

OA Foot Steps

Regular Business Meeting

June 19, 2022 3:00 PM EST

Held Via Zoom Platform

the Call to Order

- Chair Renée H. Presiding.
- Serenity Prayer - said by all

Readings

- 12 Steps- Sandy C.
- 12 Traditions- Ron B.

Establishing Ground Rules

- No eating or chewing gum on camera. Beverages permitted.
- We will continue with the Center mic model.
- Reviewed Zoom Security protocols changes and needs so just live your little ones just now when for VIG meetings

Chair Notes

Welcomed New Meeting Reps

Review of Agenda by the chair Renée H.

Approval of Minutes –minutes were approved with no objections.

Treasurer Report

Alix reported the donations for the month of May were \$2287.60 Canadian. Total balance in the account is \$28,824.07 Canadian. The prudent reserve balance is \$32,686.83 Canadian. However, in order to send representatives to WSBC next year we will need a total balance of \$34,427. So we are operating at a deficit and are unable to send funds to World Service or Virtual Region at this time.

Allx informed the VIG that her tenure for her role as treasurer will be ending in December 2022 and hope that someone else will be willing to take this commitment on. Treasurers report was **approved** with no objections

Committee Reports

1. Bylaws Committee

Kullen, the chair of the bylaws committee asked Sharlotte to attend and update the VIG what the bylaws committee is doing.

For a month and a half, the committee has been working on a complete overhaul of the bylaws and policies and procedures. If anyone has any interest attending a bylaws committee meeting, everyone is welcome. Sharlotte is more than happy to answer any questions of the Footsteps bylaw committee.

2. IR Basics Committee

Ann P reported for the IR Basics Committee. Tuesday, June 21 there will be another presentation. (Check recording for date) irbasics@oafootsteps.com for more information

3. Workshops Committee

Karin H - would like bring the previous established workshop committee back to activity. She would like to be nominated as the chair. She is more than willing to do some 12 Steps within work here at OA Foots Steps. All interested parties please contact her.

4. Language Committee

Martine spoke to the VIG asking if anyone was interested in helping establish a new Language Committee in conjunction with possibly a diversity committee. She is hoping to begin the committee in September. Any interested parties please contact Martine directly.

Establish Voting Numbers- 30

Quorum Met

New Business

Discussion

1. Creative Reprieve platform motion (from November 2021)

The previous motion from November asked for Foot Steps to create an additional zoom platform for Creative Reprieve to use s null & void because Creative-Reprieve decided not to use an additional platform.

Andres vice-chair of creative-reprieve welcome to any questions regarding creative-
reprieve

2. Zoom Cloud Storage Update

Chair Renée H. stated that OA Foot Steps has multiple zoom platforms. Each platform adds more storage to our account. Certain meetings are recorded and are stored in the

zoom cloud. Since a previous motion for additional cloud storage passed, we have found we haven't needed the extra storage which has saved us \$320. Renée H stated that at this time Renee D and Maryann are comfortable monitoring our recordings and cloud storage which means we don't need to purchase the extra storage.

Alix made a **motion** to resend the purchase of cloud storage motion before the current motion on the floor can move forward. Motion seconded. A generic poll was launched via zoom. **Motion passes**

Motion

Renee D made a motion, "to postpone purchasing additional cloud storage with the caveat that the board may at some future point purchase more storage if the need arises".

Motion seconded.

Motion Discussion

Pros/Cons

Pros-

Renee D stated she doesn't feel that we need to purchase anymore cloud storage at this time because the zoom account storage is being managed quite well. She goes in to the zoom account regularly to make sure there are no erroneous recordings and has access to the entire Foot Steps zoom platform recording system. There hasn't been any danger of it getting close to being full. She feels that we can save the money and use it elsewhere.

Claire H- feels that if the accidental recordings are managed and deleted there most likely would not be in need to purchase anymore stored at this time.

Cons- None

Motion Questions

None

Vote

The motion was voted on via zoom poll. The **motion passes** by 97%

3. OAFS Phone Number

Renée H the chair reminded why looking into a phone number for the VIG. The main

reason is for security. An OAFS phone number would avoid the need for members to put their personal phone numbers on OA.org, as OA.org requires a contact number for all meetings.

Ruth the chair of the ad hoc Phone Number Committee, reported that they looked into a phone number for OA Foot Steps to use so members won't need to use their personal numbers on oa.org as a meeting contact. The committee initially did not know what exactly is needed and she was asking for direction. In order to be of service and define what is actually functional, the committee needs to know the primary needs for the phone number in order to continue their research.

Ron B said it was like a fix in search of a problem.

Alix asked what the costs are- Ruthie stated that a particular option was \$120 for one user and went up there from there per user. The price went up based on the international options.

Stacy A- stated that there is a population of people that prefer texting rather than calling, and there are systems that her employer uses where the caller will leave a message and then that message will send out an email to designated people who can then respond to the call within a timely manner.

Renée H- wonders how many people actually want to call OA footsteps VIG rather than text or email?

Announcements

- The Virtual Region is looking for a new secretary . If you want to more information about that, please visit oavirtualregion.org.
- The Virtual Region monthly mass email submission are due every month **before** the 10th of the month. If you want something included in those mass emails, please note the deadline. The emails will be sent out by the 15th of every month. Please send all submissions to newsletter@oavirtualregion.org

Adjournment

Serenity Prayer- recited