

SECRETARY REPORT FOR 2021 SPRING ASSEMBLY

February 25, 2021

Dear Region 5 Friends,

In this **2021 Spring Assembly Packet B**, please find the following documents:

As always, the **number of pages** for each document is given for your convenience. And "New" flag indicates that these documents are originals or have been changed since the 2020 Fall Assembly

- B01_R5_Secretary Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o This is what you are currently reading.
 - o New 3 Pages
- B02_R5_Virtual_Assembly_Info.pdf
 - This is an addendum to the Assembly Information document "A24.Region 5
 AssemblyInfo 2019-01.pdf" in Packet A. It contains specific information to what
 procedures we will be following a Virtual Assembly.
 - o New 5 Pages
- B03_Standing Rules for Region 5 Virtual Assembly.pdf
 - o These a special set of Standing Rules for the Virtual assembly. They replace the standing rules that was published in Packet A.
 - o New 2 Pages
- B04_R5_Chair_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B05_R5_Vice-Chair_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B06_R5_Treasurer_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B07_R5_Trustee_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 2 Pages
- B08_R5_Bylaws Committee Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B09_R5_Convention_Committee_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B10_R5_Media_Committee_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B11_R5_Intergroup-to-Intergroup_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 2 Pages
- B12_R5_Sponsorship_Task_Force_Report_2021_Spring_Assembly.pdf
 - o New 1 Page
- B15_2020 Budget to Actual Jan Dec.pdf
 - o Updated 2 Pages

- B16_2021 Revised Budget.pdf
 - Updated 2 Pages
- B20_R5_Spring_2021_Assembly_Credentials.pdf
 - Please check that your intergroup agrees with the number of groups, and therefore the number of representatives your intergroup is eligible to have. If there is a discrepancy, contact Trustee Barb K.
 - Use this form to follow along when we do the Roll Call.
 - o New 1 Page
- B21_Region 5 Contribution-Form2021.pdf
 - o Updated 1 Page

Documents not included

1. There are a few reports that have not submitted at this time. This might because the committee has nothing to report at this time. If I receive any additional reports, I will add the report to the packet and notify you of the addition.

The **Packet B reports** will not be presented at the assembly, but there will be a short time allotted for questions you may have. Please prepare your questions ahead of time.

If possible, attend the **open OA meetings** over the assembly weekend: 5:15 pm (Central Time) on Friday and 8:30 pm on Saturday. The Hosting intergroup is Suburban North Intergroup and can use your support by attending these two events. They are putting them on for you.

As a reminder:

- Please review all documents in Packet A and Packet B before the Assembly. If you do not have one already, please put together a Assembly Handbook. The outline for this is in Packet A.
- If you are unable to attend for any reason, please let me know as soon as possible.
- **Committee Chairs**, please be prepared to submit your report electronically to me at the assembly. If you need help, please come talk to me during the weekend.

Website

I would like to encourage you to publish your Intergroups newsletter, minutes, meeting schedule, and events on the Region 5 Website. Now that the new website is available, we are working hard to get all of the pending updates published also. There is no better way to make sure all of the members in Region 5 see what is going on in your intergroup.

Last Fall we got a new Web Master. He has been working very hard at fixing our website up. You will notice there are some really cool changes.

- 1. There is a Donate Button in the Region 5 Menu.
- 2. We have added a new Find A Meeting menu item.
- 3. There is a new online version of the Freedom of Bondage Newsletter that we are calling our Blog. We are trying to update this at least every two weeks if not more often. There is also a button on the bottom of the page for submitting an article. We are accepting articles about Region 5, Intergroups, Service, and OA Recovery. Please write and article and submit it to be published in our online newsletter. It's a great way of spreading experience strength and hope.

4. There is a Help file available in the What's Happening menu. This help file describes how to effectively use out calendar it also describes how to properly submit an event.

Zoom

We are in need of Zoom Hosts for the Assembly. If you are a visitor and would like to be a Host, please contact me as soon as possible. I will train you on what we need. We also need co-hosts to help the Host. No technical skills needed. Only skill needed is the power of observation.

Thank you for your service! I am very much looking forward to seeing you all at the upcoming assembly. Remember, together we get better!

Yours in recovery,
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