

Philadelphia Area Intergroup (PAIG) Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2023
7:15 – 8:45pm

Preliminaries

- Meeting started at 7:15pm
- Roll Call – done (15 participants total)
- Establish a Quorum? Yes
- Upcoming Events (all event flyers are available on oa-phila.org)
 - **Relapse Prevention & Program Reentry “Virtual” Workshop:** Saturday, October 21, 2023, 10:00am-Noon EST. Hosted by the South Jersey Intergroup (SJIG).
 - **Region 7 Convention:** “*Sail Into Recovery: Together We Get Better*” November 3-5, 2023, Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort, Ocean City, MD, online registration and details @ oaregion7.org.
 - **64th Annual In-Person OA Birthday Party:** “Together We Get Better” January 12-14, 2024. Hosted by the Los Angeles Intergroup & held at the LAX Hilton Hotel. Registration opens October 15, 2023.

Questions/Issues from Groups

None

Board Reports

Chair (Mary T.)

- Retreat and a few other points are covered under *New Business*

Vice Chair (Wendy K.)

- No changes to the meeting list. Latest version is on PAIG’s website

Treasurer (Phil S.)

- Previous Balance: \$8,857.52
 - Income: \$795.62 (Group and Other)
 - Expenses: \$1,292.52
- Total Balance: \$8,360.62
 - Prudent Reserve: \$2,000.00
 - Delegate Savings Fund: \$1,440.00
- Total Operating Funds: \$4,920.62

- Clarification – purchased “For the Healthcare Professional” pamphlet for PI/PO (Alice P). Rather than have the PAIG Retreat pay for the pamphlets, PAIG paid since PI/PO is a function of the Intergroup
- Natasha motioned to approve the Treasurer’s report. Angela Seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary (Shari B.)

- September’s meeting minutes were sent out on 10/2.
- Jean motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Natasha seconded. Motion passed.

World Service & Region 7 Reports

WSBC Delegate A - *OPEN*

WSBC Delegate B - *OPEN*

Region 7 Rep A (Angela C.)

- Wasn’t able to attend Region 7’s Fall Assembly due to work commitment.
- Attended Outreach Committee meeting. Focus on outreach to professionals, doctors, hospitals, etc.
 - Working on a project to give instructions to Intergroups on how to create and include a QR code for upcoming events. Will distribute upon Region 7’s Board approval.

Region 7 Rep B (Anne W.)

- Couldn’t attend Assembly on Saturday due to technical issues; attended Sunday. Reported that the Assembly was well run and organized.
- New Corresponding Secretary for Region 7’s Board was voted unanimously.
- Region 7 Trustee vote did not go forward due to question about requirement of 6-month continuous abstinence and applicant did not currently meet that qualification.
- Voting took place on 4 motions
 1. Assembly Quorum – changed to 30% of eligible votes. Motion passed.
 2. Convention Committee Travel – currently travel for Region 7 Convention Committee members are not covered in Convention expenses. Motion was to include travel as part of covered expenses and was passed.
 3. Qualifications for Region 7’s Speaker List. Requirement – 6 months of current abstinence. Suggested adding service above group level for any length of time. This motion was approved.

4. Apprentice Treasurer – this new position would be created and serve at the same time as Region 7's Treasurer. No remuneration would be received by this position. Motion passed to create new position.

Region 7 Rep C - *OPEN*

Region 7 Alternate - *OPEN*

Committee Reports

AWARE (newsletter) (Chris N.)

- Not present.
- Current issue of AWARE included an article on the PAIG Retreat and highlighted the St. Albert's meeting.

Program (Trish M.)

- Not present.
- Will send out a note about the next Program Committee meeting. If interested, contact Trish.

Retreat 2023 (Natasha M.)

- Retreat was a success. Attendees had a wonderful time.
- Two people are interested in co-chairings next year's retreat.
- Will have post-mortem committee meeting in the near future. Will have final evaluation forms and Treasurer's Report by then.

PI/PO (Alice P.)

- Not present.
- Alice has been consistently posting the "Is Food a Problem for You" tear-off sheets in the community.
- Also contacted PAIG about wanting copies of "For the Healthcare Professional" pamphlet. Want to educate doctors.

Speaker List (Maureen L.)

- People are still requesting the list.
- Contact Maureen for a copy of the list or to be added.

Communications (Anne W.)

- Received 2 calls about the retreat (both registered)
- Received a call from someone in the Brandywine area asking about OA; directed the caller to OA's website.
- Received another call from someone who doesn't have transportation access; directed caller to get meeting lists online.

Web (Shari B.)

- Posted event flyers, AWARE, and meeting minutes.
- Email any event flyers that need to be posted to Shari.

7th Tradition

Donations can be made via PayPal (treasurer@oa-phila.org)

Old Business

None

New Business

Did you know?

- There is an audio version of the OA text: *"The Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous, 2nd Edition."* Check with your e-reader retailer?
- The OA Lifeline Magazine is now a *Lifeline Stories of Recovery* blog. The same great member stories are available just a click away at lifeline.oa.org. Highlights include featured articles for newcomers and focused Step of the month articles and much more...

Audio recordings of speakers are sometimes used at meetings when a speaker is not available. Retreat audio clips will be posted to PAIG's website.

Closing

Debbie motion to close the meeting. Maureen seconded. Motion passed.

Serenity Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 1, 2023