

Meeting held on Sunday, September 13, 2015 in AR100 at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Meeting convened at 5:00 PM with Serenity Prayer, reading of Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and brief check-ins. Members Present: Peter S (chair and facilitator), Patrick D (spiritual reminder), Don T, Rob R, David B, Warren P, Seth S, Lisa P, Jenny R (timekeeper), Michael T, Wil C

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

Committee Reports

- Chairperson (Peter S) – Review of agenda
- Recording Secretary (David B) – Brought copies of August minutes (taken by Rich N).
Motion to accept minutes as amended (Michael/Rob): 5-0-1.
- Corresponding Secretary – (Patrick D)
 - Mailing Report (Kim B. & Lisa P.) – USPS mailing went out on August 25 to 48 people total, 3 to professional. Email version sent on August 23.
 - Internet Coordinator Report: (Lisa P) – No report this month
 - Phone Coordinator Report: (Peter S.) – 131 calls were received by the answering service in July, 2015. The responders returned 11 calls.

Meeting list request	3
VT Retreat info request	1
Looking for a medallion	1
General Program Info	6
TOTAL	11
- Treasurer (Bob G is interim treasurer) – Treasurer is not present, but he emailed report. Peter brought copies. Paid 2nd half of Summer retreat payment to Nikki G. No 7th Tradition donations in July and August, but those are often slow months. Need payments to Nikki for Anorexia retreat and the September retreat the week after. One check is missing from one attendee. Treasurer position is still open. **Motion to approve treasury report (Michael/Seth): 4-0-2.**
- Literature (David B) – Sold \$270 in literature to 5 meetings. David bought literature from FWS store. Need copies of Anorexia 1-2-3 and Anorexia Pamphlets for upcoming Anorexia retreat. David will place order and get it to Jenny.
- Activities Committee including Vermont (Peter S) – About 20 people showed up to picnic in August at Houghton’s Pond. Site was closer to pond and parking lot. Used signupgenius.com to make list of food and get food sign-ups. Took in \$99 in 7th Tradition contributions. Fall Gathering is coming up November 7th. Flyers are on table, so take some with you. We have one keynote speaker so far. Anorexia retreat has 13 so far plus two more inquiries. October weekend has 8 confirmed and 3 in process. Fran from New Jersey will be co-facilitator for October retreat. Facilitators must have attended at least one retreat in the past and have 6 months continuous sobriety. It was hot during July retreat and some people were triggered by other people in shorts. Round robin discussion of possible dress code for retreats.
- Outreach and Outreach Committee (Wil C) – Still holding meetings at Bridgewater MTC. Created list of all NEI meetings, whether or not meeting has contact, and a sign-up for NEI reps to attend. Need volunteers to visit meetings. Wil can bring visitation packets next month. Peter is also on Outreach Committee. Seth and Rob are also willing to join.

- ABM Delegate (Wil C) – NEI's auction donation was for Legal Seafoods Lobster Dinner. Passed around synopsis of Annual Business Meeting. Minutes are not available yet.
- Newsletter (Rich N) – Peter will include article on Fall Gathering. Wil will write article on ABM, David on IRC. David will write on Tradition 10. Proofreaders: Michael T, Don T
- Web Site (Lisa P) – Someone locally helped upgrade the Web Site to Wordpress. There's still more that needs to be fixed from the upgrade. We paid for Wordpress tech from Godaddy for 5 years. We may ask for security features.
- ABM in Boston (Seth S) – Nothing new to report on ABM/IRC in Boston. Pam Martin from the FWS office has not responded to Seth, but she has sent information to Bob. Seth S is the liaison between FWS and the Local Planning Committee.
- Group Reps Reports (if any) –

Old Business

- Open positions: Treasurer (July 1st). One year sobriety requirement. David and Seth will talk to local people who may be able to serve.

New Business

- Meeting List distribution – Can we send meeting lists electronically? David B will create new list from meeting list on the internet. He'll send it to everyone in NEI for review.

Contents of Mailing for October - Deadline for materials to get to printed – September 23

- Newsletter (Rich N)
- August Meeting minutes (David B)
- Fall Gathering Flyer – resend flyer from last mailing.
- December 12-Step Retreat Flyer

Tabled Until Next Meeting

- NEI meetings by telephone.

Closing

Next NEI Meeting is Sunday, October 11, 2015, at 5 PM. Respectfully submitted, David B