

**BOARD OF REGENTS  
MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2016**

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

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

Present by Telephone: Bill B. and Leanne W.

Absent: Peter A.

A. The minutes of the November 19, 2016 Board of Regents meeting were read and approved.

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

B. The operating statement for November 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:

Florida – 1                      Missouri – 1

**NEW CANS**

There were no new Cans.

**GROUP INFORMATION REQUEST FORMS RECEIVED PRIOR TO SENDING  
STARTER KITS – 5**

Five Starter Kits were sent out as follows after receiving the Group Information Request Forms for the month of November:

Flagstaff, AZ                      Golden Valley, AZ                      Kalispell, MT  
Monterrey, MEX                      Tijuana, MEX

**PRISON STARTER KITS SENT: None**

**B. FINANCIAL SOFTWARE UPDATE.**

Karen H. reported that she spoke with Bill B. regarding Lifeliner receipts and that Luz is continuing to put into the system, cans and groups. Karen mentioned that she needs some help with the next steps and that we don't have mailing addresses for all the groups. Bill B. offered to assist the office on a conference call platform.

**C. E-READERS FOR COMBO BOOKS.**

Steve F. reported that he and Peter A. were not able to put together a list of items for the Board of Regents to vote on, however, after discussing specifics with John C., Chairman of the Board of Regents, prior to the meeting, it was important that we vote on pricing, and how to proceed with creating an account on Amazon/Kindle and Nook, with a corporate credit card. It was determined that it didn't matter which size of the yellow

Combo Book was uploaded, large or small, as the user is able make the print larger if need be. John C. suggested selling the E-Reader version at a cost of \$1.25, which is what we charge for the large paper version. Discussion ensued about different options and pricing, and John C. made a motion to charge \$1.25 for the Combo Book on E-Readers.

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

#### D. GRATITUDE WEEK.

Karen H. reported that \$9,556.80 has been received by the I.S.O. for this year's Gratitude Week with 153 different Groups, Members, and Intergroups contributing. Thank you for your donations!

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### A. SET PRICES FOR NEW LITERATURE.

Karen H. reported on a new piece of literature called "Gamblers Anonymous – A Guide to Regional Service Offices". The literature will have a gold cover page and will be printed in house at the I.S.O., similar to a few other pieces that we print as well. The Board of Regents discussed pricing options and Steve F. made a motion to charge \$1.25 each for the Gamblers Anonymous – A Guide to Regional Service Offices pamphlet and add to our existing list of approved literature for sale.

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

Karen H. also reported that there is another new piece of literature called "Twelve Steps of Unity". Karen has been in contact with Chuck R., who is the Chairman of the literature committee for the Board of Trustees, and has a final copy that is ready to be formatted and printed, but the Board of Regents needs to set the pricing. The color of the cover is going to be Celestial Blue, which actually means unity. The book consists of 12 pages plus the cover and will be on 8-1/2" x 11" size paper. Karen gave the Board of Regents different pricing and quantity options and the B.O.R. discussed how many we should purchase and how fast we anticipate on selling this new piece of literature. Pat S. made a motion to purchase 1,000 copies and sell for \$2.25 each.

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

\*There was an update given on the large print Towards 90 days booklets. They will be available sometime in January 2017.

##### B. LIMITED USE CREDIT CARD FOR I.S.O.

Karen H. spoke with Bank of America and has also considered speaking with American Express. She will report on this next month.

##### C. DISCUSS PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES.

John C., Chairman of the Board of Regents presented the B.O.R. with two proposed changes to the current By-Laws. He stated that he was looking down the road, to allow other people to handle specific duties that are currently handled by Karen H., the International Executive Secretary (I.E.S.). Steve F. expressed his concern, and mentioned the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Regents, which calls out for the

Chairman to step in and take over if the I.E.S. is unable to take care of their duties, which is in our By-Laws. Discussion continued and Bill B. stated that he would work with John C. to try and re-word the motions, and also consult with an attorney to get a legal opinion. Bill B. said that he likes the idea of thinking of the future. The motions presented were as follows:

## **ARTICLE VII – DIRECTORS, POWERS, AND MEETINGS**

### **Current:**

#### **Section 1:**

The International Executive Secretary shall be responsible for the operation of the International Service Office (I.S.O.). He/She shall be under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents who shall have complete charge, management and control of the International Service Office (I.S.O.) and property of this Corporation subject to the terms and conditions of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. The International Executive Secretary may employ an office secretary and any other needed office employee providing written approval first obtained from the Board of Regents.

### **Proposed:**

#### **Section 1:**

The International Executive Secretary or designated individual, as determined by the Board of Regents, will be responsible for the operation of the International Service Office (I.S.O.). He/She shall be under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents who shall have complete charge, management and control of the International Service Office (I.S.O.) and property of this Corporation subject to the terms and conditions of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. The International Executive Secretary may employ an office secretary and any other needed office employee providing written approval first obtained from the Board of Regents.

## **ARTICLE VIII – DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

### **Current:**

(F) The International Executive Secretary shall be charged with the general management of the affairs of the International Service Office (I.S.O.) subject to the control of the Board of Regents. He/She shall be the custodian of the records and funds of the corporation, and shall pay funds out only on the check of the corporation signed in the manner authorized by the Board of Regents.

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After the discussion on the above items, there was no second. There will be an Agenda item next month to discuss further.

The collection in the amount of \$20.00 was taken and the meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer at 10:45 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Regents will be held January 21, 2017 at 9:30 A.M.

Today's Board of Regents meeting had 4 people call in and listen.

**Respectfully submitted by Steve F., Assistant Recording Secretary**