

### Open with Serenity Prayer

- **Read Step 9**
  - Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
- **Read Tradition 9**
  - OA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
- **Read Concept 9**
  - Able, trusted servants, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are indispensable for effective functioning at all service levels.
- **Introductions:** First Name, ID yourself as a meeting Rep (which meeting) or visitor.
- Rename yourself if you are a meeting representative by placing an "(A)" before your name  
14 people in attendance; 6 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)

**August Minutes Approved**

**August Treasurer's Report Approved**

- Ask for a volunteer to be timer

### Chairperson Comments:

- We lost a great friend of OA recently, Jayne K. Shirley talked about Jayne's long term abstinence and immense contribution to PTI service. A memorial will be held later this week.
- Newsletter contributions welcome; please share the newsletter in your groups and encourage others to contribute. Send to [Chair@OAPinellas.org](mailto:Chair@OAPinellas.org) by the end of first week of each month
- On September 28th 1pm-3pm there is an in-person Workshop - Palm Harbor. Opening up the Steps – activities, speakers, etc.
- Mon & Fri noon Zoom meetings need help
- Minors in meetings - <https://oa.org/news/oa-board-approves-new-policy-stating-oa-does-not-endorse-minors-attending-oa-meetings/?news-category=0&page=0>

Friday, September 20, 2024: The Region 8 Board Members were introduced and we had roll call with 43 voting members. Recognition of new region representatives and any new intergroups as well as the appointment of a timer and center mike monitor. We had three speakers share their experience, strength and hope.

Saturday, September 21, 2024: Roll call was made and we had 43 voting members. We adopted the agenda and went over the standing rules. The consent agenda was approved and the minutes from the last assembly were approved. 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 change the wording from fall assembly to 2<sup>nd</sup> assembly. The motion passed
- Next Motion 1 was again to amend by laws to change the wording from fall assembly to 2<sup>nd</sup> assembly. The motion passed.
- Election of Vice Chair Lonna C. was elected.
- Election of Secretary JC D. was elected
- Discussion of hiring a hotel broker.
- Committee Meetings
- Board of Trustee Reports: O.A. does not endorse minors attending meetings. Any literature referencing teens or young people need to be removed from meetings. Problems occurred when adult issues were being discussed while children were present. If your group wants to be responsible for allowing minors in the rooms Region 8 suggests you get legal help and advice.
- Vice Chair and Secretary made their reports
- Motion 2 –Amend Region 8 policy and procedure manual to read that lodging and reimbursement for lodging will be for two nights for funded committee chairs. Funded chairs may request an exception to this policy which must be approved by the board in advance of the assembly. The approved exception would allow funded committee chairs to be reimbursed for a maximum of three nights if the board has scheduled a morning meeting on Friday before noon, or if the responsibilities require them to be in attendance ahead of time. (This motion was made with technology committee in mind because they must set up equipment early before board meetings). This motion passed.
- Went over the budget and voted to approve.
- Elected Region 8 Delegates to World Service Board Committee: Shirley Q., Kathy M., and Stuart.
- Trustee Nominee: We still do not have a nominee and have not had one for some time.
- Announcements of new committee chairs: By-Laws=Dora, Technology=Claudia S., PIPO= Andrea K.

- No bids for 2025 Assembly because it will be virtual.
- No emergency motions.
- Committee Reports
- Discussion about establishing a social media presence for Region 8
- Please update your meeting schedules for meeting in the region and send a response that you've done this to the region secretary.

The next Assembly is in-person/ hybrid in Baton Rouge, March 14-16, 2025. **This is the last Regional assembly that I will represent you. I have completed my full term as your representative. New representative needed by March 2025.**

**Vice Chair Comments:** N/A

### **Committee and Representative Reports:**

- 12th Step Within Committee - meeting list updates, chips, forms sent to groups, upcoming workshop, plans for 2025 Convention.
- PIPO (Public Information and Professional Outreach) Committee - Health care event in November and Pasco NPR Vocational School (700 people) in October.
- Upcoming Halloween Zoom-A-Thon

### **Old Business:**

- 2025 Convention – scholarship needs in order to plan for budget.

### **New Business:**

- Michele suggests adding “Speaker” to Service Opportunities list on oapinellas.org, in light of JC needing to line up 50+ speakers for the 2025 Convention.
  - **Motion to add “Speaker” to Opportunities List– Approved by Jennifer and Martha. Unanimous vote – motion passes.**
- Regional representative is needed – elections held in November for Chair and Secretary for anyone else interested, if not Robin and Will are able to continue.
- Health care event in November: Consideration of printing costs for events and literature. Proposing 2025 budget to include \$700.

**Open Discussion:**

**Take back to your group:** meeting notes, upcoming events, and newsletter

**Next Monthly PTI Meeting**

- Tuesday, October 22nd at 7:00pm, Meeting ID 840 2699 8998, Passcode: service

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion – Robin @ 7:57 pm

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