

**CHI-WIF Intergroup
Business Meeting
April 15, 2024**

Present

Dave, Saturday Morning Burr Ridge
Evelyn, Naperville 7:30 p.m. Monday and 12th Step Within
Gerri M., Butterflyer, Treasurer
Gwen, Saturday Morning Friends in Recovery
Laura W., Elmhurst Sat a.m.
Lori d., Riverside & Zoom Administrator
Lucy, Tuesday Yellow Box Church
Pate “Paddy” C., Tuesday Lord of Life
Peggy I., Saturday Morning Friends in Recovery & Scribe
Toni B, At Large

Mission Statement—The Chi-Wif Intergroup supports Overeaters Anonymous groups in our area to carry the message of abstinence and recovery to compulsive eaters via the Twelve Steps of OA.

Spiritual Principles

Step 4—Courage
Tradition 4—Autonomy
Concept 4—Equality

- I. **Welcome/Serenity Prayer/Introductions**
- II. **Officers’ Reports**
 - a. **Scribe’s Report—Peggy I**

February 2024, March 2024

Upon a motion made, seconded, and carried, the April Scribe’s report was accepted as presented.

- b. **Treasurer’s Report—Gerri M**

March 2024

Upon a motion made, seconded, and carried, the month Treasurer’s report was accepted as amended. A question was asked regarding the financial health of the World Service Office [WSO]. Gerri

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reported that the office is operating at a deficit, because of Amazon sales of literature replacing the former WSO exclusive sales of literature, which was WSO's main source of revenue.

III. Committee Reports

a. Bylaws—Laura W, Chair

Laura reported that the board had achieved the goal of contacting all meeting groups according to the bylaw requirements ahead of May's vote on the proposed bylaw amendments.

b. Public Information/Professional Outreach—Cathy L, Chair

No report.

c. 12th Step With in—Evelyn, Chair

Evelyn reported that the workshop sponsored by the Intergroup and the Yellow Box Church group had gone very well. There are no workshops scheduled at this time. Lucy asked how one can find out about other workshops. Evelyn suggested looking at the online calendar of Region 5. Gerri noted that posting to the calendar requires approval from Region 5, so the time needed for that should be figured into plans. She mentioned that the Butterflyer was also available for publicity.

Paddy asked what the 12th Step's goals were for workshops, and Evelyn responded one per month.

Lucy asked if the group could make a donation to the venue church out of the profits of the workshop. Gerri reported that the Standing Rules of Chi-Wif state that for workshops sponsored by Chi-Wif, the facility fee (if the facility has no set fee) is \$50 plus \$1 for each attendee over 50. The proceeds, net of expenses are split 75% to Chi-Wif, and 25% to the sponsoring group. The sponsoring group may disperse it's profits as it

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sees fit, so an extra donation to the church would be perfectly acceptable.

Gerri reported that her group had put on a workshop about the 12 Traditions, and no one attended. This was very disheartening to the group.

Evelyn stated that she would look for ideas about advertising future workshops at the World Service Business Conference.

Toni reported that there was a restarted meeting in the intergroup. Held at the Batavia 12 Step Club; 8 E. Wilson St., Batavia, IL; In Person Only, Thursdays 6-7 pm.

d. Butterflyer—CJ M., Chair

No report

e. Zoom Rep—Lori D, Chair

There is a new update to Zoom 6.0 this week. It has a concerning new feature. It has floating emojis, including cakes, that are not appropriate for OA meetings. The only way to turn off the floating emojis is to turn off the emoji option altogether. Lori asked for permission to do so, and the consensus was to turn off the option.

There is a new type of intruder. They are older men, coming in and appearing to be befuddled, and in need of copious help to understand the meeting. The idea is to take up time and resources, and sometimes they change their picture in the middle of the meeting to keep it going.

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IV. Unfinished Business

None

V. New Business

None

VI. Looking Ahead to Next Month

a. Officer Elections

b. Bylaw Votes

VII. Closing with the OA Promise

VIII. Next IG Meeting—Saturday, May 18, 2024

Submitted in Service

Peggy I.