

Minutes: Executive Board Meeting September 21, 2024, 4:00 p.m.

Attendees: Ro M. Chair, Dee C. Treasurer, Kristi K., Ex-Officio, Sheree C. Secretary-took minutes

Serenity Prayer & Quick Check-in

October Elections (will specify October as our annual meeting):

- Speakers/Liv S. (1-year term)
- VOR/Beth A. (1-year term)
- 12th Step Within/Debbie B. (1-year term)
- Treasurer/Dee C. (2-year term, even years - is vice chair even years too? Yes, per Bylaws)
- Region 7/Linda A. (2-year term, beginning January)
- **All applications approved**

Face-to-Face Meetings

- Interest in McKeesport & Mt. Pleasant/Connellsville/Scottsdale
- Sharpsburg location: Waiting for a contact follow up. The Aspinwall meeting may have literature available to donate for a new meeting.
- How best to use Region 7 powerpoint/ Benefits of face-to-face meetings
<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1-oDHH6DoHV5sOI4fRr37DywPPtSZyF60/edit#slide=id.p1>
The powerpoint is a thorough slideshow exposition of the benefits of F2F meetings
- Ro is considering holding an extra-GPI meeting for anyone interested in F2F meetings using the above slide show supplemented with info on how to start a meeting.
- Discussion held regarding members who have started meetings. Kristi would like to see a hybrid event, so people could attend in person, as well as virtually. Ask at GPI if a F2F meeting is willing to sponsor such an event.

Budget Update

- Prudent reserve is set at the higher of 3 month's expenses or \$3,000 whichever is higher. Decision was made to leave it at that.

GPI Attendance Outreach: Volunteers are currently Kristi, Liv & Tricia. Encourage others to reach out to other meetings to ask them to send a meeting rep GPI.

Policy Committee/Divergence from WSO Template

- Not reading all the Steps, Traditions, Concepts at GPI meetings: Currently only reading the Concept of the Month.
- Qualifications moved to PnP
- Providing amendments x days in advance of voting: Currently specified 15 days in advance. WSO suggests 30 days in advance. Give them at one meeting, then vote the following month.

Discussion on Officially Making the GPI Meeting to 60 Minutes: We are currently running at about 50 minutes. Discussion: Elections and amendments can make for a longer meeting. If we finish earlier, it is a bonus. Is there a way to build in an opportunity for fellowship? (Open the meeting early and keep it available later.)

Monday 1:30 Zoom Meeting Closed

Other Issues & Concerns

- Picnic was not well attended. Discussed ways to determine how much effort to put into events, if members are not interested in attending. (A lot of effort for little response.)
- ParkMyPhone: is now operating, Dee will be canceling Verizon in the next couple of days. Will save a lot per year.

- Kristi has one of the wireless speakers formerly used for GPI meetings. Possibly offer it to benefit one of the hybrid meetings?

10/6 GPI Agenda Items

- **Minutes**
- **Reports (due Sept 30 noon)**
- **WS Delegate Role/Tricia**
- **Elections**
- **What attendees want GPI to do in the coming year (add to questionnaire)**
- **Increasing GPI attendance**
- **Monday 1:30 Zoom Meeting closed**
- **Upcoming Events**

Adjourn

Next Executive Board Meeting: October 20, 2024, 4-5 pm