are more than what OA Footsteps pays for all 5 of their platforms. Brought for discussion, there is concern that this is taking advantage of an error by Zoom in offering OA Footsteps the deal that we have. Alix stated that she talked to the Zoom Representative and they stated that it is not taking advantage of an error but it is just the deal that OA Footsteps contracted in at, at the time that it was set up. Tradition 4 was brought up as all groups should be autonomous and this is like an intergroup within an intergroup at this time, not sure what or if any implications

- are with that. OA CR had to open up the additional platform to accommodate their meetings with their special focus. Request made to get the offer in writing by Zoom. Motion made by Renee tabled but to bring up next month with priority,
4. Charlotte suggested a motion to create a subcommittee to have the OA CR and the dissenting votes discuss this matter before the next meeting so a vote can be taken and all concerns are fully addressed. Alix brought the motion and Darla seconded the motion. Vote: Ann P had an objection to creating a subcommittee because she felt the issue should be discussed by the full group, Alix discussed that the subcommittee will bring back all the information for the group to further discuss. Vote: approved and no additional objections

Motion to Close the Meeting - Sandra motion to close and Renee seconded

Serenity Prayer - We version