



Region 5 2020 Summer Conference

July 13, 2020

Location: Zoom Cloud Meeting

Session 1

1. Region 5 2020 Summer Conference Session 1 was called to order by the Acting Chair Eileen C. at 8:00 AM Central Time 9:00 AM Eastern Time. Opened with:
 - a. Third Step Prayer
 - b. Responsibility Pledge
2. Agenda
 - a. There are no corrections to the agenda.
 - b. As there was no objection to the agenda as presented, the Agenda was accepted.
3. A Roll Call was conducted by CJ M.
 - a. Counts are:

Voting Reps Present:	22
Voting Officers Present:	3
Eligible Voters Present:	25
Non-voting alternates, guests	13
Parliamentarian	
Region Trustee	1
Total Attendance	39

- b. Details for the roll call can be found in Packet B document "B03_R5_Summer_Conference_2020_Rollcall.pdf".
4. Report of the Minutes Approval Committee of the Region 5 Spring 2020 Assembly Minutes
 - a. The minutes were approved by the committee and were included in the Summer Conference packet.
 - b. Final approval for the minutes will be at the Region 5 Fall 2020 Assembly.
5. Executive Committee Reports Q & A
 - a. Reports for the Region 5 Board were included in the Summer Conference packet.
 - b. Chair – Previous Chair CJ M., Acting Chair Eileen C.
 - i. No questions were asked.
 - c. Vice Chair – Eileen C.
 - i. Eileen will be having surgery on July 22nd and may not be available for a week after the surgery.
 - ii. No questions were asked.
 - d. Secretary – Joel I.
 - i. Joel has been receiving calls asking for help for sponsoring. He asks if there would be some volunteers who would be willing to assist with this issue.

Anybody who is interested will meet as part of the Outreach committee Speaker List sub-committee meeting later this morning.

- ii. No questions were asked.
- e. Treasurer – Gerri M.
 - i. Gerri expressed gratitude for all of the people and groups who have contributing to the Region 5 7th Tradition collection page.
 - ii. Compared to last year at this time we have collected quite a bit more. However, I am anticipating this will drop off because meetings are online and are not collecting a 7th Tradition formally as we do so with face to face meetings.
 - iii. We are ahead of budget because we have not occurred any expenses because we have not been able to do a lot of the activities we planned to do. If we project forward that things remain the same by the Fall Assembly, we will have excess funds in our account. I will be recommending that we distribute these excess funds to World Service, as they can use the funds more effectively than we can at this time.
 - iv. No questions were asked.
- f. Trustee – Barbara K.
 - i. The Body Image, Relationships, and Sexuality Book is online, and you can order it from the OA.org bookstore and you also order it for the Kindle through Amazon. I do not know if it will be available in any other formats.
 - ii. World Service is setting up a YouTube Channel. A video and podcasts will be available with no faces.
 - iii. World Service has made a new publication available for free download: OA “Temporary Sponsors: Newcomers’ First Twelve Days”.
- 6. Participants were split into 4 breakout rooms for Business Committee Meetings (Bylaws, Finance, Convention, Media)
- 7. Region 5 2020 Summer Conference Session 3 was adjourned at 9:20 AM Central Time 10:20 AM Eastern Time.

Session 2

- 1. Region 5 2020 Summer Conference Session 3 was called to order by the Acting Chair Eileen C. at 09:30 AM Central Time 10:30 AM Eastern Time.
- 2. Participants were split into 3 breakout rooms for Outreach Sub-Committee Meetings (Intergroup to Intergroup, Each one Reach one, Speaker list)
- 3. Region 5 2020 Summer Conference Session 2 was adjourned at 10:20 AM Central Time 11:20 AM Eastern Time.

Session 3

- 1. Region 5 2020 Summer Conference Session 3 was called to order by the Acting Chair Eileen C. at 10:31 AM Central Time 11:31 AM Eastern Time.
- 2. Business Committee Reports
 - a. Bylaws
 - i. The committee report was presented by Kerry M.

- ii. The committee decided to pull the motion that the Bylaws committee put together at it 's last committee meeting.
 - iii. Discussed the need to prepare for voting in a virtual Assembly especially for elections. We began the draft of the motion.
 - iv. Our next meeting Sept 12th 4pm central time, 5 pm eastern time.
- b. Finance
 - i. The committee report was presented by Gerri M.
 - ii. The committee discussed how to access online information and brief overview of how to navigate. Gerri will be sending the updated links to all Reps.
 - iii. Discussed different ways to handle prudent reserves.
 - iv. Discussed excess funds we may have due to COVID-19. f we have additional funds, the Finance Committee will recommend a one-time WSO contribution of the excess.
 - v. If the Convention does not take place, we will make sure to pay out expenses as soon as possible to the Cleveland Intergroup as reimbursement. Initially, the Intergroup did not accept the seed money. In light of this Pandemic and its impact on contributions to Intergroups, it might be best to accept the seed money so that the Intergroup does not bear the burden of the expenses.
- c. Convention
 - i. The committee report was presented by Pam P.
 - ii. There are currently 52 people are registered for the convention on Oct 9 – 11, 2020
 - iii. Early bird registration has concluded.
 - iv. Pre-registration
 - v. The committee has decided to continue to determine the appropriateness of holding the convention with the COVID restrictions.
 - vi. Investigate if a face to face and online convention would be possible.
 - vii. The committee decided no clothing exchange or intergroup tables this year because of safety concerns.
 - viii. There will be raffles and literature for sales
 - ix. The Convention committee asks that all intergroups please make sure the flyer is on your website
- d. Media
 - i. The committee report was presented by Keri E.
 - ii. The media committee discussed a replacement for Keri E. as chair since she will be stepping down at the Fall Assembly.
 - iii. Assignments were made for another Region 5 Website Review.
 - iv. The media committee discussed starting a "Freedom from Bondage" newsletter blog page. Then posting an article every two weeks to month. Articles will then be assembled into a newsletter twice a year for distribution.
 - 1. Articles will be theme based such as on concepts or traditions and recovery based.
 - 2. All committee members were asked to write an article, to be submitted mid-October 2020 to Keri.

3. All articles will be reviewed by the board before publication.
 4. Joel will investigate the actual cost to setup a blog page and Keri will determine if money is available to complete this.
 5. We will need to be able to gauge traffic hits on the blog page to determine effectiveness.
 6. Once the blog page has been put in place, the Media Chair will collect articles, edit (with help from the committee as needed), get approval from the board (or a specified board member), and then work to get the articles loaded to the Blog on the schedule that we agree on as a committee.
3. Committee of the Whole Reports
- a. Each One Reach One sub-committee
 - i. The sub-committee report was presented by Jo A.
 - ii. This is the weekend for the Plaster the Poster event.
 - iii. The sub-committee discussed ways to carry the message directly to young people.
 - iv. The sub-committee will investigate establishing it's own YouTube channel for Region 5.
 - v. Next committee meeting is Sunday August 9th, 2020.
 - b. Intergroup to Intergroup (IG2) sub-committee
 - i. The sub-committee report was presented by Carol D.
 - ii. The sub-committee discussed the ongoing process of supporting the intergroup workshops being conducted by Region 5 Officers.
 - iii. The members of this sub-committee would like to get some training to be able to conduct the current intergroup workshop. This will be considered by the Region board.
 - iv. The sub-committee discussed assisting intergroups with materials that help put on workshops for sponsorship and service.
 - v. The sub-committee will be reviewing the materials created by the Louisville Metro Intergroup.
 - vi. Next committee meeting is on September 26th, 2020.
 - c. Sponsorship Task Force sub-committee
 - i. The sub-committee report was presented by Deanna B.
 - ii. This sub-committee was formed to maintain a sponsor list and to help people find sponsors when they need assistance.
 - iii. The current speaker list has included columns for sponsorship. Chris will be asked to remove these columns. The copy of the current speaker list will be created as a starting place for a sponsor list and will be distributed to the sub-committee members. This will not be distributed outside the sub-committee.
 - iv. An email blast message will be created to ask for sponsors to submit their information to the committee.
 - v. If a person asks for a sponsor the committee members will take turn connecting with this person and helping them find a sponsor.
 - vi. The sub-committee will split the responsibilities of incoming calls and/or emails.

4. Nominating committee report
 - a. The committee report was presented by Lynn H.
 - b. One person has submitted their application for Region 5 Treasurer.
 - c. Currently nobody has submitted an application for Region 5 Chair.
5. Intergroup Sharing
6. Announcements
7. Region 5 2020 Summer Conference Session 2 was adjourned at 11:15 PM Central Time 12:15 PM Eastern Time with the OA Promise.

Joel I.
Region 5
Secretary

Minutes Approval Committee: Carol D. Jackson Area Intergroup and Steve B. Central Ohio Service Intergroup.

Date Minutes were approved: 2020-07-19