

**Minutes of Southern Maine Intergroup Meeting
4:30-6:00pm, Sunday, August 6, 2017
Mercy Hospital, 100 State Street B-2, Portland**

Present

Cheryl Y.: Chair, Region 6 Rep, Thursday Bath Rep
Trish V.: Vice-Chair, Monday Scarborough Rep
Debbie P.: Treasurer, Saturday Portland Rep
Robin S.: Secretary, Thursday Scarborough Rep
George H.: Webmaster and Publicity Coordinator, WSBC Rep
Quinn B.: Bath Thursday Rep
Gina T.: Saturday Augusta Rep, Thursday Waterville Rep, Tuesday Winthrop Rep
Michelle: Retreat Committee Chairman
Barbara: Retreat Committee Treasurer
Deborah: Retreat Committee Hospitality Coordinator

1. Opening and Introductions

- a. Serenity Prayer was said and OA 12 Steps, OA 12 Tradition and OA 12 Concepts were read.
- b. Personal introductions and affiliations were shared.

2. Reports

- a. Secretary – Minutes from 06/14/17 were approved.
- b. Treasurer – The ending balance for 08/06/17 was \$5,135.27. See attached report for details.
- c. Retreat Committee – The retreat committee gave a thorough explanation of the processes involved in organizing and funding the retreat. They discussed their plan to do a cost-analysis after the complete of this year's retreat in October and determine how much of the remaining balance is not needed and can be appropriately donated. They also said that it will not be a problem to cancel the 2018 retreat since the Region 6 Convention will most likely be taking place in Portland the same month.
- d. Region 6 – see separate item regarding 2018 Region 6 Convention.

3. Old Business

- a. Membership Survey – the latest changes to the Membership Survey were approved and Cheryl will bring copies to the next Intergroup meeting in October for distribution at meetings. It was agreed that a separate effort to define service areas and recruit interested volunteers is needed and will be discussed in October.

- b. Sponsorship Workshop August 19 – will be addressed again in 2018.
- c. IDEA Day 2017 and Unity Day 2018 – IDEA Day will take place again in Augusta on November 18, the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Unity Day 2018 is planned for Lewiston. More information on both events to follow.
- d. OA Promotional Ideas
 - Literature - Robin brought the plastic stands and the 15 Questions cards and they were distributed along with extra pamphlets provided by Cheryl for placement at various locations.
 - 500 pens for \$175 printed with “Is Food a Problem for You? see oamaine.org for more information” are on order and Cheryl will bring them to the October meeting.

4. New Business

- a. The purchase of a \$50 LL Bean gift card as a donation to the raffle at the 2017 Region 6 Convention in Toronto was approved.
- b. Quinn B is stepping down as the Thursday Bath Rep. Thank you Quinn for your many years of Intergroup service.
- c. 2018 Region 6 Convention – see separate item below.

5. 2018 Region 6 Convention

- Chuck visited Portland on July 22 to tour the Holiday Inn By the Bay and approved it as the convention site. Final approval for hosting the event in Portland will be given at the Region 6 Fall Assembly in Albany on September 16.
- The next conference call is scheduled for Tuesday, September 5th at 7 pm.
- It was agreed that further discussion was required regarding the responsibilities of the Co-Chair before this position can be assigned.
- Cheryl and Trish plan to attend the October 14 Seacoast Intergroup meeting in York to discuss their involvement in hosting the convention. Anyone else interested in attending is welcome.

6. Closing

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm after saying the OA Promise. The next meeting is Sunday, October 1, 4:30 – 6:00 pm at Mercy Hospital, 100 State

Street, B-2, Portland. If you can't attend in person, please join the meeting remotely.

	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
Balance 8/6/17			\$4,668.46
Receipts			
7th Tradition		\$543.45	
Disbursements			
Robin literature/literature holder	\$76.64		
TOTALS	\$76.64	\$543.45	\$5,135.27
Ending Balance			\$5,135.27

7th Tradition			
Brunswick 37459		\$60.00	
Scarborough Mon 38864		\$111.00	
Portland Sat 40258		\$27.46	
Lewiston 50024		\$69.96	
Portland Sun 46925		\$155.03	
Bath 50877		\$120.00	
Total		\$543.45	