DA HOW PHONE MEETING INTERGROUP

13 March 2015

10:30 am ET

Talking Points for Intergroup Reps

- The "First 90 Questions" on the PMI website are as up-to-date as possible: in compliance with copyright requirements. They can be found at dahowintergroup.weebly.com following the links on the Resources tab.
- The PMI treasury is at \$145.45 with \$10 in reserve savings.
- PMI is investigating the need for a HOW Format Meeting at an evening time that works for people in the Pacific time zone. If you are interested in this, please contact Sharon S. at sharoninarizona@outlook.com.

Present: Rebekah M (chair), Candace S, Allison H, Sharon S

The meeting opened with the serenity prayer and reading of the 12 Traditions.

Reports and Updates:

Treasurer's Report:

Allison H reported that the treasury contains \$145.45 and that there is a \$10.00 reserve in savings to maintain the account without incurring service charges.

Allison will continue to investigate Paypal option and/or other electronic options. She reported that "we are getting enough deposits to not incur service charges."

Leadership:

Candace volunteered to be the PMI meeting leader for the next 6 months.

Duties: send out reminder email before the meeting and lead meeting.

Telephone Conference Scheduler:

Sharon reported that recently the phone numbers have changed and people were not aware of the upcoming change. She reported that on some meetings, there is a service position of 'Telephone Scheduler' and that this person is usually notified of impending number changes and can inform the group. Sharon will look into what service we are using and how to get the information from the conference call company to become informed of any changes to the call-in number. The group(s) will then decide whether to ad "Telephone Scheduler' as a service position.

Sponsor-sponsee Guideline Subcommittee:

Rebekah reported that she will email the subcommittee members to finish this work.

Literature/Copyright Issues:

Rebekah reported that she contacted OA regarding questions in the First 90 Questions which were taken from the OA Sponsorship Pamphlet. OA stated that it was the questions were sufficiently paraphrased

and within the larger context of the 90 questions and therefore did not require any permission for us to use as is. *This means that the copy of the 90 Questions on the PMI website is currently as up-to-date as possible: in compliance with all copyright requirements of OA and AA.* However, they do still require newcomers to have access to multiple pieces of literature which might make them difficult to complete as written. The Literature Committee will go through the concept questions and look at replacing the readings from these books with other more available literature without diluting the content of the question, making sure the same issues are being drawn out for the newcomer. This will be done at a later date.

Sharon will look for the 'long form' of the 4th step questions and see if there are any copyright issues with them.

Meeting Reports:

Candace (Wednesday HOW Format representative) reported that the meeting is going strong and that there are generally 6-8 newcomers at those meetings.

Sharon S reported that she regularly attends the Wednesday Recovery from Compulsive Spending meeting and that the meeting is going strong, as well, and that she needs to clarify whether this group wants to have a representative to attend the PMI.

There was discussion about whether DA HOW meetings that are no longer functioning should be removed from the phone list. Sharon reported that they voted to disband the Tuesday Living the Promises meeting, but this has not been taken off the DA Telephone Meeting list, despite many attempts to accomplish this (multiple emails, phone calls and letters to DA in Massachusetts). There is still no office manager in the GSO – this may explain the delay.

Rebekah will try to contact members who may still attend the Visions meeting to see if that meeting is still going on.

Members discussed the possibility of having another format meeting – particularly, one that might be convenient for Pacific Time members. This idea will be explored further. Interested parties can contact Sharon S.

DATIG report:

Sharon S (ISR) reported that she attended the DATIG meeting on Monday, 9 March 2014 at 5:30 pm PT. Because there were no officers present on the call, the meeting was postponed and will be rescheduled to a time more convenient for the majority of those attendees who want to continue DATIG meetings (several members stated that the Monday call time was particularly inconvenient).

The PMI meeting closed with the serenity prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon in Arizona