



Lynne with OA

Region 2 Spring Assembly 2022 Report

I, Lynne T., as our Region 2 Rep, attended Region 2 Spring Assembly on March 25-26, 2022.

I chose to not Mentor this time - there were a lot of Mentors and not a lot of Green Dots, and my Committee work is very active now - our Twelfth Step Within Committee is preparing a panel/ workshop scheduled for July 9, 2022 from 1:30 to 5:00 pm, for the 2022 Region 2 Convention in Burlingame, California.

This year our Region 2 Spring Assembly 2022 was hybrid - available both in person and via Zoom. I attended via Zoom due to family issues preventing me from traveling. We had -

Roll Call: 42 Region Representatives were present, in addition to 10 Visitors, 5 Board members, 1 Trustee, and 1 Parliamentarian. 24 of 32 Intergroups were represented, which is a record for our Region 2!

Region 2 Spring Assembly 2022 was called to order on Friday, March 25, 2022 at 7:00 pm. The Grand Opening of the Spring Assembly began with a Welcome by our Region 2 Chair, Lynn K. She introduced our other Board Members -

Ken F. - Secretary
Patti - Treasurer
Lynn H. - Events Coordinator
Trish - Publications

and our Region 2 Trustee, Anne O.

We enjoyed 2 sets of Ice Breakers by splitting off into breakout rooms of groups of 5. We took turns sharing on: our name, city and state, Intergroup, how long we each have been in OA, something we learned about ourselves during the pandemic, our favorite OA literature, something people don't know about me, and who would play me in the movie about my life!

At 7:45 pm on Friday we enjoyed 2 Speakers, Jerry J. from San Diego, and Deirdre from San Mateo.

At 8:22 pm we had Announcements, and then our Closing Prayer.

On Saturday, March 26th, we were called to order at 8:30 am but they were having trouble with tech set up for the attendees in the room and the ones on Zoom for everyone to be able to hear and see.

At 9:03 am our Region 2 Chair, Lynn K. gave her Welcome to our Region 2 Spring Assembly 2022 Business Meeting.

At 9:05 am, our Region 2 Trustee, Anne O., read today's reading from Voices of Recovery.

At 9:08 am, we had Introduction of our Region 2 Board -

Lynn K., Chair
Ken F. - Secretary
Patti - Treasurer
Lynn H. - Events Coordinator
Trish - Publications Coordinator

and our Region 2 Trustee, Anne O.

At 9:10 am, Anne O. read the 12 Concepts.

At 9:15 am Lynn K, Chair, advised that the Assembly Rules have been amended to accommodate hybrid or Zoom Assembly Meetings. The

proposed amended Assembly Rules were read by Region 2 Secretary, Ken F.

Motion to Adopt them by Consent Agenda was made. Voting Reps were asked for any objections. As there were none, Motion Passed.

At 9:23 am, Ken F., Secretary, took Roll Call -

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Quorum established.

At 9:42 am, we voted by consent to adopt the Minutes from our 2021 Region 2 Fall Assembly, previously submitted by email to all Region 2 Reps. Motion passed, unanimously.

Lynn K., Chair, introduced our new Region 2 Reps, who all attended the Green dot Orientation this morning.

At 10:12 am, Lynn K., Chair, began Board Reports. Full Board Reports are included in the 2022 Region 2 Spring Assembly packet -

https://www.oar2.org/uploads/1/2/2/7/122756664/r2_assembly_packet_-_2022_spring_assembly.pdf

Chair, Lynn K - Intergroups should be sure to inactivate all f2f OA Meetings or Zoom or phone Meetings that are inactive. The Board has been meeting monthly for Strategy Meetings.

Vice Chair - this Board position is open. The Board will fill this position temporarily until a permanent Vice Chair can be elected.

Addendum: On 4-26-22, Region 2 announced that Sonia R. has been appointed as our new Acting Region 2 Vice Chair.

Secretary, Ken F. - His Board position started October 2021. He is enjoying learning all the many aspects of this Board position.

Treasurer, Patti - Her 2022 Region 2 Approved Budget (approved at Fall 2021 Assembly) is included on p. 23 in the 2022 Region 2 Spring Assembly packet -

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Events Coordinator, Lynn H - Elected at our Fall 2021 Assembly after 11 months as our temporary Events Coordinator. One of her duties is working with the 2022 Convention Committee. She announced that the 2021 Convention podcasts are on oar2.org and the password has been lifted so you can go directly in. Region 2 Board Members will come to your area if you want a Concepts Workshop or other Region 2 Workshop. Contact Lynn H. to schedule at events@oar2.org

Publications Coordinator, Trish - Her position started October 2021. She is excited to be serving on our Region 2 Board and is enjoying learning all her responsibilities. (Trish also used her extensive technical skills in running the Zoom camera during Assembly, streaming to the Zoom participants visual of the f2f participants and the live presentations. We also very much appreciated her expertise solving several technical difficulties getting sound working for both f2f and Zoom participants!)

Region 2 Trustee, Anne O. - A Traditions Manual is available for download on oar2.org -

A Traditions Workbook has been created and sent to WSBC 2022 for Conference Approval.

Anne O. also discussed the benefits of each Intergroup inviting a Region 2 Board member and having the Traditions and Concepts

Workshop presented to each of our Intergroups. She said it is really about relationships in the OA Rooms and in our personal lives.

At 10:54, Trish, Publications Coordinator, presented a wonderful and very informative **Town Hall Meeting!** We all participated in discussing items in which Intergroups have asked for help in the Intergroup Social Network monthly Meetings, as listed by Trish. And we discussed other issues as well that the Region 2 Reps present brought up.

Some highlights were -

For Intergroups who are low on available Sponsors -

Collect lists of OA Meetings (for us, OA-HOW Meetings) that have lots of Sponsors to refer your members to.

Sponsors who are not currently available can offer to help new or returning members find a Sponsor by calling or texting good Sponsors they know to check their availability to refer them.

How to get more members to take service positions -

Remove abstinence requirements if appropriate.

Offer easy, short-term service positions that newcomers can do - get them involved, give them a chance for service. Once they enjoy service positions, they will volunteer for more. And it keeps them interested in attending Meetings regularly!

Being a Secretary for one Meeting is an easy service position - just reading from a script - and it will encourage members, even newcomers, to keep coming back and become regular members.

Follow up Meetings with Outreach calls, especially with newcomers and returning or struggling members, so they feel welcome and included.

11:49 am - Presentation by 2022 Region 2 Convention Committee

Participation is primarily f2f. Zoom will be available only for participants from Mexico and Hawaii.

The Boutique Committee will be presenting an Accessories Only Boutique this year which they are calling "Bedazzled." No clothes other than scarves, which are accessories. They will be offering donated items for sale - jewelry, purses, scarves, hats, etc. They are also requesting diverse boutique items such as items for men. They are working on a flier with more details.

1:03 pm, after breaking for lunch - we heard a wonderful Speaker from San Mateo, Donna R. She emphasized that we have a spiritual malady that generates physical, emotional and mental compulsions and addictions, and we find recovery through finding our Higher Power, working the 12 Steps and using the 9 Tools of Recovery.

At 1:32 pm the Board answered Ask It Basket questions submitted both by Zoom and f2f participants.

At 2:20 pm we broke up into breakout rooms for Committee Meetings.

There are 7 Region 2 Committees: (1) Bylaws, (2) Convention, (3) Diversity, (4) Intergroup, (5) Public Information, (6) Twelfth Step Within, & (7) Young Persons.

I enjoyed my Twelfth Step Within Committee Meeting. We continue to prepare for our Convention panel/ workshop, which will be on Saturday, July 9, 2022, from 1:30 to 5:00 pm.

At 3:30 pm we continued the Assembly with our Region 2 Business Meeting.

The creators of Motion 2 presented their Motion (we had earlier voted on Motion 1 - to approve the Minutes from the last Assembly) -

Motion 2 - Presented by the Diversity Committee - Move to change the name of the Diversity Committee to Diversity Community.

Unanimous consent requested. One Objection. Pros and Cons. Questions. Voting.

Motion 2 Carried.

We were sent to breakout rooms again for our Committee Meetings.

AT 4:35 pm we had Committee Reports -

Intergroup Outreach Committee
Public Information Committee
Twelfth Step Within Committee
ByLaws Committee
Diversity Community
Convention Committee

4:52 pm - Region 2 Spring Assembly 2022 is adjourned

4:54 pm - Serenity Prayer