New England Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes

Meeting held on Sunday, October 11, 2015 in AR 345 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 (Participated by telephone), Bob G (timekeeper), David B (spiritual reminder)

Quorum: 2 elected representatives with at least 3 months sobriety. Motion to remove requirement for 3 months sobriety (Bob/Patrick): passes 2-0-0.

Committee Reports

- Chairperson (Peter S) Review of agenda
- Recording Secretary (David B) Review of September business meeting minutes. **Motion to approve as amended (Bob/Patrick): motion passes 1-0-1.**
- Corresponding Secretary (Patrick D)
 - O Mailing Report (Patrick D. & Lisa P.) One e-mail addresses was deleted. The full USPS mailing was sent to 46 recipients on October 1 including 3 professionals. Email mailing for September 2015 was sent out on Sept 30 to 254 email recipients. The USPS and e-mailing included the September NEI Newsletter, August NEI minutes, a flyer for NEI's Fall Gathering; and a flyer for the regular December 12-Step retreat in Vermont. We sent out 3 meeting lists and S.L.A.A. information for phone and website requests.
 - o Internet Coordinator Report: (Lisa P) –

Newcomer – general information	1
Looking for meetings in Boston area	2
Attendee wanting to help with service at Fall Gathering	1
Inquiries on Vermont Anorexia 12-Step Weekend	2
Event flyers from other S.L.A.A. Intergroups	2
Inquiries on Vermont 12-step weekend	8
TOTAL	16

o Phone Coordinator Report: (Peter S.) − 122 calls were received by the answering service in September, 2015. The responders returned 11 calls.

VT Retreat info request	2
Anorexia Retreat	4
Anorexia Meeting Info	1
General Program Info	2
General meeting Info	2
TOTAL	11

- Meeting List No changes to the meeting list
- Treasurer (Bob G is interim treasurer) Received \$60 in 7th Tradition donations. Received payments from Anorexia Retreat and 12-Step Retreat. Table approval of the treasury report until next month and mail it in November.
- Literature (David B) Sold \$50 in chips to one group and sold 1 book on Vermont Retreat. Total of \$69 in sales.
- Activities Committee including Vermont (Peter S) Anorexia retreat held Sept 25-27 and used Anorexia Pamphlets and Anorexia 1-2-3 Booklet, as well as Anorexia 4-5-6-7 and Anorexia Recovery Tools drafts. Co-led by Rita and Jacob. 12-Step Retreat on October 2-4, facilitated by Jenny R and Peter S. For upcoming Fall Gathering, space is reserved at Grace

- Church. We have a starting keynote speaker and a closing speaker: Mack and Lynn. Need raffle items. We have a National Parks poster calendar and a couple of books.
- Outreach and Outreach Committee (Wil C) Wil is unable to participate in Outreach and Intergroup for the near future.
- ABM Delegate (Wil C) Not present. We'll need a new delegate for next year.
- Newsletter (Rich N) Quote is ok, except single-double quotes don't match. Need someone to write an article on Tradition 11: attraction rather than promotion. David will write article on Tradition 11. Jenny will get schedule of 2016 Vermont Retreats. Peter will ask Seth or Jenny for article on ABM in Boston. Add details about needing prison outreach leaders. Proofreaders for newletter: Peter and Patrick.
- Web Site (Lisa P) Migrated website successfully to Godaddy, but updates from last couple months didn't migrate. So those have to be redone. Thanks to Lisa and web site committee for all the work done so far.
- ABM in Boston (Seth S) Report emailed from Seth. Pam Martin, the General Manager of FWS, is coming to Boston to meet with Seth and look at our suggested location and other locations. This will probably be in two or three weeks.
- Group Rep Reports (if any) None.

Old Business

- NEI Meetings by Telephone We're trying it during this meeting with Patrick D calling in via speakerphone. We can hear Patrick, but he has difficulty hearing us during the meeting. We need another solution, perhaps a better microphone.
- Open positions: Treasurer (July 1st) Bob G is still interim treasurer. We need a replacement.
- Meeting List distribution Still need a PDF meeting list that duplicates only information available on web site. David B will do it before next NEI business meeting.

New Business

Contents of Mailing for October - Deadline for materials to get to printed - October 21

- Newsletter (Rich N)
- September Meeting minutes (David B)
- October Meeting List

Closing

Next NEI Meeting is Sunday, November 8, 2015, at 5 PM. Respectfully submitted, David B