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April 17, 2010

Bernie W., Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with the serenity prayer. Prue O read Step Four, Stephanie H. read Tradition Four and Ursula read Concept Four. Bernie read the Preamble followed by the rep introductions. There were three new reps today: Pam, Ursula and Dianna.

Bernie W., Chair, presented his report showing that Overeaters Anonymous started in Hollywood, CA on January 19, 1960 and has grown to over 6,700 meetings in over 75 countries. The World Service Convention will be in LA on August 26-29, 2010..

Stephanie H., Vice Chair, submitted her report. She announced there are still service opportunities for the 2010 August Assembly/Convention in Tempe.

Jan M., Recording Secretary, presented the March minutes, and a correction was made to the minutes prior to the meeting. The 2011 cruise out of Galveston Bay is March 20-27, 2011. Minutes approved and filed for audit.

Bill O., Treasurer, sent his report to the Ecares listing. The report continues to be a complete listing of the month's transactions as well as year-to-date totals. Some reps reported they did not get part of the report.

Prue O., Communications Chair, reminded the reps to not use their last names on committee reports as these reports will be posted on the website. She will purge the ecares listing and asks that you tell her what you want.

Pat J., Acting Welcome Chair, reported 19 voting reps, one visitor and one Chair. The 7th tradition was \$26.25.

Unfinished Business

Fall 2010 Region III Convention/Assembly Hosts – Prue O., Co-Chair, reported that the April meeting was well attended.. New highlights of the assembly are that there will be activities in the pool very early in the morning. More volunteers are welcome. The next meeting is May 8, 2010 at the OA office.

Election Notice – Bernie announced that the elections for Chair, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and two Rep/Delegates will be in June. The qualifications for Chair are two years of service beyond the group level.

Region Reports – Jan M. reported on her work at the Salt Lake City Assembly in March. She worked on the 12 Step Within Committee. Kaye W. reported she is working on the Ways and Means Committee by selling tickets for a drawing for a free cruise. She is also selling tickets for a quilt that will be given at the 2010 Fall Assembly in Tempe, AZ in August. Bernie W. reported on his work with the Unity with Diversity Committee. He reminded the reps that “As we extend the heart and hand of the fellowship to those who still suffer, let us be mindful of OA's Unity with Diversity Policy which respects our differences, yet unites us in the solution to our common problem.”

New Business

Meeting List Coordinator – Tara’s service opportunity is complete. Pat J. volunteered for this position.

Finance Committee/Proposed Budget – Anabel provided the reps with a very comprehensive proposed budget plan for 2010-11 that the committee provided. She provided all the figures and answered questions. Bill reminded the reps that this is just a proposed budget. There is much concern over the office lease stating that we are responsible for the replacement of the air conditioner. There was discussion about reducing by half the \$800 monthly donation (60% donation to WSO and the 40% donation to Region III. More discussion will follow.

Committee Reports

Office Operations – Pat J. reported that this committee is working very hard to keep the OA home clean. The following motion was proposed: Lynne CM on behalf of the IG request the Office Committee to contact the property owner with respect to negotiating better terms in our present lease regarding responsibility of maintenance of the office hardware, rent reduction, etc. Motion passé with 16 votes for and two against..

Special Events Committee –Margie H. announced the Relapse, Recovery and Member Retention workshop, planned for June 26, 2010 at the Bethany Community Church. Several members have volunteered.

Outreach – Kaye W., Chair reported that the meeting visitations have continued. Two meetings in Globe donated \$75 to our intergroup. Kaye made a motion, seconded by Lynne “a separate committee be established to evaluate and oversee the meeting list update process.” Motion defeated.

Bylaws – Larry R., Chair, provided a Bylaws proposal that Wanda, Region III Trustee proposed. Our Intergroup should define our Bylaws as the WSO does. Larry will bring the written information for the next Intergroup meeting. We will take to our meetings and vote in June.

Literature – Cathy H., Chair, submitted her report showing that the total literature on hand is \$1549, 25 and \$771.60 was sold. .

PI/PO – Lynne CM, Chair, reported that 100 Cookie posters are in the process of being distributed, to locations that are visible. Lynne announced that the new TV ad aired 334 times over 17 days in February by 16 stations.

The meeting was extended for ten minutes and was adjourned at 3:07 pm. with “I Put My Hand in Yours.” The next meeting will be May 15, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the OA office.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan M., Recording Secretary