

## Region III Spring 2018 Assembly, Salt Lake City, Utah

**Steering Committee:** Neva, Acting Recording Secretary; Elaine, Treasurer; Karen B., Parliamentarian; Brenda Q., Chair; Kathy, Vice Chair; Vicki W., Trustee; Christina S., Communications Secretary

The meeting opened with Serenity Prayer.

Lee R., from Dallas read the 12 Steps.

Lori G., from Northern CO, Read 12 Traditions

Tori, from Serenity in the Desert, AZ - Read 12 Concepts

Linda Z., Albuquerque, NM – Read For Today

Sally H., Southern AZ – Read Voices of Recovery

Vicki W., Trustee, did the Meditation from Maintaining a Healthy Weight

Brenda announced Sam W., Heart of Texas, will take the Informal notes. Chris N, Southern AZ is the Time keeper.

Elaine L., Treasurer did the Roll Call. There are 22 voting members, 17 regional representatives and 5 steering committee members. Move that the credentials report be accepted as presented. Adopted as presented.

Minutes from Fall 2017 Region III assembly were presented and call for corrections requested. Kathy M., Vice Chair, noticed several typographical errors and asked permission to submit those to Recording Secretary for correction. Corrections were made to add elections were held and Kathy M. was elected Vice Chair and Neva S was affirmed as candidate for Trustee. Minutes approved as corrected.

Neva S., Acting Recording Secretary, moved that standing rules be adopted as presented. Adopted.

Neva S., presented agenda. There was one change: item 12 is to be handled as part of new business. Moved and seconded that amended agenda be adopted. Agenda adopted as presented with changes as necessary.

Karen B., Parliamentarian, explained Parliamentary Pointers. Roberts Rules identifies taking things in paragraph or in seriatim. Because proposed motions deal with one topic they can be discussed all at one time, or a single motion can be split off for discussion. There will be two votes today on these motions.

Representatives introduced themselves with a gratitude.

Break until 9:00am

Welcome from Sarah, Convention Co-host

## Steering Committee Reports

**Chair Report:** Questions on region 3 speakers list, WSBC Forum, “Growing OA Recovery Worldwide”.

**Vice Chair:** No questions.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Last fiscal years there was surpluses. After Friday Forum discussion, Ways, Means and Finance committee will formalize follow up decisions. There were some questions on report format, receipts and expenses.

**Recording Secretary:** Folder with the credentials report distributed for changes/corrections.

**Communications Secretary:** No questions.

**Trustee Report:** No report on new 12 & 12 sales, and no details on aligning new 12 & 12 with existing literature. Sign up for WSO newsletter at oa.org. Vicki circulated Lifeline and new 12 & 12 drawings.

**Audit report:** Tori from Serenity in the Desert chaired Audit meeting with Christina S., Pat (CNMI), Sue H. (Houston). PayPal, Chase and Wells Fargo (prudent reserve) were audited. There was one missing receipt for the Chase and PayPal accounts.

## Committee Meetings

**Twelve Step Within Report by Vonnie, Heart of Texas:** Continue email, completed Turn On/Turn Off publication, update Speakers List. Meet by phone bi monthly.

**Public Information/Professional Outreach Report by Dave H., Las Vegas:** Distributed OA approved What to Remember When You See Your Doctor or Other Health Care Professional (at oa.org). Committee will be researching new opportunities for health fairs and connecting with different intergroups to find out what they are doing for PIPO. July 2018 health fair: Your Weight Matters in Denver. The PI manual letter to health care professionals was sent by email to Intergroup Chairs prior to Assembly. Public Information poster available at oa.org

**Bylaws Report by Chris from Southern Arizona:** Committee is presenting bylaws and policy changes to steering committee responsibilities in both places. Going forward Committee is working updating section 4 and 5 about duties for convention and will present more proposals in Spring 2019.

**Ways, Means, and Finance Report by Noe, San Antonio:** Upcoming goals include: Identify possible social media advertising resources; collaborate with PIPO and TSW about long term projects requiring financial support; and research convention proceeds split. Funds for Twelve Step Within Turn On/Turn Off and PIPO health fairs were approved.

Vicki presented the Lifeline winners: Kathy M and Vonnie.  
12&12 raffle winner was Pat.

Friday Forum workshop report by Kathy, Vice Chair: Discussion of past years' surpluses and how to best distribute these funds. Representatives agreed to immediate \$10,000 donation to WSO general fund. Ways, Means, and Finance Committee will explore using remaining surplus funds based on ideas generated and how to prevent this situation in the future.

Unfinished Business

Sam W., Heart of Texas presented tabled motion about budget amendment for Trustee Nominee Travel to WSBC. \$500 appropriated. Adopted.

### **New Business**

Policy amendments, A-F, move steering committee duties from bylaws and to policy manual. The second section of amendments are the bylaws with the descriptions removed, because they will have been moved to the policy manual.

Kathy M. requested item B be split.

First consider Items A, C, D, E & F. Items A, C, D, E & F are adopted

Amendment to Item B, minor wording changes as follows: "Shall receive requests for funding for region rep attendance from intergroups which have never sent a representative (added text)

or have not sent a representative within the last two years". Amendment adopted.

Amended motion B, adopted.

Bylaw amendments 1-7 were presented and adopted.

Bylaw proposal 8 presented and adopted.

**Ways, Means, and Finance motions:** Move to make a one-time \$10,000 donation to WSO General Fund. Adopted. Discussion of what requires 2/3 or majority votes.

Elaine distributed the Seventh tradition.

### **Announcements.**

Chair and Recording Secretary elections in Fall 2018

Silent retreat sponsored by CNMI, October 2018

October 26 -28, 2018 Galveston Conference hosted by Galveston and 3 Houston Intergroups

Las Vegas Retreat, November 2-4, 2018.

A Vision for You phone meetings and podcast.

Fall 2018 Assembly and Convention hosted by Pikes Peak intergroup, flyers available.

Spring 2019, March 29-31, San Antonio hosts Convention & Assembly.

Fall 2019 Las Vegas hosts Region III Convention & Assembly. Dates/location TBD

Spring of 2020 available for hosting Intergroup

Wanda has World Service PI email group and all PI projects that have been done.

Chair thanked Utah Soaring, Representatives, Readers, Informal Notetaker. Brenda presented a special thank you, journal and gift card to Vicki for her Trustee service.

Meeting closed at with OA promise and adjourned.