

GPI Reports for November 10, 2024

VACANT: Vice Chair, Outreach, Events, Region 7 Reps-2/ Alts-2, WSBC Delegates-2 / Alts-2

Chair (Ro M.): October Accomplishments

- Secured the elections of officer, chairs and representatives
- (With Policy Committee) Completed GPI bylaw edits
- Drafted a questionnaire to survey member needs not yet met

Chair (Ro M.): November Goals

- Meet with Debbie B. on Chair 101
- Begin membership survey
- (With Policy Committee) Begin PnP edits resulting from bylaw changes
- Continue to request help from IRs to reach out to meetings without IRs to attend GPI

Treasurer (Dee C.): November Report:

- Current financial spreadsheet available at <https://gpioa.org/docs/gpimtg/2024/10Financials.pdf>
- Financial Facts: Report Date: November 1, 2024, GPI - November 10, 2024 Meeting
 - Balance: \$10,982.76
 - Receipts vs Expenses: -\$ 829.82
 - October Contributions: \$ 361.07
 - 2024 Total Contributions \$7,530.54 YTD
 - Average Per Month YTD: \$ 753.00
 - Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$6,198.76

Secretary (Sheree C): October Accomplishments

- All routine tasks completed in cooperation with Ro, Jessica and Secretarial Committee
- Facilitated replacement for committee member seeking to withdraw.
- Followed up on email request for OA information via email. No response received.
- Dawn A. & Frank G. responded to email requests for meeting information as of June 2024.
 - 2024-0 Jan, 1 Feb, 2 Mar, 6 Apr, 1 May, 0 June, 0 July, 2 Aug, 0 Sep, 3 Oct
- Shirley checked voicemail & sent out meeting packets as of June 2024.
 - 2024- 1 Jan, 0 Feb, 2 Mar, 5 Apr/May, 0 June, 2 July, 1 Aug, 1 Sep, 0 Oct

Secretary (Sheree C): November Goals

- Make necessary updates to lists and documents post GPI election
- Be available as needed, with emphasis on supporting Chair and Webmaster.

12th Step Within (Debbie B): October Accomplishments:

- Recruited Monday, 7:30pm Lower Burrell zoom meeting to hold IDEA Day event on November 16, 2024, from 2-4 pm. Obtained speakers for the event. Requested posting of event flyer on Region 7 and World Service websites.
- Enlisted new members for the 12th Step Within committee.
- There were no requests concerning Temporary Sponsors: Newcomers' First Twelve Days. Link is available on our website. Contact the 12th Step Within chair if you need help.

12th Step Within (Debbie B): November Goals

- Confirm 12th Step Within meetings for 12/12 with local Thursday meetings.
- Set up committee meetings
- Confirm Monroeville Saturday is interested in sponsoring the OA Birthday celebration.

Speaker's Bureau (Liv S.): October Accomplishments:

- There were three requests for the list; two new speakers were added.

Speaker's Bureau (Liv S.): November Goals:

- Goal is to continue to announce at meetings that the list is available upon request and that OA members can be added to the list if they would like to be called to speak.

VOR Editor (Beth A.): October Accomplishments:

- Interviewed attendees from last year's OA Birthday for Q1 2025 VOR article

VOR Editor (Beth A.): November Goals:

- Continued working on layout for next edition - 2025 Q1 with the theme "The 9 Tools of Recovery." It is never too early to submit something. You do not have to be a writer -submit your ideas to vor_editor@gpioa.org and ask the editor to touch it up. Submissions can be anonymous by request!
- Continuing to type up submissions for 2025 Q1 VOR

Region 7 Representative (Kristi K.): October/November Accomplishments and Goals:

- Brainstorming with GPI Chair on methods for presenting the *Region 7 Benefits of Face to Face Meetings* workshop.
- Sent the weblink for the R7 Speakers request form to a speaker getter.

Region 7 Representative (Kristi K.): December Goals:

- Continue annual update of R7 Speakers List. Work must be completed by Dec. 31st. This is a R7 Twelve Step Within (TSW) Committee assignment.

Region 7 Representative (Linda A.): October Accomplishments:

- Sent Sponsorship Workshop script to the Intergroup Renewal members
- Attended Intergroup Renewal Committee Zoom meeting (meeting was held after this report was submitted.)

Additional Information about the Fall Region 7 Assembly:

- **Business Meetings**
 - Bob L., our Region 7 liaison, reported that the usual percentages for donations are going to be changed. Currently it is 60% to Intergroup, 30% to World Service, and 10% to Region 7. They will change to 50% to Intergroup, 40% to World Service, and Region 7 will stay the same at 10%. Since this change may affect all the intergroup budgets, Bob L. suggested we take this into consideration. He said we could call him with questions.
 - On the World Service website, there is a new type of meeting - Neuro diversity.
 - Allan, the Finance and Bylaws Committee chairperson, reported that \$15,000 will be sent to the World Service Office.
 - The Convention Committee's chairperson said that 140 members have already registered, and the early bird registration discount is running out.
 - FUN FACT: The raffle baskets and/or raffles are now being called "Chance Auctions."
- **Outreach:** Mark, the chairperson, said a survey will be going out to the Intergroups. At the World Service level, a letter is being developed to be sent to colleges and universities concerning Young People. There is a Collegiate Recovery group online.
- There will be a Virtual Region 7 Spring Assembly on March 29, 2025, and a Virtual World Service Business Conference on May 4-10, 2025.
- The Parliamentarian Moment was exciting for me, since she explained a procedure that can speed up the process of voting on Bylaw or Policy & Procedure Manual amendments. It is referred to as Consent Agendas or Consent Calendars.
- **Administrative Motions:**
 - The motion to send \$15,000 to WSO passed.
 - The Motion to accept the region 7 Jan.-Dec. 2025 budget passed
 - LeeAnn S. was elected as Chairperson

- Bob L. was affirmed as the region 7 liaison Trustee
- The Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary positions are all open.
- **Announcements:** There is a Region 7 Facebook page and a google group, as well.

More will follow at the December Intergroup meeting including Region Chairs Panel Discussion and Carrying the Message.

World Service Business Conference (WSBC) Delegate (Patricia S.): October Accomplishments:

- Medical/Professional Subcommittee (10/9 progress reports): Asked how to get PI/PO manual in other languages? OUTREACH COMMITTEE: download at oa.org: 3pg Guide: “Assisting Staff Responsible for Student Well-being at Higher Education Institutions.”
- PI/PO Committee (10/16): 5 attended. Nothing of major importance
- Next goal: 2-3 pg. guidelines/resources in different languages
- Audit review: 5 left to review by December meeting
- Suggestions to search oa.org, go to: *Resources, PI/PO, or Professional*

WSBC Delegate (Patricia S.): November Goals

- Med/Prof Subcommittee (11/6): No work assigned
- PI/PO Committee: 11/20

GPI Webmaster Special Worker (Jessica F): October Accomplishments

- GPI website given complete overhaul
- Researched whether converting website to WordPress is worth the trouble
 - WordPress is meant to handle blogs, although it can also handle static websites
 - Currently we’re doing outreach to newcomers via our website, and our members via MailChimp and our website (newcomers can join our email list via MailChimp should they choose)
 - Adding Facebook and Instagram for publicizing events beyond our website seems an easier, more economical way to reach both our membership and the general public than converting our website to a blog at this point
 - If this changes in the future, we can always convert to WordPress then
- Answered most questions raised by R7 Chair regarding internet security and image copyright
- All other routine duties completed, nothing more to report

GPI Webmaster Special Worker (Jessica F): November Goals

- Roll out new GPI website
- Finalize answers to questions 4, 5 & 6 raised by R7 chair regarding internet security
- Start GPI Facebook page
- Research how to start an anonymous Instagram page
- Work with Exec Board & secretarial committee member to complete contingency planning and secure GPI documentation
- (ongoing) Move publicly available archive documents to GPI website from google as appropriate
- (ongoing) Work with Secretary and Treasurer to consolidate google archives into our nonprofit google address
- (future goal) review GPI physical documents & scan for online archive