

PTI Meeting Minutes

Friday, August 16, 2019 – 6:30PM

Morton Plant Hospital • Tuttle Auditorium

Name Timer: Shirley Q

Call to Order: Serenity Prayer

1. Monthly reading of Step, Tradition, Concept. Reminder to place principles over personalities.
2. Review Agenda:
 - Add to agenda:
 - two people will apply for open board positions
 - exploring the idea of changing the intergroup date/location, OA related events/announcements
 - resignation of Shirley Q. on nominating board and new person applying for the position
3. Is there anyone new to intergroup today? (Karen, Kathryn, Paula).
4. Roll Call and representation from what meeting and eligibility for voting: Phil, Linda H, Karen, Donna, Colleen, Michele, JC, Sarah B, Rita S, Kendall, Shirley Q, Julie, Kathryn, Pat, Paula
5. Parliamentarian review -position open
6. Approval of last month's minutes: approved
7. Treasurer Report – Position Open
8. Vice Chair Report - Position Open
9. 7th Tradition

OLD BUSINESS

Committee meetings 10 minutes

10. Committee Reports:

A. Retention and Prevention (In-reach) -

- The September writing workshop went well in Palm Harbor!
- The Halloween Party is 10/25/19 at Northwood Presbyterian Church at 7pm, Clearwater
- IDEA Day (International Day of Experiencing Abstinence) 11/16/19, Clearwater First Lutheran Church at 12:30pm (speakers with different topics)
- Tentative 12/12/19 (12 on the 12th) ZOOM Meeting to focus on recovery during the holiday season

B. Outreach-meeting with professionals and reaching the community:

- Christmas Under the Oaks in St. Pete 11/10/19 Sunday 9am-4pm (volunteers are needed-contact Rita)
- Open Streets Event from 11am-4pm 10/20/19 (volunteers are needed)
- FCN Event (Faith Community Nurses) about Addiction at Pasadina Community Church 10/18/19 (volunteers will give information about OA meetings)

C. By Laws: Review of new changes

11. FL State Convention: 2020 Convention is coming and planning is underway.

12. Any additional Old Business? NO

NEW BUSINESS

13. Reading of qualifications of board positions:

- Three Soar 8 Regional Rep positions are available
- Vice Chair and Treasurer positions are available for 2020
- Secretary and Chair need to re-apply for the 2 year commitment starting in 2020
- The person applying for treasurer can re-apply next month because the motion was not passed due to the fact that she has not attended regular OA intergroup meetings in past- 7/13 voting
- 13/13 voting passed for Vice Chair; Shirley Q has withdrawn from nominating committee because she has applied for vice chair

14. Do we want a shared automatic text response to share costs with Suncoast? Suncoast wants to know if PTI can split the cost of an OA support number to submit texts for help (this will not take the place of the OA hotline); this motion was passed and we will vote on it next month.

15. We will take a survey for next month to explore the idea if people would like to change the date/location of Morton Plant for intergroup. This would encourage more newcomers to attend PTI at a centrally located area in Pinellas County.

Things to bring back to meetings:

1. Support the following groups: Wed. 6:45 Mad Bch, Thurs. 10:30am Aldersgate, Sat. 8am Pin Park, Thurs. 11am Dunedin, Fri. 6:45am Belliar
2. Please encourage everyone to come to intergroup.
3. Please share/survey conversation about changing the PTI location/date during the week to encourage more attendance. Bring back any ideas to PTI next month.
4. Lifeline Magazine will end as of Dec. 2020; Current writers/volunteers are needed to submit articles.
5. Have you updated the new definition of "abstinence" in your local OA meeting format?
6. The "Introduction to OA 24 questionnaire form" is only \$0.30 on the OA website.
7. The OA website "suggests" that each attendee give \$5 per meeting only if you are able to do for the 7th tradition.
8. The OA handbook is only a \$1.00 download which includes information about members, groups, and service bodies.
9. The next Unity Day is Leap Day- Feb 29th, 2020.
10. Please remember that information is available on the oa.org website in the "sign-up" section.

OA's Responsibility Pledge: "Always to extend the hand and heart of OA to all who share my compulsion, for this I am responsible." Close with the "Serenity Prayer"