

**OA HOW VSB BUSINESS MEETING**  
Minutes of Special Meeting

**November 12, 2017**

**Helen, Secretary, opened the meeting, in the absence of a Chair.**

**It began with the Serenity Prayer and a reading of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions.**

**Preliminary Announcements:**

**Helen made the following preliminary announcements: 1) Welcome to the new meeting representatives; 2) Reminder that a bylaw revision permits a person to talk for up to 1 minute; and 3) According to the Bylaws, each meeting has one vote.**

**The first matter of business was the election of a Temporary Chair for this meeting. Deborah R. offered to serve. In preparation for that, Roll Call was taken. The following people were on the meeting:**

**Sunday 3:00 p.m. EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Barbara N (VA)

\_\_\_Alt.: Alyson H (NY)

**Sunday 6:00 p.m. EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Jana C (CT)

\_\_\_Alt.: Julie R (CA)

**Monday 8 pm EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Diana W. (IO)

**Tuesday 12:30 EST:**

\_\_\_Ari H (CA)

**Tuesday 8 pm EST**

\_\_\_Rep: Howard W (MN)

**Wednesday 8 pm EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Charles (OR)

\_\_\_Alt.: Audrey

**Thursday, 12:30 p.m. EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Maggie F (NC)

**Friday 8 pm EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Open

**Saturday 10:30 am EST:**

\_\_\_Rep: Joni H (MN)

\_\_\_Alt.: Gretchen (DC)

**Other people in attendance:**

\_\_\_Trustee: Gerri Helms

\_\_\_We Care List Committee: Joni H (NM)

\_\_\_Website Committee: Interim Chair: Molly J (NC),

\_\_\_Website Committee:

\_\_\_Deborah R (MI)

\_\_\_Audrey (NM)

\_\_\_Chair: Open

\_\_\_Temp-Chair nominee: Deborah R (MI)

\_\_\_Vice-Chair: Open

\_\_\_Secretary: Helen M

\_\_\_Treasurer: Molly J (NC)

**Helen announced that 8 meetings were present. A vote was taken by meeting. Deborah R. was unanimously elected as temporary Chair for this special meeting.**

**The meeting was turned over to Deborah R. as temporary Chair.**

**Old Business:**

**Deborah announced that Laura C. has agreed to serve as Chair. Deborah asked if there were any other members interested in the position. One member raised a question about a process put forward for nominations that not all meetings were aware of and did not have time to respond to. After some discussion, the temporary Chair asked again if there were any other members interested in the position.**

**With no other candidates coming forward, the temporary Chair invited Laura to share about herself and why she is interested in the Chair position.**

**After Laura shared, several representatives asked questions of Laura which she answered.**

**A Motion was made to approve Laura C. as Chair of the VSB. The Motion was seconded. The Motion passed unanimously.**

**It was announced that the next meeting is January 14, 2018, 5 PM eastern time.**

**The meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Helen M., Secretary**