

CHI-WIF Intergroup Minutes – April 17, 2021

The April 17, 2021, CHI-WIF meeting of Overeaters Anonymous was opened at 10:02 a.m. by Dave C. Introductions were made, and all said the Serenity Prayer. Dave cited the spiritual principles for Step 4 (Courage), Tradition 4 (Autonomy), and Concept 4 (Equality).

Attendees:

- Dave C. – CHI-WIF Intergroup Chair
- Sara S. – CHI-WIF Intergroup Vice Chair; Co-Chair for Public Information/Professional Outreach Committee; Meeting Rep. for Riverside Tuesday 7 p.m. meeting
- Terri N. – Secretary
- Suzanne M. – 12th Step Within Committee Chair; Meeting Rep. for Elmhurst Sat. 10:15 a.m.
- Rich W. – Bylaws Committee Chair
- Gerri M. – Butterflyer Editor
- Chris B. – Meeting Rep. for Oak Park Sunday 7 p.m.
- Cathy – Meeting Rep. for River Forest Saturday 9 a.m.
- Heidi – Meeting Rep. for Burr Ridge Saturday 8 a.m. Zoom
- Lori D. – Meeting Rep. for Riverside Tuesday 7 p.m. (and Zoom guru)
- Betsy – Meeting Rep. for River Forest Saturday 9 a.m.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

Terri N. read the minutes from the March 20th meeting. Gerri made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Cathy seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved as read.

Laura W. was not present, but we reviewed the financial expenditures report she submitted (\$700: \$225 to Region 5, and \$475 to World Service). Sara made a motion to approve, Terri seconded, and the expenditures were approved. We had \$640 in contributions in March. Betsy made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Gerri seconded it, and it was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bylaws – Rich W., chair

Nothing to report from Rich.

Public Information/Professional Outreach (PIPO): Laura W. and Sara S., co-chairs

- Laura was not in attendance, but Sara said she is working with Region 5 PIPO to get new ideas to bring back for CHI-WIF.
- Gerri M. said the OA Silicon Valley Intergroup is organizing "Get to Know OA" virtual evenings for professionals (physicians, educators, HR managers, clergy/faith leaders, and local government officials) as well as newcomers. The next event will be held July 28, 7-8 p.m. (PST) – (Newcomers 6-7 p.m.). Here are the landing pages for each event with further information and details: For Newcomers: <https://bit.ly/2021NewcomerNights>
For Professionals: <http://bit.ly/get2knowOA>

12th Step Within – Suzanne M., Chair

Suzanne met with the previous Chair and got an understanding of what the position entails, the possible events that can be held, and outreach ideas. There was a 12th Step Within workbook, but it has not been located, so it was suggested that Suzanne order a new one and the Treasurer can reimburse her. Suzanne also tried to contact the Chair from the Each One Reach One committee, but no one has responded. She requested that if anyone has any additional contact information, to let her know and she will follow up.

NEW Butterflyer – Gerri M.

Gerri is really busy with work and so has not been able to get the Butterflyer out. She will work on trying to get it out soon.

WORLD SERVICE BUSINESS CONFERENCE:

Laura W. will attend the World Service Virtual Business Conference April 21-24, 2021, as our Region 5 Rep.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:

- World Service Business Conference (Virtual): April 21-24, 2021
- Dallas Convention (Virtual): June 12, 2021

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Website Update:

Gerri said that the Region 5 Web tech charges \$35/hour. She will set up a time to meet with him and get a quote on how much it will cost to make the changes to the CHI-WIF website. If it is less than \$500, she will proceed; if more than \$500, she will bring back the estimate to the group to discuss.

Intergroup Zoom Account

Lori D. ordered the CHI-WIF Zoom account. She was able to get a 25% discount, so the total was \$112 for the year, but we might need one extra account to cover the meetings that occur at the same day and time. All the passwords will be the same. Lori will manage the account, set the security guidelines and perform Zoom updates. She will be the sole account host initially, but will set up all CHI-WIF officers to have the ability to host – she will send all the info.

Everyone agreed that it was urgent to get this account rolling so we didn't lose any more meetings that couldn't afford a Zoom account. Lori said she will work on getting the most current meeting Rep. contact emails. Then she can send an e-vite to all the Reps asking if they would like to have access to the CHI-WIF Zoom account, and if so, to contact her for info and rules. Lori already started setting up a few of the CHI-WIF registered meetings (Naperville, River Forest, Riverside and Elmhurst). Gerri said she could check the Treasurer's Report for active meetings and their Rep info and would send to Lori.

Zoom Action Items Summary:

1. Gerri will send a list of active CHI-WIF Intergroup meetings to Lori
2. Betsy will send a sample list of Zoom Meeting Rules and Meeting Customs (2 separate things)
3. Sara S. will create a letter of invitation to send to Meeting Reps
4. Lori will use Betsy's notes to create rules/processes for Zoom account users

NEW BUSINESS:

Intergroup Service Nominations and Elections

Service positions are up at the end of May for all officers and committee chairs. We need to discuss splitting the elections so we are only bringing in two new people at a time, and not trying to fill all the positions at once. There are descriptions of all the positions – some in the Bylaws and some in Standing Rules. Both are available on the CHI-WIF website.

The meeting was closed at 11:30 a.m. with Rozanne's prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Navarrete, secretary