# Greater Seattle Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous

# Meeting Minutes February 7, 2012

# Opening:

The regular meeting of the Greater Seattle Intergroup was called to order at 7:15 PM on February 7, 2012 in St. Paul’s Church of Christ in Seattle, WA by Bill A.

# A. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was adopted as distributed.

# B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 6, 2012 meeting were approved.

# C. Reports

**Board:**

Treasurer: Theresa R. reported payment of rent for St. Paul’s for 4Q FY2011 and 1Q & 2Q FY2012. She said that funds are available for a new locker if it is needed. She reported that she updated the service body information on line. She reported that the winter retreat financial data has been reconciled with the exception of one scholarship which she is working on returning. Our current loss is approximately $980, but we still have not received the refund of the deposit from Camp Huston. Many OA groups decided to donate their scholarship funds so we likely will not lose any money on the retreat after all. January expenses $7188.45, cash deposits $170, check deposits $1555.00, savings balance $749.64 and checking balance $5340.60.

Secretary: MJ announced that to be added to the mailing list for GSI one needs to send an email to [seattlechair@gmail.com](mailto:seattlechair@gmail.com).

**Delegates:**

Catherine B. reported the need to have funds approved tonight for the delegate’s trip to the World Service Business Conference. Region 1 chair is planning to resign and if anyone is interested in providing this service they can either go to the website and/or get in touch with Catherine for more information. Kevin provided further information about the qualifications to meet this position.

There are 3 vacancies for delegates.

**Standing Committees:**

Events: Sharon L. reported several upcoming events - Unity Day, I Love OA, Olympia event and the OA HOW retreat June 1-3. She passed around fliers about events outside our region as well. An OA HOW retreat committee is being formed and a registrar has been chosen. Catherine B. added that the Region 1 assembly and convention is in Spokane on Sept 28-30.

12th Step Within: needs chair

Ways and Means: needs chair

HOW: Cheryl D. reported that the committee is still working on updating all of the HOW materials and that approximately 25% has been completed. She thinks it will likely take several more months before anything is brought to GSI to be considered for adoption.

**Special Committees:**

Newsletter: needs chair

Literature/Lifeline: Marcia reported she supplied copies of the abridged tools of recovery and addenda for the OA 12 and 12 to reflect the addition of the 9th tool, a plan of action. She also brought in OA literature order form booklets and “Celebrate” envelopes that may be used to make contributions to OA.

Website: Hollie reported that the website redesign is complete and currently no further changes are planned. She will, however, be keeping the site up to date. If anyone has questions or would like to make additions to the website, contact her.

Historian/Archives: needs chair.

# D. Unfinished Business

1) Bill followed up on setting goals for the coming year.

* Our priority is get more people involved in GSI.
* Pasha suggested providing an information sheet about GSI for reps to take to home meetings and to be posted on the website.
* Shauna suggested providing a welcome packet for new reps.
* Catherine B suggested providing a notebook with dividers to take to meetings with information about GSI.
* Bill reiterated our basic need to find the people willing to take on the responsibility to accomplish these tasks. Our goal is to have commitments from people that are willing to step up to head or be part of the committee that take on these tasks by the March meeting.
* Marcia suggested bringing a friend to the next GSI meeting.

# E. New Business

1) Winter retreat review and discussion. Bill and Marcia met to discuss the cancelled retreat and brought a summary of their discussion. Any questions or issues that are not addressed today should be emailed to Bill. Major points were:

* Should next year’s retreat be scheduled for a different weekend in 2013?
* Should the retreat be rescheduled at Camp Huston?
* Should our outstanding deposit be applied to next year’s retreat?
* Should we pass on the retreat materials for the HOW retreat committee to use for their upcoming retreat in June?
* Marcia reported that the winter retreat committee will be meeting next week to cover these issues and will report back to GSI.
* The speaker had trip insurance so costs that needed to be covered were minimal.

2) Kevin presented World Service Business Conference agenda items that needed to be discussed before the WSBC to vote on whether we would like to have them included on the WSBC agenda. All proposed changes to the amendments of the bylaws of OA (#1-18) were discussed and there were no objections to having any of the proposed motions being placed on the WSBC agenda. All proposed changes to the policies of WSBC (Proposals A-J) were discussed and there were no objections to having any of the proposed motions placed on the WSBC agenda. Kevin moved that **“the bylaws chair be reimbursed for the copy costs involved”** and the motion was approved.

3) Catherine B. presented the financial needs for the 2 delegates to attend the upcoming WSBC meeting. Kevin moved that **“GSI extend the following expenses for each of the 2 delegates: air/transportation travel, 5 nights lodging at double occupancy and $56 per diem for 5 days”** and the motion was approved.

### Attendees Present:

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| Bill A | Chair |
| Brenda | Renton - Tuesday night |
| Catherine B | World service delegate |
| Connie | Public outreach chair |
| Denise | Shoreline |
| Erin | University district - Saturday morning |
| Esmerelda |  |
| Jeanette | Shoreline |
| Kaitlin | University district - Monday night |
| Kevin C | Mill Creek, Thursday night and bylaws chair |
| Marcia | Literature/Lifeline chair |
| MJ | Secretary |
| Pamela | Redmond - Monday night |
| Pasha | World service delegate |
| Penelope | Ballard - Tuesday night |
| Samantha | Edmonds - Sunday night |
| Sharon | Vice-chair |
| Shawn | Northgate - Tuesday night |
| Steve P | Ballard - Sunday night |
| Sue | Bellevue - Saturday |
| Theresa | Treasurer |

### Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. The next regular meeting will be at 7:15 on March 6, 2012 in St. Paul’s Church of Christ.

Minutes submitted by: MJ