

Meeting held on Sunday, June 13 2010 in room AR100 of Allen Riddle hall at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Convened at 5 PM, followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12 Steps and 12 Traditions. Brief Check-ins. In attendance: Lisa P (chair), Peter S, David B, Patrick D, Michael T, Rich N (timekeeper), Debbie F (spiritual reminder), Joe A

Quorum: 4 representatives with at least 3 months sobriety. **Motion to allow provisional reps to vote (Patrick/Michael). Passes 4-0-0.** We have 6 voters.

Department Reports

- Recording Secretary (David B) – **Motion to approve minutes as amended (David/Patrick): passes 6-0-0.**
- Corresponding Secretary – (David B acting - OPEN)
 - Mailing (Rich N and Curtis B): The May mailing went to 98 addresses and 125 e-mail addresses. Included were May Newsletter, Approved April NEI meeting minutes, Invitation to BMIS discussion on July 11, Flyer for Barbecue on July 31.
 - Phone Coordinator (Richie B): 139 total calls in the month of May. 8 callers requested meeting lists. 13 people requested meeting lists via the internet.
 - Internet Coordinator (Lisa P): 5 messages in May. 1 from newcomer wanting information, 1 from someone looking for a women's meeting, 1 request for a meeting address, 1 with new S.L.A.A. meeting information, 1 request for a meeting list to be mailed.
 - Mailbox (Marie C): Nothing for the Corresponding Secretary. Rich can also pick up mail on Mondays.
 - Meeting List (David B): Monday Boston Noon meeting changed name to "Newbury at Noon". Also started meeting at same time & location on Fridays. Monday Stoughton meeting changed instructions on where to enter church. Friday Newton meeting at Newton-Wellesley Hospital changed to Open meeting, handicap accessible. Newcomer contact for Tuesday AM Providence meeting asked to be removed from meeting list. New 4th Step meeting in Weymouth at 7:30 PM on Thursdays.
- Treasurer (Eric G acting – OPEN) Not present. No treasury report.
- Newsletter (Rich N) – Distributed drafts. Rich will update newsbriefs. Connecticut Intergroup may have an event in August. David will look up the date. The Journal has a contest to increase subscriptions. Michael and Peter will proofread.
- Literature (Peter) – We're low or out of lots of items. We're out of books, out of 3 of 4 top-selling pamphlets. Out of 1 week chips. Almost out of 1 day chips. Peter will place order to not go over FY 2011 budget. Suggestion to charge: \$5.75 for bronze medallions, \$1.00 for plastic chips, \$1.25 for pamphlets, \$19 for books, \$5 for newcomer pamphlets. **Motion to raise prices to these amounts (David/Michael).** Peter says this should cover shipping costs. Amended: recheck this in 6 months to see if we're losing or making money. Prices to go up July 1, with start of fiscal year. **Passes 6-0-0.**
- Activities Committee including Vermont (Jenny RW, Lisa P, David B, Marie C.) – Chair – OPEN. Canoeing on June 26. Barbecue on July 31. Vermont – two registrations in for July 23-25. Lisa and Jenny leading.
- Outreach (Patrick D) – Patrick, Lisa, and Rich are working on their outreach kits for group visits. They need the revised price list. When it's complete, they will present to the group.
- ABM Delegate (David B) – ABM held on August 10-13. There is one more motion on the BMIS that did not get mentioned on the flyer: a pamphlet on Triggering Language and Behavior.
- Group Reps Reports (if any) – Weds "Mainly for Love Addicts" meeting has a new treasurer. Thursday Weymouth 4th Step Group will be on the meeting lists. Still undecided if it's a Men's

meeting or open to men and women.

Old Business

- Open Positions
 - Corresponding Secretary - temporarily filled by David B. (1 year sobriety requirement).
 - Treasurer – temporarily filled by Eric G. (1 year sobriety requirement)
 - Web Site Coordinator - temporarily filled by Lisa P., Eric. G., and Rich N. (6 months sobriety requirement)
 - Activities Committee Chair (No sobriety requirement)
 - Monthly Mailings – temporarily filled by Rich N. & Curtis (1 year sobriety requirement for mailing envelopes)
- Group Visits Subcommittee – Prepared group visit kits, along with two new documents: a What Is New England Intergroup trifold pamphlet and an instructional list for doing group visits. Need line item in budget for reproducing these items (Estimate \$3 per packet. Budget for \$200 initially. Need to figure how much for rest of year. **Motion to approve draft plan for NEI Group Visit (Patrick/Michael). Passes 6-0-0.** Trifold NEI pamphlet will be brought back to vote on in July.

New Business

- FY2011 NEI Budget – Eric distributed proposed budget. Some issues: Increase income from literature by 5% for raised prices. Increase expense for literature shipping to \$350. Add rent as expense. Reproduction cost is \$1400. It might be worth buying a copier/printer and keeping it in someone's house. Need to consider costs of machine, service, paper, and toner. Rich N is willing to keep it in his house. Patrick, Rich, Debbie, and Peter will form committee to look into this. Committee will report back next month. What is Miscellaneous income and expenses? Suggestion for 1% miscellaneous income and expense (\$250). What is the Delegate Fund Distribution (2610)? What's the difference between the ABM expense (2600) and the Delegate Fund Distribution (2610)?
- Contents of Mailing for July
 - June Newsletter
 - Approved May minutes
- Meeting List – Discussion of Adding Recovering Couples Anonymous Meetings. We may have space on meeting list. Suggestion to add web site contact information for S-Anon, Co-SLAA, and RCA. **Motion to put the Framingham RCA meeting list on July meeting list, then revisit issue of meeting info versus links/intergroup information for October meeting list (Patrick/David): vote is 5-1-0.** Minority opinion: RCA is tenuously connected to SLAA. Clarification: we will revisit this issue with more discussion in September. Tradition 6 – SLAA ought never endorse, etc. **Vote again: 5-1-0. Motion passes.**

Tabled for Next Month

- NEI Meeting Locations for 2011 – Possibility of using Bank Meeting Room
- Flyer for Service Positions

Next NEI Meeting – Sunday, July 11, 2010 at 5:00 PM in room AR100 at Newton Wellesley Hospital. Respectfully submitted, David B.