

**2 HOUR -- OA/HOW VIRTUAL SERVICE BOARD (VSB)
OA H.O.W.TWO HOUR FORMAT PHONE MEETING
BUSINESS MEETING: MINUTES (SUBJECT TO APPROVAL)**

**Sunday, August 12, 2018
TIME: 4:45 pm - 6:00 pm (ET)
CALL IN: 641-715-0866 / code 837662 #**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: BY AUDREY (CHAIR): 4:45 pm ET

- Serenity Prayer
- 12 Steps -- Volunteer needed to read -- Molly (NC)
- 12 Traditions -- Volunteer needed to read -- Molly (NC)
- OA Concepts: #3, 4 and 5 -- Read by Audrey -- VSB Chair

Concept Three: The right of decision, based on trust, makes effective leadership possible.

Concept Four: The right of participation ensures equality of opportunity for all in the decision-making process.

Concept Five: Individuals have the right of appeal and petition in order to ensure that their opinions and personal grievances will be carefully considered

ROLL CALL -- MEETING REPRESENTATIVES: By Secretary - Charles (OR)

Sunday 3: pm: Deborah (MI); Barbara N

Sunday 6: pm: Julie R

Monday: 7 pm: Yolanda

Tuesday: day:

Tuesday 7 pm: Revital, Howard

Wed: 7 pm: Charles ; Megan VA

Thursday: day:

Friday:

Saturday: 6 am: Molly G

Saturday: noon:

ROLL CALL -- VSB TRUSTED SERVANTS, COMMITTEES / MEMBERS: By Secretary -- Charles (OR)

Chair: Audrey

Secretary: Charles (filling in for Helen)

Treasurer: Molly J

Website: Molly J

We Care List committee: Jane B

Other members at large:

Dora - Virtual Region Trustee -- Brazil

WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR: (2 minutes)

- Timer: 60 seconds per person: one share per person per agenda item
 - Volunteer needed --
- Robert's Rules of Order -- to the best of our ability
 - Quick Guide link on the VSB page on the website
 - Ask to be recognized (this is _____, may I be recognized?)
 - Chair recognizes _____

MINUTES AND REPORTS (emailed August 5, 2018)

1. Minutes from 07/15/18 meeting
 - discussion and voting on accepting as approved
 - Deborah in the minutes found the typos that changed
 - Motion: vote to approve the amended minutes after Deborah works with Helen to correct the typos -- MOTION CARRIED
2. Website Committee Report: 19,000 visitors Molly J (up 5,000 from the month before!)
3. We Care List Committee Report: Jane B. Continued to update the We Care List
 - Motion: To send out our feedback request email from the we care list committee about how they feel about; how often they want to receive the list New Comer Returning and what email to use -- Jane withdrawn for now but put on a future agenda
 - Howard: Voted on last month that the Newcomer / Returning list be sent out monthly
4. Treasury Report: Molly J
 - discussion and voting on accepting as approved
 - Closing balance \$1973
 - By-laws state that we send excess funds to OA WSO
 - MOTION: to send \$500 to WSO: Molly J
 - seconded: Deborah
 - Motion Carried
 - MOTION: Deborah R be approved treasurers
 - second: Molly
 - Motion Carried

A. REQUESTED CHANGES TO BY-LAWS (STATEMENT OF PURPOSE)

- Submitted by Dora P, the new virtual region trustee
- necessary changes to the Statement of Purpose (SOP)

- EMAIL FROM DORA: She is from Brazil -- per WSO Meeting
 - virtualregionstrustee@gmail.com
 - Bylaws need to be changed from Virtual Service Board to Virtual Intergroup
 - Elect delegates to WSBC on an annual basis
 - Follow the guidelines set for qualifications by the WSBC
 - Dora is happy to help us revise our by-laws
 - No deadline for the changes to be done but asks that we start working on it
- Molly J has changed the group number on the website
- MOTION: Molly J: to work with Dora to add intergroup changes to the by-laws committee for action and approval through group conscience at a future business meeting
- SECONDED: Megan
- MOTION CARRIED

B. SATURDAY AM MEETING REQUESTING TO JOIN VSB: MOLLY G

- Wants to formally join the VSB
- Wants to be moved from “Other” page to have their own page
- Wants to post their leader format on the their new page
- small meeting currently
- they want to do service and they are international
- they have been served by the VSB and want to belong
- currently using the Friday evening business meeting
- wants to be on the Saturday
- the intention is to serve on the VSB
- Molly J will work with the group to get what they need to join the VSB, get their webpage built and published, etc.

DISCUSSION

- Howard: follow our bylaws and welcome them as new members of the VSB
- Molly: welcome them
- Deborah: whoever says they are a member are a member
- Julie R: keep with the by-laws and welcome them

ACTION TAKEN

- Per group conscience, Sat am meeting welcomed as members of the VSB

C. DISCUSSION: ADDING MEETING REP UPDATES TO THE AGENDA

- An opportunity for meeting reps to ask for help or share about their meetings?
- Something that’s working they want to share with the rest of the meetings?
- Prayer support needed?
- Gives the meeting reps a greater voice at the meetings?
- Providing feedback to the VSB from the meetings?

- Other ideas?

DISCUSSION:

- Charles: valuable to give the meeting reps a place for them to provide feedback or they want to share; meeting reports
- Megan; Meeting Rep Updates; being done by opening the meeting; not by roll call;
- Barbara: why burden people with big agendas; the meetings are overwhelming; the agenda items don't meet the needs of the meetings;
- Howard; we have passed the item to email the membership once per month; it would be a good format to handle announcements and other items;
- Deborah: seems like a good idea; it's valuable; we might hold off adding this later for the new board to consider
 - Julie: it could be tabled and done through a survey;
 - Yolanda: it's a good idea; wouldn't it be a group situation; or an intergroup level?

NO MOTION AT THIS TIME:

D. OPEN: VSB TRUSTED SERVANT POSITIONS (for Sept 9th meeting): VOLUNTEERS

- Discussion on how the search is going
- To be voted on the September meeting (per the By-Laws)
- Current trusted servants are all completing their service responsibilities / rotation needed
- Minimum of one year of back-to-back abstinence in 2 hour OA/HOW required (by-laws)
- Chair: Megan (tentative)
- Vice Chair: OPEN
- Secretary: OPEN
- Treasurer: Deborah (MI)
- WSO Delegate for the WSBC in April
- Meeting Reps (ongoing need for new reps to join for all meetings for rotation of service)

NEXT MEETING DATES:

- September 9, 2018
- October 14: MOTION: Molly J / Seconded: Megan; motion carried

3rd STEP PRAYER

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:00 pm ET