

Meeting held on Sunday, April 10, 2011 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), Bob G, David B, Eric G, Peter S, Michael T, Rosanne R, Richie B, Patrick D, Rich N, Alex H, Cathryn C, Rob K

Quorum: 6 elected representatives with at least 3 months sobriety. We have 6 voters.

#### Department Reports

- Recording Secretary (David B) – **Motion to accept minutes (Michael/Bob): passes 6-0-0.**
- Corresponding Secretary (David B acting - OPEN) –
  - Mailing Report: (Rich N & Curtis B) – The February mailing went out Thursday, March 31 to 101 addresses. It contained the March newsletter, January and February meeting minutes, and the Spring Gathering flyer. The electronic mailing went out on Friday, April 1 to 146 email addresses. It contained links to the same items plus the February treasury report.
  - Phone Coordinator Report: (Richie B) – 129 total calls in March. 15 meeting lists mailed: 8 to callers requesting meeting lists and 7 to people requesting them via the internet.
  - Internet Coordinator Report: (Lisa P) – 7 total emails in March. 1 meeting list update. 1 request for literature at STD clinic. 1 request for contact info of our outreach coordinator. 1 announcement that the Wednesday “Mainly for Love Addicts” meeting is still happening. 3 meeting location requests.
  - From the Mailbox: (Marie C) – Nothing requiring the attention of the corresponding secretary.
  - Meeting List Changes: (Patrick D) – Sunday Weymouth meeting is changing start time from 7:00pm to 6:30 pm. New meeting Fridays in Osterville: Open Discussion, Handicap-accessible, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 421 Wianno Ave. Entrance in back of building. Publish full address on NEI web site. (add group contact to NEI mailing list)
- Treasurer (Bob G) – In March, we took in \$2,127.29 in income. We had \$1,462.60 in expenditures. So far this year, we're behind by about \$2000 in income vs. expenditures. Need to update treasury report to get year-to-date numbers in report. They weren't in the version emailed to everyone. We'll approve the report at the next NEI meeting.
  - Photocopying Subcommittee (Patrick) – Photocopying is in the black. The copier we purchased last autumn has paid for itself.
- Literature (Peter) – Sold out of Romantic Obsession pamphlets. Sold about \$351 in literature.
- Activities Committee including Vermont (David B-chair, Jenny RW, Lisa P, Rosanne R) – Spring Gathering was a good experience. 3 people signed up for VT weekend in July.
- Outreach (Patrick) – Outreach packets are printed and collated. Primary purpose is to get contact names from the meeting.
- ABM Delegate (David B) – Delegate sign-up forms have been mailed. Lisa will register this week. IFD on the promises has been submitted. Next BMIS deadline is in May. May is Individual Contribution Month.
- Newsletter (Rich N) – Quote is okay. News briefs: outreach committee. Should newsletter list group representatives? Round robin discussion. Someone volunteered to write a “My Favorite Meeting” article. List of upcoming activities. David will send it to editor by April 16. Potential article on slogan. David will provide one. Peter and Michael are proofreaders.

- Group Reps Reports (if any) – Saturday AM Brookline group, contributions have been down. Crosstalk is an issue at some groups. Reps asked for resources.

#### Old Business

- Open Positions
  - Corresponding Secretary - temporarily filled by David B. (1 year sobriety requirement)
  - Web Site Coordinator - temporarily filled by Lisa P., Eric. G., and Rich N. (6 months sobriety requirement)
- Group Visits Subcommittee – Need volunteers to help with group visits.
- ABM Delegates – NEI ability to send second delegate. It may be difficult to get to \$1660 by the deadline. We're currently have \$1108 in the delegate fund. We also need to look at how well we're sticking to the budget this year. **Motion to send one registration for the early registration deadline of April 28 (Patrick/Michael): passes 7-0-0.**

#### New Business

- Newsletter Quotes – Someone wrote to NEI saying they are uncomfortable with quotes from non-members being used in the newsletter. Round robin discussion. Consensus is that we continue using appropriate quotes.
- Contents of Mailing for April
  - April newsletter
  - March meeting minutes
  - April meeting list
  - July Vermont weekend flyer
  - Individual contribution month flyer

#### Tabled Until Next Meeting

- Spring Gathering Survey Results

Next NEI Meeting – Sunday, May 1, 2011 at 5:00 PM in room AR100 at Newton Wellesley Hospital. Respectfully submitted, David B.