Meeting held on Sunday, January 13, 2008 in room AR100 of Allen Riddle Hall at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Convened at 5:00 PM. Serenity Prayer, followed by twelve steps and twelve traditions. Brief check-in. In attendance: Kim B (chair), Jenny RW, Lisa P (timekeeper), Ed W, David B

Old Business:
1. Security of US mail to NEI – Rich K and Rich N have both mailbox keys. Mail is picked up and left in a drawer for someone else, which is inappropriate handling of personal information. The person who picks up the mail should mail it to the appropriate people. *Action: Kim will talk to Rich N, if she sees him at a meeting. If not, Kim will call Lisa.*
2. NEI Group Inventory – No copy of group inventory on NEI disk. David B has a copy on his computer. *Action: David will e-mail it to Jenny. Kim will contact other intergroups to find a chair for our group inventory. Jenny will write a flyer.* **Motion: May NEI meeting will be potluck & getting current at 4:00, inventory at 5:15, then NEI meeting afterwards (Kim/Jenny): passes 5-0-0.**
3. Outreach Coordinator – Not present
4. Spring Conference – Summary: everyone loves EDS, but parking is still a problem. The only negative comments were on parking. Investigate cost of conference space at EDS and UMass. *Action: Jenny will contact EDS. Lisa will contact UMass.* First choice: April 12. Other possible dates: April 5 or April 26.
5. In-Kind Donations – **Motion: Set policy such that earmarked donations for NEI events need to be reviewed by NEI (Jenny/Kim): passes 5-0-0.**
6. E-Mail Correspondance – Messages to info@slaanei.org aren't being answered. Some volunteers are not answering email. What does the automated response tell people when they write to us? *Action: Eric will put a notice in the newsletter asking for e-mail volunteers. Six-month sobriety requirement.*
7. By-Laws – Starting in February, we will devote 10 minutes of every NEI meeting to review of by-laws.
8. FWS Fiscal – No fiscal information yet. Kim says the new system has been implemented. Dan (chair of NEI) wants to know what information we want. We need to get up-to-date on our $50/month donation to FWS. **Motion that we pay our $50/month donation to FWS (Jenny/Kim): passes 5-0-0.**
9. Single-Sex Vermont Weekend – Other groups have single-sex weekends. Paul wants to know if we want to do single-sex weekends. **Motion that we keep mixed-gender weekends (David/Lisa): passes 5-0-0.**

Officer Reports:
10. **Recording Secretary (David B)** – Eric did minutes in December and e-mailed them to everyone. Corrections discussed. **Motion that we put "Draft" on unapproved minutes (Lisa/Jenny): passes 5-0-0. Motion to accept minutes as amended (Ed/David): passes 5-0-0.** *Action: David will make corrections to December minutes for mailing.*
11. **Corresponding Secretary (Position Unfilled)** –
12. **Treasurer (Rich K.)** – Contributions in October and November are identical, but they don't match what's on page 1. We'll table approving the reports until Rich is present. *Action: David will contact Rich with questions about the treasury report and about attending the meetings.*
13. **Outgoing Mail** – Handled at the December VT weekend. Next mailing – December minutes, December newsletter, meeting list, VT weekend flyer, 12&12 Writing Workshop flyer (if it's

available), You Are Not Alone flyer, Journal sale. *Action: David will ask the Worcester Friday group if they can fill the NEI mailing.* Get items for the mailing to Ed and David by Jan 19.

14. **Phone Coordinator (Kenn C)** – Kenn is out. We'll get a report next month.
15. **Internet Coordinator (Lisa P)** – Lisa is getting help from Tom. Incoming e-mails in December: 12 e-mails. 9 asking for meeting info, 1 coslaa request, 2 miscellaneous.
16. **Meeting List Coordinator (David B)** – David brought 500 copies to this meeting. There will be another co-slaa meeting on Thursdays. Tuesday meeting Danvers meeting submitted new directions on how to get to the meeting, but it's too long to fit in the printed meeting list. *Action: David will tell them that it won't fit on the printed meeting list, but he will put it on the online meeting page.*
17. **Vermont Coordinator (Eric G)** – Fun weekend in February, standard weekend in March. We have six people registered for the fun weekend. A new 3-page flyer has been created and submitted to the internet coordinator. New 2-page flyer for print reflects the price increase. If we don't get 15 people, we'll have to cancel the fun weekend. *Action: Lisa will contact Rich N to look for registrations in the mailbox.*
18. **Newsletter Editor (Eric G)** – For newsletter, *Action: Ed will do a My Favorite Meeting.* New meetings: Winooski Thursday. E-mail volunteer notice. Kim and Jenny will help Eric finish the newsletter.
19. **Activities Committee (Jenny W, Lisa P, David B, Isaac H)** – No contact with Thursday Boston meeting for Valentine's Day. *Action: Jenny will write a notice for the newsletter to let people know they should go to a meeting on Valentine's Day if they are struggling. The notice will list the Thursday meetings.* We need a place for a writing workshop. *Action: Kim will talk to Bruce about doing it in Brookline on Saturday morning.* Alternate suggestion, Newton-Wellesley Hospital on Sunday afternoon. We need to finalize plans by this Friday (January 18).
20. **Literature Coordinator (Ed W)** – Two literature orders for literature this month. We're out of books. FWS has a sale on journal books - $7 each, $15 set of 3, $5 each if you buy 10 or more. We will buy 5 sets for $75.
21. **Outreach Coordinator** – Position is unfilled.
22. **ABM Delegate (Eric G)** – Kim brought flyers announcing FWS' sale on journal books. We will make sure these get into next mailing. FWS wants to know what the membership wants from them. **Motion: Tell them we want faster turnaround on literature (Jenny/Ed): 4-0-1.** *Action: Kim will contact FWS.*

Tabled Items:
- NEI How-To Manual
- Discussion about other S-groups on meeting list

Next NEI Meeting – Sunday, February 10, 2008 at 5:00 PM in AR100, Allen Riddle Building at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Respectfully submitted, David B.