

Meeting held on Sunday, May 3, 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), Lisa P (timekeeper), David B, Michael T (spiritual reminder), Bob G, Wil C

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

Department Reports

- Chairperson (Peter S) – Review of Agenda.
- Recording Secretary (David B) – Review of April minutes. **Motion to accept (Bob/Michael): Passes 2-0-0.**
- Corresponding Secretary – (Open – Kim B is acting)
 - Mailing (Kim B & Lisa P) – Two e-mail recipients were added. USPS mailing was expected to be sent to 42 members and 4 professionals. Neither the USPS mailing or the Electronic mailing were sent as of the May NEI meeting due to late receipt of the May Newsletter and the Group Inventory Flyer. Meeting Lists were sent to 140 e-mail recipients via US Mail on May 2, 2015. Both the USPS mailing and the e-mailing are expected to include the May NEI Newsletter, the NEI minutes for March, a flyer for the July Vermont 12-step retreat, March financial report, April Meeting List, a flyer for the NEI Group Inventory in June. The e-mailing will also include a link for the May Massachusetts 12-step retreat and May Wachusett Mountain Hike.
 - Phone (Peter S) – No information on the number of calls received by the answering service in April, 2015. The volunteer responders returned 8 calls.

Spring Gathering Questions	2
VT retreat questions	1
MA retreat questions	2
Meeting questions	3
TOTAL	8
 - Internet Coordinator Report: (Lisa P) – There were five internet requests for information in April.

Newcomer – general information	3
Meeting Address Information	2
TOTAL	5
 - Meeting List Report (Lisa P) - There is a new Women's meeting Sunday in Brookline, MA, 8:00 p.m. (OSLD12nf, 75 min). Literature, step study, and speakers, 4th Sunday of the month focuses on sexual anorexia. All women suffering from sex and love addiction are encouraged to attend. The Tuesday Weymouth, MA, 7:00 p.m. meeting has disbanded as of 04/14/15.
- Treasurer (Bob G) – Big month for expenditures and income. Paid \$500 for instate retreat. Paid \$950 for Spring Gathering. Paid for ABM registration and airfare. Paid \$209 for website. Paid \$50 to reserve site for August picnic. Receipts from Spring Gathering totaled \$1231. 7th Tradition Contributions are better than expected. **Motion to accept treasury report (Michael/Wil): passes 3-0-0.**
- Literature (David B) – We took in a total of \$315.25 in literature sales since last month. A meeting in Worcester bought \$72 of chips and pamphlets. At the Spring Gathering, we sold \$243.25 in literature, including all of the booklets. We donated a S.L.A.A. Basic Text for

use at 12-Step retreats because pages fell out of the book we've been using. Also donated an Anorexia pamphlet and Anorexia 1-2-3 booklet for use on an upcoming anorexia-themed retreat. We currently have \$1310.00 in literature assets.

- Activities Committee including Vermont (Peter S) – Did well from the Spring Gathering. Raffle income went to Delegate Fund. Bake Sale income went to Scholarship fund. Nearly done compiling evaluations. Suggest changing name of Vermont Scholarships to Retreat Scholarships. Lisa and Wil created list of items needed for every Spring Gathering. Mt. Wachusett hike coming up on May 16. 6 registered for Massachusetts retreat May 29 – 31. We also have registrations for the July retreat in Vermont. Reserved space for picnic on August 16.
- Outreach and Outreach Committee (Wil C) – Willing to try contacting women's prison in MA for a meeting.
- ABM Delegate (Wil C) – 2nd version of agenda has been approved. Wil has registered for ABM and purchased tickets to Houston.
- Newsletter (Rich N) – Rich provided newsletter drafts. Newsbriefs: detail about open positions. Include ABM and IRC in newsbriefs. Also mention Group Inventory. David will write blurb about IRC for newsletter. Quote is ok. Peter will provide something about Spring Gathering. Michael will proofread.
- Web Site (Lisa P) – Finished all content. One more form needs to be developed. Web Site committee will review, then ask NEI to review.
- Group Rep Reports (if any) – Meeting format changed in stateside Bridgewater meetings.

Old Business

1. NEI Group Inventory – Happening next month in June. Lisa will contact Read about the time (5-6 PM). We'll bring snacks to share. David will get a \$20 gas card for Read for his efforts.
2. Open positions: Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer. The current treasurer will not serve as interim treasurer as of July 1st.
3. 2016 and 2017 ABM/C in Boston – Had a lunch to discuss this at the Spring Gathering, but we didn't really discuss it. One person volunteered to help at the Spring Gathering. We'll discuss this again in June.

New Business

1. Review of proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Includes actuals FY 2014-2015 and 2014-2015 budget.

Contents of Mailing for May – Deadline for materials to get to printed: Wednesday, May 13

1. June Newsletter (Rich N)
2. April Meeting minutes (David B)
3. Flyer asking for donations for ABM Delegate (Lisa P)

Next NEI Meeting is Sunday, June 14, 2015, at 6 PM. Respectively submitted, David B