

Virtual Region Spring Assembly March 2022 & Special Assembly May 2022 OA Foot Steps Report June 2022

OA Foot Steps had a healthy contingent of eleven delegates who were able to attend one, if not both Assemblies. It was a big year for Virtual Region as we worked through a brand-new set of Bylaws and Policies & Procedures. We managed to complete the Bylaws during the March meeting and set up a Special Assembly for May to complete the task and work through to approve the Policies & Procedures.

March 26th 2022 Minutes: <https://oavirtualregion.org/assembly-minutes-3-26-2022/>

May 14th 2022 Minutes: <https://oavirtualregion.org/assembly-minutes-5-14-2022/>

A great deal of dedicated work went into these new guidelines that will serve Virtual Region for years to come. One of the most significant changes was the introduction of two new board positions, and a restructuring the remaining members on the board. For example, the role of “Webmaster” is no longer a board position.

Here is a brief synopsis of the new roles:

- a. **Data Officer** – This is a vital new role that has been deemed highly important to ensure that the Virtual Region is meeting the privacy compliancy laws world-wide, and especially the European *General Data Protection Regulations or GDPR* which have become the ideal for which the VR is striving for.

We have put into place an excellent candidate for this new role, Sharlotte S. who, I might add is joining us here at Footsteps! Her set of Big Book meetings, 7 days a week at 4PM Eastern have decided to affiliate with Foot Steps, and she is already active on our Bylaws committee!

- b. **Digital Content Coordinator** – This role scooped up the previous board position of ‘webmaster’ and goes further to encapsulate all the digital channels that the VR is currently operating on and plans to incorporate in the future. Alix S, our current Treasurer, was voted into this role.

As the Board Liaison to the newly formed Digital Committee, this new role will help create a working committee of skilled roles, that will be working on the website, the newsletter, content editors, social media and beyond. She will be working closely with the Public Information and Professional Outreach {PIPO} committee to help carry the message.

Other Virtual Region News:

1. Newsletter - <https://oavirtualregion.org/nl0622/> Virtual Region has established a new monthly Eblast that all members are welcome to sign up to receive. If your intergroup or committee has content that you would wish to include in this, please email newsletter@oavirtualregion.org before the 10th of each month. The email normally is sent out mid-month.
2. PIPO/Digital Tutorials - Our newly established Digital Content Committee at Virtual Region, along with our VR PIPO committee, is excited to announce the following upcoming Workshops! We are exploring new ways to ‘share the message with the compulsive eater who

still suffers' and would welcome you to join us! These types of skills might help us develop material on a variety of social media channels.

Introduction to Canva Monday, June 27th 1 PM PT | 4 PM ET | 9 PM UK
Introduction to Audacity Saturday, July 9th 12 NOON PT | 3 PM ET | 8 PM UK

All workshops will be taking place on Zoom
VIRTUAL REGION ROOM ID: 86338783376 | PASSCODE: 120912

More to Come! Please stay tuned for more, upcoming workshops on TikTok, Facebook, and more! If you have any questions or requests, please reach out to digital@oavirtualregion.org

3. Digital Content Committee – Service Positions: The Digital Content Committee is seeking new members with specific skill sets to help implement some of our new digital strategies upcoming in the Virtual region. If you have experience in the areas listed below, or you think that you may have a skill or two that might relate to these positions, please reach out to our new Digital Content Coordinator at digital@oavirtualregion.org. We would welcome you to join our team!

- Digital Committee Chair
- Digital Committee Secretary/Scribe
- Digital Content Developer[s]
- Virtual Region Calendar Editor
- Submissions Coordinator[s]
- Literature Developers[s]
- Social Media Coordinator[s] -TikTok, Instagram, Facebook, etc.
- Podcast Coordinator[s]
- Service Opportunities Coordinator[s]

4. PIPO - Major Projects:

- Physician Contact – Printable letter that can be downloaded to take to physician
- Social Media – Technical Tutorials, Tiktok & other Social Media Channels
- Newcomer Marathon

For more information:

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