

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), Betsy L, Jenny R (timekeeper), Mike T, Martin M, Patrick D (spiritual reminder) and Peter S. On the conference call: None.

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

Quorum Check: Five group representatives present. Four members meet the 3-month sobriety requirement. Motion to allow group reps who do not meet the sobriety requirement to vote:

Michael/Geri 4-0-0.

Department Reports

- Chairman (Seth S) open unfilled NEI positions – corresponding secretary position is being filled by the Intergroup right now (This means all NEI members are doing some part, including stuffing envelopes).
- Recording Secretary (Peter S) – Review of July 2018 mtg minutes. **Motion to approve: Geri/Michael 5-0-0**
- Corresponding Secretary (NEI Intergroup) Jenny gave the report. Updated mailing list which we are using for this month's mailing.
 - Phone responder report (Geri C) 132 calls came into answering service. Geri now has a responder checking messages every night. 11 calls responded to: 3 retreat, 5 meeting info, 1 on questions on setting up a new meeting.
 - Patrick is coordinating the meeting list. He is going to be strict about requiring a Meeting Information Form for meeting list changes.
- Treasurer (Michael T.) – Discussion about confidentiality concerns when returning an unsigned check.
 - Yearend report: Checking balance: \$14,116.44, Income including 7th Trad: \$22,043, Expense: \$19,963, Net income: \$2,080. The big difference was in-state retreats, literature. Expenses differences in ABM because our representative self-funded. Fall Gathering paid for in prior fiscal year. We finished the year over budget \$3,757. Suggestion that we put something in the newsletter about meeting our budget. **Motion to approve: Geri/Peter 5-0-0**
 - Draft of 2019 fiscal year presented. We will discuss next month. Retreat may need changes. New category of Special projects with \$775 suggested by Michael could be used as scholarship distribution account. This would allow two scholarships for each retreat. Projected loss will be overcome by last year's surplus and possible surplus this year. Seth suggests we have a larger amount in Special Projects.
 - July report: Checking balance: \$12,991, Only activity for the month were four expense checks. A lot of "0" because no budget yet in report. **Motion to approve: Peter/Michael 5-0-0**
- Literature (Patrick D) – Sold three books this month. Need some literature for retreat. Suggestion we order new literature.
- Activities Committee including Vermont (Jenny R) – There are 4-5 people signed up for Anorexia retreat. We need more literature for the Anorexia retreat. We now use the

Anorexia Pamphlet and Anorexia 123. Starting to set up for Fall Gathering. Starting to plan 2019.

- Outreach Committee (Seth) – Seth has a draft for the prescription pad. He will bring to next month's meeting with draft of letter for therapists. Suggestions for bus stop bench adds and Starting an "inner city" meeting by contacting ministers. Round table discussion about outreach ideas – consensus is that the prescription pad is great, advertising should be explored but be careful about promotion as opposed to attraction (Tradition 11). Being a resource for starting a meeting would be a good thing. Members expressed interest in outreach to attract diverse groups. Suggestion it would be a good topic for the Fall Gathering.
- ABM Delegates (Seth) – No report.
- Newsletter (Betsy) – August newsletter was sent out. Discussion about deadlines for getting items to Seth who has the printer. Group conscience is to move deadline for getting items to printer to 9/6 for this month only. Discussion about November 2018 NEI meeting at Fall Gathering on 11/3. Group conscience is we are going to do this.
- Group Reps Reports (if any) – None.
- Web Site (Geri) – Geri will be handling anything confidential about the web site. Any assistants on the committee that don't meet the sobriety requirement will not handle anything confidential.

Tabled

- Budget discussion.
- Review of NEI By-Laws and Delaware Valley Intergroup Positions

Contents of September Mailing: - Newsletter, Fall Gathering Flyer, Minutes, Quarterly/Year end financials. Deadline for materials to get printed – Thursday September 6, 2018. Distribution after Sun, September 9th.

Close Meeting: Check-Outs; Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting Date: September 9, 2018 at 5:00 pm. Peter S has the Bluetooth Speaker and will bring it to the meeting. Respectfully submitted, Peter S.