

### Open with Serenity Prayer

- **Read Step, Tradition and Concept of the month**
- **Introductions:** First Name, ID yourself as a meeting Rep (which meeting) or visitor.
- Rename yourself if you are a meeting representative by placing "(A)" before your name
  - o 8 people in attendance; 4 group representatives
- Review of the meeting protocol (timer for meeting) and main motion process (3 pros and 3 cons per motion; 1 minute per person)

#### **March Minutes – Approved by Shirley and Karen**

#### **March Treasurers Report – Approved by Claudia and Robin**

- Claudia report on Region 8 (SOAR8) March Virtual Assembly

Friday, March 15, 2024

The Region 8 Board Members were introduced and we had roll call with 46 voting members plus more with visitors. There was a presentation on the 12 concepts.

Saturday, March 16, 2024

This day was all the work. We started at 9:00 am and ended near 6:00 pm. The assembly was all virtual and much of the area is working hard to include the areas that are not English speaking. Our Trustee Dora P. from Saul Pao, Brazil has been successful in recruiting more Region delegates from non-English speaking countries. The region is comprised of the Caribbean Islands, Central America, South America, U.S. Southeastern Region: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, and The U.S. Virgin Islands. You can learn more at [oaregion8.org](http://oaregion8.org)!

Most of the motions were rewriting the By-Laws to make it more inclusive to the whole region.

- The first motion A passed was to amend the bylaws to include an international committee. So now we have Ways & Means Committee, Intergroup Outreach Committee, By-Laws/Electronic Documents committee and Technology committee and International Committee.
- Next Motion 1 that passed after being amended: rewriting the wording in the assembly procedures to take out the terms "spring and fall" and change the assemblies to be held in the months of March/April and October/November to make it more flexible.
- Motion 2 was to amend the policy and procedures manual to include an appendix outlining how to write an amendment.
- Motion 3 is a motion to fully fund the International Committee. This motion passed.
- Motion 4 rewriting policy and procedure manual to remove the International sub- Committee from the IGOR Committee because we approved making an international Committee. Passed
- Motion 5 Amending policy and procedure manual passed to fully fund the International Committee chairperson similar to the chairs of the other committee.



- Motion 6 amending policy and procedure manual to put first the defunding of the International Committee, if necessary, since it was the latest committee to be formed.
  - Emergency motion 1: Increase see money to hosting intergroup-passed.
  - Emergency motion 2: Bylaws change to geographically include Southern Missouri passed.
  - Emergency motion 3: change region membership to include Southern Missouri passed.
  - Emergency motion 4: budget override for the International Committee motion passed.
- The next Assembly is in-person in Boca Raton September 20-22, 2024
- Any reporting from Committees?
    - Shirley event on Thursday – PIPO Committee.
    - Getting started with the Dot Card, which is a QR code to relay resources directly for members and purchased a card.
    - Ways and Means Committee – Contact Karen to be involved with financial decisions.
  - Will to send out a description of committee needs and contact information.
  - June getting started with the IGOR Committee.

**Vice-Chair Position:** Applications- One from Debby. Unanimous acceptance 6 approved.

### Old Business:

- **Insurance update** – Insurance has been purchased. Policy received. Share it with appropriate facilities, please.

### New Business:

- **Event Updates:**
  - **Conference Workshop Proposed** in June -Palm Harbor – Theme “Before the Next B.I.N.G.E. (Believing I’m Not Good Enough)” Location at Belcher and Nebraska church. Option for June 8 or the following Saturday from 1-5 pm.
  - **OA World Service Organization Convention** Aug. 21-23<sup>rd</sup> 2025 Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld® – any volunteers. SAVE the Date.
  - **World Service Business Conference** in NM May 7-11 – JC will attend as our delegate
  - **Convention** along with Business Assembly in Boca Raton on 9/20 – 9/22 for regional business, which will be hybrid.
- Service Outreach Opportunities at **Franciscan Retreat?**
- **Committee Updates:**

- o **PIPO** – Shirley agreed to be chairperson and will focus on Hernando and Pasco counties. We need someone(s) to step in for Pinellas County. Retreat will have an activity “O.A. Rocks” – with contact information painted and placed for visibility.
- o **Twelfth Step Within** – Any interest in Chairperson Position?
- o **Ways and Means Committee** – interest in being involved?
- **Logistic Updates:**
  - o **Cancel Text180**
  - o **Get rid of PO Box – checks were returned** - Karen’s address posted on website. Please announce this to your zoom meetings.
  - o **Need sponsorship – Recovery Help tab on OARegion8.com – can request a sponsor.**
- **Open Discussion:**
  - o **Newsletter – Interest? Segments, Topics, Suggestions?-** Mary indicated people indicated an interest in newsletter, but no interest in compiling this. Idea to have people share their stories once a month. Suggestion for this to be electronic. Need to have someone to lead this charge and then discuss. Can add this request to the committee distribution. Potential interest from Rita and see if MJ has any interest.
  - o **Hotline? Management of phone coverage?** Could be something to get PIPO involved with. Can use a google number to forward numbers. Will gather more information.

### Take back to your group:

- Report the new Committee Chairs to your group. Karen R (Ways & Means), June P. (InterGroup OutReach/IGOR), Shirley Q. (PIPO)
- If your meeting does not have an InterGroup Representative please consider electing one to represent you at our PTI meeting.

**Next Monthly PTI Meeting: NEW DAY/TIME: 7pm on Fourth Tuesday of Each Month** - Tuesday, May 28th at 7:00pm, Meeting ID 840 2699 8998, Passcode: service

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion - Robin @ 8:00 pm

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