

**BOARD OF REGENTS
MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2023**

Call to order: The Chair, Valerie D., called the meeting to order at 9:30

A.M.

The Chair reminded everyone that recording of this meeting is not permitted.

Roll call was taken by the secretary, Guy H.

Present: Cathy F., Guy H., John C., Valerie D., Zach M., Israel A., Office Manager

Present by phone: Andre G., Arnie B., Gary M., Jo K., and KC B., International Executive Secretary

A. Minutes for January 21, 2023:

A motion was made to approve the minutes as written:

MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED

FOR – 9 AGAINST – 0 ABSTAINED – 0

B. Operating Statement for January 2023:

A motion was made to approve the January 2023 Operating Statement as written.

MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED

FOR – 8 AGAINST – 0 ABSTAINED – 1

Roll Call vote follows:

Andre G. – yes
Arnie F. – yes
Cathy F. – yes
Gary M. – abstained
Guy H. – yes
Jo K. – yes
John C. – yes
Val D. – yes
Zach M. – yes

OLD BUSINESS

A. Office Manager Report – Israel A.

- Lifeliners – one, Calgary, AB
- New Cans – none
- Group Information requests forms received – none
- Group Information request forms received prior to sending out starter kits – three, Starter Kits were sent out to: Modesto, CA, / London, KY / Salem, OR
- Prison starter kits – none

- Venmo and Zelle donations were \$1,527.58: Groups \$680.00, 1x Donations \$192.25, LL Donations \$396.00, I.S.O. Cans Contributions \$209.33.
- The Citibank CD deposit has been completed.
- Three bids have gone out for the new Blue Book formatting and the company chosen is Tiger Lily. The Chair said we should have a quote by the next B.O.R. meeting.
- The web developer is still working on the online ordering function of the website.
- The PayPal donations link will not be handled by the current web developer. It will be handled possibly by GoDaddy. The Chair wants other options.
- The I.S.O. has reached out to a web developer recommended by a Trustee.
- Questions were raised about the website and a new agenda item was added regarding the website.

B. International Executive Secretary Report – KC B.

- January 2023 bulletin completed and sent to printer.
- Working on February bulletin which should be finished sometime next week after getting all of the information needed from the I.S.O.
- An updated annual list of I.S.O. and I.E.S. responsibilities has been included in the bulletin.
- Receiving B.O.R. election bios has been slow. All bios received have been sent to the Office Manager so ballots could be prepared and be ready to mail.
- Updated tally sheet for B.O.R. elections.
- Continuing to collect electronic copies of literature.

C. By-Laws Committee Report – Jo K.

- The Committee did not meet but work is progressing to distinguish between essential By-Laws elements and items deemed to be office procedures.
- There is an agenda item for the Spring 2023 B.O.T. meeting requesting that the By-Laws be considered appropriate literature.

D. Finance Committee – John C.

- The Committee had a meeting on February 14, 2023. Topics discussed included:
- Methods to create additional literature sales:
 - Ask Trustees to notify meetings and Intergroups that they attend to announce when revised literature is available for purchase.
 - Ask the I.S.O. to notify Intergroups and Trustees regarding new revisions made to literature.
- Ways to increase donations:
 - Suggest that members modify their wills or trust to state an amount of a donation to Gamblers Anonymous in their name.
 - Suggest that all meetings mention Lifeliner donations and how to become a Lifeliner.
 - Ask Trustees to suggest to rooms that they have a can to pass around for I.S.O. donations.
 - Discuss with Zoom meetings methods to donate. Example: Direct

mail, Venmo, Zelle and soon, PayPal.

- Arrange a new Spring collection event similar to Gratitude Week.

E. GUIDANCE CODE UPDATE. – Jo K.

- The Guidance Code has been reviewed by Jo K. and it was determined that the code needs to be updated regarding duties of the I.E.S. and Office Manager.
- Items were sent to the B.O.T. and the committee chair of the Guidance Code of the B.O.T.

NEW BUSINESS

A. REVIEW B.O.R. BALLOT FOR JULY 1, 2023-JUNE 30, 2025

- The board reviewed the draft ballot with thirteen members of Gamblers Anonymous listed as candidates.
- Biographies of the candidates will be collected, and the ballots will be finalized for distribution to the Trustees.

B. WEBSITE UPDATES

- The Chair mentioned the formation of a new committee regarding the website. Currently there are no volunteers to be a chair of a new committee.
- A question was raised if G.A. members (not on the B.O.T.) can be on a committee for this purpose. The Chair noted that this is a fact finding process and more information is to follow.
- Discussion only. No motion made.

Number of people who called in to listen to the meeting: one

Collected:\$67.00

Meeting ended with the Serenity Prayer at 10:38 A.M.

Next meeting will be March 18, 2023.

Respectfully submitted by Guy H., Secretary