Board Committees

Board Finance Committee (BFC) Report

The Board Finance Committee approved and sent to the Board of Trustee the F.W.S. financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, as reviewed by the outside CPA firm. The BOT then approved those statements.

The CPA firm used that information to prepare our U.S. Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax. After BFC and BOT approval, the return was timely filed on February 11, 2019, without the need for an extension.

The BFC continues to review the monthly financial statements of F.W.S. and present the financial statements to the BOT each quarter. The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for the Quarter ended December 31, 2018 are included elsewhere in the F.W.S Newsletter, Spring 2019 edition.

The BFC also addresses other operational and financial matters including overseeing the tax payments that F.W.S. makes such as Texas Sales Tax and Personal Property Tax.

The current members of the BFC are: Jay G. (OH), Board Treasurer Rich K. (MA), Board Chair Cory F. (TX), Non-BOT Member Phillip W. (AR), Non-BOT Member

We welcome any non-BOT member who has an interest in F.W.S. finances to apply for membership on the BFC, regardless of having or lacking financial or accounting experience. Contact the Treasurer through the link on the F.W.S. web site, any other BFC member or any member of the Board Development Committee.

In service, Jay G., Chair February 17, 2019

Board Outreach Committee (BOC) Report

The BOC focuses on matters of outreach and the Fellowship's public image. It also handles requests from the media and is a resource to the Board of Trustees (BOT). The committee creates policies, coordinates with the BOT, and acts as a consultation resource to F.W.S. on the following topics:

- Publication of conference approved literature
- Public information issues
- Communication and collaboration with entities outside of S.L.A.A.
- Brainstorming ways to reach the addict that still suffers

BOC Committee Composition

- BOT: Earl D. (Chair) and Ned J.
- Non-BOT Members: Beth S., Matt F.
- Join the BOC!

BOC Completed Activities

- Website survey with 841-member responses—Thank You!
- Writing Guidelines for F.W.S. Committees and members
- Modifications and updates to the F.W.S. Website and Committee Corners

BOT Ongoing Projects and Activities

- Top priorities are Conference-approved literature while leveraging an outside professional editor
 - "The Daily Reader" book (which used to be called the "Meditation Daily Reader")
 - "Anorexia Steps 4-5-6-7" booklet
- Review and go-forward strategy of electronic media and digital publications (e.g., eJournal app)
- Address all requests from the media and media-related questions from the Fellowship

It is a pleasure to serve as the Chair of the BOC. The committee always has a full agenda, thanks to the flow of literature from the 2018 ABC/M and dealing with public information requests and outreach.

If you wish to take your service to a new, exciting level, the BOC is seeking additional Non-BOT members. Spring is coming as the BOC continues reviewing literature that can bring the health and benefits of sobriety to the S.L.A.A. Fellowship.

In service, Earl D., BOC Chair February 18, 2019

Board Copyright Translation Committee (BCTC) Report

The BCTC has met three times since the last newsletter, November 15th and December 20th, 2018, and January 17th, 2019.

This Committee is tasked with working with international intergroups for the proper translation, approval and copyright of our literature, as well following up regarding the licensing agreements and royalty payments from the intergroups. The Committee also works to ensure that our copyrights are not being violated through the unauthorized printing or posting of our literature.

The Committee has approved a licensing agreement with Iceland for the translations they have requested during the past 3 months. In addition, we have retained a local copyright attorney in San Antonio to answer any questions that we may have on various items.

Sam E. (NJ) has joined this Committee since the last newsletter as a non-BOT member.

Membership:

Chair: Rich K. BOT Member: Earl D.

Non-BOT Members: Sam E., Pam Martin

Respectfully submitted, Rich K. February 9, 2019