**Region One Board Conference Call**

**Wednesday, July 17, 2019 – 6pm Pacific Time**

Attending: Beverly (Chair), Sue (Vice Chair), Leslie (Treasurer), Cindy (Secretary), Margie (Communications Coordinator), Pat (Trustee), Nadine (Member At Large)

The Region 1 board meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer followed by the reading of the R1 purpose and mission statement.

Beverly invited the Board to check in with two-minute shares. Workload for the Board was discussed as Assembly approaches and all agreed that any new ideas or projects would be set aside until post-Assembly. As they come up, ideas can be sent to Margie and she will hold them for discussion later this fall.

The Board reviewed the calendar, Intergroup Renewal and Outreach Visits <https://www.oaregion1.org/calendar---board.html>

* Snake River IG – August 10 – Pat & Nadine
* **Sept 11 Conf Call – “Shame”** The planned speaker is now unable to speak. September 11th also doesn’t appear to be a good day for some intergroups. Nadine is looking for another speaker and considering September 12 and 18 as dates for the call.
* Regina IG Spring 2020
* SE Alaska IG
* Anchorage IG – January 2020? Beverly encouraged combining workshops, or doing workshops on two consecutive days, for Anchorage and Alaska intergroups.
* **Bitterroot – Board visit via Conf Call?**
* Reminder: Reports (Board, PT, IG) due to assemblybinder@oaregion1.org by August 1
* Reminder: Assembly workshop content due to assemblybinder@oaregion1.org by August 15
* Big Sky wants a visit in February or March 2020 per Nadine. Pat will follow up.
1. **Convention (Sue)**
* There were 67 registrations as of July 16. Gary will serve as a/v coordinator for convention and says he has new recording devices that should make it easier to transfer recordings to the website for download. As a/v coordinator Gary will receive a comped room and convention registration. Funding for the convention speaker from Region 1 was discussed. If funded, airfare will be split between the convention and assembly budgets. Beverly will let BFDS know. Both tablets have been found so there is no need to purchase new tablets for the boutique. It was agreed the R1 needs to develop a tracking system for equipment.

**2020 R1 Convention (Sue)**

Cindy will visit the Holiday Inn and Suites/Bellingham on Thursday and Sue is waiting for a proposal from the Delta hotel in Everett. Sue expects to be able to put together a comparison between the two hotels sometime in the next few weeks. There was discussion about making 2020 a “no-host” convention with several intergroups taking responsibility for different pieces, with Sue hosting/coordinating monthly meetings. Those intergroups might also provide items to sell at the boutique.

**Financials**

Leslie presented the monthly financials and answered Board questions. Leslie will let Pat know who received grants for PI/PO so that Pat can follow up. Beverly mentioned that there is $1,000 budgeted for a new laptop, should it be needed by the next treasurer. Leslie said that the current R1 laptop is slow but dependable and is loaded with QuickBooks.

**R1 Facebook Page** Margie has been testing a new R1 Facebook page and continues to explore its functionality. Several who received an invitation to view from Margie “liked” the page. Margie is also working to connect the R1 website and blog to the Page. Although there may be the ability to sell the journals on the Page, it was also suggested we keep the page “sales free”. It was agreed that for now posts can be made only by the administrator (Margie). IG’s and the Board can send items to Margie to post. Margie will make sure only the administrator can post.

**Virtual Sponsorship** – Nadine. Merle Ann needs a new partner to connect sponsors with sponsees. Nadine will send an email to IG chairs via igchairs@oaregion1.org and “yahoo groups” with a description of the position and time involved. All are encouraged to spread the word about this service opportunity.

**Assembly 2019**

* There are 17 Registrations to-date. Beverly shared the names of the IG’s who have applied for representative funds so far and reminded the Board that applications must be **received** by July 31.
* Elections (Margie and Sue). Margie or Sue will contact Sandra from Greater Seattle about helping with Nominations. Applications have been submitted for MAL (1) and Treasurer (1). Cindy will send the Board a link to the nominee list.
* Assembly will be the main agenda topic next month. Beverly is working on the Connection Challenge and plans to do something a little different for the drawing. Pat has some ideas for the representative gift. Cindy will maintain the Materials List. Beverly will send out the Project team list for the Board to confirm before sending to the reps. She asked the Board to think about whether Nominations should continue to be a committee. The Board should expect additional meetings in September as we near Assembly.

7:30pm The meeting was adjourned with Serenity Prayer

**Next meeting: August 21, 2019 at 6pm Pacific Time**