

Spring 2021, R2 Assembly

March 19, 20, 2021

Friday evening was the meet and greet after a one hour zoom tutorial to acquaint us with the zoom meeting format. Then introductions of new reps from around the region.

Saturday morning after OA meeting sponsored by the SF 7 am meeting we gathered for what was to be a day filled with work and a lot of fun.

Region 2 board introduced themselves. The parliamentarian explained the workings of the Assembly and Roberts Rules of Order.

Roll call Saturday morning had 36 voting members in attendance. There were several visitors from various IG's all in attendance.

Minutes of the October 23, 2020 meeting were read and approved.

Then ice breaker time where we went from breakout room to room meeting and discussing

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what we wanted to do and what we wanted to get from and give to the Assembly.

The various chairs gave their reports about the positions they were holding and the activities since the previous Assembly.

I was assigned to Diversity Committee where we discussed how to help our diverse population to become aware of OA and how to make them feel welcome at our meetings. This was a continuation of work done at the previous R2 Assembly in October so the Chair of the committee explained the survey that was devised to be sent out to people to indicate what issues, if any, they may be having or feel that could be a problem with minorities being welcomed in the program.

I have sent copies of the SurveyMonkey forms to all meeting representatives to make available for meeting members to answer if they wish. We were assured that no personal information would be

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divulged from these questionnaires as there were security measures in place to protect the members from having this information taken from their surveys.

2021 R2 convention sponsored by SD IG will be virtual July 9-11 and registration forms available from R2 website. Jerry the Chair of the convention said there will be some scholarships available and also the availability of Spanish translators.

I did ask about 2022 convention location, etc, but the Events Chair was unable to give that information at this time due to some issues that had not been resolved.

After lunch on Saturday we had a guest speaker who was just fabulous to say the least. Hanna our Regional Trustee shared for a half hour about her OA experiences.

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In the afternoon a second roll call was taken and a few more representatives had arrived since the morning roll call making a total of 40 representatives.

New Business: 4 Bylaw changes were made. Non were exceptional in nature. Mostly, changing some wording or in one case correction a spelling error.

Committee reports: Nancy, Public Information. She said there is a meeting on the first Tuesday of each month and all are invited to attend. Information on this group can be found at R2.ORG.

Wendy, Intergroup Outreach is working to get information to the Intergroups and hopefully increase interest in sending representatives to Assembly. She mentioned a social network meeting for the IG Chairs. Next meeting will be on 4/25 at 5pm R2.ORG for information on how to join the meeting.

Arlene: Bylaws, review and update to make sure they are in line with WSO and make any necessary suggestions for changes and corrections.

Jeremiah: Young Persons committee is working on a young peoples zoom meeting and is also working on partnering with WSO's Young Peoples committee.

Ken: Diversity Committee working to get the name changed to Diversity Community and work with those people who might feel they don't exactly belong; men, people of color, people with disabilities, LGBT people. They survey was discussed and it is being sent to all the attendees of the assembly.

Kathleen: 12 Step Within, to give guidance to those IG's and meetings that seem to be having problems with people relapsing and struggling with program.

Announcement of elections in the Fall assembly. The positions open are Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasure and Events Coordinator. Also, announced during the afternoon was that WSO intends to have the WSO convention in Orlando, FL, in July, 2021, as a face to face convention. No further details were given on the matter.

The meeting ended at 5:05 pm.

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