47th Annual Region One Assembly Minutes

October 15-16, 2022 Via Zoom, United States

Board Members present: Alice W., Chair; Sue B., First Vice Chair; Lesley K., Secretary; Erin F., Member-at-Large; Margie G., Trustee; Beverly M., Technology Coordinator; Carrie A., Treasurer. Laurie A., Second Vice Chair was not able to attend.

Parliamentarian: Karen B., Region Seven

Representatives present by Intergroup:

Big Sky: Laurie H.Bitterroot: James G.

Greater Seattle: Tawna W., Mark A., Judy B., Seana S.

North Cascade: Jaime M.Northern Lights: Anne W.

Oregon: Rosanne K., Michelle O.

Península: Cecelia M.Sea to Sky: Terri O.Snake River: Leila L.

Southeast Alaska: Cassie J.

Southern Alberta: Judy A., Serenity S.

Southern BC/Interior: Lorri B.

Intergroups not Represented:

Alaska

Anchorage

Catch the Wave

Central Oregon

Emerald Empire

Lake Country

Pierce County

Regina

South Sound

- Southern Oregon/Northern California
- Vancouver Island

Visitors Present: Paula Z. – Anchorage; Laura E.V. – Emerald Empire; Nathalie K., Cindy C. - Greater Seattle; Diane D., Bev S. – Northern Lights; Elizabeth S. – Oregon.

Tech Support: Mara A., Mikki M., and Ilene.

Saturday October 15th

The Chair opened the 2022 Region One Assembly at 1PM Pacific Time with the Serenity Prayer, a welcome message, and three readings. After explanations about the procedures at a virtual Assembly, the Chair introduced our Parliamentarian Karen B. and our Tech hosts Mara A. and Mikki M.. The current Board members then introduced themselves.

Appointments

Several appointments were made by the Chair:

<u>Minutes Review and Approval Team</u>: Judy A and Seana S.

<u>Assembly Reference Committee</u>: members of the Bylaws team. <u>Reference Subcommittee at WSBC 2023</u>: Tawna W. and Terri O.

WSBC 2022 Appeals Committee: Beverly M. and Michelle O.

Assembly Timer: Erin F.

The open Board positions were announced: First Vice Chair, Technology Coordinator, and Secretary. Qualifications were explained. All are two-year terms. The Chair announced that applications would be accepted for open Board positions through Saturday October 16th at 8 pm. We are also looking for candidates for Trustee.

The Secretary presented the Credentials Report:

Voting Board Members: 6 Region Representatives: 17 Total Voting Members: 23

Visitors: 7 Trustee: 1

Parliamentarian: 1 Tech Support: 2 Total Number in Attendance: 34

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Standing Rules: Leila L. from the Bylaws Committee presented a proposed amendment to the Standing Rules. The amendment was adopted.

The Standing Rules were adopted as amended.

Assembly Notebook: There was an overview of the Assembly Notebook given by Lorri B. from the Assembly Notebook Team.

Presentation on Outreach Projects to the Intergroups:

<u>New Journals and Voices of Recovery Second Edition Program</u>: Beverly M. explained the free literature program available to the Intergroups.

\$200 available to each Intergroup for an in-person event: Beverly M. announced that \$200 is available to each Intergroup for an in-person event. These projects must be funded in 2022.

Nurturing Newcomers Podcast: Margaret T. of the Nurturing Newcomers' Project Team presented the team's English language podcast. It was well received! It was recorded in both English and Spanish. The two podcasts will be posted on the Region's website.

Service Opportunities: There were no nominees for First Vice Chair therefore Sue B. outgoing First Vice Chair spoke and shared about her experience on the Board. Since there also were no nominees for Trustee, Margie G. gave an overview of the responsibilities inherent in the position of Trustee.

Support for Rebuilding Face-to-Face Meetings: Beverly M. and Erin F. facilitated a survey of the members present regarding whether they were attending F2F, hybrid, or virtual meetings. This was followed by discussion and sharing about the challenges and solutions in the different types of meetings. Questions and suggestions were posted on Chat and will be saved and posted.

Reference Process: Alice W. described the reference process whereby the Reference Project Team will review motions and amendments referred to them. At this time none have been referred to the Team. There were no questions.

Consent Agenda: The Chair explained the Consent Agenda and gave a brief overview of the New Business Motions.

New Business Motions: There were 12 new Business motions on the agenda – 5 bylaw (BL) motions and 7 policy (P) motions.

Bylaw motions BL-1, 2 and 3 were listed on the Consent Agenda along with Policy motions P-1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7. Diane D. requested that P-5 be removed from the Consent Agenda. Agreed. Amended Consent Agenda was approved.

Review of 2021 Budget VS Actual: The Board approved various overrides of the 2021 budget. A list of all expenditures that exceeded 10% was screenshared. There were no questions for the treasurer, Carrie A. The Assembly approved the 2021 Budget report, and the ratification was adopted.

Review of Procedure for Debate: Karen B. outlined the procedure for debate and explained that the proposed budget is basically a motion. Any changes would be proposed amendments.

Vote on 2023 Region One Budget Proposal: Carrie A, treasurer, described the budget and it was screen shared. There were no questions and the 2023 Budget was adopted.

Sharing Solutions Presentation: Sue B. facilitated discussion about membership retention, outreach, sponsorship/service, and events. Members were moved into breakout rooms for small groups. After the breakout rooms members shared and posted suggested solutions on Chat. The Chat will be posted.

Nominations from the Floor: The Chair asked for additional nominations from the floor. Teri O. was nominated for First Vice Chair by Sue B. Teri O. accepted the nomination. Beverly M. nominated Diane D. as Technology Coordinator. Diane D. accepted the nomination. There were no nominations for Trustee.

PIPO Webpage Presentation: Sheryl T., secretary of the PIPO Project Team committee shared her screen to show the Assembly the new webpage that was developed by the team. The page can be reached by clicking on Service Resources and then PIPO.

Emergency Amendments: There were no emergency New Business or Emergency Bylaw amendments received therefore the Reference Committee was disbanded.

Assembly recessed at 5 PM with the Founders Promise "I Put My Hand in Yours".

Sunday, October 16

The Assembly resumed at 1:00 PM Pacific Time with the Serenity Prayer. Teri O. from Sea to Sky read the VOR for the day.

The Secretary presented the Credentials Report:

Voting Board Members: 6 Region Representatives: 15 Total Voting Members: 21

Trustee:1

Parliamentarian: 1

Visitors: 4 Tech: 2

Total Number in Attendance: 29

Elections

Teri O., candidate for First Vice Chair spoke and answered questions. Lisa S., candidate for Secretary spoke and answered questions. Diane D., candidate for Technology Coordinator spoke and answered questions.

Election results

The following board members were elected: Teri O. First Vice Chair, Lisa S. Secretary, and Diane D. Technology Coordinator

Seventh Tradition Announcement: Carrie A. explained how to make Seventh Tradition contributions through the Region One website and invited representatives to do so at this time.

Board Reports: Alice W. announced where the Board reports could be found in the Assembly Notebook and noted that questions can be submitted to the appropriate Board member.

Project Team Reports: Alice W. announced where the Project Team reports could be found in the Assembly Notebook and noted that questions should be addressed to the Region Secretary who will distribute the questions to the appropriate Project Team Chair and Board Liaison

Intergroup Reports: Alice W. announced where the Intergroup reports could be found in the Assembly Notebook and noted questions should be addressed to the Intergroup chairs whose contact information can be found in the Assembly Notebook.

Review of Remaining Motions:

- BL-4 Adopted as submitted.
- BL-5 Two amendments. Adopted with amendments.
- P-4 One amendment. Adopted with an amendment.
- P-5 One amendment. Adopted with an amendment.

Complete text of the motions and bylaw amendments, as adopted, are included at the end of the minutes.

Region One Convention Announcements – Sue B. shared the agenda for the November 11th-13th Convention. She noted that newcomers are invited to attend for free. She also noted that we will have four tracks or Zoom rooms. One of the Zoom rooms will be a newcomer track.

First-Time Representative Ceremony: The First-time representatives identified themselves and those assembled showed their appreciation by applauding!

Assembly was closed at approximately 3:45PM Pacific time with the Founder's Promise 'I Put My Hand in Yours'.

Project Team Breakout Rooms with Board Liaison:

Following the end of Assembly, each project team met to introduce themselves, choose officers, and schedule their first planning meeting.

The six project teams are:

Assembly Notebook
Budget/Finance Delegate Support
Bylaws
PIPO

Nurturing Newcomers and Member Retention Sponsorship/Strong Recovery

Submitted By: Lesley K., Region One Secretary November 2022