

Minutes: Executive Board Meeting March 17, 2024, 4:00 p.m.

Attendees: Ro M. Chair, Tricia S. Vice Chair, Kristi K. Ex Officio, Dee C. Treasurer, Sheree C. Secretary—took minutes

Serenity Prayer & Quick Check-in

Application for Events Chair Position: Gene M. Application accepted for appointment to Special Events Chair

Service Feedback Discussion: Recommend that the Policy Committee add requirements that all applicants are working with a sponsor and that Finance Committee Chair have a GPI attendance requirement (1 meeting per year). Recommend to change the last paragraph of the application to indicate that the person has read the Bylaws and PnP manual job description and requirements.

- Attract new, younger members
- Get more groups to send IR's, find out what the barriers are.
- Outreach to men in particular. Contact men in program about barriers to men joining OA.
- Explain positions & work required to make them less intimidating—Linda taking April, Kristi/Mel will take June.
- Underscore that we give service to reciprocate the gifts OA gives to us—everyone should be providing service beyond attending meetings and making outreach calls

Other Topics

- Non profit Google status (still needed for archives) Continue to pursue non-profit status. Ro will assist Dee with this.
- Secretarial committee—phone message, responding to voice mails
 - Thank you for calling, please go to website for meeting list
 - Call contact person on meeting list
 - We can mail you a meeting list, leave your address
 - If you need OA info, contact people on the meeting list**Sheree will take a look at the message to see if the wording is appropriate and welcoming.
- Anne's 12 Step Study and Beaver Falls meeting: We will say it is on hold at this point. Kristi will follow up with Anne in May.
- Upcoming PnP amendments: Will address at next meeting
- Other Discussion Items
 - Online OA portal: Is legit, and is to make it easier to make direct contributions to OA World Service
 - Meeting is looking for unused workbooks: 12 & 12, For Today & VOR
 - Not reimbursing people for donated items: If we don't reflect those expenses in some way, we don't really know what the actual operating cost is to the organization. We will look at a way to reflect those donated expenses in our financial reporting.
 - Professional outreach: We will add therapists to our outreach mailing.

4/7 Agenda Items

- Minutes
- Reports
- Linda A on 12th Step Within
- OA.org Portal
- Focus Groups on Men's service opportunities and groups without IRs
- Gene M's appointment as Special Events Chair
- What other steps can we take to reach out to those who are still suffering? (posters, mailings, speaker opportunities at rehabs, PSAs)

Adjourn

Next Executive Board Meeting 4/21/24 4-5 pm