

CEA-HOW WSO
5500 E. Atherton St., Suite 227-B
Long Beach, California
April 28, 2001
Board Meeting Minutes

A. Call to Order

Pamela called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

B. Serenity Prayer

Attendees recited the Serenity Prayer. The Chair read Tradition Two.

C. Roll Call

Present: Dorothea P., Jean C., Jean P., Karen S-A., Lois B., Norma T., Pamela J, Rae Z.
Absent Excused: David F., Fred S., Margee C.
Resigned: David M.

D. Approval of Minutes of February 3, 2001

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes of February 3, 2001 as amended: 1) Norma T. was present. 2) Change page 4, to read that the calendar will be for sale at the convention. 5) Delete hyphen from Bylaws.

E. Old Business

1. Travel Expense Guidelines

The Board reviewed a proposal from the Finance Committee regarding Board travel expense guidelines and made amendments to the proposal. The approved expense guidelines are attached.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded, that reimbursement for expenses shall receive approval prior to the time of the Board Meeting by the Finance Committee. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0.

2. Cybercash-Evaluation of Fiscal Feasibility

The ad hoc Committee reviewed a sample of 20-30 literature items to evaluate the feasibility of literature sales by Cybercash. The Committee felt that a review of the Cybercash agreement was also needed. The issues that need to be consider are: 1) cost of operating, 2) cost of

Cybercash set up, 3) cost of processing literature orders through the internet, telephone, and in-person.

MOTION. It was moved and seconded, to refer the final decision regarding Cybercash to the Executive Committee pending a recommendation from the Cybercash ad hoc Committee. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0

3. Site of the 2002 WSBC and Convention

Jean C. explored various hotel sites in the San Diego area to hold the conference and convention for the Year 2002. Her best recommendation is the Town and County Resort. July is not available but the times of June 6-9 or May 30 – June 2 are available. Room rates are \$120. Other costs to consider are: Room commitments, food costs, cost of meeting rooms, and rates locked for a two-year contracts.

MOTION. It was moved and seconded, that we explore San Diego as the site for the 2002-03 World Service Business Conference and Convention. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0

4. Public Information

Jean C. developed suggested samples of public service announcements to make available to intergroups in their efforts to bring the message of recovery to others. Norma T. offered a 3-page format for public radio or television interview of recovering compulsive eaters.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded, that the public service announcements submitted by Jean C and the 3-page interview format be disseminated to all intergroups as quickly as possible. Motion passed, F-10, O-0, A-0

5. Committee Reports.

a. Executive

Members of the Executive Committee have made themselves available through the WSO on a rotating basis to answer inquiries related to the CEA-HOW program of recovery.

b. Nominating

The Board reviewed the Participating Director Application for nomination to the World Service Board and to be mailed to conference delegates 30 days prior to the July conference.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded, to approve the Participating Directors Application as revised. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded, that the proposed Participating Director Application be made available 30 days prior to the conference.

AMENDED MOTION. That the approved Participating Director Application be received by the World Service conference delegates 30 days prior to the start of the business conference in order to include in the delegates package, or to be provided no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday of the business conference and distributed by Friday morning. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0

c. Literature

The Board Literature Committee will propose a World Service policy for CEA-HOW literature approval as mandated by the 2000 World Service Conference. The Committee was reminded that the release of the 4th edition of the AA Big Book is expected soon.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded, that the Literature Committee continue to develop a policy as mandated by the 2000 World Service Business Conference for submission to the 2001 World Service Business Conference for approval. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0.

The Board reviewed a calendar and a One-Day At-A-Time Tablet with the tools of recovery and proposed to sell them at the convention at reasonable costs for the Executive Committee to make a final decision.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded that we sell a calendar and a daily One-Day At-A-Time Tablet at the convention. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0.

d. Finance

Rae Z. presented the financial statements for the month of March 2001. The Pat A. salaries payable account has been reduced to approximately \$5000. Pat A. continues to receive \$500 per month. The adjustment on the other half of her donation \$4,048.64 will

be made in the next month. The telephone costs seemed high. Jean C. clarified some information on a contribution from San Diego. Pamela will ask Linda to explore different telephone company rates. Rae noted that the office does not return long distance calls.

e. Education

The Education Committee report was deferred.

f. Bylaws Committee

Karen S. stated that the Bylaws Committee sent bylaws amendments to 31 delegates who were to vote per policy from the 2000 World Service Business Conference. There were 14 ballots returned. Only two amendments failed to receive the 66% approval of the delegates who voted. The abstaining votes (16) are counted as no votes. These amendments related to merging the positions of president and chair of the board. To keep the intent of the previous bylaw conference motion and promote unity within the fellowship, Pamela proposed and the Board agreed that the mandate of the 2000 World Service Business Conference supersede the current bylaws with regard solely to the bylaw amendment regarding fellowship participation. Jean C. suggested that another ballot be turned in at the time of registration for individual and/or group motions to be made on Friday morning.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded that the bylaw review of the ad hoc Bylaws Committee be accepted as amended, with heartfelt thanks for their work involved, and that, in order to conform to the bylaws, a solicitation of delegate votes be made on those sections of the bylaws mandated by the 2000 World Service Business Conference. Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0.

g. Convention 2001

Norma reported that only 15 people have registered at The Rio Hotel. She will follow up on a concern raised about a players card promotion by the hotel. The agreement for the taping of the conference needs to be reviewed to ensure that we are not breaking tradition. Jean P. presented a proposed list of convention workshops in 3 tracks. She asked for suggestions on approaching the speakers. A mailing to the professional community was to be made by Fred S. The T-shirt prices seemed appropriate. Karen will work on convention favors (measuring spoons, pens, etc.) Pamela and Margee will work on the logo for the pens and a gratitude card to Fred S.

h. World Service Business Conference 2001

Pamela presented the WSO conference agenda for review which include input from the conference committee on their meeting of October 2000 and from Area 1 delegates. The Executive Committee will develop the conference standing rules.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded, that the World Service Board arrange for taping of the business conference proceedings with every one signing a release, if it can be done at no extra charge. The tapes will be archived in the office should someone wish to copy at their expense. . Motion passed. F-10, O-0, A-0.

F. New Business

1. Forever Abstinent Spanish Translation

Rae stated that the Spanish translation of the Forever Abstinent Booklet has been translated. Jean C. suggested that at least 3 people review the translation for accuracy, and to include conversions of weight measure.

2. Intergroup Registration Procedures

Rae Z. reminded the Board that two groups are needed to form an intergroup. Recently, an intergroup number was inappropriately issued without requesting the group numbers. This has been corrected.

3. Office Administration

1) Convert Bookkeeper from Contractor Employee

Rureth A. is asking to become an employee with an additional cost of \$47 per month (approximately \$600 per year) to take effect on May 1, 2001.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded Rureth A. convert from contract to employee of the corporation. Motion passed. F-9, O-0, A-1

2) Purchase fax machine

Margee C. has requested to seek the feasibility of purchasing a fax machine to improve the office operations.

MOTION. A motion was made and seconded that Jean C. explore the alternatives to buy a fax machine and defer the decision to the Executive Committee. . Motion passed.
F-10, O-0, A-0.

3) Literature Costs Review

The Executive Committee will be making comparisons on literature printing costs. Rae Z. reminded the Committee that the current stock is running low.

G. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting with the Lord's Prayer. The next board meeting is scheduled on July 26, 2001.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Maria D.