

Sunday OA HOW December Business Meeting - Juen 24, 2018

Meeting Coordinator: Molly C.

Secretary: Judy G.

1. **Attendance:** Molly (NC); Judy G (WA); Deborah R. (MI); Dana D (FL); Kelly (Minn); Nikki (NY); Sera (VA); Debra K. (VA); Liz (FL); Barbara N. (VA); Jim M. (MA); Betty M. (MD)

2. **Minutes from May meeting approved** (1 abstention)

3. Service Positions

Nikki's term as treasurer has been up for a month and we need a person for this service position. As Nikki has told us, this is an easy job. There are a few checks (donations) to handle, and then a treasurer's report is made on the Sunday meeting on the last meeting of the month.

Liz expressed interest in the service position. She is not yet a sponsor, so Nikki said she would continue in the position for a while so Liz could progress in her program.

Barbara mentioned that she will be completing her position as VSB representative in September.

4. Old Business

a) SignUp Genius - Our one year of a site free from ads has expired. Now we have ads, and we have to pay again if we want the site free of ads.

Judy: I've been unaware of ads.

Nikki: In the past we've had a special collection [for something like this]. Sometimes the ads are for weight loss. This is an issue - it looks like we are promoting something else. It would be good to eliminate the ads if we can. It's \$107.89 for the year.

Molly: I can work with Nikki. We have a credit card on file.

Dana: I did notice the ads. Given our tradition, we have a responsibility to keep from seeming to be affiliated with outside organizations.

Deborah R: Motion to collect a special donation of \$107.89. We can pay upfront and save a little. We can make a special announcement on the meeting.

Further discussion:

Nikki: I prefer not to have checks made out to my name. How can we work with this?

Molly: People can pay to the VSB by writing a check to me. I can divide the money and use it for SignUp Genius. People should make a note on the check that this is for the special collection for SignUp Genius.

Vote: Yes (many, uncounted), No - 0, Abstentions - 0.

b) Moderator Protocol. Molly emailed people a protocol for the moderator. Judy read and commented; Dana read and commented. "It was clear, effective, and useful."

Molly summarized: Actions for moderation are at the request of the leader. The moderator does not take independent action.

Dana: Motion to accept moderator protocol.

Vote: Yes (many, uncounted), No - 0, Abstentions - 1.

c) Up-to-Date Format: Last month we talked about some changes in the format/readings — reading of Step 2 from the newly revised OA Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions; names and contact information for people who've recently taken on service positions. Molly has since put the new format everything on the website.

d) Tool of Action Plan. This was brought up last week and people wondered if was a still a tool in OA or whether it had been repealed.

Deborah R. - I checked and received an email response. The ninth tool is still a legitimate tool. There was an administrative issue with it but it's still an OA tool.

Nikki: I think it's a very valuable tool and should be included.

Barbara: I strongly agree. Can be for self-care, can branch out well beyond food.

Jim: I agree.

Betty: I go to a face-to-face meeting and they share on this tool.

Liz: It's also included in my face-to-face meeting. I was confused to see only 8 tools in the HOW meetings.

Barbara: Motion to adopt plan of action.

Nikki: 2nd.

A friendly amendment was made for Molly to write up the tool and send it around. At the next meeting we'll talk about logistics.

Yes (many) No - 0, Abstentions - 0.

5. Meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned with the Third Step Prayer at approximately 5:35 ET.