

**BOARD OF REGENTS
MEETING OF JULY 15, 2011**

The meeting was called to order by John C., Chairman, Board of Regents at 7:30 PM.

There has been a verbal resignation from The Board of Regents by Tom L., who was previously elected. Calvin C. is now on the Board of Regents by approval of the Executive Committee of The Board of Trustees.

Present: Arnie B., Bernie G., Bob W., Calvin C., John C., Marie R., Marty G., Richard C., Russ M. and Karen H., International Executive Secretary.

Present by Telephone: None

Absent: None

Guests: None

The Chairman has stated that he will only vote to break ties.

- A. The minutes of the Board of Regents meeting of June 17, 2011 were read and approved.

Motion seconded and passed
For-8 Against-0 Abstained-0

- B. The operating statement for June 2011 was read and approved.

Motion seconded and passed
For-8 Against-0 Abstained-0

OLD BUSINESS

A. LIFELINERS

There were 2 new Lifeliners as follows:

- 1-Arizona
- 1-California

NEW CANS

There were 2 new Cans.

- 1-California
- 1-Minnesota

GROUP INFORMATION REQUEST FORMS RECEIVED: 5

- Dorval, QC (no starter kit requested)
- Halifax,N.S. (no starter kit requested)
- Waterford, Ireland (no starter kit requested)
- Puerto Vallarta, Mexico -2 (Requested only 1 Starter Kit)

GROUP INFORMATION REQUEST FORMS RECEIVED PRIOR TO SENDING STARTER KITS-11

Twelve Starter Kits were sent as follows after receiving the Group Information Request Forms for the month of June.

Pensacola, FL Louisville, KY Chalmette, LA Reno, NV Charlotte, NC
Portland, OR. (2) Milwaukee, WI Quito, Equator Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
San Lorenzo, Paraguay

PRISON STARTER KITS SENT: 1

Mercer, PA

B. I.S.O. WEBSITE

As of July 14, 2011 the new Gamblers Anonymous Website is up and running. Some orders have already been processed. Discussion took place regarding a phase 2 that will be coming to the website. There was a suggestion on setting up an easy way to search for meetings in languages other than English.

C. OFFICE LEASE.

Negotiations on office space with a warehouse in Irwindale, CA ended since the office search committee was not able to negotiate a suitable deal with the property owner. On July 12, 2011 additional locations were visited by the committee and an even better location and space was found also in Irwindale. This new space is about 2,800 sq. ft. and also has warehouse space. An offer was made and if this location can be obtained the office and parking costs would be almost a thousand a month less than we are presently paying. The owner will not be getting back to us until early next week since we requested several upgrades he is checking cost with a contractor.

D. PART TIME EMPLOYEE.

Part time employee Steve F. no longer works for the International Service Office. The office could only give him 20 hours of work per week and per the Standing Rules an employee must work at least 30 hours per week to be eligible for health insurance. Since Steve needed health insurance he was unable to stay on.

NEW BUSINESS

A. REVIEW STATUS OF BANK ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE OFFICE.

Bank accounts and other finances were reviewed and suggestions were made to move some CD's to higher interest banks when they mature.

B. REVIEW STANDING RULES.

Standing Rules were reviewed and a motion was made to change Standing Rule # 19 as follows.

Change to second sentence to read the agenda will be mailed or emailed the first week of the month, prior to the meeting.

Approved-8 Against-0 Abstained-0

C. REVIEW INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE CORPORATION.

Karen H. requested this item be tabled until next month.

Motion to table second and passed.

Approved-8 Against-0 Abstained-0

D. APPROVE MONEY ALLOTTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR HUNGARY LITERATURE TRANSLATION.

The Trustee from Hungary requested \$1,500.00 to translate the Red Book and the Guidance Code. The Board of Trustee approved this request. The Trustee requested that these funds be wired to a member in Hungary. A discussion followed on how and to whom these funds would be transferred.

A motion was made and seconded to transfer these funds as requested by the Trustee from the area contingent on written approval by Herb B., Co-Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Martha G., Chairman of the International Relations Committee.

Approved-8 Against-0 Abstained-0

- E. Discuss Gamblers Anonymous Gratitude Week September 11th-17th 2011. This item was added to the agenda by the Chairman. Designating the week in which September 13th appears each year as Gamblers Anonymous Gratitude Week was approved by the Board of Trustees. With approval of this item every group in the world that has a meeting that week is requested to donate a portion of their collection for that week only to the International Service Office. The amount is to be determined by group conscience with 50% suggested.

The collection in the amount of \$39.00 was taken and the meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer. The next Board of Regents meeting will be held on August 19, 2011 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Bob W., Recording Secretary