

Meeting held on Sunday, July 8, 2018 in AR 100 at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Meeting convened at 4:00 PM with Serenity Prayer, reading of Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, and brief check-ins. Members Present: Seth S (chair), Geri C (vice chair)(spiritual reminder), Betsy L(timekeeper), Lisa P, Maria G and Peter S. On the conference call: Jenny R.

Quorum Check: Three group Representatives present. Three members meet the 3-month sobriety requirement.

Officer sobriety check-in: All officers present who have a sobriety requirement meet that requirement.

**1. ABM/C Motions and Discussion.**

- We discussed the new literature including: “Meditation Book, “Step Questions Workbook” and “Anorexia 4-5-6-7: Working the Program Not the Problem” – Seth said all are well vetted. We did not vote on these items.
- Discussion about elimination of the term “Lone Group” from SLAA lexicon. Suggestion not to support the motion because it eliminates the distinction of a potential need to support the group. Discussion about bylaw change to clarify when a member of the Board of Trustees term will end. We did not vote on these items.
- Discussion on Items for Discussion: Changing deadline for nominees to the SLAA Board of Trustees from Thursday morning to Wednesday afternoon; draft of the booklet “12 Concepts of SLAA and; the introduction of regional groups.

**2. Department Reports**

- Chairman (Seth S) - Open unfilled NEI positions: Lisa reported on potential web site coordinators. **Motion to nominate Geri for Web Site Coordinator (Betsy/Peter) 3-0-0.** Jim G will be asked to be on committee
- Recording Secretary (Peter) – **Motion to accept June 2018 mtg minutes with edits (Betsy/Geri) 3-0-0**
- Corresponding Secretary (Jenny/Geri/Seth) – Geri is withdrawing from mailing responsibility so she can be Web Site Coordinator.
  - Internet Coordinator Report: (Lisa P) – Web Site Statistics for June 2018

General newcomer information	3
Spread word Augustine Alchemy Conference Aug. 11th (CT Intergroup)	1
Vermont weekend	6
<u>Meeting list requests</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	11
  - Phone Coordinator Report 127 calls 10 calls returned

meeting info	4
retreat	2
gen info	3
<u>meeting list</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	10
  - Mailing Report – None  
We will ask the treasurer to bring stamps to the NEI meeting for the mailing.
- Treasurer (Michael T.) – None.

- Literature (Patrick)
- Activities Committee including Vermont (Jenny) - Discussion about \$10 increase in per person cost at the VT retreat facility. Should NEI absorb the cost or pass it along to participants? **Motion to increase price effective immediately except for participants who have already registered Geri/Peter (1-0-2)**  
Update on July retreat. Group conscience to allow Betsy to be a retreat co-leader even though she does not meet sobriety requirement.
- Outreach Committee (Seth) - Patrick and Seth met. Seth still plans on developing provider list for outreach.
- ABM Delegates (Seth) - See above discussion on motions
- Newsletter (Betsy) – Betsy did an informal focus group on “the Bottom Line” as newsletter name and has concerns. Group conscience for a new name: “the Top Line”. Betsy will write about increase in Retreat cost. Sidebar info on Fall Gathering. Proofreaders: Peter
- Group Reps Reports (if any) - None

### **Old Business**

- Review of NEI By-Laws and Delaware Valley Intergroup Positions – NEI by-laws inconsistency between sobriety requirements for Web Site Coordinator and Corresponding Secretary. Delaware Valley requirement is 6 months for both positions. Both positions have access to addresses. Lisa is proposing modifying Corresponding Secretary to 6 months. This will require an amendment to the by-laws. More research needed about whether Delaware Valley Intergroup has board member requirements in by-laws.

### **New Business** - None

**Items for the July Mailing:** - Contents of Mailing for July: Meeting List, June Meeting Minutes, September retreat flyers, Newsletter, Alert Notice. Deadline for items to be published on website – Tue, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Deadline for materials to get printed – Sat, Aug 11<sup>th</sup>. Distribution by Mon, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

Close Meeting: Check-Outs; Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting Date: August 12, 2018 at 5:00 pm. Peter S has the Bluetooth Speaker and will bring it to the meeting. Respectfully submitted, Peter S.