

11/25/2018 Minutes for OA How Sunday 3PM Meeting

Meeting Coordinator: Molly

Secretary (temp): Marilyn

1. Attending: Molly - NC, Kelly - MN, Jenny C - MD, Barb - VA, Lance - FL, Marlana - CA, Jim - MA, Dana - FL, Judy - WA. Mary H - MD, Deborah R - MI, Betty M - MD, Marilyn - NH

2. **October minutes** were approved.

3. Service Positions

There were two open positions for VSB representative for meeting held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 4:45 EST.

Lance volunteered for VSB Rep and was unanimously approved.

This leaves one more VSB Rep opening.

Next month there will be an opening for Newcomer Greeter.

4. Old Business

a) Interruptions: Since our last business meeting and the adjusted wording to the format there have been no serious disruptions. Dana has not called the FCC yet and suggested we hold off on any further interventions while things are quiet and hope for the best. All agreed.

The issue can be revisited as needed.

b) Sponsorship and anonymity wording. This issues was raised at the last meeting and postponed until this meeting. The person raising the question was not present today so the issue was not discussed. This issue can be discussed if raised at a future meeting.

5. New Business

a) Format change - Sunday 3PM Marlana suggested as there are now two OA-How meetings on Sunday we change the wording to the "Sunday 3 PM" in our format .

There are 2 places the format is affected. The title "OA-HOW SUNDAY **3 PM** PHONE..." and the first section "Welcome to the Sunday **3 PM** meeting of..."

This discussion was postponed until the December meeting.

b) Lack of time to share – Marlana also raised the concern that there was not enough time for leader to share for 10 minutes or for any positive pitches at the end of the meeting and pointed out that one reason for this is that there were 40 sponsors on the sponsor line and a number of people shared more than the basic information. She suggested we firm the wording of the format to say "just" share only this information and also find a way to say "don't say you have no openings" only share if you do

have openings. Molly suggested Barbara is good at writing and could write up the change to the format. Dana suggested we check out the Monday night meeting format which has been nicely changed to ask for these limitations.

Other suggestions were made to streamline the format and save time:

Limiting the reading about Stepping Up if there is no one stepping up.

Limiting announcements in some way. Perhaps having non-urgent ones after the meeting ends.

All listening to the format during this next month for other ideas.

Jim: I move that we change the format to; "Please just share only on these 3 items..."

(Molly added that Barbara can find the right wording.)

Jenny: I second the motion.

Vote: Aye – 13; No – 0; Abstain – 0

The motion carried, Barbara will type up the wording for the change and bring to the December business meeting for review and approval.

6. Meeting adjourned at 5:30.