

**BOARD OF REGENTS
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Steve F., Chairman Board of Regents.

Present: Bernie G., John C., Mike S., Steve F., Woodie H. and Karen H., International Executive Secretary.

Present by Telephone: Bill B., Peter A. and Leanne W.

Absent: Pat S.

Note: Items for the upcoming Board of Regents agenda must be in writing and given to the Chair prior to the first week of the month.

A. The minutes of the August 15, 2015 Board of Regents meeting were read and approved with the following correction:

Under Old Business Item #A remove the line that says "GROUP INFORMATION REQUEST FORMS RECEIVED – 0 (not need I will take out)".

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

B. The operating statement for August 2015 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:

California - 1 New Jersey - 1

NEW CANS

There was 1 new Can from Florida

**GROUP INFORMATION REQUEST FORMS RECEIVED PRIOR TO SENDING
STARTER KITS - 12**

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

La Mesa, CA	Moreno Valley, CA	Venice, FL
Las Vegas, NV	Hobbs, NM	Tulsa, OK
Portland, OR	Longview, WA	Miramichi, NB
Richmond, BC	Vulcan, AB	Sonora, Mexico

Prison Starter Kits Sent: 0

B. E-READERS FOR COMBO BOOK.

There was nothing to report from the committee. The acceptable formats for uploading the Combo Book will be reviewed prior to the October Board meeting.

C. ANNUAL AUDIT.

Karen H. gave a report on the Annual Audit. The Accountants spent all day in the I.S.O. on August 25th going over the books and gathering information in preparation of our Annual Audit. A request was made for the Accountants to present a Management letter for review by the Board when the Audit is complete.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVE EXPENSES FOR TRUSTEE WHO WENT TO AN AREA TO EXPLAIN GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS PROCEDURES.

A detailed summary of the two day event that took place in Tulsa, Oklahoma to explain procedures of how Gamblers Anonymous meetings work and how areas handle different situations was reviewed by the Board. A request for reimbursement of expenses for this trip was submitted. Thanks to David M., Lou W. and Kent C. were expressed by the Board and Karen H.

A motion was made to approve reimbursement of \$630.43 in expenses to David M. for this trip.

Motion seconded and passed

For – 8

Against – 0

Abstained – 0

B. REVIEW LITERATURE PRICING.

Karen H. presented an Inventory spreadsheet of G.A. approved literature including exact amounts and costs as of September 11, 2015. The document was reviewed and discussion was held. Some of our printing costs have increased due to paper prices increasing. It was suggested to increase our literature prices approximately 10% and the Board of Regents will update the prices during the October Board meeting. It was also suggested in order to give our members some notice of this price increase, that the price changes will become effective February 1st.

Motion was made to increase the prices of G.A. Literature effective February 1, 2016 with the cost to be determined at the October 17, 2015 Board meeting.

Motion seconded and passed

For – 8

Against – 0

Abstained – 0

C. REVIEW TRUSTEE AGENDA.

The Agenda for the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting to be held in Cancun, Mexico October 22 and 23, 2015 was reviewed. Items pertaining to the Board of Regents and International Service Office were discussed with four items being voted on by the Board of Regents as follows:

#6 Rules and Procedures

When any motion is made and seconded, to accept an agenda item that directly affects the Board of Regents and/or the International Service Office, the author will have the first opportunity to speak on the item. The next person to speak will be the Chair of the Board of Regents or any BOR member who replaces the Chair in his/her absence, to advise the floor of what the Board of Regents' position is on that item.

Motion seconded and passed

For – 8

Against – 0

Abstained – 0

#11 By-Laws - 2nd Vote

Although the Guidance Code states Groups are self supporting and do not take outside donations, the International Service Office (ISO) can accept donations from family and

friends of Gamblers Anonymous Members in memory of members that have passed away.

Motion seconded and failed

For – 0 Against – 7 Abstained – 1

The roll call votes are as follows:

<u>For - 0</u>	<u>Against - 7</u>	<u>Abstained - 1</u>
	Bernie G.	Leanne W.
	Bill B.	
	John C.	
	Mike S.	
	Peter A.	
	Steve F.	
	Woodie H.	

#64 Guidance Code – Article XIV Officers of the Board of Regents

The minutes of the Board of Regents meeting will reflect accurately all items submitted for inclusion on the Agenda of the Board of Regents meeting, with clear indication of any items rejected or deferred, including the reason for rejection or deferment.

Motion seconded and failed

For – 0 Against – 8 Abstained – 0

#65 By-Laws – Article XVIII – Order of Business

At all meetings of the Regents of the Corporation, the order of business, except when otherwise determined by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Regents present in person, or telephonically or electronically shall be:

- (A) Election of officers (if required)
- (B) A reading of the minutes of the previous meeting
- (C) Report of officers
- (D) Consideration of budget (if required)
- (E) Old business
- (F) New business

Motion seconded and passed

For – 8 Against – 0 Abstained – 0

The collection in the amount of \$82.00 was taken and the meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer. The next meeting of the Board of Regents will be held October 17, 2015 at 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Woodie H., Assistant Recording Secretary