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Minutes of the Board of Regents - August 18, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Benni F., Chairman Board of Regents at 7:32 P.M.

*Chairman Benni F. has stated that he will not vote except to break ties.

Present: Benni F., Bob W., Domingo A., Lanny R., Phil K., Tom P., Karen H. International Executive Secretary and Ed K. first on the replacement list.

Present by Telephone: Allan S. and Arnie B.

Absent: Tom L.

Guests: None

A. The minutes of the Board of Regents meeting of July 21, 2006 were read and approved.

Motion seconded and passed
For-7 Against-0 Abstained-0

B. The operating Statement for July 2006 was read and approved.

Motion seconded and passed
For-7 Against-0 Abstained-0

2-OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion on Lifeliners.

There were 2 new Lifeliners as follows: California-1 and South Carolina-1

There were 2 new Cans as follows: Massachusetts-1 and New York-1.

10 Starter Kits were sent out in July including 0 that went to prisons and we had 6 new Group Information Forms received back as follows: Chula Vista, California-1, Oceanside, California-1, Loveluck, Nevada-1, Stateline, Nevada-1, Claremore, Oklahoma-1, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada-1.

B. Update on the use of G.A. Name and Logo.

Gamblersanonymous.com is now a help-line. Our attorney has been informed of this violation and he will follow up.

C. Discuss Renewal of Lease on Office.

The International Service Office has received a proposal from the management company. This proposal requests a 15% increase with annual increases on a 5-year lease. The proposal also takes away some of the reserved parking. It was decided that Karen will write a letter offering an 8% increase on the first year with \$.05 cent increases each year after. This letter also requests the present parking remain the same and we will also request some painting, ceiling tile replacement and carpet shampooing. The \$.05 cent increase is in lieu of their requested annual CPI (Consumer Price Index) increases. Since we are Gamblers Anonymous we cannot sign a lease not knowing what the CPI will be. This would be considered gambling and they should understand that.

D. Review Standing Rules (Tabled from the July meeting).

Number 17 of the Standing rules was changed to allow the first on the replacement list of the Board of Regents to balance and reconcile the checkbook.

Number 17 will now read: The bank statement for the International Service Office will be balanced and reconciled with the checkbook by a non-signatory member of the Board of Regents or the first on the replacement list of the Board of Regents.

Motion seconded and passed
For-7 Against-0 Abstained-0

All other items were left as is.

E. Review Insurance Coverage of the Corporation (Tabled from July meeting). All existing Insurance policies including the new Insurance policy for the Office and its contents were reviewed. The new Insurance policy was thought to be exactly as needed.

F. Update on Bank CD's.

Washington Mutual has a rollover special on a 13 month CD with a 5.7% interest rate. A motion was made to take advantage of this offer.

Motion seconded and passed

For-7 Against-0 Abstained-0

The Bank of America CD was also discussed but that one does not mature until October 18, 2006.

G. Any Other Old Business.

The Board of Regents was informed that the Board of Trustees has disbanded the National Hotline committee and turned it over to the Board of Regents.

Gary S. will remain as Chairman of this new Board of Regents committee.

3-NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss Boston Conference.

The Board of Regents was informed that the Boston Conference Committee has not yet sent in the final report. Per the guidelines set up by the Board of Trustees the final report must be sent to the Board of Trustees and the International Service Office within 90 days of the close of the Conference. This was not followed.

The Board of Regents was also informed that the payment for literature sold at the conference was received in July even though two of the checks amounting to \$1,055.50 were dated in April. These checks and one other received only had one signature and this also is a violation of the guidelines set up the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Regents has suggested that the Board of Trustees guidelines should be followed or the Board of Trustees is not doing their job.

B. Change Dates for October and November Board of Regents Meetings.

The October meeting of October 20th is the same time as the Florida Conference and was changed to Friday, October 27th.

The November meeting of November 17th is the same time as the L.A. Mini-Conference and was changed to Tuesday, November 21st.

C. Update on Office Staff.

Keith has resigned from his position with the International Service Office and the vacated position has been filled by Lisa. Lisa is presently working only 26 hours per week but has plans of going full time shortly.

D. Approve Expenses for the Board of Regents Chairman to Attend the Trustees Meeting in Florida.

Motion made to approve up to \$1,000.00.

Motion seconded and passed

For-7 Against-0 Abstained-0

E. Any Other New Business.

Lanny made a motion, which was seconded per item 13 the Standing Rules that he be allowed to go to Belize to help start a meeting. The Chairman ruled the motion out of order.

The collection in the amount of \$35.00 was taken and the meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer. The next Board of Regents meeting will be held on September 15, 2006 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Bob W., Recording Secretary