

Baltimore Area Intergroup Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2007

The Baltimore Area Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous met on November 18, 2007 at 3:30pm in the Sheppard Pratt Conference Center. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer and a reading of the Eleventh Concept and Tradition.

Roll Call:

Laura	Recording Secretary
Wajeeha	Reg.7 Rep, WSBC Rep.
Joe	BHC Mon. 7 :30pm
Kay	Hotline coordinator
Janis	Tues. 5 :45pm Towson
Mike B.	WSBC rep.
Sarah	Wed. night Columbia
Irma C.	Hiss 10am Thursday
Annette S.	Charles & 39 th Meetings
Liz	Catonsville Mon 7:30p
Ken	Thurs 8p Church of the Redeemer
Lisa M.	Sun. 5:15p Sepp. Pratt
Larry A.	Treasurer

I. Reports

- A. The October minutes were approved with three changes.
- B. Answering Service: ____ calls. There has been some difficulty with changing outgoing messages; Wajeeha volunteered to help fix the problem.
- C. Meeting list updates: The Monday 7:30pm GLBT meeting has found a permanent location at the Second Presbyterian Church on St. Paul Street in the Harwood Youth Room.
- D. Nominating Committee: At this point, the committee has candidates in mind for the positions of Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary.
- E. Region 7: There is an audit in progress of the region's books. There are speakers available from the region website that Laura will burn from the internet. In addition, region has a tabletop display available for all the groups in the region to use for public outreach.
- F. Public Outreach: At the two recent Kennedy Kreiger Health Fairs Joe, Tania, and Gail represented us. Joe has agreed to be the chairperson of the Public Outreach Committee.
- G. Unity Day: The event will take place on February 23rd in Lanham, MD as a collaborative event between local intergroups. More information to follow.
- H. 2008 Retreat: A committee meeting will be held on November 25th from 3:30-5pm. At this point, the committee will proceed with planning based on existing reservations at the Wellspring Retreat Center at the end of August.
- I. Financial Report: The WSBC Delegate Fund balance is \$610.10, and BAIG's net balance is \$4,569.86. Our contribution to Region 7 is 30%, and to WSO is 10%,

once yearly. In the treasurer's report, the Newman Center meeting and Tuesday 5:30pm meeting are listed separately, but they are the same meeting. They will be combined in the records from this point forward.

II. Unfinished Business

- A. The motion to open a Paypal account for BAIG will remain on the table.
- B. WSBC Funding: In order to send two delegates to the WSBC, \$1200 must be raised. A discussion of the appropriateness of multiple passes of the basket ensued.
- C. By-Laws Change: See attachment. A motion was made to amend Section VIII as follows: Every incidence of the term "World Service Conference" will be changed to "World Service Business Conference," and in Section E the current language in Subsection 1 "Elections are held annually" will be changed to "Elections for Regional Representatives are held annually in December. Elections for World Service Business Conference Delegates are held annually in October." The motion passed.

The basket was passed at this time in observance of the Seventh Tradition.

III. New Business

- A. A committee will form in order to review Bylaws and Procedures. A meeting will convene on December 2 from 3:30pm to 5pm to establish Standing Operating Procedures. An announcement will be sent out to the email loop.
- B. Intergroup Inventory: Tabled.
- C. Group Needs and Concerns: a. When a group isn't represented in our accounting, how can members know that their money is being donated appropriately? Suggestions: regular business meetings, discussion of proper donation of funds-see pamphlet "The 60/30/10 Way." b. Where can a member go for help on nuts and bolts questions about issues like disruptive members? Suggestions: See the Traditions in the OA 12/12, contact someone at Region 7, or reference the Ask-It Basket on the OA website. c. A member got a call from someone interested in attending a meeting as research for a short story. The person was informed that meetings are only open to people who have or think they might have a problem with food. d. Traditions Workshop Feedback: It may be useful, but a focus on the steps is important also. No workshop is planned at this time.