



2007 World Service Business Conference
Albuquerque, New Mexico

“Living the Twelfth Step”

Dear Delegates,

This brief summary contains only voting results, which you may submit to your service bodies. The motions are printed in their final format as amended.

The minutes, all speeches, presentation/discussion items, committee reports, workshop reports, names of delegates and trustees, bylaws and the Business Conference Policy Manual will be published in the Final Conference Report. The Final Conference Report will be mailed on September 4, 2007 to all delegates and those service bodies who did not have a delegate at Conference. All workshop and committee reports are due at the World Service Office no later than May 21, 2007. To prevent delays in printing the Final Conference Report, any workshop or committee reports not received by the due date will not be published.

Thursday, May 3, 2007 – Business Meeting I

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

- 15 Trustees
- 183 Voting Delegates
- 0 Alternates

for a total of 198 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

Conference Standing Rules

Move to adopt the Conference Standing Rules as presented.

Motion required 2/3 vote to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

The Conference Standing Rules were **adopted**.

Consent Agenda

There were no items placed on the consent agenda.

Conference Agenda

The Conference agenda was **adopted**.

Delegate Briefing

The chairman explained the order in which New Business Motions and Bylaw Amendments would be addressed. The items were considered according to the percentage of “yes” votes, with a minimum of 30 percent (new business motions) and 40 percent (bylaw amendment) of the number of service bodies completing and returning the ballots. New Business Motions were considered in the following order: A-a, A-b, and A. The Bylaw Amendments were considered in the following order: 1, 7, 8, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9.

Remaining Business

The remainder of business consisted of officers’ reports, region reports, trustee nominee speeches and questions and answers of the nominees.

Thursday, May 3, 2007 – Business Meeting II**Credentials Report**

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

- 15 Trustees
- 183 Voting Delegates
- 0 Alternates

for a total of 198 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

New Business***New Business Motion A-a as follows:***

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the Manuscript, *Black OA Members Share their Experience, Strength and Hope*.

Motion required majority vote to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

New Business Motion A-b as follows:

Move to grant the Conference Seal of Approval to the manuscript, *A Guide for Sponsors*.

Motion required majority vote to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

Friday May 4, 2007 – Business Meeting III

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

- 14 Trustees
- 183 Voting Delegates
- 0 Alternates

for a total of 197 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

Region Trustee Elections

The results of the region trustee elections were as follows:

- Region Two – Angela J.
- Region Five – Craig R.
- Region Eight – Charles Aloisio
- Region Ten – Di C.

General Service Trustee Elections

The results of the general service trustee elections were as follows:

- Three-year term – Dodie H.
- Three-year term – Vicki W.
- Two-year term – Cheryle T.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

Proposal Item 1

Move to amend OA, Inc. Bylaws Subpart B, Article VII – Regions, Section 1 – Composition, Parts b) 1, 3 and 4 to read:

- b) The regions shall be as follows:
 - 1) Region No. 1 shall be the Pacific Northwest Region composed of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming (except Torrington, WY), Alberta, British Columbia, Northwest Territories, Saskatchewan and Yukon.
 - 3) Region No. 3 shall be the Southwest Region composed of Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah and Outstates Intergroup, which includes Scottsbluff, NE and Torrington, WY.
 - 4) Region No. 4 shall be the West Central Region composed of Illinois (except the Greater Chicago area), Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska (except Outstates Intergroup which includes Scottsbluff, NE), North Dakota, South Dakota, Manitoba, Northwestern Ontario and the territory of Nunavut.

Motion required 2/3 to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

Proposal Item 7

Move to amend OA, Inc Bylaws Subpart B, Article IV – Members, Section 1 – Legal Status to read:

The corporation may have associated with it persons who are not members of the corporation within the meaning of Section 53-8-11 of the New Mexico Nonprofit Corporation Act, but who may be referred to as “members of Overeaters Anonymous” or “members” in this Subpart B. The identity, rights and privileges of such “members” with respect to the corporation shall be as set forth in these bylaws. Reference in this Subpart B to members shall refer to such persons.

Motion required 2/3 to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

Proposal Item 8

Move to amend OA, Inc. Bylaws Subpart B, Article IX – Board of Trustees, Section 2 – Duties and Responsibilities, Part a) to read:

Each trustee shall serve and represent Overeaters Anonymous as a whole. The members of the board, subject to the laws of the State of New Mexico, are expected to exercise the powers vested in them by law in a manner consonant with the faith that permeates and guides the Fellowship of Overeaters Anonymous, inspired by the Twelve Steps of Overeaters Anonymous, in accordance with the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of OA Service, and in accordance with the bylaws.

Motion required 2/3 to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

Friday, May 4, 2007– Business Meeting IV**Credentials Report**

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

14 Trustees
187 Voting Delegates
0 Alternates

for a total of 201 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

Saturday, May 5, 2007 – Business Meeting V

Credentials Report

The first item of business was to adopt the Credentials Report. The report was presented as follows:

- 14 Trustees
- 187 Voting Delegates
- 0 Alternates

for a total of 201 eligible voters.

The Credentials Report was **adopted** as presented.

Motion #1

Move to refer Proposal items 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 to a subcommittee appointed by the Board of Trustees chair for additional work.

Motion required majority to adopt. Motion **adopted**.

Proposal Item 8

Move to amend OA, Inc. Bylaws Subpart B, Article I – The Twelve Steps, Steps 3, 7 and 11 to read:

- 3) Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood God.
- 7) Humbly asked God to remove our shortcomings.
- 11) Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood God, praying only for knowledge of God's will for us and the power to carry that out.

Motion required 2/3 to adopt. Motion **failed**.

Proposal Item A

Move that Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. conduct a Public Awareness Campaign using the services of an outside agency. Expenses connected to this campaign will be supported by member contributions to a special public awareness campaign fund established by the Board of Trustees. The BOT may use up to \$20,000 of current reserves for "seed" money to initiate the campaign. Such funds are to be reimbursed from the special fund established for this purpose.

Motion required majority to adopt. Motion **adopted as amended**.

Remaining Business

The remaining business consisted of the green dot ceremony and acknowledgements.

Three day total for Seventh Tradition - \$2,914.81
Additional Seventh Tradition taken to kick off the Public Awareness fund.
\$1,175.00 collected.

WSBC 2008 Region Representation Eligibility

Per the November 2004 BOT meeting, a motion was passed that states “On the final morning of the Conference, a count of those represented intergroups and national/language service boards shall be made.” Therefore, the counts below are based on the final morning (5/5/07) of WSBC 2007.

Region	Total # of Service Bodies (as of 5/7/07)	Total # of Service Bodies Represented at WSBC 2007	Percentage of Service Bodies Represented at WSBC 2007
Region 1	26	9	35%
Region 2	36	13	36%
Region 3	25	16	64%
Region 4	23	6	26%
Region 5	32	16	50%
Region 6	45	23	51%
Region 7	26	16	62%
Region 8	56	16	29%
Region 9	54	10	19%
Region 10	12	1	8%

Per OA, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B, Article X, Section 3, Part a) 5: Where the region is represented by fewer than forty percent of its intergroups and other eligible service bodies, the region may send up to five additional delegates. Preference shall be given to delegates selected from intergroups and service bodies which would otherwise not be represented by delegates.

Therefore, Regions One, Two, Four, Eight, Nine and Ten are eligible to send five additional delegates to WSBC 2008.