BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING OF JULY 16, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Benni F., Chairman, Board of Regents at 7:30 PM at the International Service Office of Gamblers Anonymous.

Present: Benni F., John C., Ara H., Sean N., Eddie R., Bernie G., Richard C., and Karen H., International Executive Secretary.

Present by telephone: Allan S.

Absent: Russ M.

Guests: None

A. The minutes of the Board of Regents meeting of June 18, 2010 were read and approved.

Motion seconded and passed

For.... 8 Against... 0 Abstained... 0

B. The Operating Statement for June 2010 was read and approved.

Motion seconded and passed

For.... 8 Against... 0 Abstained... 0

2 - OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Lifeliners.

Karen H. reported that there were 3 new Lifeliners as follows:

Florida... 1 Massachusetts... 2

B. Discussion of G.A. growth.

Karen H. reported the following concerning the growth of G.A. during June 2010:

New Cans received from meetings.... 0

Group Information Request Forms.....10 as follows (City & State):

La Verne, California Las Vegas, Nevada

Stockton, California Woodbridge, New Jersey
Old Saybrook, Connecticut Slingerlands, New York
Elk Grove, Illinois Pemberville, Ohio
Sioux City, Iowa Trencin, Slovakia

Nineteen Starter Kits were sent out as follows:

Prisons... 1

Ashland, Kentucky

Regular... 18

Huber Springs, Alaska Phoenix, Arizona Moreno Valley, California Stockton, California (2) Anderson, Indiana

Lamars, Iowa

White Fish, Montana Las Vegas, Nevada

Carteret, New Jersey

Ringwood, New Jersey Voorheesville, New York Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Skylorsburg, Pennsylvania

Smithville, Texas Riverton, New York

Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi, India

Jalisco, Mexico

C. Infringements of G. A.'s Intellectual Property.

The International Executive Secretary sent a letter to the T-Shirt company regarding their use of G.A. intellectual property. She has not received a response as yet. She reported she will follow up prior to the next meeting.

D. Communications at Board of Regents meetings.

Benni F. raised the issue brought up by the Board of Trustees specifically requesting the ability to monitor Board of Regents meetings when desired. It was discussed and the system that was recommended to have a conference call telephone line established so that any interested G.A. members, with prior approval, could monitor the meeting. The G.A. members would be provided with an access code to that line. The observers would only be capable of hearing the regular meeting and would remain excluded when personnel matters were being discussed. A motion was passed unanimously to use the recommended system on a trial basis for the October 2010 Board of Regents meeting.

3 - NEW BUSINESS

- A. A review of the financial status was presented by the International Executive Secretary. All items were found to be within normal operating parameters.
- B. A review of the Standing Rules for the G.A. International Service Office Board of Regents was conducted with following changes incorporated by unanimous vote:

Standing Rule #14 b) last sentence, change "will" to "may". Standing Rule 14 b) will now read: In the event of any mistake in the Gamblers Anonymous literature, if the fault is the printer's we will return the literature to be corrected. If it is our fault, we may destroy it.

Standing Rule # 21 shall be changed to add "or emailed monthly" following "mailed". This will now read: Minutes and agendas of the Board of Regents meeting will be mailed or emailed monthly to each member of the Board of Regents, the Chairman, the two Co-Chairmen and all members of the Board of Trustees.

Motion to add Standing Rule #32 to read: Current Trustees are always welcome to attend Board of Regents meetings subject to prior notification.

- C. Review of Insurance Coverage of the Corporation. This item is tabled until the August Board of Regents meeting.
- D. By-Law Changes for Article III, Section 5.

The following changes were proposed and will take effect when concurred with by the Board of Trustees.

Article III, Section 5

"In the event an individual elected to the Board of Regents is unable to fulfill that position, he or she will be replaced by the next highest vote receiver from the election previously conducted by the Board of Trustees, for appropriate area.

If there are no individuals available to fulfill such term, the Board of Regents will submit a list of names to the Executive Board of the Board of Trustees.

The Executive Board shall, within 30 days, select an individual to fill such vacancy. The newly selected member will serve out the balance of the vacated term.

E. Discuss By-Law Changes applicable to the Board of Trustees.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed By-Law change, "All votes taken at any Board of Regents meeting will be by roll call, unless unanimous. The Recording Secretary will be responsible for detailing the roll call vote results in the monthly minutes" that passed a first vote during the Board of Trustees meeting will be complied with by the Board of Regents.

Another discussion was held concerning the proposed change from one year to two year terms for elected members of the Board of Regents. No opposition was expressed by the Board. Since several proposed changes were made, Benni F. asked John C. to prepare By-Law changes in accordance with proposed Board of Trustee changes that were approved during the Board of Trustees meeting. This will be discussed at the next Board of Regents meeting.

F. A motion was raised, discussed, and <u>passed</u> to change the September 2010 Board of Regents meeting to September 24, 2010 at 7:30 P.M. because of the Jewish High Holiday.

The collection in the amount of \$20.00 was taken and the meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer. The next meeting of the Board of Regents will be held at 7:30 PM on August 20, 2010 at the I.S.O. in Los Angeles.

Respectfully submitted, Bernie G., Recording Secretary