Overeaters Anonymous – Cleveland Central Intergroup (CCI)

CCI Business Meeting Minutes

Sunday, June 12, 2022

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer at 2:30 p.m.

I. Opening

- The OA Purpose Statement was read
- The OA Pledge was read.
- The Step/Tradition/Concept for the month of June were read
- The Standing Rules were read
- Introduction of all members. There were 17 eligible voting members in attendance.

II. Board Reports

i. Chair's Report - Pam P.

In addition to providing a written report, Pam noted that the recent Pass-it-On Marathon was well-attended and the Events Committee has sent a survey to the e-blast list. The Committee is asking everyone to complete the survey regardless of whether they attended the marathon or did not.

As our Region 5 Representative, Pam is a member of the Intergroup-to-Intergroup Subcommittee and is also helping to edit the Convention Guidelines. Pam reminded members that the Ohio Day of Sharing is in Columbus on August 6th and groups are being asked to provide raffle baskets. CCI is responsible for the registration table and is also asked to recommend a speaker. The theme is Happy, Joyous and Free.

There has been no activity with her World Service committee since the Conference.

At the local level, Pam chairs the CCI Communications Committee which oversees the website and our Facebook page. Traffic has increased on Facebook and administration is attempting to keep it current with a new question each week. Pam raised the issue of CCI business cards which may be useful for members to hand out several to medical staff, etc. so that they can be passed along to patients. The Board will be looking into this.

ii. Vice Chair's Report – Karen B.

No report as Vice Chair at this time. Karen will present her report as Events Committee Chair.

iii. Secretary's Report - Jo A.

The May CCI Minutes were presented with two corrections noted. The Minutes were approved as amended.

iv. Treasurer's Report – Gail K.

Gail reviewed the May Financial Reports:

- Income for May was \$827.43, including \$40.50 from literature sales
- Expenses for May were \$602
- Liability insurance coverage for CCI and all groups = \$451 (following a meeting with our agent and finding a new provider)
- Gail reminded members to include the group number on their checks.

v. Rep/Delegate Report - Marilyn D.

As Chair of the Region 5 Bylaws Committee, Marilyn has not had any recommendations for changes. The committee will meet prior to the Summer Assembly. She also sits on the R5 Sponsorship committee as well as the World Service Unity with Diversity Committee. Marilyn noted that the CCI meeting list continues to show meetings which have been "temporarily closed" for more than two years. She has attempted to contact these groups to determine current/future status so that CCI has a true count of our meetings. This number affects the number of representatives and delegates we can send to R5 and WSBC. Pam consulted with our WS Trustee, Barb K, who indicated it is our Intergroup's responsibility to consider when/if these are closed or active meetings. The three affected meetings are Sunday a.m. Hillcrest; Monday p.m. Forest Hills; and Wednesday p.m. Akron. Marilyn asked if anyone has information regarding the future status of these meetings, to please let the Board know. Meetings which intend to remain virtual need to go to the oa.org website and cancel as face-to-face and reregister as a virtual meeting which will then be issued a new group i.d.

vi. Rep/Delegate Report - Maryann M

Maryann attended the R5 Sponsorship Committee which was basically an organizational meeting. She also sits on the World Service Literature Committee and is responsible for reviewing the 2nd Tradition in the proposed Twelve Traditions Workbook.

III. Committee Reports

Communications Committee – Pam P

Pam reported that testing continues with the on-line donation app (Stripe) with Maryellen F serving as the trial donor. Each donation has a cost of \$.30 plus a fee of 2.9% of the transaction. Pam noted that she monitors and maintains the CCI website consistently to remain current. Committee Chairs have recently submitted their goals and these are listed at the website.

Pam shared the proposed Purpose Statement that the Board recommended to CCI. Following discussion, the Statement was approved:

Statement of Purpose: To support its associated groups in carrying the message of Overeaters Anonymous to those who suffer from compulsive eating and compulsive food behaviors.

Ad Hoc By-Laws – Ann W

Ann noted that the new Statement of Purpose will not affect any changes to our Bylaws.

• Events Committee – Karen B

Karen reported on a very successful Pass-it-On Marathon with an average high of 30 participants. She reminded members to complete the survey and submit it to the committee by June 30. To date, there have been 44 responses. Karen noted that several members won door prizes at the virtual event.

PI/PO/TSW – Shana G

Shana reported the committee has not met since the last intergroup meeting however discussions are continuing with a weekly virtual newcomers meeting. It has not yet been determined what weeknight might work best for attracting newcomers.

- Ways and Means Ann W
 Ann confirmed that she will be sending out door prizes from the Pass-it-On Marathon.
- IV. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with the OA Promise at 3:57 p.m.

The next CCI Meeting is Sunday, July 17, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jo Aslan As Approved 7/17/2022

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