Overeaters Anonymous Foot Steps Virtual Intergroup – Regular Intergroup Meeting

Date: 16th June 2024

Time: 7 pm UTC

Chair: Renee D – OA Foot Steps Chair

SERENITY PRAYER AND OPENING READINGS

The serenity prayer and opening readings were read.

RECOGNITION OF NEW REPRESENTATIVES AND NEW COMMITTEE CHAIRS

The chair warmly welcomed the first-time representatives, emphasizing their significant role in the Overeaters Anonymous Foot Steps Virtual Intergroup. She then officially welcomed new Committee Chairs Alix S (ESH Newsletter) and Lisa T (Bylaws).

QUORUM

Sharlotte announced the voting members: 5 board members and 23 other voting members. The Chair, recognizing the importance of their presence, declared that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes From the March 2024 Business Meeting

The minutes from the April 2024 meeting were adopted without objection.

BOARD REPORT

Renee announced the next meeting as June 30th. The Chair noted that the committee review process was complete, and Sharlotte G (Secretary) will present a report later in the meeting. The World Service Business Conference report will be presented soon, hopefully in July.

The Chair also reminded everyone that the Inventory was held in May. The chair announced that the goals meeting will be announced soon. All were encouraged to attend.

The process of setting up the nonprofit Canva account is ongoing. More information will be provided once we have it.

Efforts to change the bank account into a nonprofit one are ongoing.

Additionally, the board is exploring the possibility of hiring a professional to assist in creating our GDPR documents. This professional will help us write the required documents.

UPDATE ON THE OA FOOT STEPS WEBSITE

Juliet (digital committee chair) provided the following information: The Intergroup is moving from its current web hosting service to a new one due to security issues with the old provider. This move could mean that the website is down for a period between June 24 and 28. Juliet confirmed that we would be moving from Datona to Bluehost.

DELAY IN CREATION OF JUNE INTERGROUP MINUTES

Sharlotte advised the intergroup that the minutes for this month would be delayed due to her being on holiday in June.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer provided a report on the status of the intergroup finances.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Intergroup Meetings: The next intergroup meetings are scheduled for July 21st and August 18th.

Goals Meeting: The goals meeting will be scheduled soon and announced via WhatsApp and the website.

Board Meetings: The next board meetings are set for June 30th and July 14th.

Step Studies: The Twelve Step Within Committee is hosting two new step studies.

ESH Newsletter: The ESH Newsletter Committee is back up and running. The next edition will be published on July 14th. Everyone is welcome to submit content, and the theme is "Self Love."

Virtual Region Assembly: The Virtual Region Assembly is next weekend, and elections will be held today.

How to Handle Motions

Renee continued this discussion from the previous meeting.

Sharlotte brought a motion to cease the discussion and follow the policy manual. This was adopted without objection.

ELECTION OF REGION REPRESENTATIVES

Renee advised that, as she was up for election as a representative, she was unable to chair the meeting for this period. Val B, the treasurer, became the presiding officer at this time.

The presiding officer asked if there was any objection to considering all applicants on a single ballot. The candidates were Claire H, Mel B, Fran H, Diane D, Melissa B, LJ P, Sharlotte G, Heather B, Denise, Cynthia L and Renee D. The motion passed unanimously. Sharlotte objected to the vote as it was interrupted by questions.

The revote resulted in no change with a unanimous vote.

The presiding officer handed the meeting back to the chair.

VIRTUAL REGION MOTIONS

Claire presented the motions, briefly explaining each motion. It was explained that an additional meeting to get input on the motions would be held on Friday.

Appointment of New Signatory

Marlene D was presented as a potential new signatory. She was appointed without objection.

UPDATE ON COMMITTEE RESTRUCTURE

Creation of a Working Group on Moving our Nonprofit Staus to the United States

After a discussion on the merits and drawbacks, a vote was taken on the creation of a working group. The motion was adopted 13 yes 8 no.

CLOSING

The meeting ended with the serenity prayer.