

Sunday OA HOW December Business Meeting - August 26, 2018

Meeting Coordinator: Judy G. (temp)

Secretary: Judy G.

1. **Attendance:** Judy G (WA); Dana D (FL); Jenny C. (MD), Deb H. (MI).; Deborah R. (MI); Jim M. (MA); Beverly R. (AZ); Sera (VA)

2. Minutes from July meeting approved

3. Service Positions

Barbara will be completing her position as VSB representative in September. She shared some thoughts about this position: "Being a VSB representative is a good way to take your program up a notch. It's an excellent way to understand what goes on at that level of service - such as how the website works, how to communicate with groups who don't have representatives."

Her elevator speech to encourage someone is, "Give it a try. I find giving service at this level broadens how I view my character defects and how I do service. It feels good! It allows me to gain insight into the wheels of OA. Everyone's opinion matters.

4. Old Business

a) Tool of Action Plan: This tool was added to our format, per the decision from the last business meeting.

Jenny C: We still have a sentence in the format that refers to the action plan: "In OA HOW, the daily action plan is outlined in the structured use of our tools..." This sentence may no longer be needed.

Judy G: Motioned that we consider revising this section to eliminate the unnecessary portion.

Jenny C read us the statement and the portion before and after.

Deborah R: Proposed a friendly amendment: that we remove the one sentence referring to the action plan.

Vote: The motion and friendly amendment were passed with many Yes votes, 0 No votes, 0 abstentions.

b) Sign-Up Genius fund: A question was raised about how close we are to achieving our goal to have an ad-free site. Judy reported, having spoken to Molly, that we are close. There is still time to donate.

Dana D. suggested that we consider being pro-active in the future and beginning fund-raising early, a few months before the deadline, to avoid having months where ads are visible.

[This idea was tabled for next meeting or for when Molly is present.]

5. New Business

a) Deborah R: Open service positions on the Virtual Intergroup.

There are service positions available at the Virtual Intergroup (which is the VSB). These are: Chair (1 person has expressed interest), Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer (Deborah R has indicated she will seek this position). Anyone interested in learning more about doing service for the Virtual Intergroup should contact Deborah R.

The election will be in September on the 2nd Sunday.

Jenny C: Can Deborah be both a representative for our group and the treasurer?

Deborah R: I think so. I'll check

b) Judy G: Molly raised an idea that we have a new service position for our group - someone who will handle format changes.

Deborah R: The format is Word, and the document must be converted to a PDF, which is then posted to the site.

Deborah raised the possibility that it could be part of the Secretary's job. Doesn't know if that would make it harder to get someone to be secretary.

Judy G: As the secretary, I would not wish to take that on. I have a Mac and would have difficulty with the format.

[topic tabled for next meeting or for when Molly is present]

6. Meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned with the Third Step Prayer at 5:23 p.m. ET.