

**OA Middle Tennessee Intergroup
Business Meeting Minutes
April 21, 2008**

1. Gina C. welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.
2. She led us in the Serenity Prayer.
3. Introductions were made: Gina C, chair; Angie B, vice-chair; Mary K, secretary; Bea B, Kathy T, Lee T, Peggy N, Barbara C, Kayce.
4. Angie B. read the Preamble to the Bylaws.
5. Mary K. read the 4th Tradition.
6. Angie read the 4th Concept for treasurer Sarah G.
7. The minutes from the March, 2008 meeting were approved as posted on the oanashville.org website.
8. Treasurer's report. None because Sarah G. is ill.
9. Meeting List Report. New meeting lists are available.
10. Committee Reports:
 - a. Webmaster. Elisha has made meeting corrections on the website; bylaws have been updated, and the minutes from our business meetings are now available online.
 - b. Cleaning. Doug is the new chair, and he has already started cleaning. Intergroup looks great.
 - c. Media Library. We still need a chair.
 - d. Region 8/WSO Delegate. We still need a delegate.
 - e. Phone. No report.
 - f. Lineline. No report.
 - g. Group Outreach. Nancy C is still available for outreach at meetings, but she is unable to come to the business meetings right now.
 - h. 12th Step Within. No report.
 - i. Public Information. We still need a chair.
 - j. OA Literature. Peggy ordered literature for the retreat, and what did not sell will be brought back to the literature closet.
 - k. AA Literature. Peggy said we're stocked.
 - l. Intergroup Building. Lee was told by all the women in attendance that the toilet is not working again in the ladies' bathroom. It has never really been fixed completely. Lee said he would call yet again.
 - m. Notes of Hope. Angie reported that Teresa is saving tidbits heard at the retreat to publish in Notes of Hope. Kathy T. said it might be a good idea to have Teresa's e-mail address on our website so it will be clear where to send submissions to Notes of Hope.
 - n. Workshops. Peggy wondered if she should talk to Becky and her committee whether or not it's OK to do more 12-Step Study Workshops this summer. Peggy has had people asking for them, so the demand is there. Peggy said she would follow up.
 - o. Professional Outreach. No report.
 - p. Designated Downloader. No report. Kayce stepped up and said she would like to chair this committee.

- q. Office Organizer. Kathy T. has just taken over this position.
- r. Retreats Committee. Angie reported that the April 18-20 retreat at the Dubose Center may have been the best attended retreat we've ever had. 37 people came for the weekend, and 6 or 7 came for Saturday. There was wonderful interaction and positive feedback. All 12 principles were discussed. People came from KY, AL, and GA. 8 people came on the Barbara Lamb scholarship, so the fundraising for that was obviously successful. It's the most scholarships we've ever funded. The Dubose Center was booked for our next retreat.

11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. The committee organized to look into new office space includes Lee T, Elisha, Stephanie, and Patrick. Patrick can recommend a friend who is a commercial real estate agent. Our current lease expires 6/09. Lee said it may not be easy to find new space as we have many requirements, including proximity to interstates, wheelchair accessibility, not too expensive, and not too much space, but a big enough room to hold 30-40 people at a meeting. Please contact Lee if you have any leads.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Spring retreat. Angie already discussed it (see item "r.")
- b. Elections in May. The Nominating Committee met, and the potential nominees for our board are: Chair: Angie B; Vice-Chair: Barbara Bain; Secretary: no nominees. Mary K. is stepping down; Treasurer: Sarah G. is continuing to serve until October. We will vote on the slate at the business meeting in May. New nominations can be made in the meantime. All nominees must be abstinent and willing to serve.
- c. Newcomer packets. Angie wondered if we should have guidelines for sharing in newcomer packets. Peggy said that she has already typed up a paragraph for the Saturday morning newcomer's meeting that explains crosstalk. She suggested we put that in the newcomer packets. Everyone agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20.

*****The next Intergroup Business Meeting is Monday, May 19, at 6:30*****

Respectfully submitted,
Mary K. Secretary
April 25, 2008