**September MWI Intergroup Meeting Notes**

Meeting Date: September 14

Duration: 78 minutes

Chair: Nate

Attendees: Nate (Chair), Kaitlyn (Web Coordinator), Nancy (Recording Secretary), Sue (Treasurer), Rachel (Vice Chair), Bob (Friday evening meeting rep), Abby (Monday morning meditation meeting rep), Alan (Monday meeting rep), Blair (Visitor,), Jean (Corresponding Secretary), Liz (Parents meeting rep), Susan G. (New announcement person, Noon Gov Center Mtg Rep)

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Meeting Summary:

**1. Introductions and Gratitude Sharing:**

- Each attendee introduced themselves, stated their role within MWI, and shared a personal gratitude.

**2. Agenda Overview:**

- Nate shared the agenda and reminded the intergroup reps of their responsibilities, including supporting strategic goals and sharing intergroup activities with their respective meetings.

- A Fathom recording device is being used for transcribing meeting minutes.

**3. Zoom Meeting Overlap Issue:**

- Issue: An overlap between the Monday men's meeting and the subsequent meeting Parents Meeting was noted, leading to participants being placed in the waiting room.

- Resolution: Alan will remind his group to end by 8:15 pm. Blair and Alan discussed allowing fellowship time before the men's meeting starts.

- Action: Alan will adjust the meeting announcements to include this new ending time and suggest fellowship before the meeting starts.

**4. Region 6 Convention:**

- Update: The hotel for the Region 6 Convention is sold out, but a waiting list is available. The raffle basket process has changed, now only accepting monetary donations instead of physical baskets.

- Decision: MWI will donate $100 to the Region 6 Raffle Fund.

- Action: Sue and Rachel will coordinate sending a physical check to the Region 6 treasurer.

**5. MWI Bylaws Review:**

- Need: Some bylaws are unclear, particularly regarding service requirements for officers. Bob offered to help with the revision process.

- Call for Volunteers: MWI is seeking 2-3 members to review the bylaws and suggest clarifications.

- Action: Members interested in volunteering should contact Nate. This is a good opportunity for those less experienced with service, as their feedback on clarity is valuable.

**6. Minors in OA Meetings Policy:**

- Update: New OA policy states that minors are not allowed in OA meetings due to liability concerns.

- Implication: Meetings should not officially include or target minors. Existing literature aimed at minors is being removed.

- Action: Blair, as the trustee co-chair of the Young Adult Committee, will work on a template response for inquiries about minors and coordinate with Nancy regarding website and chat responses to such queries.

**7. World Service Business Conference 2025:**

- Format: This year's conference will be fully virtual, which allows broader participation.

- Delegates: MWI needs to select a new World Service delegate. Nominations will happen in October, with elections in November.

- Action: Consider potential candidates who meet the requirements for the World Service delegate position.

**8. Treasurer’s Report:**

- Financials: Sue reported an ending balance of $7,800 in August with a working balance of $2,394. Recent donations amount to $465 in September.

- Outstanding Expenses: Totaling $2,300, including Region 6 and WSO donations and insurance premiums.

- Action: Sue will continue to provide transparency by sharing bank statements monthly.

**9. Website and Social Media Update:**

- Current Status: Website traffic has decreased, with a need for more engaging and updated content.

- Workshops: Upcoming workshops are advertised on the website. The next three are already scheduled.

- Action: Nancy will create a list of current website goals and identify areas for improvement to discuss at the next meeting.

**10. Strategic Goals Review:**

- Discussion: Members considered the need to revise or consolidate the strategic goals to make them more actionable.

- Formed Subcommittee: Sue, Susan, and Bob will brainstorm ways to simplify and better achieve the strategic goals, possibly focusing on one or two at a time.

- Action: The subcommittee will meet before the next intergroup meeting to discuss possible changes and report back.

**11. In-Person Meetings:**

- Support: There is an ongoing effort to encourage and support in-person meetings. The importance of these gatherings for fellowship was emphasized.

- Action: Members are encouraged to promote the establishment and support of in-person meetings.

**12. Monthly Announcements Review:**

- Current Announcements: A list of ongoing announcements was reviewed. Feedback was given to streamline and focus on the most relevant information, including workshops, service opportunities, and the Region 6 Convention.

- Action: Susan will streamline the announcements, potentially consolidating service opportunities into a single point and removing non-essential items.

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Action Steps:

1. Zoom Meeting Overlap:

- Alan: Adjust announcements and remind the Monday men's meeting to end by 8:15 pm.

- Blair: Coordinate with Alan for a smooth transition between meetings.

2. Region 6 Convention Donation:

- Sue and Rachel: Arrange for a $100 donation to the Region 6 Raffle Fund.

3. Bylaws Review:

- Nate: Coordinate with volunteers for the bylaw review.

- Volunteers Needed: Members interested in reviewing bylaws should contact Nate.

4. Minors in OA Meetings:

- Blair: Develop a template response for inquiries regarding minors.

- Nancy: Coordinate with Blair to update the website and chat responses accordingly.

5. World Service Business Conference:

- Nominations: Identify and nominate candidates for the World Service delegate position by October.

6. Treasurer’s Report:

- Sue: Continue to share bank statements for transparency.

7. Website Revitalization:

- Nancy: Create a list of current website goals and suggest improvements.

- Group: Provide feedback and suggestions for website content at the next meeting.

8. Strategic Goals Revision:

- Sue, Susan, Bob: Meet to brainstorm and revise strategic goals, focusing on actionable steps.

- Report Back: Present findings and suggestions at the next meeting.

9. Monthly Announcements:

- Susan: Streamline and consolidate the monthly announcement list.

- Jean: Distribute the updated announcements to the group.

10. In-Person Meeting Support:

- All Members: Encourage and support the initiation and participation in in-person meetings within their groups.

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Next Meeting: October 19 (Third Saturday in October)