

The meeting began at 5:02PM with the Serenity Prayer followed by the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions and brief check-ins.

Spiritual reminder – Mike T Timekeeper – Jenny RW

Quorum- 8 elected group representatives present with at least 3 months sobriety

Attendees: Patrick D, Peter S, Jenny RW, Kim B, Rich N, Michael T, Seth S, Rob R, Don T, Kenny P, Craig G,

Committee Reports - Decision made to change wording From Department Reports to Committee Reports

- Chairperson (Peter S) Welcomed new reps and invited them to sign up for google groups
- Recording Secretary (David B) not present Minutes approved from July meeting Kim/Seth 8-0-0
- Corresponding Secretary – (Vacant) –  
Mailing Report (Kim B. & Lisa P.) – Four e-mail addresses were deleted. The full USPS mailing was sent to 44 recipients on August 4<sup>th</sup> including 3 professionals. Email mailing for July 2015 was sent out on 07/30/15 to 256 email recipients. The meeting list was sent to 139 e-mail recipients via USPS. The USPS and e-mailing included the August NEI Newsletter, June NEI minutes, the end-of-fiscal-year (2015) Treasurer’s report, a flyer for NEI’s first Anorexia focus 12-step retreat in Vermont occurring in September and a flyer for the regular October 12-Step retreat in Vermont. The e-mailing also included a link for the flyer for the August Barbeque. We sent out 5 meeting lists and S.L.A.A. information for phone and website requests.

Internet Coordinator Report: (Lisa P) – Web Site Statistics for July 2015

Newcomer – general information	3
Mailing List - update or deletion	2
Looking for information about 12-Step Anorexia retreat	1
Looking for meeting near New Bedford	1
Requesting for copy of full ABM agenda	1
<u>Inquiries about whether spaces left July Vermont 12-step weekend</u>	6
TOTAL	14

Phone Coordinator Report: (Peter S.) – 119 calls were received by the answering service in July, 2015. The responders returned 11 calls.

Meeting list requests	2
Do any of our meetings use AA Big Bk?	1
Interest in beginner's meeting	1
General program info	4
VT Retreat Info	2
<u>Wanted Meeting Info</u>	1
TOTAL	11

Meeting List Report: (Lisa P.) - The Saturday 7:00PM Worcester meeting disbanded as of July 2015.

- Treasurer (Bob G, acting) not present
- Literature (David B) not present
- Activities Committee including Vermont (Peter S) - Spring Gathering survey response 30%. Picnic had 24 attendees. Anorexia retreat Sept 25- 27. Draft S.L.A.A. Anorexia materials to be used. Fall Gathering at Grace Episcopal, Newton, Need a theme, ½ day program.

- Outreach and Outreach Committee (Wil C) – not present
- ABM Delegate (Wil C) – not present
- Newsletter (Rich N)- Quote approved. Don T to write 9<sup>th</sup> Tradition piece. Add info on S.L.A.A. anorexia material
- Web Site (Lisa P) - Difficulty migrating New Website to Go Daddy. Vote to approve monthly payment to Go Daddy to see if migration can be successful. Jenny/ Matt S 8-0-0.
- Group Reps Reports Monday Partnerships in Recovery, Newton is considering format change to a literature meeting.

#### Old Business

1. Open positions: Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer; Mailing: Patrick D volunteered to be the corresponding secretary.
2. Participating in NEI meetings by telephone? Discussed. Important to keep boundaries, not causing an undo burden on participants, helpful for people to volunteer to chair. Technical problems with conference call. The more open the process the better it is.
3. Group Inventory follow up – Peter to bring lists to meeting next month.

#### New Business

1. Use of draft literature - Tabled
2. Sharing PDF of meeting electronically - Tabled
3. ABM 2016 40th Anniversary for S.L.A.A. Application accepted for Boston. Recommend a Committee be formed to report to NEI. Jenny, Peter, Lisa and Wil to be on committee.

#### Contents of Mailing for September deadline for materials to get to printed

1. Newsletter (Rich N)
2. July Meeting minutes (David B)
3. Fall Gathering flyer

#### Tabled Until Next Meeting?

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2. Sharing PDF of meeting electronically

#### Closing Serenity prayer 7:00 PM

Next NEI Meeting is Sunday, September 13, 2015, at 5:00PM