

REGION 5 ASSEMBLY
November 6th & 7th, 2015
Clarion Hotel
Merrillville, Indiana

Responsibility Pledge

Always to extend the hand and heart of OA
to all who share my compulsion:
for this, I am responsible

OA Promise

I put my hand in yours, and together we can do
what we could never do alone.

No longer is there a sense of hopelessness.
No longer must we each depend upon our own
unsteady will power.

We are all together now, reaching out our hands
for power and strength greater than ours.

And as we join hands, we find love and understanding
beyond our wildest dreams.

PROPOSED AGENDA

Region 5 Assembly, November 6th and 7th, 2015, MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA

FRIDAY

- 3:00-5:30 PM **Region 5 Board Meeting** (EAST ROOM, open to visitors)
6:15-6:45 PM **Registration** (OUTSIDE EAST ROOM, hosted by _____ IG)
6:15-6:45 PM **New Representative Orientation¹** (EAST ROOM, Region 5 Trustee)
7:00-8:15 PM **Evening Session** (EAST ROOM)
Board Updates, Workshop on the Importance of Working All 12 Steps, 2016 Proposed Budget Review
8:15-8:30 PM **Break**
8:30-9:15 PM **Intergroup Sharing Meeting** (EAST ROOM, facilitated by the Intergroup Outreach Committee)
9:15-9:45 PM **State/Province Meetings** (EAST ROOM)
10:00-11:30 PM **Night Owl OA Meeting** (EAST ROOM)

SATURDAY

- 7:30 AM **New Representative Orientation¹** (EAST ROOM)
Committee Chairpersons Meeting (TBA, Region 5 Chair)
8:15 AM **Latecomers Registration** (OUTSIDE EAST ROOM, hosted by _____ IG)
8:30 AM **MORNING SESSION** (EAST ROOM)
Call to Order
Opening Ceremonies (Welcome, Serenity Prayer, For Today, 12 Traditions)
Roll Call
Adoption of Credentials Report, Assembly Standing Rules, Agenda Responses to 5 Minute Writing Exercise
Mini-Countdown (Years of Abstinence)
Recognitions (new representatives, former region officers, former trustees)
Appointments (minutes approval committee, copy coordinator, timer, tellers)
9:00 AM **Officer Reports Q & A** (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee)
Special Committee Appointments
Emergency New Business Committee
Nominating Committee (if needed)
Nominee Presentations
Announcements
Adjournment
10:15 AM **Committee Meetings**
 1. Bylaws Committee (TBA)
 2. Convention Committee (OUTSIDE EAST ROOM)
 3. Emergency New Business Committee (if necessary, location TBA)
 4. Finance Committee (meets at 1:30 PM, location TBA)
 5. Intergroup Outreach Committee (EAST ROOM, front left)
 6. Newsletter (EAST ROOM, middle left)
 7. Nominating Committee (meets at 1:45 PM, if necessary, location TBA)
 8. Public Information/ Professional Outreach (PI/PO) (EAST ROOM, middle right)
 9. 12th Step Within (EAST ROOM, Back right)
NOON **Luncheon** (TBA, advanced paid registration required)

¹ If this is your first assembly and you cannot attend the orientation, contact the Region 5 Trustee or a Region 5 Board member to make alternate arrangements.

- 1:30 PM **Committee Meetings** (reconvene, if necessary, in same locations)
 1:45 PM **Nominating Committee** if necessary (location TBA)
- 2:25 PM **Five Minute Writing Exercise** (EAST ROOM)
- 2:30 PM **AFTERNOON SESSION** (EAST ROOM)
Call to Order
Opening Ceremonies (Welcome, OA Responsibility Pledge, Serenity Prayer, Concepts of Service 1-7, Concepts of Service 8-12, More Responses to 5 Minute Writing Exercise)
Credentials Report
Report of the Minutes Approval Committee of the July 11, 2015, Minutes 7th Tradition Collection
- 3:00 PM **Time Out for Robert** (Karen B, Parliamentarian)
ELECTIONS: Vice Chair _____, Secretary _____
AFFIRMATION OF TRUSTEE _____
Committee Reports (please be ready to report at the front microphone)
1. Bylaws Committee
 2. Convention 2015/2016 Committee
 3. Emergency New Business Committee
 4. Finance Committee
 5. Intergroup Outreach Committee
 6. Newsletter Committee
 7. Nominating Committee
 8. Public Information/ Professional Outreach (PI/PO) Committee
 9. 12th Step Within Committee
- New Business**
 2017 Region 5 Convention Bids
 Emergency New Business, if appropriate
 Other ?
- 4:00 PM **Brainstorm: R5 Fellowship Inventory Results**
 (Karen B, Parliamentarian and Former General Service Trustee)
- Recognition of Outgoing Representatives**
Green Dot Ceremony
Announcements²
Chair's Lifeline Drawing
- 6:00 PM **Adjournment and OA Promise³**
Good of the Order⁴ (front of the EAST ROOM; for Region 5 officers, trustee, committee chairs)
- 8:30-10:00 PM **Open Recovery Meeting** (EAST ROOM, hosted by _____ IG)

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM **Region 5 Board Meeting** (TBA)

² The name badges will be collected in a box and returned to the secretary.

³ Please pick up and discard all handouts and other materials at the end of today's session.

⁴ Representatives and visitors are requested to visit outside the meeting room during the *Good of the Order*.

REGION 5 TIMELINE

2015

Sept. 11-13 Region 5 Convention, Chicago (Schaumburg), IL

November 6-7 Region 5 Assembly, Merrillville, IN (first Saturday)

2016

March 11-12 Region 5 Assembly, Location TBA

May 2-7 WSBC, Albuquerque, NM

July 8-9 Region 5 Assembly, Location TBA

Sept. 1-4 World Service Convention, Boston, MA

Sept. 16-18 Region 5 Convention, Detroit, MI

November 11-12 Region 5 Assembly, Merrillville, IN

2017

March 10-11 (tentative date) Region 5 Assembly, Location TBA

May 1-6 WSBC, Albuquerque, NM

July 7-8 (tentative date) Region 5 Assembly, Location TBA

November 10-11 (tentative date) Region 5 Assembly, Merrillville, IN