



## **REGION 2 FALL ASSEMBLY MINUTES**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2013**

**Call to Order: 9:10a.m.** by Chair Nancy J. with the Serenity Prayer

**Introduction of Green Dots, mentors, retiring Reps**

**Introduction of Board members and parliamentarian**

**Readings:** Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service  
Assembly rules were read by the parliamentarian, TinnieBee Hall

**Roll Call:** Quorum Established; 36 RRs from 25 IGs; 5 voting board members, total of 41 voting members;  
Nonvoting members: Region 2 Trustee, 1 Alternate and 1 visitor

**Adoption of previous minutes:** Spring 2013 Assembly held April 13

**Ask-it Basket circulated**

**Drawing for winner of Hidden Phrases Contest**

### **Board Reports:**

Chair Report: Nancy reported there will be a delay in approval of the Board minutes from the last assembly due to the Secretary's absence. Nancy reported on her attendance at the Mexico Congress. She also talked about the OA Survey, suggesting everyone review it, which is posted on the World Service website ([www.oa.org](http://www.oa.org)). A request was made for notes on the "Action Plan" workshop she mentioned that was done at the Mexico Congress.

The Chair answered a variety of questions from the floor.

Vice Chair Report: No questions from the floor

Secretary Report: Absent

Events Coordinator Report: Cher received a Thank You from the acting Bylaws Committee Chair. Cher was asked if she enjoyed being a board member and would she do it again. She answered Yes to both. The 2015 Convention will be held at the Town & Country Conv.Center in San Diego on June 16-28.

R2 Trustee Report: Meg answered multiple questions about items reported in her packet report and those from the floor.

Treasurer Report: Jerry distributed an updated written report and a proposed budget for 2014. He answered questions from the floor.

Publications Chair Report: Rick had no report.

**Ice-Breaker**

## Intergroup Concerns:

Q: Our group has noticed we are very remiss with bylaws and we are trying to update them. Are there any guidelines to follow? It's a big task

A: just call, that's an option. On Oa.org there are sample bylaws. You can go through bylaws and compare them and update them. There is a letter that went out to all the Intergroups.

## 2014 CONVENTION PRESENTATION.

### Intergroup Concerns - continued:

Q: What has been the decision about social media? Is it a break in anonymity for groups and Intergroups using it.

A: This is a real hotly debated issue. I have the right to break my anonymity but not to break yours. It's always the case of stopping to think how's this going to affect someone else. We get to stop and ask "how is this going to affect OA as a whole? Our group? Our Intergroup? Our region? See Final report WSBC 2011-A p.87.

**Tribute:** Scott, the R2 Bylaw Chair passed away unexpectedly. A member of his intergroup presented a tribute of his service to OA.

## Adjourned for lunch

## Reconvened: Committee meetings held after lunch

## New Business:

**MOTION #1:** Move to amend Bylaw Article VIII, to include provisions for telephone conferences and other electronic communications as methods for conducting regular board meetings, by adding and renumbering as follows:

### ARTICLE VIII - R2 Board

Subject to the limitations of the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws and the Laws of the State of California, all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of this corporation shall be controlled by the Board of Directors, which shall be known as the Region 2 Board (hereinafter called the R2 Board).

The R2 Board will be comprised of a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Publications Coordinator, and Events Coordinator. The R2 Trustee, acting as liaison to Region 2 for the World Service Board of Trustees, may have a voice at Board Meetings.

These Board Members shall perform the duties prescribed by these Bylaws, the Policies and Procedures Manual, the Board Operation Manual, and the adopted parliamentary authority, which are listed in order of precedence.

- A. The R2 Board shall hold regular meetings at its discretion.
- B. The R2 Board is authorized to meet by telephone conference or through other electronic communications media, so long as all members may simultaneously hear each other and participate during the meeting. A quorum (majority of seated members) must be "on line" before the meeting may be called to order and must remain "on line" for any business to be conducted. Only business for which the meeting was called may be transacted.
- ~~C. All business considered by the R2 Board requires a majority vote of the seated members for adoption.~~
- D. Persons serving on the R2 Board shall not be considered by R2 as RR's from any Intergroup or Unaffiliated Group.

**Motion #1 adopted as amended.**

**MOTION #2: Move to amend the Policy & Procedure Manual, Section VIII, B, #1 as follows:**

R2 shall pay the expenses of its Chair or designated alternate to the World Service Business Conference, regularly scheduled meetings of the Region Chairs Committee (hereinafter referred to as RCC), and the World Service Convention when held in conjunction with a regularly scheduled RCC meeting.

**Motion #2 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #3: Move to amend Policy & Procedure Manual Section VIII, item D, no. 3, d)– Funding Assistance for Hawaii and Mexico Intergroups as follows:**

Providing funding is available, budget amounts shall be distributed as follows:

- i. Hawaii: Intergroups shall alternate in being offered funding assistance to attend the fall assembly. If they are unable to accept the assistance, funding will be offered to the next eligible intergroup.
- ii. Mexico:
  - a. ~~A maximum of two (2) Intergroups will be offered funding assistance to attend the fall assembly each year.~~
  - b. Funding assistance to the World Service Business Conference shall be available as follows:
    - i. Intergroupal Mexico shall receive funding for one (1) delegate to attend the WSBC and for (1) RR to attend the fall assembly each year, when provided for in the budget.
    - ii. Other Mexico Veracruz Intergroups shall be alternate in being offered receive funding for one (1) delegate every other year and one RR each year, when provided for in the budget.
    - iii. Participants are expected to fulfill the requirements specified in the WSBC Delegate Funding Assistance policy.
    - iv. The R2 Board shall be permitted to pay expenses in case of extenuating circumstances, as specified in Item 6 of the WSBC Delegate Funding Assistance policy.

**Motion #3 adopted as amended.**

**MOTION #4: Move to amend Region 2 Bylaw Article VIII – R2 Board to read as follows:**

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The R2 Board will be comprised of a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Publications Coordinator, and Events Coordinator. The R2 Trustee, whose duties and responsibilities are specified by the World Service Bylaws Subpart B, Article IX, Section 2 and the World Service Trustee’s Board Reference Manual, shall acting as liaison to Region 2 for the World Service Board of Trustees, and may have a voice at R2 Board Meetings.

These Board Members shall perform the duties prescribed by these Bylaws, the Policies and Procedures Manual, the Board Operation Manual, and the adopted parliamentary authority, which are listed in order of precedence.

**A E.** The R2 Board shall hold regular meetings at its discretion.

**B F.** Persons serving on the R2 Board shall not be considered by R2 as RR's from any Intergroup or Unaffiliated Group.

**Motion #4 adopted as presented (with numbering corrections).**

**MOTION #5: Move to amend Region 2 Policy & Procedure Manual, Section IV – R2 Board Duties and Responsibilities, by deleting the “Statement regarding duties of R2 Trustee” in its entirety.**

**Motion #5 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #6:** Move to approve a special budget override for Board Support services, budget line item #701-00, in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00 to cover the cost to upgrade the software of the Intergroup websites supported by Region 2.

**Motion #6 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #7:** Move that, according to policy manual Section VIII- B- #12, the following budget overrides be approved:

<u>Item:</u>	<u>Description:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
570-00	Events Co-ord. to Conv.Mtgs	\$ 91.00
660-00	R2 Chair to RCC meetings	\$ 500.00
Total Budget Over-rides Required		\$ 591.00

**Motion #7 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #8:** Move that the R2 Chair be reimbursed for expenses, not to exceed \$350.00, associated with attending the World Service Convention that was held in conjunction with an RCC meeting. RCC meetings will be scheduled in conjunction with the WSO Conventions, which occur every three (3) years.

**Motion #8 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #9:** Move to approve purchase of a replacement computer and necessary software for the Region 2 Secretary, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200.00.

**Motion #9 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #10:** Move to approve replacement of the Region 2 Display Board at a cost not to exceed \$850.00.

**Motion #10 adopted as presented.**

**MOTION #11:** Move to adopt the 2014 Region 2 budget.

**Motion #11 adopted as presented.**

#### **Ask-it Basket Q&A**

Q. Where will the World Service Convention be in 2016?

A. Boston

Q. Who do I contact to get speakers on the R2 speakers list?

A. The Region 2 Vice Chair

Q. How do you get on that list?

A. Contact the R2 Vice Chair

Q. Why does Lifeline no longer list retreats and events in the back of Lifeline?

A. Because it was too hard to get stuff in on time. Saved money, permitting "glossy" version.

Q. How are the virtual meetings attached to the region?

A. Region 2 is geographic, virtual meetings aren't.

Q. Since meetings have changed, should we not say "compulsive overeater" anymore?

A. Conference decided that "compulsive overeater" and "compulsive eater" are interchangeable. It is up to the individual to identify how they are. It is felt that "compulsive eater" may be more inclusive (anorexics and bulimics)

#### **INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP PRESENTATION**

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED**