

OA World Service Office

OA received a total of \$36,649 in contributions by May 2007 and literature sales totaled \$79,347 per Managing Director's report. As of June 2007 Region 2 contributed a total of \$28,421.75, and 17.32% of the 10 region's total which is an average of \$25.87 per region's group.

OA Board of Trustees Executive Committee Report

The Committee discussed landscape damage to OA World Service property from neighboring employees' trespassing and what type deterrent could be implemented but the matter was eventually dropped. The Committee discussed the charitable contributions in reference to new IRS Rules for 501 (c) 3 statuses and mandatory reporting of incomes under \$25,000.

Board of Trustee Meeting May 5, 2007

Election of BOT officers:

Chairman: Dodie H.

1st Vice Chair: Michael B.

2nd Vice Chair: Kayla W.

Treasurer: Bob F.

Trustee Conference Committee Assignments

- **Bylaws**-Craig R (Region 5 Trustee)
- **Conference Literature**-Kayla W. (General Service Trustee)
- **Finance**-Bob F. (General Service Trustee)
- **Professional Outreach**-Angela J. (Region 2 Trustee)
- **Public Information**-Cheryle T. (General Service Trustee)
- **12 Steps Within**-Debbie W. (Region 3 Trustee)
- **Region Chairs** -Connie H. (Region 4 Trustee)
- **Unity with Diversity**-Michael B. (General Service Trustee)

2010 World Service Convention

The board approved LAX Hilton, Los Angeles, CA as 2010 Convention Site with Convention dates of August 26-29, BOT meeting 24-26, 2010.

World Service Business Conference May 2007

At the 2007 World Service Business Conference, up to 201 delegates approved the following items:

- Publication of Black OA Member and A Guide for Sponsor Pamphlets in fall 2007
- Public Awareness Campaign seeded with \$20,000 reserves, to be later sustained by special fund (\$1,175.00 7th tradition received at conference)
- Adjusting the geographic boundaries of Regions 1, 3 and 4 to improve service support for isolated Intergroup
- Amendment of OA WS Bylaws to re-incorporation of OA WS Service Inc. from the state of California into the state of New Mexico
- Motion to create Virtual Media Group Subcommittee to refine proposal

Motions not approved

All Virtual Media Groups proposed amendments to bylaws and gender-neutral changes to OA 12 Steps proposals **failed**. However, Region 6 Trustee, Margaret Ann B., was appointed chairman of the Virtual Meetings Subcommittee designed to refine the failed Virtual Media Group motions.

Conference Committee Reports

There were no oral Conference Committee reports this year because of extensive debate however Conference Committee reports will be available in the final report.

Election of General Service/Region Trustees

- a. Dodie H., General Service Trustee, (3 year term)
- b. Cheryle T., (2 year term)
- c. Vicki W., (3 year term)
- d. Angela J., Region 2 Trustee (3 year term)
- e. Craig R., Region 5, Trustee (3 year term)
- f. Di C., Region 10 Trustee, (3 year term)
- d. Charles A., Region 8 Trustee, (3 year term)

7th Tradition

The delegates of 2007 WSBC contributed a total of \$2,914.81 and donated additional \$1,175 to seed the new Public Awareness Campaign.

New to 2007 WSBC Conference

Region 2 was represented at conference by 3 Delegates possibly for the first time in its history. At conference, Region delegates voice the region's conscience while Intergroup delegates speak for their IG.

A provision within OA Bylaws allows 5 additional Region Delegates to the following conference if in the year prior the Region or National Language/Service Board's representation was less than 40% of its service bodies. Again in 2007 Region 2 was represented by only 36% of its total service bodies, therefore is eligible to again to send delegates to 2008 WSBC.

Also Trustees, Region Chairs and Delegates all participated in a forum which drew ideas to fuel the Strategic Plan for OA Inc. Delegates brainstormed over five key items, **Abstinent Members, Strong Meetings, Committed Service Bodies, Public/Professional Awareness and Sound Financial Plans**. The ideas gained from this unique session will be incorporated into the final Strategic Plan for OA when the BOT and Region Chairs meet in November 2007.

Trustee Activities

Each month I respond to emails, phone calls and letters from members of Region 2. Some approach me at workshops as well. Generally the questions deal with traditions and OA policies. As is my rule of thumb I primarily reply with pertinent Conference Approved literature, Traditions, Polices or Bylaws and refrain from stating my own opinion.

I attended three Service and Traditions Workshops within the Region in May and June of 2007. Region 2's convention Committee for 2007 and 2008 both were treated to advice from the Region Board of Directors during recent seminars. Ten were presented in the San Diego, CA March 2007 with 20 in San Jose, CA, June, 2007.

On June 9, 2007 members of the Region 2 Board of Directors and I conducted a Service and Traditions Workshop with members of two Northern California Intergroups. The three hour session was attended by nearly 30 people. Topics ranged from maintaining abstinent OA members to encouraging service among OA members.

Innovative Outreach

One of our region members created a pilot program that reaches out to *baby* service bodies. Recently Kalia M. of Sonoma County IG coordinated with Beth and other delegates from conference along with Dominique B., the Region 9 Trustee, to seed a new OA meeting in Namibia, West Africa. Namibia's population is struggling with obesity and diabetes therefore program is needed there. Kalia shipped donated OA literature to Namibia, seems like quite a successful project and her innovation may be incorporated into a WSBC workshop.

In years past, the Trustee has visited the Region's OA family in Mexico for its annual Congress, August 24-26, 2007 in Vera Cruz. Scheduling conflicts may necessitate an alternate board member visiting Mexico this year.

Youth In OA Committee

I received my first e-newsletter from the Youth In OA Committee (YIOA) detailing its success in outreach to young people. According to the newsletter, kid's format worked with members in an inner circle, adults behind, ages eight to sixteen studying the 12 Steps. Jennifer from the Los Angeles Intergroup holds 25 minute speaker meeting for young people. The YIOA list numbers 105 adult and youth members all interested in outreach to young people. A young person's page is in the works at www.oa.org. For more information send an email to info@oa.org.

In OA Service,
Angela J.
Region 2 Trustee